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# Dallas police net most arrests in nationwide crack-house raid

DALLAS (AP) — Armed raids on amaican crack houses" believed to run by one of the nation's most vibusts, Garner said. Jamaican crack houses" believed to be run by one of the nation's most violent gangs netted more arrests in Dallas than in 15 other cities, authorities said Tuesday.

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5-8520. uwalia isag Fifty-five people, including 38 Jamaicans and one juvenile, were arrested in Dallas by late Tuesday afernoon and more arrests were expected as search warrants were excuted, said Richard Garner, agent charge of the Dallas office of the J.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco

and Firearms. In Houston, one Jamaican male as arrested in the sweep, said Phil Chojnacki, agent in charge of the ureau's Houston division.

More arrests are expected, but Chojnacki said his division's investigation has "not progressed to the point of the one in Dallas."

The raids were part of the bueau's nationwide crackdown on the they are here.' amaican Posses, gangs that take heir name from television Western nows and which have been conected to more than 600 drug-reated murders, kidnapping, narcot-cs and gun trafficking, robberies, ssaults and money laundering.

He said 240 arrests nationwide are expected by the time the 13-state crackdown concludes, and expects Dallas to continue leading the country in the number of arrests.

Prince said in 1984-85 police attributed three murders to the Jamai can trade in Dallas, but since 1986, that figure rose to 41 murders.

Charles Storey, an investigator in the city police's Intelligence Division, said, "It's new, it's moved fast into Dallas and it's multiplied fast.'

About 27 Jamaican gangs are be-

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Richard Garner, head of Dallas Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

"The Jamaicans are opportunists," Garner said. "They believe they can make money in Dallas, so

Dallas Police Chief Billy Prince said the Jamaican drug ring made nearly \$400,000 in profit from 75

Dallas crack houses each day. He said authorities began investigating the Jamaican drug trade in November 1986 when they noted a The Dallas raids were begun November 1986 when they noted a Monday at 14 locations by heavily sharp increase in murders attributed med local and federal law officers.

lieved to operate in the city.

Garner said the Jamaican gangs are characterized by drugs, greed, use of automatic weapons and a "total disrespect for human life."

"It doesn't matter if it's a uni-formed officer, an agent or a citizen, they just simply do not have respect for human life," Garner said. "I think everyone would agree that these are some of the most vicious and violent criminals we've encoun-

officials displayed a cache of weapons and narcotics seized in the raids.

We find that they not only have high-quality type of weapons, but they also have a lot of them," Garner said, adding that the posses make money by purchasing the weapons cheaply in the United States and selling them at three or four times the cost in Jamaica or Mexico.

Stephen E. Higgins, national director of the ATF, said the posses are probably this country's most vio-

lent organized crime gang. Higgins said some of those in custody would be charged with offenses ranging from illegal entry into the United States to falsifying firearm records. Some of the members also face state and local charges, he said.

Despite the possession of automatic weapons by gang members, all the arrests so far have been made eacefully, police say.

The Jamaican organizations are active mainly in lower-income, minority neighborhoods, police said.

The drugs with which the Jamaicans are allegedly involved with include cocaine and "crack," an inexpensive cocaine derivative.

Garner said the organizations operate with small quantities of cash and drugs to avoid felony arrests At a Tuesday news conference, and reduce their loss of profits.

#### Sessions will try again to take oath of office for FBI director Nov.2

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — U.S. District Judge Williams S. Sessions is doing as the doctor ordered and hopes his third try at being sworn in as FBI director will be the charm.

Sessions, sidelined because of a series of stomach ailments, said he is scheduled to be sworn in Nov. 2. Two ceremonies in the past month have been postponed because of his hospitalization for

an ulcer's flare-up. Sessions, 57, said Monday that retired Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Burger will adminis-ter the oath of office to him in the FBI Building in Washington. Sessions, meanwhile, has re-

duced his judicial workload at the federal courthouse in San Antonio as he prepares for his move.
"I'll be here, opening mail and

reading it, signing orders and generally carrying on the business of the court," said Sessions, who is chief judge for the Western District of Texas.

