





# Houston police union targets UPS trucks driven by non-union members

HOUSTON (AP)—Members of the Houston Police Patrolmen's Union have been told to support the Teamsters' strike against United Parcel Service by using any excuse to pull over UPS trucks and issue citations.

In a letter that police union president Terry Martin faxed to police stations across Houston on Wednesday, he urged that officers go into a "zero tolerance mode" against nonunion drivers.

Martin urged the police union's 1,100 members to "pull the scab truck over" and write a ticket if any violation can be found.

"We as union members should go into a zero tolerance mode, and do everything possible to get that UPS scab truck off the road," Martin said.

Martin defended his memo, telling the Houston Chronicle there is nothing illegal or improper about telling Houston officers to use their police power in such a way.

"We operate under our own policies, and we support our union brothers and sisters, and they need our help," Martin said.

Martin said many of the replacement drivers apparently don't have the proper commercial license to operate the trucks.

"We know that 95 percent of these drivers are operating without the proper Class B licenses,"

Martin said.

Martin said in the letter that if the police union helps the Teamsters, the officers could count on support from the Teamsters during the officers' next negotiations with the city.

The union president closed the letter by asking "each and every one of you (to) support the hard working men and women of the Teamsters/UPS drivers in their quest so we can call on them at a later date."

Martin added:

"Go out there and deal with the scabs in the zero tolerance mode that all criminals deserve to be treated with. Whenever the UPS strike ends I will let you know so that we may end our

zero tolerance against the scabs."

A Houston Police Department spokesman said late Wednesday that Police Chief Clarence Bradford would have no immediate comment.

But Houston City Attorney Gene Locke said he has "very definite ideas on this directive."

"I have strong ideas about what this (letter) will violate in terms of procedures and common sense," Locke said.

Joel Weikerth, senior executive assistant to Mayor Bob Lanier, said he didn't know about the directive until a reporter called him.

"If it's true, I am shocked and really disappointed in HPPU's

stance in this regard, and I'm sure the mayor doesn't know anything about it," Weikerth said.

"Obviously, I'll need to talk to Chief Bradford. It's one thing to support your union affiliates, but it's another to assume the folks who are working and driving the trucks are criminals and need to be treated in the 'zero tolerance' mode," Weikerth added.

"I am disappointed, to say the least," he said.

Martin's action was criticized by the president of another police union, the Houston Police Officers Union.

"We want everyone in the city to know that we expect our

members to conduct themselves as they always do," said Hans Marticiuc, president of HPOU, which is larger than the HPPU.

"No matter what your ethical or moral position is on those who cross a picket line, it is legal to cross a picket line, just as the Teamsters have a right to strike," Marticiuc said.

It would be hypocritical for city officials to criticize him, Martin said.

"The police department conducts selective enforcement all the time," he said. "I'm not sure the Houston Police Department would have put something down like this (letter), but the chiefs and assistant chiefs are politically appointed."

# Bill Clinton announces smaller deficit forecast; tells plans for line-item veto

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Clinton Wednesday forecast a smaller-than-expected \$37 billion federal deficit for 1997, the lowest shortfall in 23 years. He also said he might make the first-ever use of his line-item veto powers.

The president said he would meet with his staff and Cabinet officers between now and Saturday to decide what items, if any, should be deleted from the landmark tax-cut and budget-balancing bills he signed the day before.

"I am assuming there's going to be something ... that is a good candidate for it," Clinton told a news conference. "I believe in the line-item veto and I believe it should be used."

Clinton said he would not use the powers — which give him the authority to veto certain individual items in spending and tax bills — to try to undo any provisions that were agreed to by negotiators.

The president used the outdoor White House news conference to release deficit figures from his Office of Management and Budget for fiscal 1997, which ends Sept. 30.

The new deficit projection for fiscal 1997, which ends Sept. 30, would be the lowest federal deficit since 1974, when the government's "shortfall" was \$8 billion.

He asserted that, not only would the budget be balanced, but there will be a \$20 billion surplus in 2002.

"These past months have been a remarkably fruitful time for bipartisan actions in the national interest," Clinton said a day after he signed bipartisan measures to balance the budget in five years and to provide the biggest tax cut since 1981.

