

Form one line please!

It could be a scene from Houston, but it's not. Traffic formed one line on Texas Avenue as the Texas Highway Department workers made repairs

Wednesday. The line stretched from New Main Drive to University Drive, a traffic jam unusual for summer in College Station.

'Addiction kills, maims'

Doctor warns of drug use

United Press International
NEW YORK — Forget what
u may have heard about cocaine being a benign drug, and West says Dr. Mark S. Gold, consulant to the substance abuse unit of the United Nations' World
Health Organization.

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"Substance abuse" is what •Drowning or suffocation. octors and social workers say makes those addicted to alcohol r other drugs sick. Or dead. aine kills, maims and has aused addiction to more than 5 llion of the 22 million Amerns who have tried it, Gold

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failure. These deaths occur in enough to keep drinking and try epileptics in non-epileptics, to drive home. snorters, smokers and injec-

Cocaine users, he said, can also die as a result of:

He said a chronic lack of sleep and anesthetizing of the back of the throat may interact to cause Rather than living up to its a deep sleep, accompanied by a flaccid jaw-induced obstruction of the airway (suffocation) or failure to move the body's own secretions in the airway.

'Typically, people who see a friend die report that the victim took the drug orally or snorted it and was symptom free for 30-to-60 minutes," Gold said.

"They had no apparent problem, and then without warning, they had grand mal seizures and convulsions, followed very rapidly (within a minute or so) by respiratory collapse and death," he said.

Gold said death can and does occur in young people who ense Dep "Death from cocaine use can drink and use cocaine. An machine be fairly rapid," Gold said, vidual may snort cocaine and total god usually through convulsions drink whiskey, he said. The cocaine keeps the person awake

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'The cocaine wears off before the alcohol, and since he has a very high blood level of alcohol, he will pass out and have a car

"Usually in a traffic situation, only the blood alcohol is analyzed. But our patients who survive regularly report these stories. A very high blood alcohol is frequently a consequence of an all night use of cocaine in a re-creational setting to prolong the evening," Gold said.

There also are cocaine related

"The cocaine dependent individuals commit suicide when they feel hopeless and helpless," Gold said.

'Suicide may be seen as the only solution to deteriorating health, personal, domestic, financial and work situations from the cocaine use which the users believe they cannot stop,"

Gold also said chronic cocaine users become impotent. Nutrition deteriorates and multiple vitamin and essential nutrition deficiencies also occur. Gold said cocaine affects vision, too.

The reduced minimum aid money was the result of the Leg-

islature's failure to consider a

proposal to alter the minimum

aid formula, which guarantees that state funding for school districts does not fall below perpupil aid plus pay raises in the 1980-1981 school year.

about \$2 million in 1983-84 and \$23 million the following school year. way," Bynum said at a Capitol news conference. "But it doesn't mean there still aren't prob-

therefore,

Gold, 1982 winner of the American Psychiatric Association Foundation's Fund Prize for his research in opiate withdrawal, is director of research at Fair Oaks Hospital, in Summit, N.J. The private psychiatric hos-

pital recently launched a national toll-free cocaine hotline (800c-o-c-a-i-n-e) to refer cocaine addicts to help.

U.S. returns to talks with modified proposal

States returned to strategic arms talks with Moscow Wednesday with a modified proposal aimed at limiting nuclear warheads on

The Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (START) were resuming later in the day (10:30 talks. a.m. EDT) after a 10 week recess so both sides could reassess their

bargaining positions.
Chief U.S. negotiator Edward Rowny, on his arrival from Washington Wednesday, con-firmed that President Reagan had modified the basic U.S.

being modified," Rowny said, to as any softening," he said. "It has "incorporate fundamentals" of been modified." the Scowcroft Commission report on strategic nuclear

Rowny said he was "a little more optimistic" that the modified U.S. proposal would break the Soviet-U.S. deadlock at the

"Hope springs eternal," the retired general said. "I am a cockeyed optimist."

President Reagan was ex-pected to make a statement in Washington Wednesday on the U.S. proposal, but Rowny said the proposal did not represent any softening of Washington's

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The Scowcroft Commission recommended emphasizing warhead numbers rather than long-range missiles seeking a balance between U.S. and Soviet strategic weapons.

Rowny said the United States wants an agreement that pro-vides "substantial reductions (and) enhances deterrence" and that "results in equality." It also "must be verifiable," he said. "We are prepared to be flexible and innovative," he said in a prepared arrival statement.

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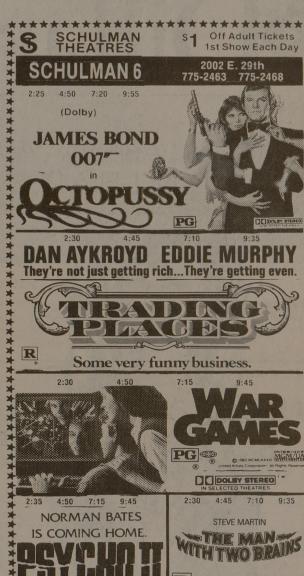
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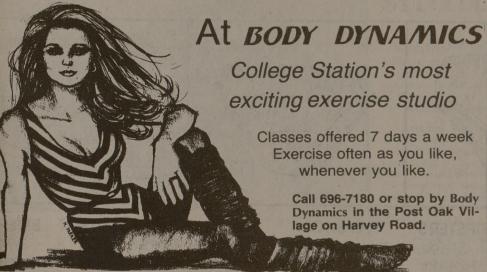
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