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Dive for 6

Junior Steve Geise (29) climbs over the Stanford defense in Penn State's first goal of the football season. Stanford was defeated 15-12 in a game viewed by a record-breaking number of fans. See more sports action on pages 9-12.

Photo by Chris Newkumet

## U.S. hijackers used fake arms in foiled attempt

NEW YORK (AP) — The hijackers who took a U.S. jetliner on a 6,000-mile hopscotch journey to Paris were unarmed and the bombs they threatened to explode turned out to be fakes made of modeling clay and cotton-like fluff, French authorities said yesterday.

The 53 hostages were released unharmed at 8 a.m. Paris time (2 a.m. EDT) after the Croatian nationalists yielded to a French ultimatum to surrender. The hijackers were flown to New York to face air piracy and murder charges while most of the freed hostages returned to Chicago or New York.

One passenger, Robert Metzger, recalled in Chicago that as the 30-hour hijacking ended, "one of the hijackers, the one with a moustache, took this thing we thought was a bomb — it was like cotton dowels or tubes — and he ripped it up. And there was just fluff inside."

"Then he turned to us with a big smile and said, 'that's show biz,'" added Metzger, 35, of New York.

But the hijackers, while they had control of the Boeing 727, gave authorities instructions that led to a real bomb in a locker at Grand Central Station in New York City. The bomb exploded as officers tried to disarm it, killing one of the policemen and injuring three others.

The surprise of the entire episode was the discovery that the hijackers were unarmed.

During the hijack, they had been reported armed with handguns and grenades. Two of them were wired with what they claimed were explosives. The body bombs turned out to be modeling clay.

The hijackers told their hostages that they brought weapons aboard the plane wrapped in heavy plastic. But French police said and passengers said they had no guns or weapons.

In New York, a spokesman for the FBI said last night that "To my knowledge there were no guns recovered."

The prisoners, four men and a woman whose propaganda hijack across the Atlantic championed the cause of Croatian independence from Yugoslavia, arrived in New York under heavy federal and city police security.

Before leaving Paris, the hijackers said they had accomplished their purpose: publicity for their cause. "We are proud of what we did," one added.

The prisoners' arrival at Kennedy Airport was preceded by another jet carrying 14 of their freed hostages. Most of the other hostages were flown to Chicago.

One of them, the flight engineer of the hijacked Trans World Airlines plane, touched off a scare when he came off the plane carrying a cooking pot authorities said resembled the bomb-in-a-pot device that blew up when police tried to disarm it Friday night shortly after the hijack began.

The flight engineer said one of the hijackers gave him the smaller pot as a souvenir.

A bomb squad removed the pot, and its contents turned out to be a putty-like substance. "It was a dud," a police spokesman said.

The French had given the highjackers the choice of being shipped to Yugoslavia, the target of their campaign for Croatian freedom, or to the United States.

The prisoners, who were neatly dressed, were taken into custody by the FBI at the airport and driven to the bureau headquarters in Manhattan shortly after 4 p.m. Each was handcuffed behind the back and driven in a separate car.

They were identified as Zvonko Basic, 30, of New York City; his wife, Julienne, 27; Peter Matovic, 31, of New York City; Frane Pesut, 25, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mark Vlasic, 29, no hometown given.

Basic, identified by Canadian authorities as the leader of the skyjack, and the other men all were born in Yugoslavia, the FBI said. Mrs. Basic is originally from Eugene, Ore.

On the hijackers' orders, four major American newspapers had printed lengthy manifestos and propaganda leaflets were dropped over five cities — Chicago, New York, Montreal, London and Paris.

After the death of the officer, New York City Police Commissioner Michael Codd theorized the bomb may have been double rigged, that is fitted with two separate triggering devices.

But at the airport yesterday, a police spokesman said that while it had been determined that the bomb contained dynamite, it has not been established whether the explosives were armed to go off.

## Protests summer dismissal

# RAs' letter backs gay co-worker

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Several Resident Assistants who worked with an RA who was dismissed after he admitted his homosexuality have written a letter protesting his dismissal, according to a member of the Residential Life staff.

The source, who preferred not to be identified, said the RAs who worked with Lyons Hall RA Tony Carozza sent the letter to M. Lee Uprcraft, director of Residential Life.

South Halls Coordinator Chris Horn told Carozza in May that Carozza was not the kind of person they wanted on their staff. Three days before before, Carozza had admitted his homosexuality to Horn.

When Carozza appealed to Uprcraft that he had been

discriminated against on the basis of his sexual orientation, Horn said that Carozza was dismissed because he was an incompetent RA.

