

Maes seeks retrial

Kaleidoscope Travel, Inc. President John Maes has filed for a new trial, after being found guilty August 20 on two

charges of fraudulent conversion of property. Maes arranged the Interfraternity Council-sponsored December 29 Sugar Bowl trip which failed to materialize, leaving about 70 area residents stranded at Harrisburg International Airport. Centre County Court Judge R. Paul Campbell issued his decision after reviewing legal briefs submitted August 7 by both sides. Campbell requested the briefs, detailing the case's

legal arguments, after hearing four hours of testimony when Maes' trial began July 29, at which time he reserved judgement. According to Centre County District Attorney Charles Brown, in issuing his decision Campbell said he was not being "stampeded or influenced by members of the public who were out to hang Maes." Brown said the key to Campbell's decision was "when

Maes found out the flight (chartered to fly the customers to New Orleans) was in trouble, instead of conserving the peoples' money, he spent it on arranging other flights." In his defense, Maes' attorney William Donovan contended Maes was only guilty of being a bad businessman. Donovan, who repeatedly refused comment during the trial, also was unavailable for comment yesterday.

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Terrorists land in Kuwait

CAIRO — A Syrian jetliner carrying five Palestinian gunmen and six Arab hostages they seized at the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Paris landed in the Persian Gulf sheikdom of Kuwait early today.

The Israeli state radio said the plane was refused permission to land in several other Mideast countries, including Libya, where a Japanese jet was blown up by its Palestinian hijackers July 24.

The Kuwait Foreign Ministry confirmed the landing of the Syrian Arab Airlines Caravelle jet after a flight of nearly 3,500 miles, including a refueling stop in Cairo. The ministry said there were six hostages on board.

The Syrian Arab News Agency said all persons aboard were reported to be safe after the flight from Paris, where gunmen held the Arabs and other hostages in the embassy for 27 hours, threatening to kill them if they did not receive safe passage out of the country.

Frogmen destroy mussels

NAPLES, Italy — Five hundred navy frogmen and coast guard officers destroyed 300 tons of mussels in the Bay of Naples yesterday in an anticholera move which left hundreds jobless.

Mussels have been blamed as the source of Italy's cholera outbreak. The anticholera teams broke the heavy clusters of mussels off their buoys and sank them. Frogmen dived to cut off cable ends fastened to stones on the sea bottom. The mussels hung like big bunches from the cables stretched between a float and sunken rocks.

Then the teams moved out to rake up other mussel beds on the coast near Naples. A crowd of mussel growers, their wives and children watched the men destroy their source of income throughout the day. Ninety families made a living from the mussel beds.

"Who else can give me a job at 60?" asked Cirillo De Crescenzo, one of the mussel growers. Another pointed to four drains letting the city's sewage out into the harbor where the mussel beds were. "The disease came from there," he said. "The sewage has been pouring out for years. Why are we suffering now for the city's failure to keep the sea clean?"

Prison guards taken hostage

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The inmates asked for a meeting with officials of the Illinois Department of Corrections, including director Allyn Sielaff.

Rail bill may miss deadline

WASHINGTON — Congress will be unable to meet an Oct. 1 deadline for enacting legislation designed to salvage the Northeastern railroads, according to a member of the House Transportation subcommittee.

Rep. Dick Shoup, R-Mont., predicted yesterday his bill to reorganize the Northeast rail system probably would reach the House floor the final week in September but would not emerge from a conference with the Senate until sometime in October. The trustees of the Penn Central have said that unless Congress provides some financial aid by Oct. 1, the nation's largest railroad will be forced to terminate service by the end of the year.

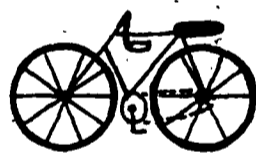
A federal judge in Philadelphia also has set Oct. 1 as a

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deadline for the Interstate Commerce Commission to come up with a workable reorganization plan for the Penn Central.

Without such a plan, U.S. District Court Judge John P. Fullam said he will be forced to order liquidation of the railroad. However, Shoup said he believed Fullam would extend the deadline when he saw how close Congress was to passing a bill.

Shoup's bill would provide approximately \$85 million in interim assistance while the Northeast rail network is being reorganized into a private corporation backed by government bonds.

Grain price rise to continue

NEW YORK — A record world grain harvest is predicted this year. But experts say grain prices will continue to rise because of soaring demand.

The results will be seen in the prices of bread and cookie shelves in your neighborhood supermarket. The hamburger, steaks and roasts in the meat chiller are likely to stay high also, because grains feed the animals that produce the meat.

The paradox of record production at the same time as escalating prices — and a drop in world grain stocks — is due to a "strong, unabated world demand" for wheat, the International Wheat Council reports.

The U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization warns that import demands can be expected to go still higher in coming years. In an effort to do something about the situation, the organization has called an urgent meeting in Rome Sept. 20 for representatives of the world's major wheat exporting nations.

Unless exportable stocks are increased, the organization says, the world's developing countries will be particularly hard hit. These comparatively poor countries, with an insatiable demand for grain to build up food and feeding stocks, account for about 50 per cent of world wheat imports.

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New law set for gas stations

PHILADELPHIA — When a motorist pulls into a service station tomorrow he is going to be faced with a new set of figures on the gas pumps — octane ratings.

A directive by the Federal Cost of Living Council, which takes effect tomorrow, is designed as one more tool aiding consumers in knowing more about their purchases. Octane is a measurement of resistance of gasoline to engine knock, uneven burning in the engine cylinder. The higher the octane rating, the higher the resistance to knock.

But it is not that simple, according to a representative of Sun Oil Co., one of the nation's largest petroleum marketers. New car manuals contain suggested octane rating and motorists are urged to burn that type of gas for best performance.

However, Gerry Krominger, a manager in Sunoco's department of automotive research, said the manual listings are for research octane ratings, which he said are different from the ratings to be posted on the pumps tomorrow.

Shapp to supply LCB files

HARRISBURG — Gov. Shapp agreed yesterday to bring certain documents on the Liquor Control Board with him when he testifies before a House investigating committee in the next several weeks.

The settlement ended a 24-hour dispute on the files, which the House Liquor Control Committee wants in its probe of alleged political pressure on the liquor board.

Shapp aides and committee lawyers still are negotiating over specific documents wanted by the committee which may contain confidential information.

A subpoena for the files issued Wednesday by the committee was withdrawn because of wording problems. But a new one will not be issued, according to chairman Stanley Kester, R-Delaware.

Sniper fire injures girl

EXETER, Pa. — Sniper fire injured a five-year-old girl here yesterday evening as she rode with her mother through the downtown streets.

Police said the one-hour series of unexplained shootings damaged several autos. Carey Ann Navola of Wilkes-Barre is reported in good condition, hospitalized after undergoing surgery for head wounds.

Police in this northeastern Pennsylvania community refused to elaborate other than to say they are without leads in the 7:30 p.m. shootings.

Three reported incidents of sniper fire from speeding autos on Interstate 80, which passes south of here, were reported earlier this week.

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