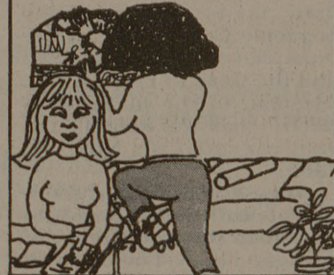


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by Paul Dirmeyer

Panel probes drill ship

United Press International

HOUSTON — The final radio transmission from an American oil drilling ship which sank last year east of Vietnam was clear, calm but cut short, according to testimony given Tuesday before the board investigating the incident, which claimed more than 81 lives.

The ship, the Glomar Java Sea sank Oct. 25 in 300 feet of water south of Hainan Island following reports that Typhoon Lex was headed in its direction. The ship, owned by the Houston-based Global Marine Inc., and hired by ARCO China Ltd., was drilling a well approved by the Chinese National Oil Co. when it sank.

A federal panel made up of the Coast Guard and the National Transportation Safety Board is investigating the incident. The panel reconvened Monday for the first of several days of testimony. Members of the board said they were still holding out hope that some of the crew may still be alive and in Vietnam.

The Vietnamese government said none of the seamen was in Vietnam. The last radio transmission with the ship was handled by Global Marine employee Bill Riddle, who testified Tuesday "it was the calmest conversation I've had."

He said he talked to the ship's radio operator and the ship's assistant manager John Lawrence and was told the crew was

on deck, but wearing life jackets. Riddle said Lawrence reported the ship was experiencing winds of 70 knots and there was a 15 degree unexplained list to the starboard. The crew was also dumping drilling mud into the ocean to help even out the ship.

The radio conversation was transmitted by a satellite relay system from China. But Jay McGeough, who listened to Riddle talk with the Glomar Java Sea

said the conversation abruptly stopped.

"At that time, the transmission was cut off. Mr. Riddle stayed on the line a long time, but was never able to retain contact," said McGeough.

Former Glomar captain John Ledbetter said the ship rarely was without a supply boat nearby. But on the day the ship sank, the supply boats were several miles away.

CBS airs Evans' story

United Press International

ATMORE, Ala. — A television adaptation of the anti-crime message John Louis Evans III videotaped four days prior to his execution convinces Evans' mother his death was not a total loss, she said.

"I think it accomplishes what John was trying to do. He did a lot of bad things in his life, but this is a good thing and I don't want it overlooked," said Evans' mother, Betty Dickson.

The hour-long program, "Dead Wrong — The John Evans Story," was aired nationwide Tuesday on CBS. The dramatization followed Evans' life from age 13 in Beaumont, to age 33 and his execution at Holman Prison for the slaying of a Mobile pawnbroker.

The special opened with a segment from the tape Evans wanted used as an anti-crime message to youths. The Rev. Martin Weber, head of the Atmore-based "We Care" ministry, made the videotape four days before Evans was electrocuted April 22.

"I just hope that as many kids as possible see this or the 'We Care' film, and (then) I won't feel like I lost my son for nothing," Mrs. Dickson said in a telephone interview from her Beaumont home.

She was among those who saw advance screenings of the network's "Schoolbreak Special."

"I'm very pleased with it. It shows that every kid in the world who has choices can make the wrong ones and end up like he

did — past the point of no return."

Evans said he made the spontaneous, 60-minute tape in an attempt to dissuade children from following his criminal path.

Alabama Attorney General Charles Graddick objected to the production, saying it made "a cold-blooded killer look like a martyr" and could lead children to crime rather than divert them from it.

Graddick, the former Mobile County district attorney who prosecuted Evans, said the movie misrepresented several things, including showing Evans' victim, Eddie Nassar, wearing a gun and holster, and giving the impression Evans fired in self defense.

"As the sentencing judge at Evans' trial found, Nassar, 'Was shot through the back while he was unarmed and crawling along the aisle behind the counter.' There was no evidence that he was ordered to halt or given any warning before being shot," said Graddick, who also saw an advance screening.

