



Preparing for the real thing

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Many students prepare for a winter with real snow on the slopes of Mt. Aggie. The students are putting the finishing touches on their techniques before they hit the real slopes later this winter.

Klansmen gather for rally

KKK protestors rampage

United Press International
WASHINGTON — Police say they were stunned that their secret plan to keep apart the Ku Klux Klan and demonstrators erupted into a violent rampage by anti-Klan protesters.

"We just assumed that if we avoided a confrontation between the Klan and the demonstrators, we would avoid violence," Lt. Hiram Brewton, a police spokesman, said Sunday. "We were wrong."

A disturbance broke out Saturday after police averted a showdown between Klansmen and hundreds of anti-Klan demonstrators. A police car was

overturned and several stores were vandalized and looted.

Thirty-eight people were arrested on charges ranging from disorderly conduct to assaulting a metro transit officer. Twelve policemen and seven civilians suffered minor injuries.

It was the worst disturbance in the city since the anti-war demonstrations of the early 1970s. Regardless, police said they were satisfied they did the right thing in busing a dozen Klansmen through back streets rather than have them march past thousands of angry protesters.

"The situation would have been much worse if we had allowed the march down Consti-

tion Avenue," said Police Chief Maurice T. Turner.

The Klansmen held a peaceful rally at Lafayette Square, protesting legislations that would give amnesty to millions of illegal aliens, and then left the city under police escort. They were gone before anti-Klan demonstrators realized that the march had been canceled and rally held.

As the word spread, the violence began.

"They (protesters) were frustrated," Turner said, "they did not see any Klan, couldn't confront the Klan, so they took it out on police."

Delegate Walter Fauntroy, the city's non-voting member of Congress, told a news conference, "They (the KKK) got what they wanted, pictures all over the world of D.C. black young people throwing rocks and overturning vehicles."

Sunday, merchants hit by the violence swept their stores clean of smashed glass.

"They got nine of twelve windows. They cost about a thousand (dollars) apiece. There was no insurance," said Eddie Sholl, manager of Sholl's New Cafeteria.

Police said they had not yet determined an overall estimate to the damage.

Court order releases secret Nixon tapes

United Press International
WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court Monday cleared the way for the release of 6,000 hours of Richard Nixon's secret Oval Office tape recordings for public consumption.

Without comment, the justices rejected Nixon's bid to keep the public from listening to the never-before-heard tapes.

The action is a defeat for Nixon, who resigned Aug. 9, 1974, under threat of impeachment in the Watergate scandal. But it does not guarantee all his White House tapes will be released as planned in 1984 or 1985.

Nixon, or those named or involved in his recorded conversations, still can try to block their release on a tape-by-tape basis if they feel it would violate privacy rights or executive privilege.

Nixon has waged a lengthy legal battle against the General

Services Administration plan to let the public listen to the tapes covering his last 2½ years in office.

The dispute stems from a law passed by Congress four months after Nixon left office that ordered seizure of some 880 tapes and 42 million White House papers. It ordered the GSA to weed out purely personal materials, such as a Nixon's oral diary entries, and release the rest to the public.

When the Supreme Court refused to strike down the law in 1977, Nixon went back to the courts with the current case attacking the plan to make the tapes available for public listening.

Nixon's attorneys contend the "manner and tone of his personal expressions remain a personal and private moment to

him" and should not be thrown open to general audiences.

But the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington, upholding a July 1979 ruling by federal Judge Aubrey Robinson, said Nixon "can claim no such broad right of privacy with respect to his life while president."

The appeals court ruled 3-0 that letting the public listen to the tapes does not violate Nixon's privacy rights as an individual or as a former president.

Throughout Nixon's legal battle, national archivists have been reviewing and indexing the tapes for their eventual release.

Only 31 tapes have been made available to the public so far — those introduced at the Watergate cover-up trials of Nixon's former aides.

IRS owes South Texas \$800,000 in refunds

United Press International
AUSTIN — The Internal Revenue Service would like to give South Texans more than \$800,000 in income tax returns but the U.S. Postal Service can't deliver the checks.

Bob Branson, an official with the IRS regional office in Austin, said, "When the job of your agency is to reach into people's pockets and take money out, you don't get to play the good guy very often."

"That's why we want to see people get what they've got coming," Branson said the IRS is hold-

ing refund checks for 1,931 South Texans who for one reason or another can't be found through the mail.

Most of the checks were returned because the person moved without leaving a forwarding address, Branson said Monday, or because the taxpayer had written an illegible return address on his tax form.

Branson said the IRS has neither the time nor the money to track the people down and that it is up to them to come looking for the check.

"Sometimes we hear people say, 'If I owed you money, then

you'd be able to find me,'" Branson said. "But they forget that we're primarily a tax collecting agency."

Branson said the checks vary in amount from \$1 to more than \$10,000 and that one couple living near San Antonio is entitled to a \$26,000 refund but can't be found.

If the refunds are not collected, the money automatically goes back to the U.S. Treasury Department. However, a person who thinks he should have received a refund can file a claim for the money at any time.

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