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Hospital won't say if worker was fired for value judgment

Associated Press
SAN ANGELO — Officials of a Catholic hospital won't say if a letter written by an employee chastizing anti-abortionists had anything to do with the worker's firing.

Nursing assistant Noel Singleton, 32, defended freedom of choice for women faced with unwanted pregnancy in a letter that appeared Jan. 27 in the San Angelo Standard-Times.

Richard Boyd, vice president of business services, refused to say if Singleton was fired because of the letter he wrote.

"We have no policy that prevents employees from speaking out freely. They have a right to say and express whatever opinions they have and we have a lot of people who write letters," said Boyd, who is in charge of hiring and firing at the hospital.

San Angelo Bishop Michael Pfeifer has asked for an investigation into why Singleton was fired the day after his letter was published.

Pfeifer said Tuesday he was not aware of Singleton's dismissal from the Catholic hospital or any of the incidents leading to it. He said he would check into the hospital codes and procedures and examine how hospital officials explain them to employees.

Singleton said he did not represent himself as a hospital employee in his letter, which read in part: "Let them (pro-life campaigners) march a trench around my courthouse! their right to judge, accuse and deplore ends exactly where the individual woman's rights begin."

He said, "Sane women ought to come forth to sign that petition (calling for an abortion ban) with the meaningful pseudonym, 'Frita Choose.'"

Singleton said his dismissal was upheld by the director of employee services, Robert Rastellini, who handles employee grievances.

Around town

Baylor Law School Scholarships:

Baylor University's School of Law offers three tuition free scholarships annually to outstanding Texas A&M students entering Baylor's Law School. These are the Joseph Milton Nance Scholarships, good for one year, but are renewable for the second and third year of law school on condition the recipient is doing good work. Students interested in making applications for one of these scholarships should come effective at entrance in the Summer or Fall Quarter, 1986. Obtain application forms from Dr. J. M. Nance in 560 Harmon Building, College of Liberal Arts. It is essential that a copy of LSAT scores accompany your application. Applications are due Feb. 7, 1986.

The Big Event:

All individual students and student organizations are encouraged to volunteer their services to "The Big Event" on March 1. Applications are available on the second floor of the MSC in the Student Programs office and on the second floor of the Pavilion in the Student Government office. Applications are due Feb. 21. For more information call 845-3051.

Hart Hall:

A square dance will be sponsored by Hart Hall and the Baylor College Station Chamber of Commerce to promote Adopt-a-School as a community service project for student organizations at Baylor. Adopt-a-School is a project organized by the Chamber of Commerce to improve the quality of education at the public schools. Any student interested in Adopt-a-School should come to the square dance at the Ware Field House on Feb. 8 from 9 p.m. to midnight.

Off Campus Aggies:

Off Campus Week will consist of a domino tournament at 7 p.m. Monday at the Dixie Chicken, happy hour at Casa Tomas from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, and a "sock hop" Friday in Dewar House with benefits going to the MDA. For more information call Joyce, 696-3826.

Alpha Kappa Alpha:

In recognition of Black History Month the Phi Psi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. presents "Hidden Racism" by Verna Keith, assistant professor of Sociology, Saturday at 11:30 a.m. at 607 Rudder.

Court overturns conviction of man in daughter's killing

Associated Press
AUSTIN — The state's top criminal appeals court Wednesday threw out the conviction of an Arizona man found guilty of strangling his 4-year-old daughter, a girl he said was in a fight with the devil.

In a 6-3 decision, the Court of Criminal Appeals ordered David Schuessler acquitted. The court barred further prosecution of Schuessler, who had been sentenced to 30 years in prison in the Jan. 24, 1980, death of Collette Marie Schuessler.

The girl's body was found by a Border Patrol agent alongside Interstate 10 near Sierra Blanca.

Schuessler offered an insanity defense but was convicted. The El Paso Court of Appeals later reversed the decision and sent the case back for retrial. But the Court of Criminal Appeals said Wednesday there should be no retrial because the reversal was necessitated by insufficient evidence.

Judge W.C. Davis said in the court's opinion, "We hold that no rational trier of fact could have found that (Schuessler) failed to establish his affirmative defense of insanity by a preponderance of the evidence."

Defense lawyer Charles Mallin of

El Paso said his client faces several years of psychiatric treatment in a mental health facility.

"He won't be on the streets," Mallin said. "The man is mentally ill, extremely mentally ill. He should be in a mental institution. At this point I think he has a problem for many years to come."

El Paso County Assistant District Attorney Robert Dinsmoor said

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Wednesday that Schuessler "probably had some problems. We did not feel he was insane by the legal standards."