The president began the outdoor news conference by expressing "our deepest condolences" to victims and families of victims of the Korean Air jumbo jet crash in Guam.

On other subjects, Clinton:

—Said he was concerned about the inconvenience that the Teamsters strike against United Parcel Service had caused. But he stressed that the

work stoppage had not met the "high standard" of the Taft-Hartley Act, which would allow him to intervene.

—Blamed Congress for imposing a spring 1999 deadline for a commission's recommendations to reform Medicare and Social Security. He said he would have "gladly accepted" a 1998 deadline — a year further away from the 2000 presidential election. He said he did not want to see the process politicized.

—Said he remained hopeful that former Massachusetts Gov. William Weld would be confirmed as his ambassador to Mexico, despite strong opposition from Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Jesse Helms. "I think, at least, the man ought to get a hearing, ought to get his day in court."

In the news conference, which was a few minutes shy of an hour, Clinton disclosed that the new balanced-budget and tax-cut package, a foot-thick piece of legislation, might see the first presidential use of line-item veto powers.

Clinton has not yet used the power, which Congress gave him in 1996. Last month, the Supreme Court rejected a challenge to the law by six members of Congress, saying they lacked legal standing since they had not been hurt by an unused law. The court has yet to rule on the law's constitutionality.

Clinton also outlined his agenda for the remainder of 1997, including urging Congress enact campaign finance reform and to give him the "fast track" authority he needs to negotiate more free-trade agreements around the world.

"We have a lot of work to do for the rest of this year," Clinton said.

Turning to the new tensions in the Middle East, Clinton pledged his "best ideas" on how to revive peace talks. He used harsh words to call on Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to denounce terrorists whose suicide bombing in Jerusalem last week stalled a mission to the region by U.S. envoy Dennis Ross.

"The people that murdered all

those people, those innocent people, are not trying to get a peace that they think is more favorable to the Palestinian or Arab cause," Clinton said.

"They are trying to murder the peace process."

"Yasser Arafat must understand those people are not his friends," he added.

Even as Clinton called on Congress to enact campaign-finance reform this year, Clinton said he was proud of his role in raising millions of dollars in so-called "soft money" for the Democratic Party in 1996 and this year.

"I don't believe in unilateral disarmament," he said.

Common Cause, a public-interest lobby, reported Tuesday that national political parties raised \$34 million in "soft money" donations in the first half of 1997. Of that, Republicans raised \$23 million from corporations, unions and wealthy patrons, compared with \$11 million raised by Democrats.

Clinton trod carefully on a question about the surging stock market, other than to call its rise over the past half decade "astounding." He said he didn't want to move the market one way or the other by his comments.

Still, he applauded the pouring of millions of dollars by ordinary Americans into stock mutual funds for their retirement.

"On the whole, what they are doing on is betting on the larger American economy. And I think that is a pretty good bet."

In his first public remarks on recent subpoenas in Paula Jones' sexual harassment suit against him, Clinton said he and his aides were refusing to comment on recent developments out of deference to a former employee's privacy.

"There was a request to be left alone and not harassed and we're just trying to honor it," he said. Jones' attorneys, seeking to establish a pattern of improper sexual advances by Clinton, subpoenaed former White House employee Kathleen Willey. She has vowed to resist any deposition.

# PUC approves pre-paid local service

AUSTIN (AP)—Texans delinquent on long-distance phone bills soon can escape the threat of a dead telephone.

The Texas Public Utility Commission on Wednesday approved a rule allowing telephone customers to pre-pay their local phone companies for local service only. The rule will take effect in about six months.

Local companies will have to offer the option to anyone who otherwise would be cut off because of nonpayment. They also will work out payment plans to make up the long-distance balances.

"It does enable many, many more customers to have access to EMS, their local community, schools and hospitals and libraries and pharmacies and medical facilities," said Leslie Kjellstrand, a PUC spokeswoman.

will cost companies.

"I think the rule will be good for those people who have had a down turn in their luck," McCallister said. "But it will be burdensome and expensive. Hopefully, it will relieve the number of uncollectables (unpaid phone bills) if people don't abuse the system."

