

Officer killed; 3 others fired

United Press International
ARLINGTON — Two police officers and a civilian jailer were fired Tuesday after the accidental shooting death of a fellow officer, police officials said.

Police Chief H.C. Perry fired Christian Scott Nussbaumer, an officer in training, officer Douglas Swantek and jailer Keith Arterburn. They were charged with violating state and city laws following an internal affairs di-

vision investigation into the Aug. 29 death of William Slaughter Jr.

Police officials said Slaughter and Swantek, Arterburn were riding in a jeep driven by Nussbaumer when Swantek's .357-caliber service revolver accidentally discharged and the bullet struck Slaughter in the head.

The four were returning from a rabbit-hunting trip, officials said.

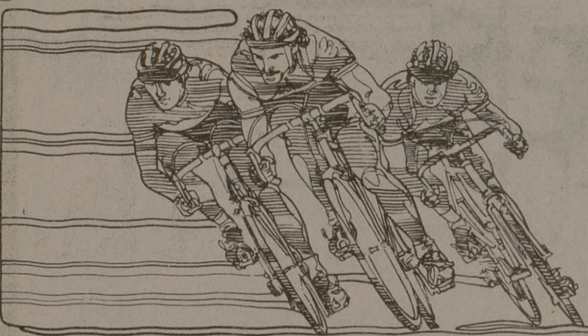
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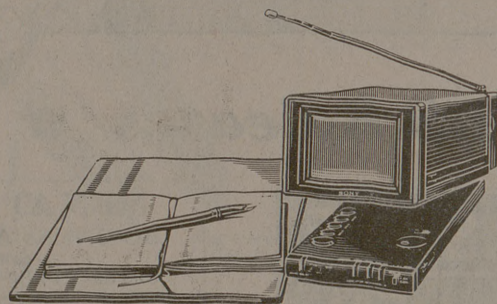


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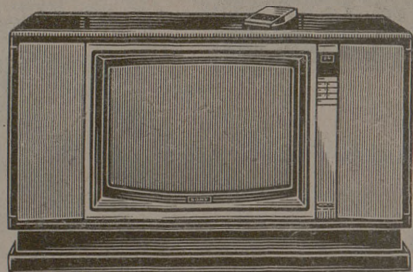
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A&M 'colony' breeding marmosets for research

by Janet G. Joyce

Battalion Reporter
University researchers are working on new and better ways to raise cattle, horses — and marmosets: small, South American monkeys.

At the Texas A&M marmoset colony, research is being conducted to determine the best methods for raising marmosets in captivity, thus making them readily available for research.

Because of their size, marmosets make ideal research animals. Weighing barely a pound, adult marmosets are only about 16 inches long — half of which is tail. They're easier to handle and less expensive to maintain than rhesus monkeys.

The marmoset colony here is one of only a few in the nation and the only one funded by the National Institutes of Health. A pilot colony was established in September 1975 with 12 pairs of breeding animals, said Dr. Franklin J. Stein, associate professor of veterinary anatomy and the director of the colony.

Continued funding from the NIH has supported the colony since then with the current funding period ending next year. The colony has applied for further funding from the NIH, but it will be the beginning of next year before any decision is made. If the application is turned down, the colony would still exist but would have to be reduced in size, Stein said.

The colony has 90 breeding pairs of marmosets and their young. Marmosets are monogamous (one mate) and are more prolific than most pri-



This tiny cotton-topped marmoset is an adult.

mates, breeding twice a year and almost always having twins or triplets.

Three different species are represented in the colony. Most of the animals are common marmosets, which are plentiful in the wild and easily raised in captivity.

The mystax or "moustached" marmoset is extremely difficult to breed in captivity. It is a valuable tool in hepatitis research and is relatively rare, although not yet an endangered species.

The other species at the colony is the cotton-topped marmoset, which is on the Endangered Species List. It is one of the few animals that can be used for studies of cancer-causing viruses. Since it is an endangered species, the animals at the Texas A&M colony are being used exclusively for breeding and are not made available for research, Stein said.



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A family of common marmosets perch in their cage.

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Rotary group helps jobless

United Press International
GREENVILLE — The local Rotary Club is collecting money to help unemployed steelworkers in Pennsylvania since the situation is bleaker for them than laid-off Texas steelworkers, the club's president said.

President Clide Wilcox said he hoped to raise more than \$500 during a collection at the 101-member Greenville Rotary Club's noon luncheon to help a food bank set up to aid steelworkers in Midland, Pa.

A specialty steel plant that once employed 4,700 people in that Pennsylvania town of about 5,000 has laid off most of its employees and plans to shut down Oct. 15.

Wilcox learned of the town's plight through Dallas newspaper reports, which came to light about the same time an east Texas steel mill 80 miles east of Greenville laid off 3,600 steelworkers.

Lone Star Steel Co. shut down in August, eliminating the main industry in the east Texas community and affecting scores of related businesses.

"I thought about Lone Star but we made the decision between the Lone Star group and the Pennsylvania group because of a 20.5 percent unemployment rate in Beaver County, and a very bad rate in Pennsylvania," Wilcox said.

"I don't know a soul in Pennsylvania and I don't know I've ever been there. I've seen the state of Texas are against the neighbors."

"Even those towns in Texas where people were laid off, the opportunity for employment are better in other parts of the country," Wilcox said he decided to organize the collection for Pennsylvania food bank workers of Rotary International's "Mankind is one bridge of friendship that out the world" and a recent he received at Southern States Bank Card.

"Here, I thought, I'm a substantial increase and are people who have not," he said. "We can't take the den of the world on our shoulders but we can help a little."

The food bank was organized by local ministers in Midland and those people who have up their unemployment insurance and are without insurance. The bank considers each and then issues a draft for employed people who eat their groceries at a local cost.

Wilcox said the Midland Rotary club's 12 members try to match the Greenville club's donation.

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