



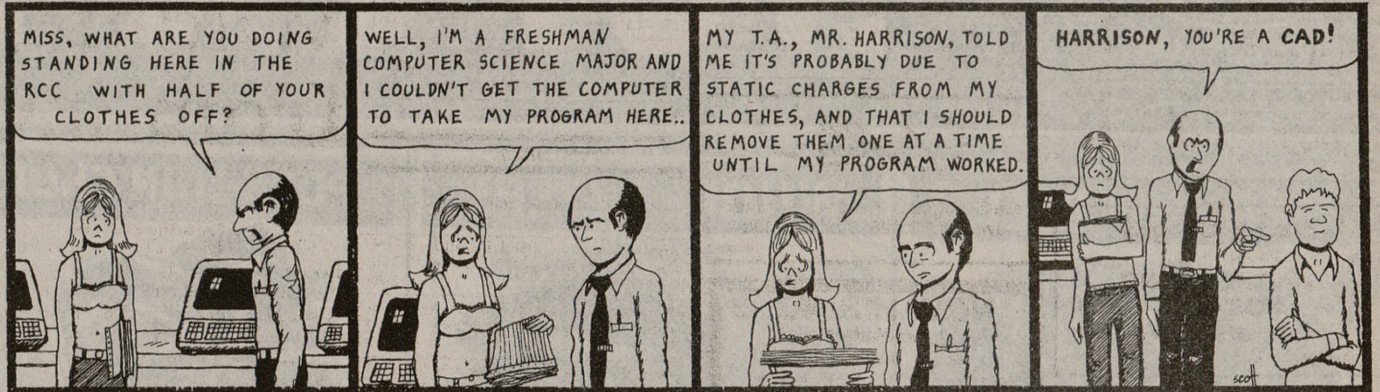
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Aleta Parks, a freshman in general studies from Dallas, enjoys the sunny afternoon blowing bubbles near Hart Hall.

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By Scott McCullar



Inmate wants to sell kidney to pay for crime, teach lesson

United Press International HUTCHINSON, Kan. — A prison inmate wants to sell one of his kidneys for \$10,000 to pay back society for his crime and to teach a child the meaning of friendship.

Rick Reid, 22, a Kansas State Industrial Reformatory inmate from Muscatine, Iowa, robbed a liquor store with a gun in Kansas in October 1980. He is serving a 13-year-to-life sentence for aggravated robbery.

Now, his goal is to save Augusta, Kan., residents Martha Elliot and her daughter, Tina, 12, from bankruptcy. Reid said the Elliots invested in a bad busi-

ness venture and were forced to sell their restaurant. When Mrs. Elliot's mother died, she left her family more bills to pay.

Reid became familiar with the Elliots' problems through another inmate almost eight months ago and his first contact with them was a phone call. Since then, he said, he has kept in touch with the family through letters because the family no longer has a phone.

Reid says the \$10,000 fee he wants to charge for his kidney would be cheaper in the long run for a kidney patient than dialysis. And, although he only has known the Elliots for less

than a year, he said he does not think giving up a kidney for them is a great sacrifice.

"I've known them for almost eight months," Reid said. "There's not a whole lot of people I've known that long in my life. They've helped me out while I've been in here."

"There are some rough spots to go through when you're serv-

ing time. I began to think about what I could do to help them, but what do I have that's worth \$10,000? I have no property — nothing. So I came up with this idea."

Reid said he has not yet received a reply from Mrs. Elliot about his offer, but he said Tina wrote to him.

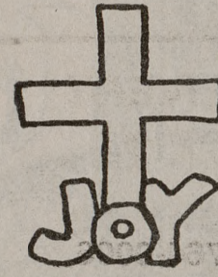
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UPI-NPR merger talks terminated

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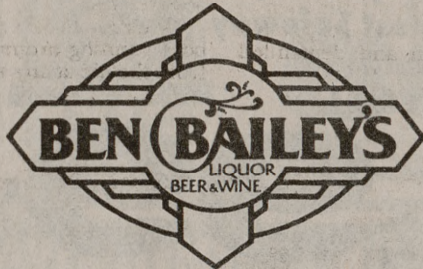
"The initial deal we talked about is dead," NPR director Frank Mankiewicz said. "If it comes up again, it'll have to be revived."

The NPR board of directors, meeting Monday in the Dallas suburb of Irving, decided to drop the proposal, which would have required that NPR assume the UPI wire service from its owner, E.W. Scripps Co., and then obtain donations from several foundations to absorb projected operating losses.

Edward W. Estlow, president of E.W. Scripps, said: "NPR has been exploring it, but it never progressed beyond the interest stage. There have never been serious negotiations between us."

Mankiewicz indicated NPR would remain in contact with UPI about possible cooperation in the communications technology area, including the use of satellites.

"We have been interested in possible technology cooperation," Estlow said, "but that again is an exploratory matter."



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