John Loehman, managing director of regulatory affairs, said local phone service is important, but not an entitlement.

"It's not something that is a grant from the state government," he said, adding, though, that SWB won't fight the program.

"We're pleased that the commission has figured out a way to do it administratively in which we can handle it," Loehman said.

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# Little sign for compromise as Korea talks continue

NEW YORK (AP)—North and South Korea showed little sign of compromise Wednesday in four-nation talks pressing for a final peace treaty on their divided peninsula.

U.S. and Chinese officials attending the pivotal talks said they were expected to resume Thursday and might not end until Friday. The meetings began Tuesday at Columbia University.

The goal is to agree on a time, place and agenda for a conference to forge a new security arrangement to replace the 1953 armistice that ended fighting in the Korean War.

Sources in both Korean delegations described the atmosphere at the meetings as "good" and "businesslike."

Despite the cordial atmos-

phere, the differences among the delegations are significant, especially on the contentious issue of the 37,000 American troops in South Korea. North Korea insisted Wednesday the Americans must leave as a first step toward peace.

The United States and South Korea demand that the communist North first agree to specific binding measures to reduce tensions between the two Koreas, which technically remain at war.

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four had agreed to hold the meeting. The delegations decided Tuesday not to announce any decisions until all issues had been agreed upon.

In Seoul, a leading South Korean newspaper, Dong-A Ilbo, reported that delegations from the United States, China and the two Koreas reached tentative agreements on a start-date for the conference.

U.S. officials refused to confirm the report. But officials from all four delegations have said that no agreements can become final until negotiators reach consensus on the agenda.

Sources close to the talks said China had taken a "neutral and evenhanded" position during the meetings, apparently satisfied for now to be included in the process.

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### Fifth graders find race walking is 'cool sport'

EDINBURG (AP) — Arms pumping, hips swaying, calves bulging, they waddle ahead: Heel-toe, heel-toe, heel-toe.

One with his head down, the other fixed straight ahead, they attack the Edinburg High School track like spastic ducks on a mission.

Heel-toe, heel-toe, heel-toe. "Too fast! Too fast!" their coach bellows from across the track.

On cue, their heads snap toward the familiar timbre, then back into place, back to the task at hand.

They continue on, their pace slowed only slightly. Heel-toe ... heel-toe ... heel-toe.

"If they go too fast," explains the coach, "they don't take in enough oxygen. They're going to peter out after the second or third lap."

Turning back to the pair, he shouts out more advice: "Christ! Heel, Chris. Heel!"

They round a corner. The waddling quickens. They hear no sounds, but for their own measured breaths.

With one final burst, they cross the finish line, sweat trickling down their flushed cheeks, chests pounding.

Who would have thought walking could be such serious business?

Fifth-graders Adrian Jaime and Christopher Diaz know other athletes laugh at them. They see the smirks at the track where they work out.

They understand, for their sport is not so glorious as running or football. They are race-walkers, competitors in a pastime associated with middle-age women trying to lose a few pounds, not "serious athletes."

"It's a different kind of sport," says 11-year-old Adrian, a dark-haired boy with intelligent eyes and a crooked smile.

Clad in blue running shorts, a cutoff Edinburg Track Club shirt and authentic racewalking shoes, he explains, "It's not one of those regular sports like basketball or baseball."

"It's a cool sport," pipes in 10-year-old Christopher, his buckteeth showing through a dimple-dotted smile. He is outfitted in the same shoes as Adrian, lime green shorts and a T-shirt the color of eggplant. He is obviously the more mischievous of the two.

"They laugh at us, but I don't really care," says Christopher. "At least I'm good at it and they're not."

And they are good. The McAllen boys are headed to Charlotte, N.C., to compete Wednesday in the Amateur Athletic Union national racewalking competition, against about 150 other children in their age group.

The duo qualified after finishing first and second at a state meet in July. Christopher took first. Adrian finished 0.6 of a second behind.

Five other racewalkers from the Rio Grande Valley, four girls and another boy, also qualified for the national meet.

