On the Fringe

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by Scott McCullar Houston girl dying of rabies

United Press International

HOUSTON — An armed animal control officer with "free rein" to shoot suspicious animals is patrolling the neighborhood of a 12-year-old girl critically ill with rabies, a city official said Tuesday.

The girl was in a coma Tuesday in Texas Children's Hospital, where her doctors do not expect her to survive. The case is the first reported

case of rabies in a human in the United States since March 1983.

Dr. James Haughton, city health director, said Houston is "sitting on a time bomb" because so few domestic animals have been immunized. He told the City Council's animal control committee Monday, "We have a disaster waiting to happen."
Only 20 percent of the estimated 750,000 animals in the city are vaccinated he said

Dr. Robert Armstrong, rabies control director, said that while he usually keeps 500 doses of vaccine on hand, he has ordered an additional 2,000 "in anticipation of a flood."

"Normally on a Tuesday we give five to seven rabies vaccinations," Armstrong said. "So far today we've given 30. On phone calls we're running way ahead.'

It has not been determined what kind of animal bit the girl or when she was bitten, said Dr. Ralph Feigin, physician in chief at Texas Children's. There is no evidence of a bite wound, but Feigin said the disease can incubate for up to 18 months.

The Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta is trying to isolate the virus found in the girl to determine

Jaycees issued charter at Texas A&M

By Judy Oliver

A new student organization with a different interest than most may be seen on campus this fall. The Texas A&M chapter of the Jaycees was issued a charter in April and has applied for University recognition.

Chapter President Craig Rodgers says many plans already are in the works. He said he hopes to set up a campus awareness committee to promote traditions at Texas A&M. Rodgers says traditions are the backbone of the University but aren't held in as high esteem as they were in the past. The chapter also plans to raise money for charity and work on reversing voter apathy, he says.

Rodgers says the Texas A&M chapter began with 20 members and has grown to 25. He says the members hope to quadruple the mem-

bership in September and receive national recognition.

Rodgers feels the Jaycees will of-fer a means for involvement to incoming students.

Steven Steele, former president of the Bryan-College Station Jaycees, says the main objection to recognizing the Jaycees on campus is their eligibility policy which refuses membership to women. In August, however, the National Jaycees will meet to decide if the bylaws should be changed to admit women. If the change is made, the Jaycee women's

auxillary would then become a Jaycee women's affiliate, he says.

Steele says the organization is built around "the total Jaycee con-cept" of individual development, community development and management development

Programs designed by the national chapter for individual development deal with such things as time management, financial planning, personal dynamics, and communication, Steele says. Each chapter, however, can have its own individual programs. He says the Texas A&M chapter, for example, might have programs on job interviews and how to be a better student.

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things as voting, building parks and raising money for charity. He says the Texas A&M chapter might deal with such things as government involvement, health and safety.

Management development, he said, comes with working as chairmen of Jaycee projects.

Steele says involvement in the Jaycees continues after graduation when members become active in community Jaycee organizations.

"I wish I would have had the same opportunity," Steele says. "The Jay-cees have helped me and my career a

Mondale's campaign manager may quit

Democrat Bert Lance feels 'betrayed'

ATLANTA — Former Budget that he grabbed for a straw. Director Bert Lance may resign his post as general campaign manager for Democratic presidential candidate Walter Mondale because he feels "betrayed," it was reported

Mondale's press secretary, Maxine Issacs, said Lance's role "is being discussed" and an announcement is expected within a week.

The Atlanta Constitution quoted "a source close to Lance" as saying he accepted the job because "he was so hungry for redemption, and he

The source said Lance, whose appointment by Mondale drew strong criticism at the Democratic National Convention, is considering quitting, particularly if he is given a regional low-visibility role in the campaign.

"I know he's not a quitter," the Constitution quoted the source as saying. "He's been hurt. I think he feels kind of betrayed."

Lance, the Georgia Democratic Party chairman, could not be reached for comment.

"He's flying out of town tomorrow for some meetings," said Jewell Miller, who operates Lance's Cal-

houn, Ga., office. "I don't think he's talking to anyone, not even me.

Lance told the newspaper the controversy surrounding his appointment would not affect his role as campaign manager.

'I'm just going to do the same thing I've been doing — trying to get Mondale elected," he said.

Lance did not attend a meeting Monday at Mondale's house in

North Oaks, Minn., and will not appear with Mondale and vice presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro during their campaign swing through the South, Isaacs said.

Lance resigned as President Carter's budget director in 1977 following a controversy over his banking practices in Georgia. He was indicted for bank fraud in 1979 but was acquitted.

The Constitution quoted Lance as saying he never intended to campaign with Mondale.



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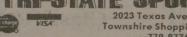
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