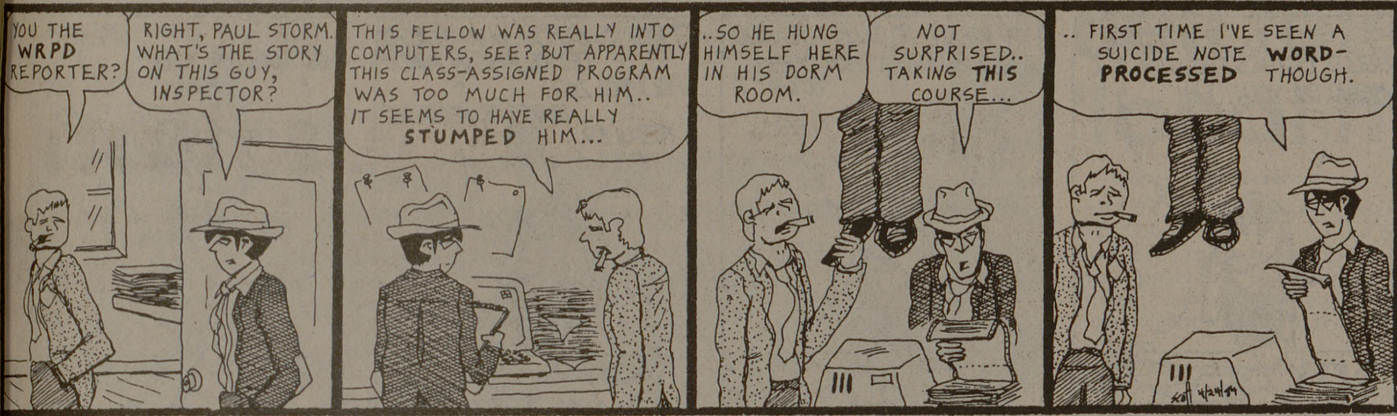


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Jury indicts 39 people on drug, murder counts

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PHOENIX, Ariz. — A federal grand jury has indicted 39 persons on 77 counts involving murder, narcotics and tax evasion, U.S. attorney Melvin McDonald announced Monday.

The drug-related murders include the overdose death of Kitty Robinson in Homewood, Ala., on Nov. 30, 1979, and the gunshot death of Pedro Venegas in Broward County, Fla., on Jan. 30, 1981.

"Harry Jerry Garmany, age 43, formerly of Paradise Valley, Ariz., distributed at least 250,000 pounds of Colombian marijuana and 80 kilograms of cocaine," McDonald said.



The ring distributed cocaine, marijuana and methaqualone mainly in Texas, Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, North and South Carolina. The investigation centered in Arizona, where Garmany lived since 1980, and Tennessee.

"The organization included 13 present or former Arizonans, four attorneys and a former Georgia police officer," McDonald said.

He estimated the organization headed by Garmany had a gross income of at least \$64 million for 1980-81, and said \$5 million in property and other assets already have been seized.

Hispanic voters may be key to Krueger primary victory

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PORT ISABEL — The kegs of green beer, a leftover from the St. Patrick's Day holiday, flowed freely as the Hispanic crowd lined up for free barbecue, music and a wealth of political speech-making.

Three lesser known candidates — Harley Schlanger of Houston, David Young of Richardson and Bob Sullivan of Lufkin — also will be on the Democratic primary ballot.

According to Valley political leaders, Krueger — a New Braunfels businessman, Shakespearean scholar, university educator and former congressman and ambassador at large to Mexico — has never stopped running for the office he lost to Tower.

In the midst of the crowd, Bob Krueger was looking for votes among the Rio Grande Valley's politicians and poor, a bloc of voters he feels may be the key to his chances of winning the Democratic nomination and eventually the U.S. Senate seat being vacated by Sen. John Tower, R-Texas.

Krueger has made frequent forays into the Valley and other Hispanic areas, often attending events as apolitical as weddings, funerals or even Boy Scout meetings.

San Juan Mayor Arturo Guajardo says the tough economic times have prompted an unprecedented political awareness in the normally lush, sub-tropical valley.

observers feel the Democratic nominee will be determined in a June 5 runoff election because Doggett's strength in Central Texas and his endorsement by the AFL-CIO, coupled with Hance's popularity in West Texas, will prevent any candidate from winning a majority of the primary vote.

Both Doggett and Hance, scrambling for a runoff berth with Krueger, have concentrated their campaigns on attacking Krueger's record and his stand on issues such as taxes, immigration and energy policy.

Both candidates also have tried to diminish Krueger's credibility by repeatedly pointing out errors in his campaign materials, most notably his claim that he was voted most effective freshman in Congress by his colleagues when the honor actually was bestowed by congressional staff members.

For Krueger, the campaign has become a vocation — his "raison d'être" since the narrow and bitterly disappointing loss to Tower in 1978.

"There is a lot of organization going on down here," Guajardo says while guiding visitors through a public works water project. "There is going to be a giant turnout. Krueger has been here time and time again. The people of San Juan are very close to Krueger."

"People are hungry," he adds. "They are in a rage." Nonetheless, most political

Hart gives campaign speech in Austin

United Press International
AUSTIN — Sen. Gary Hart Monday criticized Walter Mondale's ties to the Democratic Party establishment and suggested some party leaders would like to "lock the voters out" of the presidential nomination process.

him there, but a president who remembers why he was sent there," he said.

In what was billed as a "major campaign speech" at the University of Texas, Hart told an enthusiastic audience of about 500 students that some Democrats would rather lose the election "than share their power with the people."

During his 45-minute speech at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, Hart also made subtle mention of Texas' confusing caucus system, which he has said favors Mondale.

But Hart, whose speech was interrupted by applause more than three dozen times, drew his loudest cheers from the youthful crowd when he criticized Reagan administration policies on the military.

Hart noted Mondale lobbied for the missile when he was vice president.

"Now he conveniently says that on that issue and every other unpopular decision of the Carter-Mondale years, he was whispering private reservations within the White House," he said.

"The party establishment and the organized interest groups have sought to close down the nominating process, to rig the rules, to turn the clock back, and to lock the voters out," he said.

"This election presents us as Democrats with a moral imperative," he said. "We must not let Ronald Reagan have the presidency again when he will never again have to answer to the American people."

Hart also drew rousing applause when he promised to cancel the MX missile if elected.

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