Adrian and Christopher will walk a 1,500-meter race. A good finishing time ranges between 7 minutes, 9 seconds and 8:30, says their coach, A.C. Jaime, Adrian's grandfather. Their best time has been 9:30.

"But I think they can do better," says A.C., who started racewalking three years ago at age 58. Adrian saw him and decided to give it a try, entering his first competition in 1995.

A.C. soon enlisted other children to join in their workouts at the high school track. Christopher, a runner, converted to racewalking about two months ago.

"I just wanted to see how it was," says Christopher, who still runs track and plays soccer and basketball.

Now Adrian and Christopher are friends as well as competitors. "Partners" is how Adrian describes them.

"I've beat him twice, he's beat me twice," he says.

Each has different strengths, the boys explain. Christopher is the speedster, while Adrian has better technique. And in racewalking, form is every bit as important as speed.

At competitions, judges are positioned all along the track, waiting to flag participants if their knees aren't straight or if their feet leave the ground. Three flags and you're disqualified.

### SCIENCE

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of education and human resources. Their students. Most have tiny classroom budgets that don't cover expensive equipment and supplies.

Funded by grants from the National Science Foundation (NSF), the Joyce Foundation and other supporters, the Science Institute program aims to convince teachers and others that it's not just youngsters with a "science gene" who can learn these subjects, says Dr. Joseph V. Stewart, NSF program director in the directorate

of education and human resources.

"We know now that's not true. After teachers participate in the Science Institute's program and other models like it, they see that all kids can learn science, not just those who we used to consider the 'special' kids, with the 'special' gene.

"All kids can learn science, and given the nature of the world today, all kids should learn science."

The Columbia College science

teacher program — one of a number nationwide — was recently awarded another NSF grant of \$1 million to continue summer workshops for middle school teachers and expand its academic year components. Over the next five years, the program will serve more than 200 teachers in approximately

50 public schools, reaching estimated 30,000 students. The Chicago Public Schools System Initiative also has come up with a \$1 million grant for the staff development

of its high school science and math teachers.

Zoris Soderberg, a teacher at Daniel Webster Elementary School on Chicago's West Side, says she was frustrated trying to teach science to "poor-reading and non-reading, under-achieving, gang- and drug-influenced Chicago public School eighth-grade students."

She says she used to dread grading their science test papers because more often than not, half the class would fail.

"At the workshop, I learned

how to teach science in an understandable, relevant and fun way," says Soderberg, veteran of two Science Institute programs. "My students now enjoy learning science, they understand the role science plays in their everyday lives, and it shows in their test results."

She says many of them now plan to pursue their interests in chemistry and other sciences, looking for careers in veterinary medicine, pharmacy and biochemistry.

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You might alternate between periods of elation and optimism, and times of depression and self-doubt. Channel any anxiety into your work; there, it will make a wonderful difference. Entomies are your trademark this year, no matter where they end up manifesting themselves. Try to observe some kind of middle ground. If you are single, you might attract a wealthy or generous partner. This tie could be short-lived, but it will be fun. If married, assist your mate in following a fitness or health regimen. The changes will do you both good. LIBRA is full of gentle encouragement.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Fantastic; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) You can get a lot done, if you could only get started! For some reason, you get distracted at every turn. Learn to take it in stride, and don't get frustrated. You more than compensate for any delays once you find a groove. Tonight: You have a lot to work to do!\*\*\*

**TAUROS** (April 20-May 20) Your good deed will not go unnoticed. In fact, someone at work gives you preferential treatment in return for your kindness. Be willing to go the extra mile. Later, you might feel your energy slipping away. Face yourself. Tonight: Head

home.\*\*\*

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) Provide assistance and encouragement to those whom might be a little blue. Your sunny disposition and warm smile work wonders. Take a friend or co-worker out to lunch or an early dinner; you will both enjoy it. Tonight: Study.\*\*\*

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) You don't feel like doing anything at all; if you can take a day off or leave work early, do it. Your mind wanders; to say you are distracted is an understatement. A day at a spa would be perfect, but a workout at the gym and rest work well. Tonight: Vanish.\*\*\*

