

# Fake college professor ordered to stand trial

**United Press International**  
**CARLISLE, Pa.** — Paul Crafon, the college professor accused of faking up to 34 identities — mostly as other, more accomplished professors — was ordered to stand trial but was called a "brilliant" teacher and cleared of one charge.

After a 4½-hour preliminary hearing in Cumberland County Court Tuesday, District Justice Donald Daihl dismissed a charge of theft by deception against Crafon for his alleged impersonation of Professor John Hext at Shippensburg State College.

Daihl ordered a trial on 12 other counts stemming from the Shippensburg incident.

Another preliminary hearing will be held May 26 in Lancaster County on charges Crafon posed as Professor Peter Pearce at Millersville State College.

Authorities alleged Crafon, 39, of Potomac, Md., had used 34 identities since 1977 in a variety of schemes, including getting teaching jobs at seven col-

leges in at least five states. John Pyfer, Crafon's attorney, hailed the dismissal of the one charge as a victory.

"I'm overwhelmed. I didn't expect this to happen at this level. We established the fact Paul Crafon is a brilliant professor who can teach computer science," Pyfer said.

Crafon, gray-bearded and bushy-haired, smiled and shook hands with Pyfer when the decision was announced, but declined to speak to reporters. He remained free on \$100,000 bail.

The dropped charge carried a maximum penalty of five years in jail and a \$10,000 fine.

Pennsylvania Deputy Attorney General Kim Daniel said he was disappointed, but added, "I've been in criminal practice long enough to never be surprised."

Daniel argued Crafon's performance as a professor was irrelevant to the criminal charges facing him.

"The commonwealth is not

charging this man with being a bad professor," Daniel said. "We are charging him with misrepresentation of his identity and his credentials."

Although Daihl did not explain his finding, the testimony elicited from a prosecution witness was apparently crucial in his finding the crime of theft by deception was not committed.

James Sieber, chairman of the mathematics and computer science department at Shippensburg, who recruited Crafon as Hext, read from his own observation and evaluation reports describing Crafon as a "hard-working, interested and contributing member of the department" who gave "beautiful" lectures.

Crafon has engineering degrees from the University of Maryland and was a legitimate professor at George Washington University for 26 years but claimed in his application to Shippensburg he had degrees from Cambridge in England.

# Hormone 'risk' to heart

**United Press International**  
**NEW YORK** — A study linking high levels of a female sex hormone to heart attacks in men may help doctors single out and possibly protect men who are at risk of developing coronary problems, researchers say.

Scientists found elevated levels of the estrogen hormone estradiol in a group of men 61 to 68 years old who had had heart attacks, while comparing them with men of the same age who were free from heart attacks.

The blood estrogen levels were the only significant differences among the two groups. One of the established risk factors for coronary heart disease are different — cigarette smoking, cholesterol, hypertension and high density lipopro-

teins — the Journal of the American Medical Association report said.

Dr. Gerald B. Phillips of Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons and co-author of the report said it was significant the study of older heart attack sufferers duplicated findings in a similar study several years ago involving men 34 to 43.

Another participant in the report, Dr. William P. Castelli, medical director of the Framingham Heart Study in Framingham, Mass., cautioned that conventional risk factors still must be respected and a man with a low level of estradiol should not consider himself immune to the warnings against cigarette smoking and such.

A finding of a high level of the sex hormone, Castelli said, should mean a man should be more aggressive in trying to reduce the other risk factors.

He said a finding of high estradiol might also signal a man should take aspirin on a regular basis, one of the experimental methods of attempting to reduce heart-attack risk.

Aspirin makes blood platelets slippery, preventing the formation of clots.

Phillips, also on the staff of St. Luke's-Roosevelt Medical Center, said no one knows why high levels of the female sex hormone circulating in a man's blood appears to be a precursor for heart attack while high levels of estrogen in women is supposed to protect them against heart attacks.

# Lawyers claim trial unfair in New Orleans police case

**United Press International**  
**NEW ORLEANS** — A federal judge in Dallas has been asked to acquit or retry three police officers who were convicted in March of violating the civil rights of several New Orleans residents.

Defense attorneys claimed the three New Orleans policemen did not get a fair trial because one juror told the others deliberating the case that she was illegally detained by police.

The attorneys have asked U.S. District Judge Jerry L.

Buchmeyer of Dallas, who presided over the trial, to acquit or retry Sgt. John E. McKenzie and detectives Dale Bonura and Stephen Farrar.

