

## No pass, no play returns to court

(continued from page 1) crimination." got to show some dis-
Bill Pisciella, an encineerin her in a mostly black Houston Indesaid a school project to be carried on
space shuttle mission next month space shurne mission next month of students eligible for the extracur"Its effect on my program has
programs are really impossible when
you have a high degree of failures."
But under cross examination, PisBut under cross examination, Pis
ciella said he could not explain why
he number of students in his proiec he number of students in his project checks." how they get their pay-
fell from 24 a year ago to seven this Sheppard has "It's not all no pass, no play," he how the rule has affected different He also acknowledged that of the parts of the state.
O'Hanlon said it was uncertain
24 students in the program last year, whether he would be calling any wit about one-third were minorities.
This year, four of the seven students.
The trial was expected to last

## Hijackers convicted

## Genoa carrying false passports

 fore the Italian ship began its Medi-terranean cruise. ierranean cruise.
Abbas said in court that he was a
distant cousin of Mohammed Abbas leader of the Palestine Liberation
Front, one of the smallest and most radical of the factions comprising tion.
Prosecutor Luigi Carli stopped
short of naming the person who allegedly planned the hijack, but he
repeatedly referred to defendant ohammed Issa Abbas as "a relative Carli asked for sentences ranging
from $41 / 2$ to 9 years. The charges car. from $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to 9 years. The charges car--
ried a maximum of 12 years impris-
onment The lightest sentence of four
years was given to Ahmed Marrouf years was given to Ahmed Marrouf
al-Assadi. Investigators said al-Assadi cooperated with them, and seve-
ral witnesses have described him as being kind to the hostages.
Youssef Magied al-Molqi, the selfdescribed leader of the group, drew tayer Abdel-Latif got seven years
and three months; and Bassam alAshker, the youngest of the de-
fendants at 19 , was sentenced to six
 After the hijackers surrendered,
Ui.S. ef tighters forced an Eypyptian
airline carying Mohammed Abbas
nd the four hijackers to land in Sic airniner carrying Monammen Absis-
and the four hijackers to land in Sic-
ily where the for were arrested
Mohammed Abbas was allowed to
leave, despite protests by the U.S.
government. involvement in the affair. But they
did not talk about the murder of
eon Klinghoffer, the American Leon Klinghoffer, the America
passenger who was shot and tosse
overboard in his wheelchair. However, in a written statement
presented to the court, al-Moloi described his to the courthniko, al-Molquat de-
sematic rifle and said it was the one "I used for
the most serious crime for which I

The prosecution maintained that Mones to Mohammed Issa Abbas and two top were in
aides
trumental strumental in bringing the four au-
tomatic weapons and eight hand grenades used by the hijackers into
Italy. Alaly-Assadi testified that the weap Al-Assadi testified that the weap
ons were hidden in a red Renault 9 brought to Genoa from Tunis
aboard a ferry by wo "confidants"
of Mohammed Abbas, the PLO offi-

## Liability trial will focus on smokers' addiction

have an Ameri heard the medical jury, having find that cigarettes cause human ilness and especially, Mr. Galbr-

aith's death," said Paul Monzione associate to attorney Melvin Belli,
who is handling the case fo Gaibraith's widow, Elayne, of
brought before, but Reynolds
spokesmen say the tobacco indus-
try has never been found liable
for damages resulting in death or
disease stemming from cigarette
smoking.
Howerer, Belli, one of the na-
tion's leading personal injury law-
yers, said he believes he can win.
Belli has brouht similar cases
aaainst Reynolds and lost them
all, the first time 25 years ago
Belli sought out the Galbraith
family so a practice prohibited by
California law unless the attorney
pledges any proceeds to the pub-
lic good. Belli says he will donate
any income he receives from the
case to cancer research.
Unlike preverious cases, Belli
said this trial will focus on smok-
ers' addiction and on new scien-
tific evidence linking smoking
with diseases.
Belli said he would seek out
smokers for the jury, since they
will better understand his claim
of addiction.
But Reynolds' attorney John
Strach said cigarette smoking
does not meet three tests of ad
diction the that the addict in-
creases dosages, hat he suffers
withdrawals when he quits and
that his addiction interferes with
social
Belli also said he has a stronge
case linking cigarette smoking to
heart disease, cance and lun
disorders than he had in the past
Srauch said he would argu
that the issue is one of persona
responsibilitity. People mapy chos
to smoke or not, he said, addin
that the tobacco industry does no
betieve conclusive tests hav
linked smoking to human dis


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