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) A few sour people are not enough to keep you down. Instead of being influenced, put yourself in the driver's seat and spread a little sunshine. Your organizational abilities help everyone finish in time for Friday night's festivities. Tonight: Have fun at your place.\*\*\*

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Take care of business, then go home for a nap. Later in the evening, you will get your second wind. Don't be surprised if you end up dancing until late or chatting with friends at the local hangout. You seem to come alive as the evening goes on. Tonight: You are unstoppable!\*\*\*

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You receive great news, despite general feelings of foreboding. Enjoy the good fortune that comes your way without concern over its origin. Pace yourself later, when fatigue could set in and make you cranky. Tonight: Attend a light-hearted gathering.\*\*\*

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Keep your own counsel. Others appear too changeable and unstable to suit your need for calmness. Find a quiet corner, and reside in it until quitting time. Tonight: Come out of your shell, and step into the limelight.\*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Be a beacon of light for others to follow. A leader is needed, and you might be the most level-headed in your midst. Your greatest talents — open-mindedness and humor — can boost productivity and morale among your colleagues. Tonight: Kick up your heels.\*\*\*

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Put your nose to the grindstone, and keep it there until the work day ends. It will be a challenge to maintain concentration in the midst of the discord that surrounds you. The moment you leave the office, that huge weight lifts off your shoulders. Tonight: It's going to get wild!\*\*\*

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Nothing can stop you, as long as you keep a positive outlook. Use a lighthearted approach with work matters. Half your colleagues will be goofing off, the other half complaining. It's up to you to anchor the group. Tonight: Take a drive with your sweetheart.\*\*\*

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) Take everything one step at a time, even if you feel like rushing. The errors aren't worth it. A cool-headed, methodical manner works best. Expect the boss to be in a sour mood, and stay clear if you can. The fun begins when you hit the street! Tonight: TGIF!\*\*\*

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Woman wonders if age gap can be bridged with love

**DEAR ABBY:** Five months ago I met a man who changed my life. He is a college student, has his own business and a part-time job. He's very mature and has a good head on his shoulders. His goals in life are realistic, and he knows that it takes work to achieve them.

Two months ago our relationship progressed to another level, and we have been together every night since. Each day is better than the day before. Neither of us uses the word "love" to describe our relationship, nor do we say it to each other.

Abby, we have so much in common, but we can't overlook the fact that I am 32 and he is 21. I fear this fairy-tale relationship will end because of the age difference. Although he tells me I am everything he has ever wanted in a woman, I'm afraid he'll want a younger woman later on.

Is it possible for a relationship like this to last? —**OLDER BUT NOT WISER IN TEXAS**  
**DEAR OLDER:** You have known each other only five months, and you say that neither of you has mentioned the word "love." Although he's only 21, he's wise enough to know that if he says, "I love you," it would probably lead to a commitment he is not ready to assume.

You ask if it's possible for this relationship to last. I have no crystal ball, but if you're seeing each other exclusively six months from now and he still hasn't used the word "love," I'd advise you not to plan your future around him.

**DEAR ABBY:** We enjoy taking vacations with our married son and his family; it gives us quality time with them, especially the grandchildren. However, I don't know if I can continue because their idea of a vacation is to do absolutely nothing. I do all the cooking, cleaning, washing and baby sitting. By the end of the week, I am worn out. The same thing happens when they come to our home. I would prefer to spend my time with the grandchildren. What would you suggest I

do? — **TIRED MOM IN GEORGIA**

**DEAR TIRED MOM:** Your predicament may be of your own making, because you pitch right in and get things organized without asking for help. Confer with the other adults in your family and lay down ground rules for your vacations. Parcel out duties, even to the children. Trade off on the cooking and cleaning chores, and baby-sit when it is convenient for YOU. At the start of the vacation, post a list of chores in the kitchen, and rotate the duties every few days so no one is overburdened.

You might enjoy this poem for vacationers:  
**OUR PLACE AT THE LAKE**  
by Sylvia L.K. Bundy  
June is past, so is July,  
August is ended — likewise I.  
The pattering feet of summer and sun

Are over, complete, exhausted, done!  
I've fed the young as well as the old,  
I've cooled the warm, I've warmed the cold.

