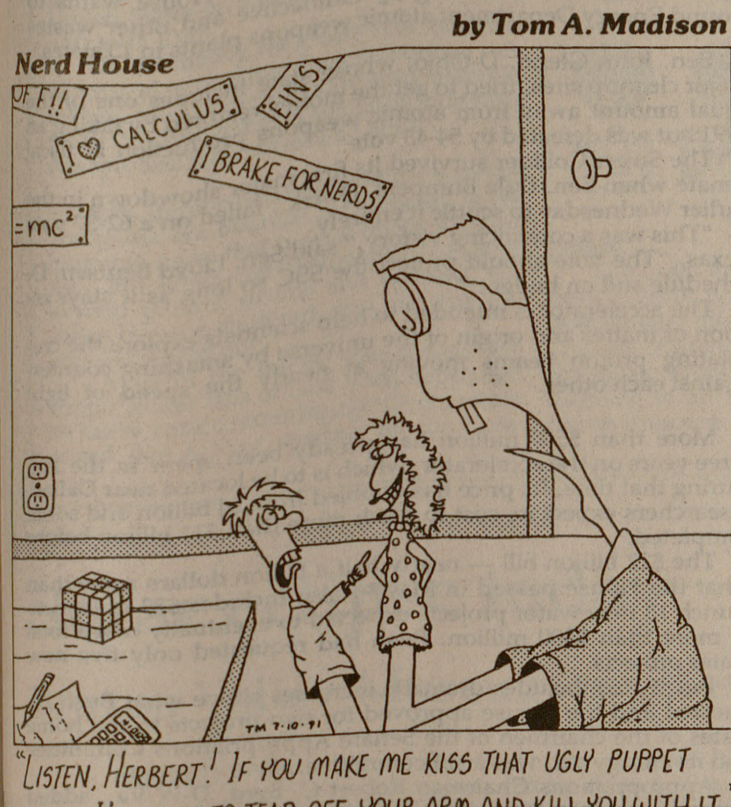
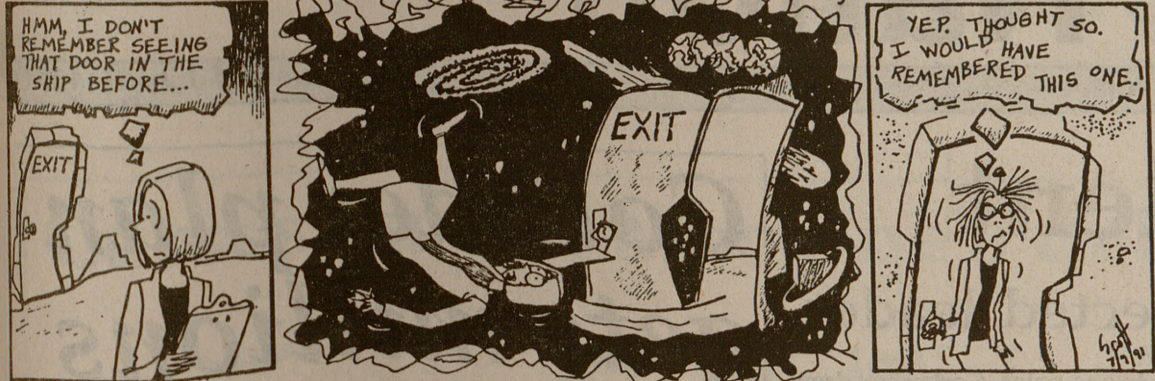


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Escaped ape terrorizes homeowners

LARGO, Fla. (AP) — An escaped ape got into a neighbor's house, terrorized the homeowners, ran after their dogs and left the place a mess. The 3-foot Celabese ape named Roscoe escaped Sunday from its cage a few streets away and entered Shirley and Norton Craig's home. "It just blew by me," said Craig. "He was a mean-looking thing. He looked like King Kong in miniature." By the time police arrived, Roscoe was racing from the mantle to chairtops to behind the TV and to any other place that seemed safe. Wildlife Rescue director Vernon Yates corralled the ape behind an aquarium. "I just walked over, grabbed him by the arm and walked him out of the house," Yates said.

