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Austin fights for famous poisoned oak

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AUSTIN ((AP) - A new effort to fight the poison attacking the centu-ries-old Treaty Oak was launched Wednesday, as police continued in-vestigating the case and well-wishers left flowers at the tree.

City park workers began boring hundreds of holes in the soil sur-rounding the historic tree and were to fill them with a mixture of bark, sandy loam and chemical-attacking microbes, said John Giedraitis, city forester

The Texas Department of Agri-The Texas Department of Agri-culture took soil samples. Once it is determined where the herbicide re-mains, the forester said, the next step could be severing the roots on that side of the tree. Such action is "very drastic," Gie-draitis said. But he added, "We need to stop the tree from absorbing the

to stop the tree from absorbing the chemical.

"Otherwise, the tree will keep putting out leaves, and the chemical will keep being absorbed, and the leaves will keep falling off, until there's no more energy left to produce leaves," he said.

After it was discovered that the powerful herbicide Velpar had been poured around the tree's base, workers initially removed obviously contaminated soil and injected activated charcoal and microbes into the remaining dirt. The new effort began maining dirt. The new effort began after it became clear that it had failed to eliminate the poison. "I remain cautiously optimistic, but we're dealing with a real prob-lem," Giedraitis said. A local legend says Stephen F. Austin signed a treaty with the Indi-one under the treas of house h there is

ans under the tree, although there is not much foundation for the tale, according to the Handbook of Texas.

The oak — which is about 50 feet tall, has a 127-foot limb spread and The following incidents were reported to the University Police department from June 8 through

Thursday, June 22, 1989

Chevrolet Camero from a park-**BURGLARY:**

• A man reported that some-one broke into his car and stole a

and a parking garage access card. • Another man reported that someone broke into his car and

stole his wallet and checkbook. MISDEMEANOR THEFT: • Six bicycles and one back-

cations around campus.
A student reported that someone stole her wallet from her vehicle which had been towed.

• A woman reported that someone stole \$73 from her wal-let in the Mail Services Building. CRIMINAL MISCHIEF:

is 52.5 inches in diameter at breast height — was admitted to the Ameri-can Forestry Association's Hall of Fame in 1927. It is estimated to be

more than 500 years old. The ailing oak is getting moral support in addition to technical ex-pertise. Nestled against its base are get-well cards and bunches of flowers, while tucked into the trunk's niches and hollows are crystal rocks, taining to the case. He would which some believe have healing give further details about those

powers. Margaret Hofmann, a former city by Giedraitis as the "tree lady of Austin," said the tree's misfortune had brought some good with it. Jones earlier said police ident that the person has not been to into custody.

Many Austin residents had not heard of the Treaty Oak before the poisoning and the ensuing publicity, she said.

• Two fire extinguishers we disharged in Blocker Building. ARSON:

POLICE BEAT

• Paper towels from both m trooms of the A-1 Lounge we placed in a trash can near the trance to the lounge and set fire, damaging the paneling. DRIVING WHILE INTOX CATED:

• After stopping a vehicle f running a stop sign, an officer termined that the driver a peared to be intoxicated. CARRYING WEAPON:

• After stopping a car form ning a red traffic light, an offic asked the driver for proof of bility insurance. When the driver opened the glove box, the office saw a handgun inside. HARASSMENT:

• A student reported that received an obscene phone call. INDECENT EXPOSURE:

• Officers located a man Sterling C. Evans Library w witnesses said was masturbai near the reference section.

"Now, everybody knows it, mann said. "People are lea

about how to protect trees and valuable trees are. In that repa-think it's good." Police Sgt. John Jones, who vestigating the case as a second gree felony criminal mischief, se grand jury subpoena may be ne to gain access to some records

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"We're getting there I wheels grind fine, but they go slow," he said.

Veteran grieves Court ruling no making flag desecration illegal

DALLAS (AP) — A Korean War veteran who recov-ered the remains of an American flag spat upon and burned by protesters said Wednesday he was grieving the Supreme Court's decision limiting states' power to

But the attorney who defended the protester after the flag burning at a demonstration during the 1984 Republican National Convention in Dallas said it was gratifying to know what veterans fought for, including

"A lot of people who served their country are griev-ing just like I am," said Dan Walker, who came upon the burning flag in front of Dallas City Hall. "Some do

not respect the country and the flag, its symbol." Walker, who was angered when he scooped up the flag's remains, said nothing has changed with the high

"They can say it is exercise of free speech. Their free speech is worth exactly what they paid for it: exactly nothing.'

