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Betzy Brussell, a community health major, takes part in the festivities outside the MSC Wednesday. The festivities were part of MSC Awareness Month. Nice Shot

This day in history

On this date:

In 1931, mobster Al Capone was convicted of income tax evasion and sentenced to 11 years in prison. (He was released in 1939.)

In 1933, Albert Einstein arrived in the United States as a refugee from Nazi Germany.

In 1973, Arab oil-producing nations announced they would begin cutting back on oil exports to Western nations and Japan; the result was a total embargo that lasted until March 1974.

In 1978, President Carter signed a bill restoring U.S. citizenship to Confederate President Jefferson Davis. In 1989, an earthquake measuring 7.1 on the

Richter scale struck northern California, killing 67 people and causing \$7 billion worth of damage.

Ten years ago: The U.S. Senate approved and sent

(AP) — Today is Thursday, Oct. 17, the 291st day of 1996. There are 75 days left in the year. to President Reagan an immigration bill prohibiting the hiring of illegal aliens and offering amnesty to millions hiring of illegal aliens and offering amnesty to millions of illegal aliens already here.

Five years ago: The Atlanta Braves won their first National League pennant, defeating the Pittsburgh Pirates 4-0 in Game 7 of their playoff series.

One year ago: President Clinton told wealthy contributors at a Houston fund-raiser that "you think I raised your taxes too much. It might surprise you to know that I think I raised them too much, too" - a statement that drew criticism from both Republicans and Democrats.

Today's Birthdays

Playwright Arthur Miller is 81. Actor Tom Poston is 69. Newspaper columnist Jimmy Breslin is 66. Daredevil Evel Knievel is 58. Actress Margot Kidder is 48. Actor George Wendt is 48. Actor Howard Rollins is 46. Country singer Alan Jackson is 38. Reggae singer Ziggy Marley is 28.

► Nation 'Reckless' words embarrass Brokaw

NEW YORK (AP) - During an unguarded moment picked up on a satellite feed, NBC anchorman Tom Brokaw said CBS' Dan Rather often reported false stories fed to him by the Nixon White House.

Brokaw, who has since said the remark may not be true, made the aside during a rehearsal at the Republican convention in San Diego on Aug. 13 when someone said Rather was reporting Colin Powell would be in a Dole cabinet.

"Rummy," Brokaw said, referring to Donald Rumsfeld, the former White House official who now is chairman of Bob Dole's campaign. "Rummy used to get even with guys in the White House by leaking stuff to Rather that didn't have any basis in fact.

He added that in the past, Rather was "factually wrong a lot of the time because he was Rummy's vessel.

The rehearsal was intercepted and taped - illegally, according to NBC - by Jed Rosenzweig, producer of the New York cable program Wild Feed TV, which specializes in catching broadcasters in unguarded moments.

NBC said it has sent two letters to Rosenzweig warning him that it would be illegal for him to broadcast the tape.

Brokaw's office confirmed Wednesday that the remarks, appearing in two local newspapers, were reported accurately.

The judge sustained the tion, but Baker continued. Brokaw said he regrets having made what he now calls a "reckless" comment. He said he was minds about the possib new in Washington during the Watergate era when he heard from "seeded" the crime scene to the case against Simpso colleagues that Rather was being fed information from Rumsfeld.

"I don't know if it's true," Brokaw said. "I'd put it out of my mind, and it just popped out. It was wrong.

Rather, through a spokesman declined comment. Rumsfeld and Rosenzweig did not immediately return calls Wednesday.

Simpson attorney talks of frame-up

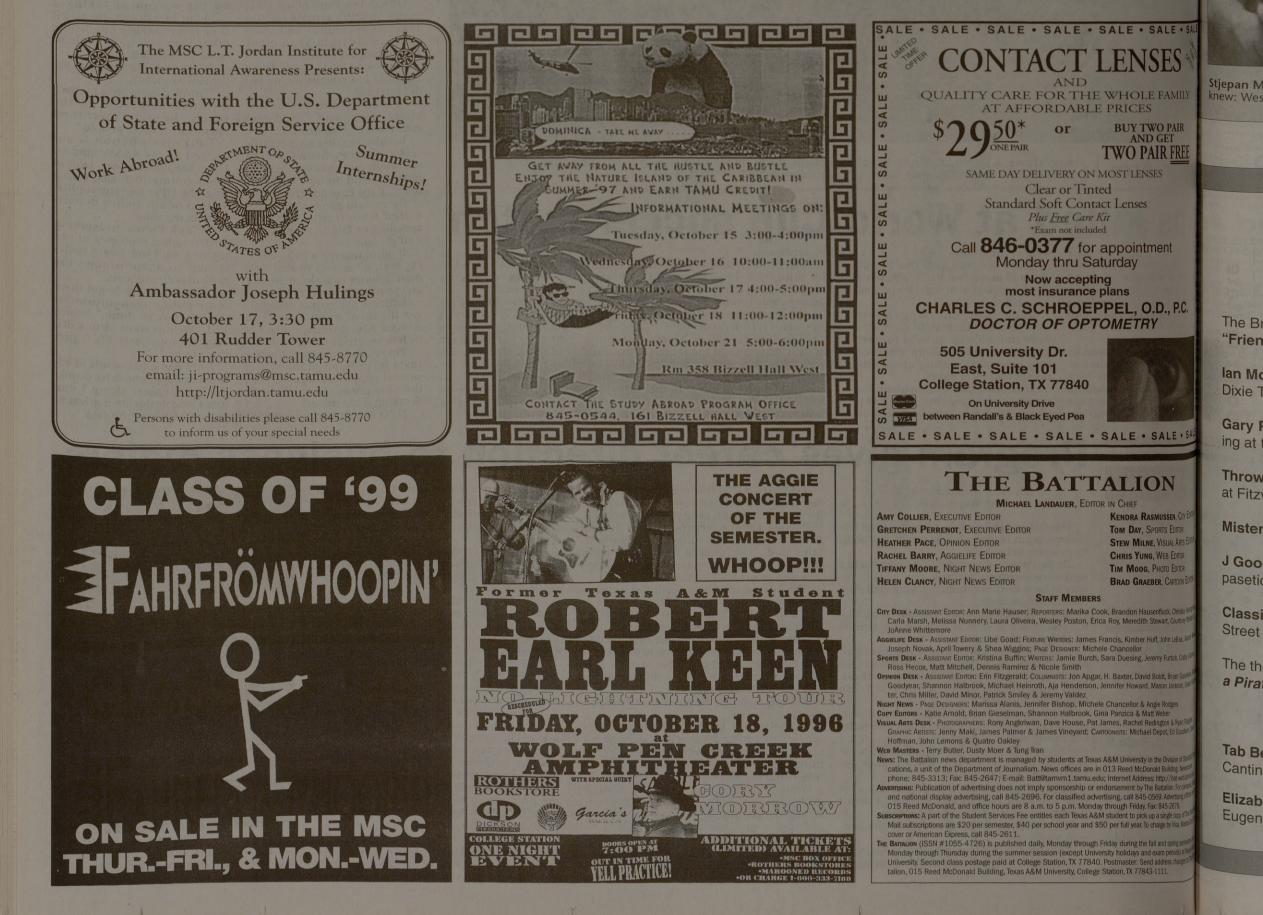
SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) -O.J. Simpson will attack the Los Angeles Police Department with "harsh" and "confrontational" questioning of officers to prove a frame-up, Simpson's attorney told jury prospects today.

"We are asserting that the LAPD - one or more officers - planted evidence," lawyer Robert Baker told candidates during jury selection in the wrongful-death lawsuit against the former football star.

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