Father Kevin Duignan, Evans' spiritual advisor during his stay on death row, said he remained convinced Evans would have opposed any adaptation of the videotape. The priest said Evans intended only for the unedited version to be shown in classrooms and Sunday schools.

"I have no way of knowing what he would have thought of it, because that (the television special) was not his intention," she said.

Doctor says teens are best for fixing eating disorders

United Press International

NASHVILLE — It's a mistake to tell children to eat everything on their plates or to use food as a reward or punishment, says a specialist in adolescent eating disorders.

Ordering children to clean their plates, sending them to bed without dinner when they misbehave or suggesting that they eat something sweet after a bad day in school "to make them feel better," can lead to trouble, says Dr. John W. Greene, director of adolescent medicine at Vanderbilt University Medical School in Nashville, Tenn.

Greene, director of adolescent medicine at Vanderbilt University Medical School in Nashville, Tenn., said eating attitudes and habits are formed when children are very young.

As early as infancy, feelings and patterns are established which later may lead to eating disorders, particularly obesity, he says. About 20 percent of American teenagers have eating disorders.

"The greatest number, probably 10 to 15 percent, are overweight," Greene said. "Another 1 to 2 percent suffer from anorexia

and a similar number from bulimia."

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Although eating disorders currently are treated after they develop, Greene is working on the theory that they can be predicted. He recently completed a study of high school students' eating habits aimed at spotting potential problems before they arise.

"Physicians usually see kids after they've developed a problem — become too heavy or too

thin," he said. "We wanted to see if we could determine which kids are at risk before a problem develops."

He said preliminary results indicate researchers can successfully predict which children might develop eating disorders, especially anorexia. The next step, according to Greene, is active intervention to treat incipient problems, beginning with changing attitudes about food and eating.

Greene said parents often think a fat baby is a healthy baby and that they often overfeed an infant. But worse than that, he said, is giving infants or toddlers a bottle whenever they cry.

"It teaches you that if you're unhappy, put something in your mouth. The same pattern is repeated when you're older, only instead of a bottle, it's candy or cake."

Children, he said, form more bad habits and attitudes as they learn food is not just nourishment. It's a reward, a punishment, a token of love and respect, a way to cope with stress. Gradually food and emotional association, both good and bad, are welded together.

If eating disorders have

already developed, the teenage years are the best time for treatment, Greene said, because teenagers are extremely conscious of their bodies and appearance and they want to be attractive to their peers.

There also are medical considerations, according to Greene.

"Eighty percent of obese adolescents carry their excess weight into adulthood. This can lead to heart disease, stroke, diabetes, high blood pressure and orthopedic problems. Many of these problems can be avoided if the weight is lost before becoming an adult."

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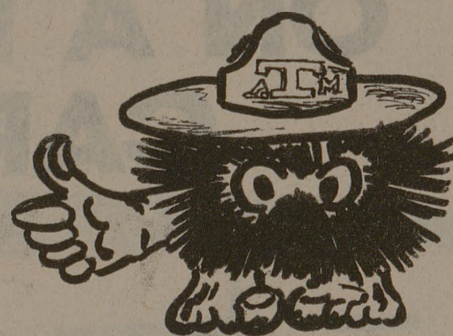
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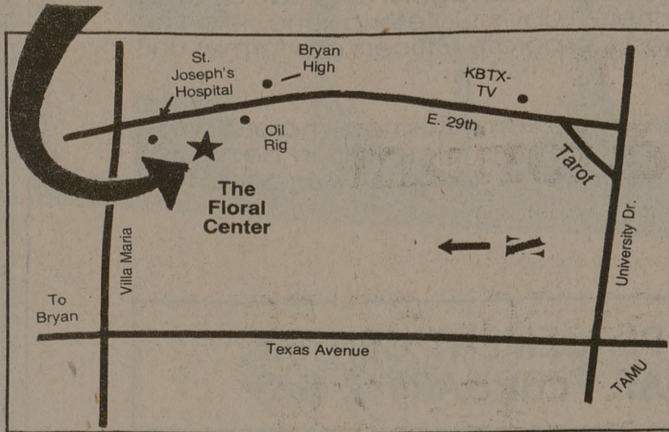
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