The wounded and weeping I have consoled,  
The tender and touchy I have cajoled.

I have steeled the scared, I have scared the bold,  
I have bit my tongue till it was controlled.

I've broiled the steak, I have casseroleed,  
And the grocer thinks I am made of gold.

(The other bills I have pigeon-holed.)  
And frankly, friends, I am ready to fold!

Next time I live I'll make the most  
Of being the guest, not the host.

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ROUNDUP

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and nine hits in the first four innings, but retired the next 12 en route to his first victory since beating Houston on June 16.

Jeff Montgomery got the final three outs for his seventh save. He has retired 30 straight hitters, three off the club record set by Steve Busby in 1974. Bell hit his 19th homer off A.J. Sager (2-4) in the fourth.

Red Sox 5, Twins 2

At Minneapolis, Tim Wakefield, pitching on two days of rest, struck out seven and didn't allow a walk in seven innings for Boston.

Wakefield (8-13), who allowed seven hits, replaced scheduled starter Steve Avery, sidelined by a stiff neck. Butch Henry got the final five outs for his fifth save, and Scott Hatteberg and Jeff Frye each had two RBIs.

Marlins 12, Pirates 3

On the day Jim Leyland moved back to Pittsburgh, the Florida Marlins gave their new manager another reason to love the town.

Moises Alou and Charles Johnson drove in four runs each and Florida scored four runs in each of the first two innings en route to the 12-3 win over Pittsburgh.

The Marlins remained 51/2 games behind Atlanta in the NL East.

Leyland moved his family back to Pittsburgh earlier Wednesday. The 52-year-old skipper decided to again live in Pittsburgh during the offseason after Marlins owner Wayne Huizenga said in June that he would sell the club.

Leyland still has not lost a game in Three Rivers Stadium since leaving the Pirates. The Marlins are 4-0 in Pittsburgh, outscoring the Pirates 31-8, and are 5-1 overall against them.

Kevin Brown (10-8) pitched six-hit ball over seven innings in Florida's fourth consecutive victory and eighth in nine games.

Giants 7, Cubs 4

At Chicago, Pat Rapp won his first game for San Francisco as the Giants captured their fourth straight victory.

Glenallen Hill and Mark Lewis hit solo home runs and Rich Aurilia and Jeff Kent each drove in two runs for the Giants, who have won seven of their last 10. The Cubs have lost 11 of 13.

