



Going on a bearhunt

staff photo by Eric Evan Lee

The residents of McInnis Hall display a spirit banner on the side of their dorm. More banners will

appear as the freshmen are organized and instructed to make the banners before each game.

Killer calm before dying

United Press International
PARCHMAN, Miss. — Child-killer Jimmy Lee Gray, scheduled to die in the gas chamber a minute after midnight, had slim hopes of a reprieve Thursday. The father of his 3-year-old victim said the execution was long overdue.

Lawyers said Ray, a two-time killer turned deeply religious, was calm and resigned to death as his 12:01 a.m. CDT today. As the execution date drew near with no action from the Supreme Court on a last-ditch appeal, prison officials proceeded routinely with plans to carry out Mississippi's first-execution since 1964 and the country's eighth since the death penalty was reinstated in 1976.

"He (Gray) feels it is inevitable," said attorney Dennis Balske of the Southern Poverty Law

Center in Montgomery, Ala. "We're waiting on pins and needles."

Gray, 34, a slightly built computer operator, was sentenced to death for the 1976 killing of Deressa Jean Scales of Pascagoula, who was sodomized and suffocated in a muddy ditch. At the time, Gray was on parole for killing his girlfriend, Elda Louise Prince, 16, in Parker, Ariz. in 1968. He confessed.

"I don't know why they can't go ahead and do what they should be doing."

At the 23,000-acre prison in rural Sunflower County, where Gray came within four days of being executed in July, prison officials moved to carry out the death warrant. The prison was sealed off to visitors and inmates were confined to their quarters Thursday.

Corrections Commissioner Morris Thigpen said Gray would be allowed to visit with ministers in the death row visiting much of the day.

"He's made his peace with God," said Hollis Allred of the Natchez Church of Christ, who has frequently visited Gray and planned to be with him in the final hours. "I think he's well prepared for death, better than most of the rest of us."

Gray's mother once urged the Mississippi governor not to intervene and no family members were expected to be at the prison for the execution.

On the signal of the sheriff of the county where the crime was committed, the executioner would pull a lever dropping cyanide pellets into a bowl of

acid at his feet, forming deadly gas. Death is believed to occur within two minutes.

Outside the chamber a phone line would be kept to the office of Gov. William Winter, although on Wednesday he reiterated his decision not to intervene.

Members of the Mississippi Coalition Against the Death Penalty said they would hold candlelight vigils outside the governor's mansion and near the prison gates beginning p.m.

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7:30-9:40
"HERCULES" (PG)
CINEMA III
1500 Harvey Road 764-0616
7:30-9:30
"STAYING ALIVE" (PG)
8:00-10:00
"STRANGE BREW" (PG)
7:45-9:45
"RISKY BUSINESS" (R)

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\$100 fee for drilling permits put into effect for first time

United Press International
— Texas Railroad Commission regional offices were flooded with hundreds of applications for drilling permits during the past week before the requirement of a \$100 fee for the permits was put into effect Thursday. But officials concede only a small number of the permits will be used.

The Texas Legislature this

year authorized the fee to mark the first time there has been a charge for the one-year permits.

Commission spokeswoman Regina Winland of the Abilene office said she processed about 268 applications Tuesday, compared to the normal daily total of about 50.

"I doubt that 25 percent of those wells will ever be drilled," said Hank Krusekopf, assistant

director for the Midland commission offices where 104 applications were processed Tuesday.

Winland agreed, saying some individuals had filed for 40 to 50 permits.

"I think most of them are getting them (permits) to avoid the filing fee."

The new law requires that applications for new drilling per-

mits be made directly to Austin, easing the load on regional offices.

"This will be the last time it will have to fool with them will take quite a load off of Krusekopf added.

State officials have said the new law will plug abandoned wells and investigate possible causes of water and oil pollution.

Lubbock County hires legal assistance to collect taxes

United Press International
LUBBOCK — A private law firm has mailed letters to 19,750 delinquent Lubbock County taxpayers advising them to pay their taxes or be sued.

Attorney Thomas Goggan of the San Antonio law firm Heard, Goggin and Blair told reporters at a news conference Thursday that 1,000 suits are pending in Lubbock County to collect late

taxes. He estimated that about 1,500 more would be filed.

He said the county is owed a total of \$3.5 million in unpaid taxes, interest and penalties dating back to 1939.

"It is no longer good business not to pay your taxes," Goggan said, adding the court costs of delinquent taxpayers could exceed the amount of taxes owed.

Goggan's private firm was hired by Lubbock County in January 1982 to collect both personal property and real property delinquent taxes for the county, the hospital district and High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1.

Goggan said his firm collects 15 percent of all that it collects but that it also pays all administrative costs associated with tax collection. His firm also collects delinquent taxes for Lubbock County.

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JOHN TRAVOLTA
STAYING ALIVE
A PARAMOUNT PICTURE (Dolby) PG
2ND WEEK
2:00 4:00 6:00 8:00 10:00
Strange Brew
A CRAZY ZANY BUSINESS
FRI 8:00 10:00
FRI: 7:45-9:45 1:45-3:45-5:45-7:45-9:45 3RD WEEK
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Interested in Stagehand Work?

Theatre Complex is hiring part-time student workers as stagehands for OPAS, Town Hall, and other performance events.

There will be a meeting for interested persons on Thursday September 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

Tim Miller, a... engineering... Beaumont, uses... County un... Vote... United Press Internati... BROWNSVILLE —... is attempting... Duval County's loca... welfare system wa... votes and perpet... administration of Cou... water and oil polluti... Uresti himself is not... but seven of his... including his wi... on trial on fede... charges in U.S... Judge Filemon Vela's... County Comm... Valencio Saenz and... women allegedly drun... during the camp... May 1, 1982 De... primary by promising... people vouch... clothing, medical... and funeral... passed as s... were redeemed by... County auditor... The welfare system... of the decades o... Date of Duval" G... whose political... marked with numerou... of election frau... Alicia victi... to receive... United Press Internati... HOUSTON — Re... southeast Texas... devastated by Hurric... be eligible for... \$9.67 million... relief funds, stati... officials have an... The Federal E... management Agency... announced almost \$2... federal funds will... able to help lo... and individual... from storm losses... FEMA regional dir... Stephens and G... white signed a fe... operations agree... Thursday commit... The money inclu... tion for public wo... including debris... and the \$9.67 million... the state's Departm... Resources to res... to individuals... Stephens said... Lauren Chernow... woman for the D... emergency Manage... \$9.67 million wil... make maximum \$5... available to residents... Chambers, Fort... Harris, Lib... gonia, Montgome... rmino counties... She said the gra... made to cover victi... needs and necessa... resulting from the... The federal fun... 75 percent of... repair to public fac... tant program... Hurricane Alici... into the upper Texa... Aug. 18. Damage e... \$1 billion... Stephens said \$1... the federal money w... marked for repairs... old facilities a... cleanup in Harris... Chambers and Bra... Local governm... receiving fede... assistance from the... middle of this mont... Now you... United Press Int... In ancient tin... thought that the... caused by an ange... in and out of