Scout denies use of excessive force by police officer

FORT WORTH (AP) — The Explorer scout riding with a police officer accused of striking a handcuffed suspect at least 28 times with a baton denied the patrolman used excessive force. Scout Michael A. Tobey, 20, said in a statement to Fort Worth police that Officer Edward James Parnell III acted properly when he restrained auto theft suspect Ernest A. Anderson. The beating, captured on videotape by a woman in a nearby garden, received national attention when it was broadcast on news shows. "I believe in my opinion, from being on the scene, that Officer Parnell did not use excessive force to restrain the suspect," Tobey said of the July 3 beating. In the statement, obtained by The Dallas Morning News, Tobey said Anderson repeatedly said he wanted to die and tried to dive from the window of the moving squad car into the traffic on Interstate 30. Tobey quoted Anderson as saying, "Hit me in the head, kill me, I want to die." Tobey's statement is the first detailed account of what happened in Parnell's squad car just before the beating. Tobey said the beating began after Anderson kicked out the back side window and pushed himself halfway through. Parnell then stopped the car and tried to push Anderson back inside. "I do not remember how many times Officer Parnell struck the suspect, but I remember after every hit Officer Parnell instructed the suspect to get back inside the vehicle," Tobey said. "The suspect told us 'no' every time." Tobey belongs to a Police Exploring program that lets young people interested in law enforcement careers experience police work. The scout, who said he had ridden with Parnell before, said he had never seen Parnell strike anyone with his baton prior to the July 3 incident. Parnell has been charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon in connection with the beating. He was released on \$1,500 bond and is on paid leave during the internal affairs investigation.

'Faculty for the Future' grant helps minorities

Administration and Graduate School of Business, said A&M has been interested in increasing the number of women and under-represented minorities in the college to better reflect the working population. "This is an attempt to make the business school more diverse," Wichern said. "That's what the 'Faculty for the Future' grant is all about. We're trying to provide enough support for these students." Wichern said women make up 40 percent of the business school's undergraduate student population, and minorities only about 10 percent. "Today's workforce is more ethnically diverse," he said. "In Texas, it will become even more so, with an increase in hispanics and other minorities in the general population." The ethnic diversity of Texas contributed to the appeal of A&M's proposals to the GE Foundation, Wichern said. A&M was the only institution awarded two grants by the foundation. "We have a large pool of minorities to draw from in Texas," he said. "This pool is relatively untapped, and Texas A&M is in a good position to tap it and put this money to good use."

FBI file of Leland reveals two closed investigations

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI investigated the late Rep. Mickey Leland 20 years ago after he testified in court about "police harassment of the black community" in Houston and again after his election to Congress when someone accused him of bribery, according to government files. In the first case, the government decided he had a "rooted allegiance" to an activist group but was not a threat to national security. The second investigation was dropped after federal officials concluded the accusation was false. The information is in Leland's FBI file, obtained by The Associated Press through a filing under the Freedom of Information Act. Major portions of the furnished documents were blacked out. Leland was killed Aug. 7, 1989, when the plane in which he was traveling slammed into a remote mountain ravine in Ethiopia. Leland, as chairman of the House Select Committee on Hunger, was heading toward a refugee camp to focus attention on famine-stricken Sudan. Two years before his death, the Federal Bureau of Investigation had begun a preliminary inquiry into his activities after receiving an allegation of bribery, conflict of interest and public corruption. The person making the charge is not identified in the FBI file.

Volcano, unrest pose no threat to professor

Shafer said though the Philippines is usually considered to be a dangerous country, it is not any more dangerous than Houston or Dallas; but it suffers from different forms of violence. Communist guerillas could be found in the mountains, but Shafer said they would usually only target members of the military, police or politicians. "We weren't any of those, so we could travel where we wanted," he said. "Travel inside the city of Manila was considered by most of the citizens to be more dangerous than travel outside the city, but Shafer does not agree. "There are armed guards at every grocery store and bank in Manila," he said. "It seems more dangerous in than out." During his second semester of teaching there, Shafer and his wife moved to a house on a mountain in a rain forest to get away from the city. The house was given to the Shafers by the University of the Philippines — Los Banos Institute of Development Commu-

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