The three-week trial was held in Dallas because of extensive publicity in New Orleans.

The three officers were found guilty of conspiracy to violate the civil rights of black New Orleans residents during a police investigation into the November, 1980 slaying of officer Gregory Neupert.

Four other New Orleans

policemen accused of similar violations in the case were acquitted.

The government won the three convictions with the help of a black New Orleans police detective, Oris Buckner, who testified he saw and helped in several beatings.

Defense attorneys, in their request to Buchmeyer, contended juror Lana Houston disclosed she had been illegally detained by police, but failed to report it before she was picked as a juror.

# Early Aggie sports star dies

**United Press International**  
**ABILENE** — Abilene Christian University athletic director emeritus A.B. Morris, who served ACU for 59 years, died Wednesday at age 83.

Morris, who joined ACU after a stellar career at Texas A&M, suffered a stroke Tuesday and died early Wednesday at West Texas Medical Center.

During the early 1920s, Morris starred as a shortstop on the Texas A&M baseball team and quarterbacked the football team, helping carry the Aggies to Southwest Conference championships in both sports.

He was inducted into the Texas A&M Hall of Fame in 1976.

Morris coached at ACU from

1924 to 1955, then became athletic director. In 1969 he retired and became active in ACU athletic fund raising.

Survivors include his wife, Rebecca; and son Charles of Kansas City, Mo., an associate executive director of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

# What's Up

## Thursday

**TAMU FENCING CLUB:**All officers and people that want to attend nationals must attend the meeting tonight at 7 p.m. in 267 E. Kyle or call Mike at 260-1339.

**MSC OPEN HOUSE COMMITTEE:**Anyone interested in working on Open House for the fall—especially summer school students—meet at 6:30 p.m. in 216J MSC.

**CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST:**Dr. Bradley will speak on "How to Survive the Summer" at 7:30 p.m., 113 Kleburg.

**GUATEMALAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION:**Meet at 7 p.m. in 502 Rudder to elect officers for the '83-'84 period.

**PANAMANIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION:**Summer activities will be discussed in 607 Rudder at 7 p.m.

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT-EXECUTIVE BRANCH:**Those interested in any committees should leave applications in the Student Government Office, 219 Pavilion, by 5 p.m. today.

**CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION:**The farewell dinner for graduating seniors is at 6 p.m., followed by a meeting of the International Students at 8 p.m. Both meet in the student center.

**MSC CEPHEID VARIABLE:**"Mad Monster Party" will be showing at The Grove tonight at 8:15 p.m. and 10 p.m. Admission is \$1.

**UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL:**We will leave from the University Lutheran Chapel at 6:30 p.m. to visit and sing at the Sherwood Nursing Home.

## Friday

**MSC AGGIE CINEMA:**Presents Pirahnacon IV: The Spawning in the Grove at 9 p.m. (601 Rudder in case of rain). These are the best of the worst movies including "She Gods of Shark Reef," "Girls in Chains," "Muscle Beach Party," and "Hot Rod Gang."

**INTER-VARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:**Will hold the end of the year Worship Service at 7 p.m. in the Lutheran Student Center.

**TAMU CHESS CLUB:**Meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. in 402 Rudder.

**DEPT. OF RECREATION AND PARKS:**David L. Edgell will speak on U.S. travel and tourism policy from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in 109 Francis Hall.

**HURST-EULESS-BEDFORD HOMETOWN CLUB:**Will have the "Surf's Up Summer's Here" party and elect officers for next year tonight at 8:30 p.m. in 2903 Barcelona Apts. Maps available in A3 Hart Hall.

**UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL:**Grad students and those Over-22 meet to go out for supper at 6 p.m., University Lutheran Chapel.

**BAC:**All members interested in receiving information this summer on the "Welcome Back & Welcome to A&M Fish Camp" please leave name and address in 216 MSC in the BAC cubicle.

**CLASS '84:**Applications are now available for the Executive Council. Get your application in 216 MSC and get involved!

**If you have an item for "What's Up,"** you can fill out a notice in 216 Reed McDonald at least two days in advance of the activity. No items are accepted by phone.

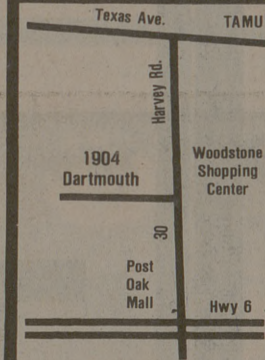
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