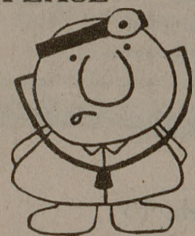


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Chamber Players to perform at A&M

A program of music ranging from English Baroque classics to works by Gilbert and Sullivan will be presented Monday at 2 p.m. in the MSC lounge.

The Chamber Players of the U.S. Air Force Band of the West, as part of a six-concert tour, will make their first stop at Texas A&M to perform these and other musical selections.

The Chamber Players, whose lineup consists of a woodwind quintet and a brass quintet, also will perform marches written by classical composers for wind band. Robert Washburn's Con-

certino for wind and brass and William Mayer's Essay for Brass and Winds.

Both quintets will give individual performances, as well.

The U.S. Air Force Band of the West is based at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, and is commanded by Col. Benny Knudsen.

Assistant Conductor and Deputy Commander Lt. Steve Grimo will conduct the band's performances during the tour.

Admission to the performance is free and open to the public.

City officials look for new utility firm to supply power

By Bobby Bernshausen
Reporter

College Station's contract with Gulf States Utilities expires in 1991, but city officials are already looking for a new contractor.

College Station, along with Caldwell, Kirbyville and Newton, has commissioned Lone Star Municipal Power agency to help in the search. The four cities also are conducting an independent search.

The contract with Gulf States was originally drawn up for twenty years. Garry Lange, Technical Superintendent for the College Station Utility Service Center, said that the contractor proposed a rather large rate increase, which put the contract under arbitration. The final decision ended the contract five years from that time.

Director of Public Utilities John Woody said that the city has sent requests to about twenty power companies, and within the last week has received five answers.

Woody said that the city is looking to find a company that can best fit their needs at the lowest cost. He added that the search doesn't mean that the city won't remain with Gulf States.

"Shopping for power is no different than shopping for a housewife looking through grocery ads to decide which store to shop at," Woody said. "Though she may have some loyalty to one in particular, if somebody else offers her a better price, with the same quality or better, she may shop around."

Although it would be easier to stay with Gulf States, which would eliminate the conversion process, the city will make its decision "based on reliability, low cost and availability," Woody said.

Out of the companies under consideration, Woody said that the city should have the list narrowed down to two or three possibilities within six months.

State puts road blocks out to bar Florida citrus

McALLEN (AP) — Highway roadblocks will be set up to keep Florida citrus out of Texas during a 30-day emergency quarantine declared Thursday, a state agriculture official said.

"We'll have roadblocks in East Texas on Interstate 10, and also probably on Interstate 20 beginning Monday morning to stop any trucks that have Florida citrus," Deputy Agriculture Commissioner Mike Moeller said after meeting with citrus producers.

The Texas quarantine is in response to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's decision Tuesday to lift a ban on shipments of Florida citrus to other citrus-producing states. The ban went into effect after bacterial citrus canker was discovered in Florida in 1984.

"We've got to do this to prevent

citrus canker from coming into Texas," Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower said. "If we let it in, we are letting in an economic disaster for Texas farmers and workers, for the Rio Grande Valley economy and the entire Texas economy."

Hightower charged that the U.S. Department of Agriculture bowed to pressure from Florida growers when it lifted the ban.

Moeller said trucks carrying Florida citrus "will either be turned around and sent back to Florida or, if possible, fumigated, sealed and sent on their way across Texas to their destination."

The quarantine applies to fruit as well as plants, Moeller said.

Citrus canker can cause defoliation and other damage to leaves and twigs of plants, and can render the fruit unmarketable.

Officials: Radiation at firms not harmful

DALLAS (AP) — Trace radioactive leaks from air guns found at six area firms apparently did not contaminate workers or products, state officials said.

Texas Radiation Control Board spokesman Richard Ratliff said state investigators have checked 70 companies in the state that produce food, beverage, cosmetic or chemical products, and have found contamination at 10 of those sites, including three Coca-Cola bottling plants.

Ratliff, however, said investigators found no threat to the public at any of those sites, eight of which are in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

They include: the Ashland Chemical Co. plant in South Dallas, KTI Chemical Inc. in Carrollton, a small plastics company in Denton, a photo lab in Austin and one in Dallas, an unidentified chemical company in Dallas and four Coca-Cola bottling plants — two in Dallas and one each in Fort Worth and Houston.

The Coca-Cola products that may have been affected were confined to stacks of aluminum can lids and the metal caps used for bottles, officials said.

The problem air ionizer guns made by 3M Corp. use compressed air that shoots past the radioactive polonium-210. The compressed air, positively charged by the polonium, reduces static and knocks off any aluminum specks from lids and caps, while a high-speed vacuum cleaner gathers the specks.

Ratliff said water is suspected of loosening the epoxy glue that held the radioactive substance in the 3M guns.

The only contamination found at the bottling plants was in the vacuum cleaner bags, Ratliff said.

Judge says man's rights not violated

DALLAS (AP) — A federal judge has tossed out a \$2.5 million lawsuit filed by a man who was arrested and jailed for eight months for a crime he did not commit.

Judge Robert Maloney ruled last week that Marvin Wells' constitutional rights were not violated by his arrest and incarceration. Wells had sued the Carrollton and Mesquite police departments.

Wells' mother, Ruth Settles of Flint, Mich., said she thought the ruling was unfair.

"If somebody is arrested and then kept in jail for eight months when he did nothing wrong, it looks to me like his constitutional rights were violated," she said.

Wells was arrested for a robbery and slaying at a Carrollton convenience store Nov. 21, 1985. He was identified from a videotape taken by a store camera.



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