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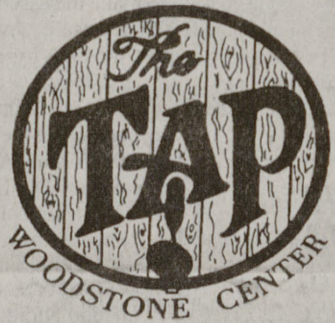
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Location: Rudder 410

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NEWS

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THE BATTALION

Thursday

Chef wins libel suit damages

LONDON (AP) — Jurors awarded a celebrity chef \$120,000 in libel damages Wednesday over an allegation printed by *The New York Times* and *International Herald Tribune* that he had a bout with drugs and alcohol.

Marco Pierre White told jurors he "very rarely" drank and has "never taken drugs in my life. ... I think it's very destructive" in response to the May 1998 story run by the *Times* then reprinted by the *Herald Tribune* days later.

Jurors deliberated only about two hours before awarding White \$24,000 from the *Times* and \$96,000 from the *Herald Tribune*.

Justice Robert Morland also ordered the newspapers to pay the entire costs of the court action — unofficially estimated at about \$768,000 — to reflect "the overall behavior of the defendants and the way they conducted this litigation."

White, now 38, was the youngest chef ever awarded three Michelin stars, a prestigious honor. Among his London restaurants are the Oak Room, Mirabelle and Titanic.

The newspapers said that after a lengthy investigation they had found the allegation was not true. During the three days of testimony, the defense argued that this was enough to vindicate White and that the article itself did not defame him because it did not lower his reputation as a chef or a businessman.

The papers' attorney, Geoffrey Robertson, told jurors that most of the article was "very positive" and had actually enhanced White's reputation, showing he had become "a star in his own firmament."

Playin' it loud



STUART VILLANUEVA/The Battalion

Shaun Cuttill, a drummer for The Reveliers, a pop jazz and swing group and a senior computer science major, plays for onlookers outside the Memorial Student Center on Wednesday. The Reveliers were playing in preparation for their upcoming concert Sunday in Rudder Theater.

News in Brief

Briton reaches tip of South Africa

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — He dodged bullets in Russia, got robbed in Brazil, collapsed from heat exhaustion

in Australia and went to jail in China.

But that hasn't stopped Robert Garside, a 33-year-old former psychology student from Britain, from chasing his goal of becoming the first person to run the length of the Earth's seven continents.

Garside, who calls himself

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