According to court records, family members said Schuessler's behavior changed in October 1979. The Phoenix family noted that he "became withdrawn and expressed

baseless fears that his job was in jeopardy."

On Jan. 16, 1980, he met his wife and daughter at a Phoenix restaurant and asked them to fly to the San Carlos Indian Reservation in Arizona, where his wife had a job.

The next day, Schuessler drove toward his daughter and drove toward her. He was stopped by a Texas State Trooper and fined for driving without a license. The girl was not with him.

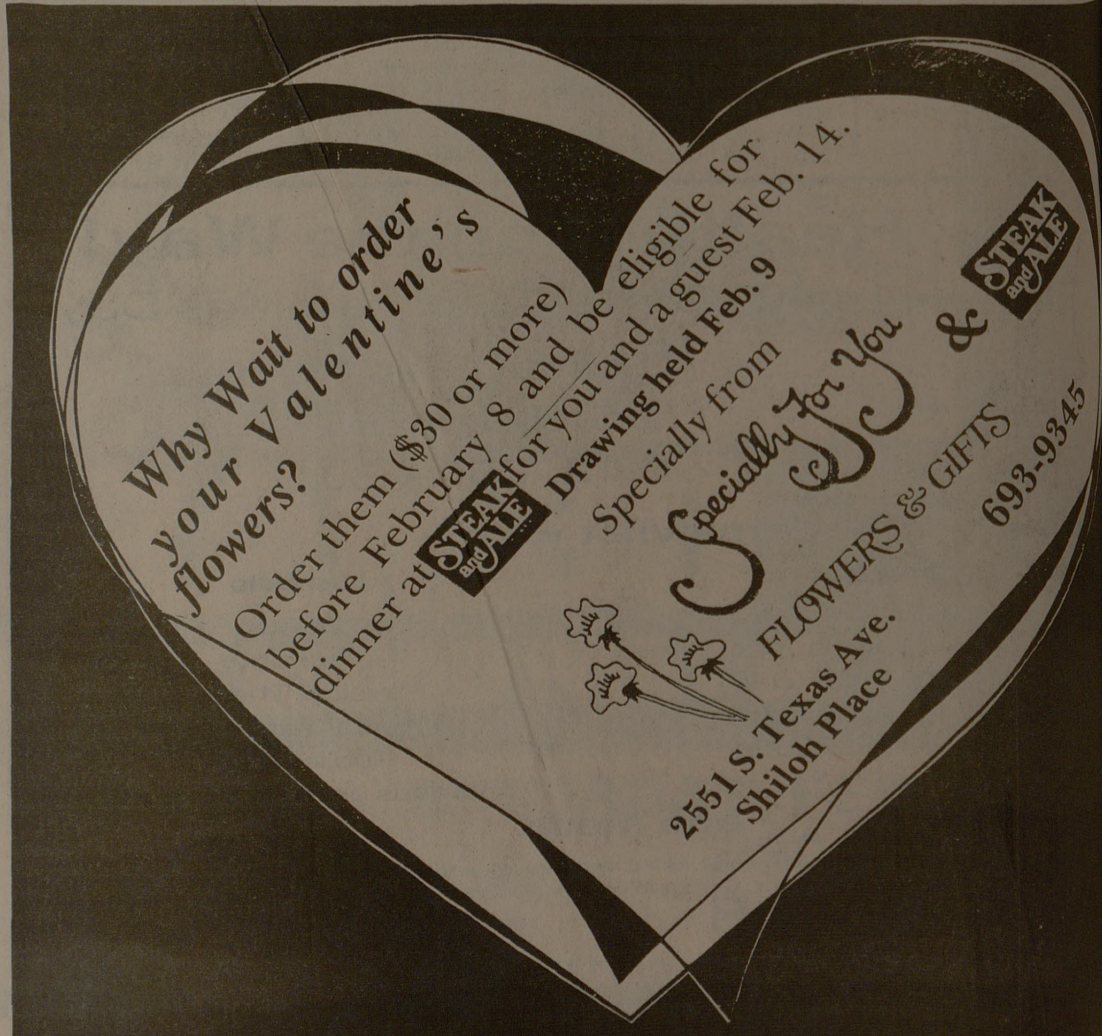
Schuessler told deputies his daughter were "hexed."

A deputy said Schuessler told him that "a devil in the form of a horse was trying to take his daughter's soul, that he had seen the devil's face and her arms and legs and that he had killed her to save her soul."

He said he disposed of the body but did not recall where.

Several psychiatrists called in defense testified that Schuessler was suffering from acute paranoia.

Judges W.C. Davis, Tom Marvin Teague, Charles G. Sam Houston Clinton and Miller voted for acquittal. John Onion, Michael Miller and Bill White dissented, writing an opinion.



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