

# Monkeys in National Zoo going 'ape' over television

**United Press International**  
WASHINGTON — The caged apes at the National Zoo can now spend their lounging time like many Americans, watching sports, news, cartoons and animals programs on their new television sets.

The apes have caught the Redskins Fever that sweeps through the nation's capital each fall, with their cage-side sets tuned to weekend football games.

And when the Redskins'

"Hogs" and "Smurfs" finish their cavorting on the field, the real gorillas and orangutans can turn to the cartoon Smurfs, Muppets, Wild Kingdom or the evening news.

Zoo officials recently installed three television sets for the gorillas and orangutans "to relieve their boredom," Oliver Warren, a keeper in the Great Ape house, said Monday.

"They do get bored from time to time and this is something different; something new

for them to look at," he said.

"Hopefully, the television sets will give them another diversion and possibly calm them down," Warren said. Zoo keepers said they have not noticed any discernible change in behavior.

"It's not really a scientific experiment, but we're trying to make them more comfortable," said Warren.

"I don't see anything different about them now. They're like kids a lot. They'll just lay down and look at it. I can't tell if they really know what's going on," he said.

There are two televisions for the six gorillas and one for the five orangutans. On Sundays, the sets are tuned to the Washington Redskins games,

attracting an even greater number of visitors to check out the action on the field and in the cage.

"You'll see lots of people stopping for a few minutes when the Redskins are on. They sometimes spend more time watching the game than the animals," he said.

## 424,000 kids at home

# Teachers on strike

**United Press International**  
CHICAGO — Striking teachers and the school board, faced with growing public pressure to get 424,000 students back to the classroom, met Monday to try to end a week-old walkout stalled over pay raises and concessions.

"We are anxious individually and collectively to put the strike behind us," Board of Education President Sol Brandzel said. "But we are unified in declaring our intention to be responsible and sensible."

The two sides had agreed

to try to reach a contract agreement by 9 a.m. Monday to open schools Tuesday in the nation's third largest school district. But negotiations were recessed early Monday with no settlement in sight.

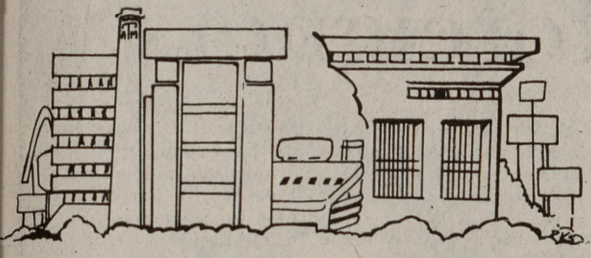
Bargainers were scheduled to go back to the table later in the day, heeding a burgeoning cry from parents and civic groups for an end to the strike by teachers and other board employees.

A stumbling block in the talks has been the union's request for a pay raise, which the

board maintains it cannot afford without concessions. Brandzel called teacher demands for a raise "financially irresponsible," unless coupled with the concessions.

"The union is being asked to accept concessions first and then talk increases," said Chicago Teachers Union spokesman Chuck Burdeen. "The strike will continue until they decide teachers are a very important part of the schools."

The deficit-ridden board has offered the union a 0.5 percent pay increase.



## Around town

History department gives film series

The Department of History fall film series on the American West will present "Soldier Blue" (1970, starring Candice Bergen) at 7 tonight in 100 Harrington. Everyone is invited to attend and admission is free. The series is designed to supplement the department's regular instructional program, and each film is introduced by a member of the history faculty placing the movie in historical perspective.

MSC auctions lost and found items

The MSC Lost and Found Auction will be held Wednesday in the Memorial Student Center Main Lounge from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Preview of items begins at 9 a.m. Items including umbrellas, calculators, jewelry, and sports equipment will be auctioned on a cash basis only.

Sci-fi group presents mini-convention

MSC Cepheid Variable, a students' science fiction group, will sponsor Ittybittycon IV, a mini-convention fashioned after its annual Aggiecon. Ittybittycon, beginning at 7:30 tonight in 302 Rudder Tower, will feature a reading and lecture by Fred Soberhagen and a science fiction musical called "You'll Find Out." Admission is free and everyone is welcome.

