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Judge stops Gulf Oil drug and alcohol tests

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BEAUMONT — A judge has prohibited Gulf Oil Co. from destroying or altering records of drug tests performed on some of the 3,000 employees of the Gulf Refinery in Port Arthur.

State District Judge Thomas A. Thomas issued a temporary restraining order against Gulf in response to a lawsuit filed Thursday on behalf of refinery employee Maxie J. Cooper, 45, of Nederland.

The lawsuit accused the company of violating the civil rights of some of its Port Arthur refinery workers by testing blood

samples taken in routine physical exams and other situations for drug and alcohol content.

However, Gulf spokesman Art Spencer said the company felt it acted in a "legal and proper manner" in controlling the drug problem of its Port Arthur plant.



"Ouch! that smarts"

staff photo by David Fisher

Looking only makes it worse, so Anita McDaniel, right, looks away and tries to grin through the pain of having her finger pricked by Lisa Mock. Both were participants in the Health Fair held at Post Oak Mall Saturday, sponsored by the Red

Cross. McDaniel's blood was analyzed for type, sugar and protein content. McDaniels is a freshman physics major from Houston, and Mock, a volunteer from St. Joseph's, is a junior biology major from Magnolia.

Survivalist research needed

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SAN ANTONIO — A Federal Emergency Management Agency official says paramilitary organizations are stockpiling arsenals of small arms and explosives although the government has never fully studied the impact of these groups during times of civil disorder.

to survivalist and paramilitary groups.

Although some of these groups have been investigated, there has not been a study published on the role of these private army organizations and the potential violence they could do.

In a nine-page paper delivered Friday before the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, FEMA Civil Security Division chief Frank Salcedo and FEMA consultant Richard Freeman estimated that more than 100,000 Americans belong

"Advertisements have appeared in various periodicals for buying and selling semi and full automatic weapons which are being stored by these organizations," the paper said.

Titled "The Fifth Horseman of the Apocalypse: Civil Security

During and After the Unthinkable," the paper said studies by the Air Force, the Department of Defense and other government agencies indicate there is a

chance of social instability resulting from sharpening confrontation between industrial powers and with the Third World.

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