> - Dan Walker, Korean War veteran

Johnson, of New York City, is a member of the R lutionary Communist Youth Brigade. His attorney in the original case, Stan Weinberg veterans should be encouraged by the ruling beca

shows values they fought for in the Bill of Rights still intact 'The reaction is an exultant feeling that, even in 4 vote, you are proven right," said Weinberg, a Da

lawyer. "Secondly, it is a great sense of gratitude what is so fundamental in our form of living is sl able, still strong, still sound, still well." He denied that the ruling was a slap in the face of a

triots nationwide.

"The flag is important and if that is what people lieve, then they should fly it," said Weinberg. "The the way that they affirm their belief in it."

Writing for the court, Justice William J. Brennan a Texas law that bans conduct leading to breaches

the peace was unaffected by Wednesday's ruling. But the justice said it violates constitutional speech guarantees to ban flag burning at political protests merely because the destruction of the offends some people or because the state wishes we serve the flag as a symbol of national unity.

Walker said he became angry when he came up the protesters desecrating the flag and cham "America, the red, white and blue, we spit on you." The veteran gathered the burning fragments of flag, much of which had been consumed, and but them because he remembered the procedure i Army manuals. The West Point graduate later rece a letter from Ronald Reagan thanking him for his tions. "It (the flag burning) was uncalled for, and I sild not know what they were protesting," he said. "If it were interested in exercising their freedom of set they should jolly be well be able to talk and iden-bed icids that they protecting. what it is that they protesting. "They were protesting against what? The gov ment's actions?" the veteran asked. "They can say exercise of free speech. Their free speech is worther tly what they paid for it: exactly nothing."



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court's ruling that flag burning was a form of express-ion protected by the Constitution's guarantee of freedom of speech

"I haven't mellowed any," said Walker, a 61-year-old retired engineer from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. "But I am convinced now that they can burn the material, but not burn the spirit. So it is just the body they may kill, but they will not kill the soul." Walker said he held no animosity for Gregory "Joey"

Johnson, whose sentence of one year in jail and \$2,000 fine was thrown out by the justices in a 5-4 vote. But the veteran said he did hold a "distaste for his

(Johnson's) actions. He is a sick guy. But he doesn't ant my sympathy

Two deputies accused of harassing, extorting money from Mexicans

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Two Duval County Sheriff's deputies have been arrested on charges that Mexican nationals were stopped on roadways and forced to pay cash fines.

Sheriff Santiago Barrera Jr. said deputies Ernesto Gonzalez, 40, and Felipe Hernandez, 39, were released on \$1,500 bonds Tuesday after they were charged with official oppression. The charge is a Class A misde-meanor punishable by up to a year in jail and up to a \$2,000 fine. Barrera said both deputies were

suspended indefinitely without pay.

He said the arrests culminated a two-week investigation that included the Texas Rangers, who were asked for assistance last week.

Barrera said the charges stem from a June 6 incident involving Jose Guadalupe Chavez Gutierrez, a Nuevo Laredo used-car dealer who reported being stopped by a man in a deputy's uniform on State Highway 44 outside Freer. Chavez said in a sworn affidavit that the deputy sought to levy a fine at the scene for of sculptured or tip lack of auto liability insurance.

Chavez told authorities the dep-uty seized his Mexican driver's li-cense when he could not pay the \$175 fine on the spot. Chavez said

the man told him to return for his license when he raised the money. "He told me that I had to pay the fine directly to him. He said nothing about a judge," Chavez told the *Cor-pus Christi Caller-Times.* "He didn't say it was a bribe, but that's the way we took it.

Chavez said that in a sting opera-tion arranged by authorities he went to Gonzalez's Freer home Tuesday to pay the fine and collect his license. Chavez said he had been fitted with a two-way radio, concealed in his sock, that allowed Texas Ranger Rudy Rodriguez and a Duval County deputy to overhear the transaction from a nearby car.

Chavez said Gonzalez drove him to Hernandez's home to collect the license

Duval County Attorney Abelardo Garza said seven other Mexican na-tionals have made similar allegations about being stopped by men in dep-uty's uniforms who demanded pay-

ment for fines. Barrera said authorities have not determined how much money was collected from the Mexican nation-

Author gives ship model to Clements

AUSTIN (AP) - Best-sel author Clive Cussler and an a ciate Wednesday presented Bill Clements with a detailed model of the warship Zaw which sailed more than 140 y ago under the flag of the T Navy

Cussler, who has written se ral books including "Raise the tanic," and attorney Wayne G quist of Austin discovered shipwrecked Zavala in 1986 Galveston.

The author had the mo built for Texans.

The Zavala was a 201converted sailing vessel an thought to have been the steam-powered battleship North America. The ship some action against Mexico tween 1839 and 1841, during

days of the Texas Republic. The ship was abandoned a a hurricane ran it aground, a was buried in the early 19 when sand was pumped or veston Island to expand it.

tion treatment

The Zavala was found un parking lot at Galveston's Pier Artifacts from the ship turned over to Texas A&M versity for cleaning and press



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