"Dressing for success" show tonight

The A&M Accounting Society and the A&M Marketing Society will present a brief look at how to promote yourself in the business world through appearance in "Dressing for Success" at 7 tonight in 201 MSC Ballroom. Clothing is being provided by Shellenbergers and Casual Corner. Admission is free and open to everyone.

Aggieland photos taken at Pavilion

Individual pictures for the 1984 Aggieeland are being taken at the Yearbook Associates office at 1700 S. Kyle behind Culpepper Plaza, and at the Pavilion on campus. Dates to have photographs made are:  
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To submit an item for this column, come by The Battalion office in 216 Reed McDonald.

# Strikebreakers to be awarded large fine

**United Press International**  
DENVER — Denver-based members of the Air Line Pilots Association adopted a resolution urging the national organization to impose a \$10,000 fine on any ALPA member who flies a Continental Airlines plane after midnight Tuesday.

The resolution, which passed by a vote of 65-1 at a union meeting Sunday, will be presented this week for discussion at a session of ALPA Master Executive Council in Houston, union officials said.

One pilot called the measure "a hammer" to get defecting union members to stop flying and join the strike.

Continental spokesman Bruce Hicks blasted the fine vote as illegal and a sign that the pilots are frustrated because the strike has not stopped Continental from flying.

"I think it clearly illustrates

the strike is not successful from ALPA's point of view and this is certainly a drastic step on their part to try to scare pilots who have chosen to work rather than walk a picket line," Hicks said.

Continental, which sparked a strike by pilots and flight attendants after filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on Sept. 24, began conducting interviews Monday of non-working pilots in 11 cities.

Continental has been flying with pilots willing to cross picket lines since the strike began, but is going outside the company for pilots because it has had difficulty maintaining its schedule.

Larry Baxter, the chairman of the Continental ALPA group, told about 250 pilots at the Denver meeting that he would travel to Washington D.C. in an attempt to take the union's arguments against Continental to the

Supreme Court and to President Reagan.

"If I can get a few minutes with President Reagan, I'm going to do it," said Baxter. "There are 8,000 to 9,000 people involved here — people who are out of work."

Baxter also said he would attempt to meet with Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor to discuss Continental's filing for reorganization under the Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy code. The union has claimed Continental chairman Frank Lorenzo used the bankruptcy statutes as a "union busting" measure.

Baxter noted the Supreme Court already has agreed to hear a case against a decision by a bankrupt New Jersey building supply company to renege on its collective bargaining agreement with the Teamsters.

## Family of 5 killed in auto wreck

**United Press International**  
STOCKDALE — The bodies of five members of a south Texas family, apparently killed in an auto accident Friday, were discovered Monday by a farmer, the Department of Public Safety reported.

DPS spokesman Larry Todd said the car apparently went out of control and struck a concrete piling then landed in a culvert. The wreckage along SH 123, 3 miles north of Stockdale, was hidden by tall weeds and a blind-side in the curve of the highway, he said.

Killed were the driver, Frank P. Ramirez, 36, of McAllen; his wife Louisa, 32; an unidentified 3 year-old female believed to be the couple's daughter; Benita Ramirez, 37, sister-in-law of the driver, and Angela Ramirez, age 60-65, Ramirez' mother from Harlingen.

The group was headed to Austin when the accident occurred.

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	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240		
DRINKS	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	BAL to .05%	5%
	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	Slightly impaired.	
	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3		
	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	BAL TO .09%	5%-10%
	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	Noticeably impaired.	
	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6		
	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	BAL .10% & up	10%-25%
	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	Legally drunk.	

This chart shows the blood alcohol level (BAL) and risk of collision for varying numbers of drinks consumed in a 1 hour period. One drink is equivalent to a 12 oz. can of beer, a 4 oz. glass of wine or a drink with 1 1/2 oz. of 80 proof liquor.

The safest policy is not to drive after drinking, but if you must drink and then drive, know your personal limit and stay within it. In most cases, the driver's personal limit is about .05% BAL, far below the legal limit at .10%.

Alcohol Awareness Project — Dept. of Student Affairs, 845-5826.