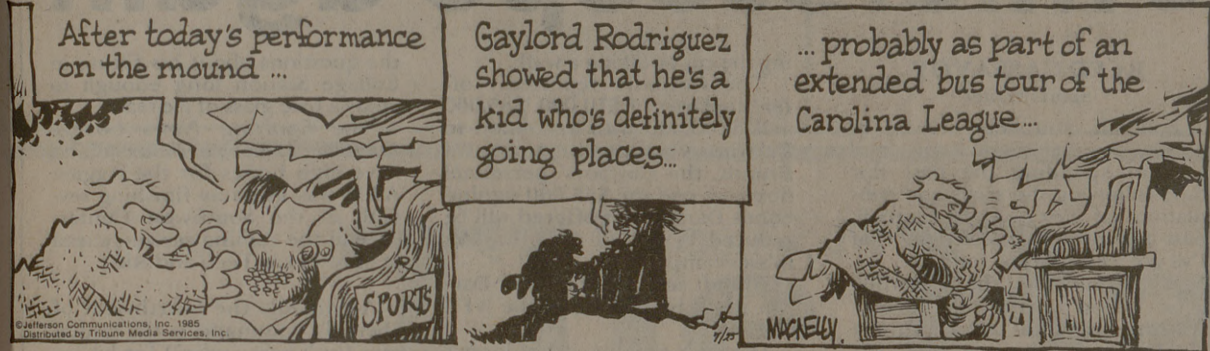


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White: Justice Department playing politics

**Associated Press**  
AUSTIN — The U.S. Justice Department is trying to "chill" voter turnout in the 1st Congressional District by taking Texas to court for failing to get approval of the special election date, Gov. Mark White charged Wednesday.

The election pits Democrat Jim Chapman against Republican Edd Hargett, a former Texas A&M football player.

White said Hargett was trying to hide his party loyalty and campaigning as an Aggie. "He's running as an Aggie, and I don't blame him," White said. "Aggies are more popular than Republicans."

White accused Justice Department officials of playing political games, saying they hope to raise doubts about the balloting and keep Democrats home in a district no Republican has carried in a century. The election is being held to fill the seat of Rep. Sam Hall, a Democrat who resigned to become a federal judge.

Report critical of agency head

Director of FEMA resigns

**Associated Press**  
WASHINGTON — Louis O. Giuffrida announced his resignation Wednesday as director of the nation's disaster relief agency, just as a House panel was set to vote on a report accusing him of mismanagement.

Robert Mahaffey, spokesman for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, said that Giuffrida's resignation was unrelated to the draft report. Mahaffey said Giuffrida will leave Sept. 1. The report will be considered for approval Thursday by the House Science and Technology Committee. It has already been approved by the committee's investigations subcommittee.

The report found mismanagement by Giuffrida and other FEMA officials in several areas, including travel on government expense by Giuffrida's wife. Some of the allegations involved Fred J. Vilella, FEMA's former No. 3 official who resigned last August, two days after some of the accusations surfaced in a subcommittee hearing.

Both Giuffrida and Vilella have consistently denied to Congress that they were guilty of wrongdoing. Vilella, asked to comment on the draft report, said he tried to give the investigations subcommittee his written testimony about the practices under investigation, but they declined the information.

Around town

**RepublicBank A&M sponsors blood drive**  
The 4th Annual RepublicBank A&M-Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the RepublicBank A&M building. The Red Cross is in critical need of blood during July.

**Science students must take exam**  
Any junior or senior in the College of Science who has not previously taken the English Proficiency Examination should plan to take the test August 6 unless they have completed English 301 with a minimum grade of C. Students in the College of Science are required to pass either English 301 or the test in order to qualify as a degree candidate. Students entering the College of Science under Catalog 107 or later must complete English 301 as required in their degree program. The English Proficiency Exam will be administered by the English Department. Students in the Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics Departments should register for the exam in 152 Blocker before August 1.

Chance arrest of men linked to drug probe

**Associated Press**  
PONTIAC, Ill. — What appeared to be the chance arrest of two alleged drug couriers on a rural highway actually was an effort to keep a large supply of marijuana and heroin out of Chicago without jeopardizing a two-year federal investigation.

The men in the truck — stopped Feb. 14 while carrying drugs to Chicago — were among more than 100 people arrested Tuesday in a major drug crackdown.

Livingston County State's Attorney Donald Bernardi said Wednesday that authorities concocted a story to make it appear that the truck was stopped for speeding and that the drugs were found by accident when federal agents actually had been tracking the load of drugs across the country, he said.

Bernardi said he was called to State Police headquarters at Pontiac after the stop, and the situation was explained to him.

Bank president turns in bogus cash, resigns

**Associated Press**  
DAINGERFIELD — The president of the Daingerfield National Bank has resigned after relinquishing counterfeit money he took as collateral on loans, the bank's chairman says.

Buck Florence, majority stockholder and board chairman, said John Scott Jr., 33, president for the past 18 months, quit July 18 after presenting the bank's executive committee with a duffle bag full of bogus bills.

Florence said the situation came to light last week when he noticed a construction loan had been made to a company that had gone out of business. Florence said he confronted Scott when he returned from vacation, and Scott told him he had a large amount of cash he was holding as collateral. Florence said he told Scott to bring the money to the bank the next day, and the executive committee found it was counterfeit.

Florence said that no other counterfeit funds were found and that there was no indication that Scott had an accomplice at the bank. Scott could not be reached at his home for comment Wednesday. Assistant U.S. Attorney Jay Angelo of Tyler declined to comment on the case.

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