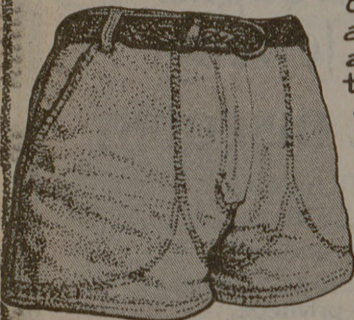


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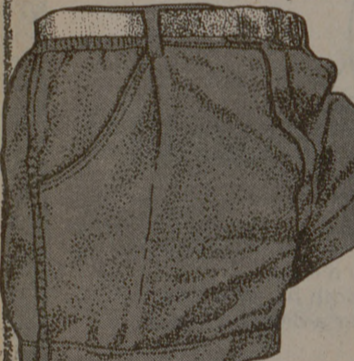
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## Murderer wins award for letter

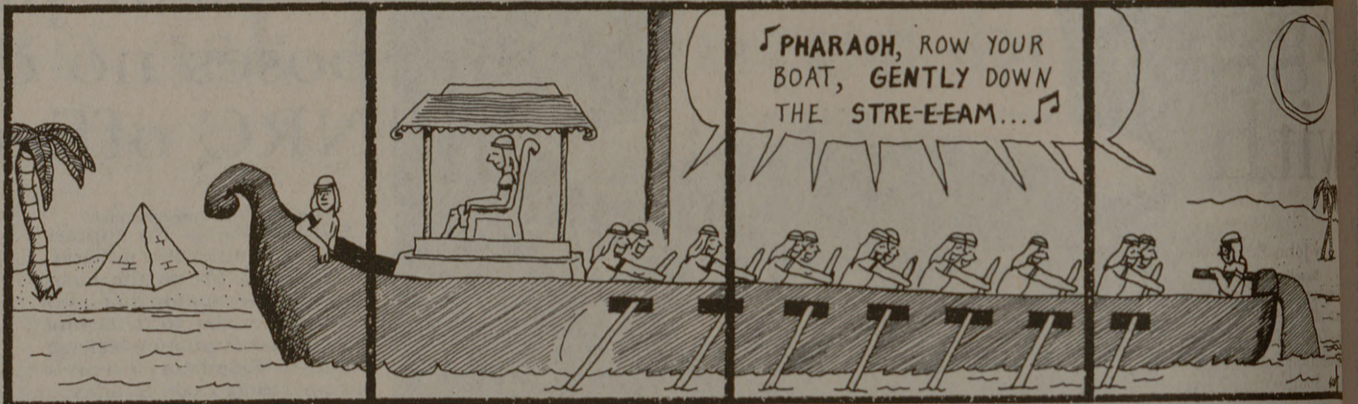
**United Press International**  
CANON CITY, Colo. — A convict serving a life term for murder at the Colorado State Penitentiary will not make it to Denver to accept a Freedoms Foundation medal.

Hayward Lawson, 44, was selected to receive the Valley Forge, Pa., foundation's George Washington Honor Medal. Lawson will get his award in the mail.

In addition to the life sentence, Lawson is serving a 25-40 year term for shooting two Wheat Ridge, Colo., policemen. Freedoms Foundation is honoring Lawson for a letter he wrote to the Denver Post shortly after the release of the U.S. hostages by Iran.

"When the United States was called 'the great Satan,'" the letter said, "I wanted to scream out, 'You dirty bastards — I'm buried in prison here in the United States and I wouldn't trade my fate with the very best of your lot.'"

## Warped



By Scott McCullar

## Boston transit system recovers peacefully from wildcat strike

**United Press International**  
BOSTON — National Guardsmen guarded the Boston transit system Sunday to prevent any trouble during start-up from a one-day wildcat strike that stranded 300,000 passen-

gers and plunged the city into chaos.

The midnight shift of workers who were threatened with firings reported to their jobs on schedule with no problems, officials of the nation's oldest transit system said.

All was quiet along the line, except one station was spray-painted by vandals, police said. There were no arrests.

The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority transit system was expected to get back in operation at its usual starting time today from the strike Friday over a dispute about part-time drivers, officials said.

"Those scheduled have come in," said MBTA police Sgt. Peter Shaughnessy. "There doesn't seem to be any unusual absenteeism. Everything's quiet."

Late Friday Gov. Edward J. King called in about 120 Guard military police to watch the key points in the system that services Boston and 78 surrounding communities.

King instructed MBTA officials to seek \$1 million in damages for the walk-out staged by more than 3,000 members of the Boston Carmen's Union.

Union leaders, who said they had not authorized the walkout, instructed the strikers to put the system back in gear "first thing" today after a judge late Friday sentenced three union officials to jail and King threatened to fire the strikers.

The high-ranking union officials found in contempt of court were then released.

Despite the union's agreement to return to work, King ordered MBTA officials to proceed with disciplinary action that could include dismissals of employees who participated in the strike.

Just before the morning rush hour the transit workers walked off their jobs halting service on all trolley and bus lines and causing massive miles-long traffic jams on expressways and secondary roads.

The traffic situation was better in the afternoon as Mayor Kevin H. White called all businesses to release the employees on a staggered schedule to ease the homebound crunch. Gov. King ordered state workers home early, leaving skeleton staff to operate agencies.

Sidewalks were jammed with pedestrians and bicycle riders in three-piece suits. A well-known Henry Kissinger, who recently underwent open heart surgery at Massachusetts General Hospital, was seen walking on Arlington Street into the scene of the strike.

Stranded commuters reacted with a mixture of anger and resignation.

"I think it is a disgrace," said Charles Underhill, 39, a MBTA commuter who spent three hours in bumper-bumper traffic and almost 15 minutes looking for a parking space.

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## Medical examiner loses position, may be fired

**United Press International**  
LOS ANGELES — Dr. Thomas Noguchi's demotion from head of the nation's second largest coroner's office to medical specialist may lead to his being fired and a possible criminal investigation, county officials say.

Noguchi was removed from his post Thursday by the Board of Supervisors over charges that his mismanagement had plunged the department — the model for TV's "Quincy" series — into chaos.

County officials met with members of the district attorney's office Friday to discuss a continuing investigation into Noguchi and Supervisor Mike

Antonovich said the board is still considering further action, including firing Noguchi if new evidence warrants it.

Gil Garcetti of the district attorney's office said a criminal investigation has not been opened but: "We did and still do leave the door open for a criminal investigation if the facts warrant it."

Such a probe could involve charges of corruption such as requiring fees be paid in order for researchers to gain access to coroner's office files. Another possible charge involves a possible conflict of interest.

But Noguchi's attorney, God-

frey Isaac, said any talk of criminal charges is "a scare tactic with no basis in fact."

"The (board of supervisors) like a little kid trying to find rock to smash someone's face in," he said. "They would love to find something they could get the district attorney's office, but it's not there."

A spokesman for the board said that sufficient evidence has been found to support the demotion.

An aide to Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, the lone dissenter of the 4-1 vote, said he feared the action could involve the county in costly litigation.



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