"I leave at 2 p.m.," he said.
"I'm just trying to do what the doctor ordered and that is take it

Sessions won unanimous confirmation from the Senate last month after he was nominated by President Reagan to replace William Webster, who became CIA director.

Sessions first became ill on a flight from Texas to Washington last month as he prepared for his first swearing-in ceremony. He was hospitalized and then returned to San Antonio.

He entered Methodist Hospital in San Antonio after losing about two pints of blood after his release from the Washington hospital. He left the San Antonio hospital Oct. 12 and went on a vacation before returning to

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, has said that sometime this week he will have a nominee to fill the federal bench vacancy created by

Sessions' departure.

Gramm said he interviewed five state district judges in San Antonio — David Peeples, David Berchelmann, Susan Reed, Emi-lio Garza and Tom Rickhoff and will pick a nominee from among them.

## Mock trial shows A&M students what drivers charged with DWI face

By Mary-Lynne Rice Staff Writer

The verdict is still out after Tuesnight's mock trial in which Ditor of University Police Bob Wiatt rtrayed a bank teller faced with charge of driving while intoxi-

Attorneys, police officers and hnical specialists presented a "ju-of about 100 with the evidence witnesses common in a realistic

Alex Walter of the Texas A&M fice of Students' Attorney said the ck trial was an important learning perience for students.

'It gives people the opportunity to view the inner workings of the DWI trial, which I think most people are usually not party to," he said. "I hope by providing information about it, we'll be able to make people

more aware of the situation.'

In his opening statement, prosecuting attorney Walter, representing the state of Texas, explained the prosecution's "burden of proof"—to prove the defendant guilty beyond reasonable doubt. The prosecution must prove that the accused was driving a vehicle in a public place and that he was intoxicated.

Intoxication is the most difficult

to prove, Walter said, and is the key to the DWI conviction. College Station police officer Nancy Lane described the initial procedure after police stop a suspected drunken driver.

Officers conduct three field sobriety tests, which indicate the driver's balance and coordination, she said. Demeanor and physical characteristics also are noted, including belligerence or an odor of alcohol on the

After the tests, officers take the suspect to the Brazos County Courthouse for fingerprinting, photo-graphing and videotaping of the suspect performing the sobriety test a

An intoxilyzer, or blood-breath alcohol, test then is required. If the suspect refuses to take the test, his driver's license will be suspended for

Technical expert Dr. Tim Coppinger explained the intoxilyzer testing process. The machine is purged of all air to eliminate alcoholic residue from the last testing. It then tests itself, presumably registering a blood alcohol level of 0.0 grams of alcohol per 210 liters of air, he said.

The suspect then blows into a

Bob Kelly, the suspect Wiatt represented, showed a blood-alcohol level of 0.16. The minimum level of

At a 0.0 to 0.4 blood-alcohol level, Coppinger said, effects are slight, although vision is somewhat affected. From a 0.4 to 0.7 level, the drinker begins to feel euphoric, has greater self-confidence and starts to lose in-

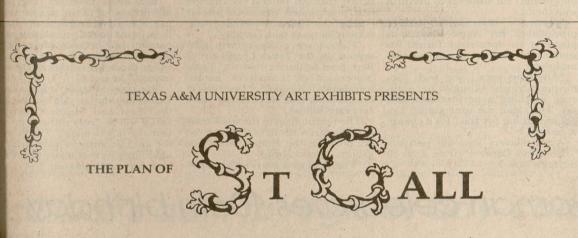
'At that level," Coppinger said,

mouthpiece and his breath-alcohol "they're feeling real good." At 0.8 to 0.10, there is a dramatic erence sample. The machine checks increase in the alcohol's effect on the itself again, verifies its reference sample, then checks itself again.

mervous system, markedly affecting motor skills, he said. At that point, the drinker who drives is six times more likely to cause an accident than

a sober driver. Above a level of 0.10, major motor functions are impaired, he said, and the drinker feels nauseated. At 0.15, a driver is 25 times more likely to cause an accident than a nondrinking driver.

Judge Michael Callahan will receive Kelly's verdict Friday. Meanwhile, Kelly and his attorney, Jim Locke, maintain his innocence.



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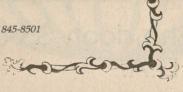
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