life! Sunday deadlines

All Sunday items (weddings, anniversaries, engagements, birth announcements, Who's Who, military) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon.  
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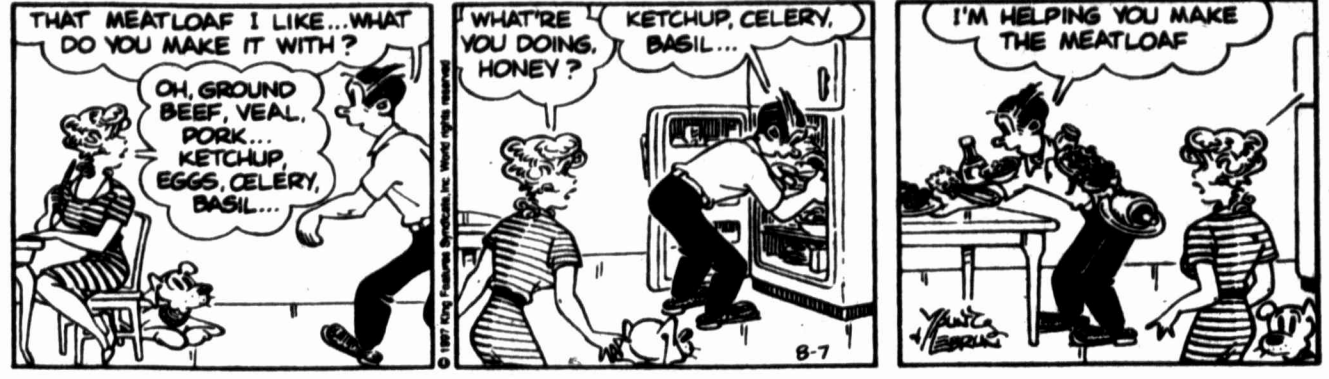
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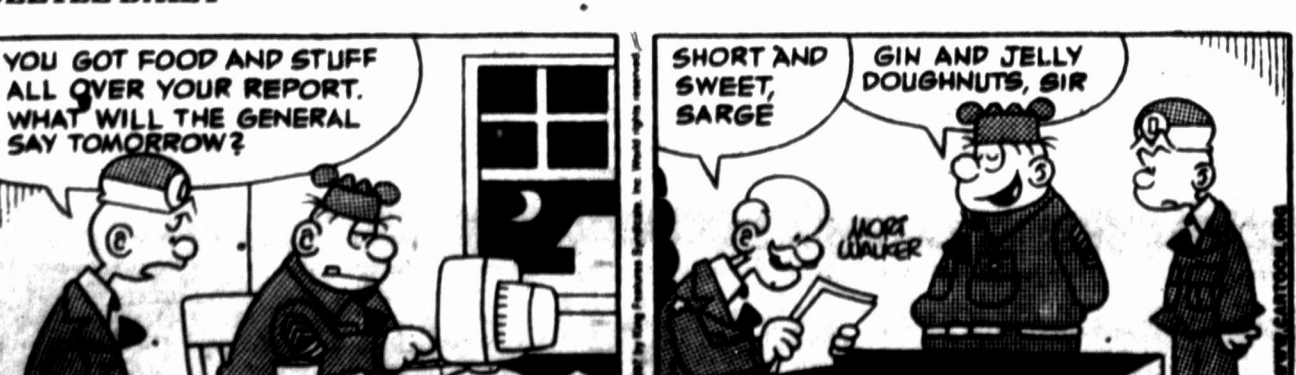
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THE Daily Crossword

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

Wednesday's Puzzle solved: A grid with words filled in, including TAPA, PAYUP, HILTS, etc.

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created the Order of the Purple Heart, a decoration to recognize merit in enlisted men and non-commissioned officers. In 1789, the U.S. War Department was established by Congress. In 1912, the Progressive Party nominated Theodore Roosevelt for president. In 1934, the U.S. Court of Appeals upheld a lower court ruling striking down the government's attempt to ban the controversial James Joyce novel 'Ulysses'. In 1942, U.S. forces landed at Guadalcanal, marking the start of the first major allied offensive in the Pacific during World War II. In 1959, the United States launched Explorer 6, which sent back a picture of the Earth. In 1964, Congress passed the Gulf of Tonkin resolution, giving President Johnson broad powers in dealing with reported North Vietnamese attacks on U.S. forces. In 1974, French stuntman Philippe Petit walked a tightrope strung between the twin towers of New York's World Trade Center. In 1976, scientists in Pasadena, Calif., announced that the Viking 1 spacecraft had found the strongest indications to date of possible life on Mars. Ten years ago: The presidents of five Central American nations, meeting in Guatemala City, signed an 11-point agreement designed to bring peace to their region. Five years ago: The 39-nation Conference on Disarmament in Geneva produced the final draft of a treaty to ban chemical weapons, ending 24 years of talks. Jennifer Capriati won the gold medal in tennis at the Barcelona Olympics, beating Steffi Graf. The luxury liner Queen Elizabeth 2 ran aground off Massachusetts. One year ago: NASA researchers formally presented their case for the existence of life long ago on Mars. More than 6 million American Online customers worldwide were left stranded when the system crashed for almost 19 hours. A flash flood at a Pyrenees mountain campsite in Spain claimed at least 86 lives. Today's Birthdays: Writer-producer Stan Freberg is 71. Bluesman Magic Slim is 60. Actress Verna Bloom is 68. Humorist Garrison Keillor is 65. Singer B.J. Thomas is 55. Singer Lana Cantrell is 54. Actor John Glover is 53. Country singer Rodney Crowell is 47. Rock singer Bruce Dickinson (formerly of Iron Maiden) is 39. Marathon runner Alberto Salazar is 38. Actor David Dukes (The Dukes of Hazzard) is 37. Country singer Raul Malo (The Mavericks) is 32.

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