The RAs who signed the letter wrote:

"It is our unanimous opinion that Tony has received unfair professional assessment of his job performance and personal mistreatment from both his immediate supervisor, Carol Butler, and the area coordinator, Chris Horn. Furthermore, Tony's absence from the South Hall's staff for the 1976-77 academic year would be organizationally dysfunctional to staff unity and morale."

"In light of our perception of need, we are also formally requesting that you, in your capacity as the Director of Residential Life Programs, issue a policy

directive that discriminatory job-related practices based on race, color, creed, religion, sex OR AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL PREFERENCE be prohibited within the office of Residential Life; specifically mandating that no resident assistant be discriminated against on the basis of sexual orientation. Additionally, we deem it appropriate that specific grievance procedures be specified."

Carozza said he will continue to fight Uprcraft's decision.

The local branch of the American Civil Liberties Union has expressed an interest in Carozza's case, and may be meeting with him later this week to discuss a possible course of redress.

## RAs tell tailgaters of policy

A group of Resident Assistants made an effort to publicize the opposition to the new alcohol enforcement policy by distributing leaflets at the tailgate parties before Saturday's football game.

The RAs distributed flyers which explained the student view of the policy and pointed out that tailgate parties were in violation of a University regulation. Reactions to the effort were mixed, the RAs said.

"I have mixed emotions about the whole thing because of the mixed reactions we got," one RA said. "At least we made an attempt, but I don't know whether or not it will have an effect."

Reactions to the effort ranged from sympathy to hostility, the RAs said.

"Most people were understanding and willing to listen," an RA said. "But one man told me 'Fuck you. I had to wait, so you have to wait.'"

The RAs said their purpose was not to intimidate the tailgaters, but only to bring the policy to their attention. Their efforts were hampered, however, by the lack of campus police available to help enforce the regulation.



"It seems to me that once the plan got out, the University took action to make sure that things didn't change around Beaver Stadium," one RA said. "Many people told us that if they couldn't party before the games that they wouldn't come. I think the

University realizes this." "The overall effect of the operation was crippled without the help of the campus police," another RA said. "Until the personal rights of those people are infringed, any effort we make will be useless."

## USG prepares alcohol hearing

Both the selection of members for the Undergraduate Student Government investigative committee on the alcohol policy and the format for Wednesday's public hearing have been announced.

Sitting on the committee will be Grant R. Ackerman, director of the USG Department of Communications; Rich Cartwright, vice president of ARHS; Judy Johnson, USG Senate president pro tempore; and Pam Mayer, USG senator from East Halls.

USG Vice President Dave Hickton, chairman of the committee, said in choosing committee members he looked for open-minded, responsive and responsible people.

Hickton said students wishing to voice their opinion at the hearing are asked to register at the USG office in 214 HUB, but anyone who is unregistered still may offer testimony at the hearing. He said those testifying should keep their comments to within a five-minute time period.

"We want a lot of people to voice opinions," Hickton said. "But we're trying not to structure these hearings so far as to influence them."

Hickton denied a comment by Director of Residential Life M. Lee Uprcraft last week that USG was personalizing the alcohol policy to him. "We're not picking

on Uprcraft," he said. "We're just concerned about the students on campus and the new enforcement policy came from his directive."

Hickton suggested that Uprcraft and David Stormer, director of University Safety attend the hearings. "We want an unbiased hearing and some foundation from which we can act," he said.

Hickton stressed the need for student participation at the hearings. "If we get enough out of the meetings we'll go the University with a plan of action," he said.

Wednesday's hearing will be at 7 p.m. in 301 HUB.

## Plot to kill Kennedy fails; 3 arrested in Springfield

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — One of three persons charged with conspiring to murder Sen. Edward M. Kennedy said yesterday he was offered \$30,000 to kill the sole surviving Kennedy brother.

An official police spokesman said, meanwhile, that it was unclear whether the alleged plot was "idle boasting or really serious."

Robert E. White, 42, listed as a resident of the Salvation Army's Rehabilitation Center here, was held in lieu of \$50,000 bail at the city jail.

Sandra R. Rondeau, 37, of Westfield, and David J. King, 31, of Springfield, were released on personal recognizance Saturday by a District Court clerk. Earlier, their bail had been set at \$50,000 each.

King quoted White saying, "You can make \$30,000 altogether. All you have to do is kill U.S. Sen. Kennedy ... You get \$5,000 down and after the job you get \$25,000."

Mrs. Rondeau, who had worked as a waitress at a hotel where Kennedy appeared, "was supposed to serve breakfast and Mr. White was supposed to walk in right behind her. He was going to shoot Kennedy while he had breakfast," King said.

"I wasn't to do the killing. He was to do

the killing. All I was supposed to do was keep the freight elevator ready for him and make sure all the other elevators were not working," King said.



Drinking policy?

The Stanford University band didn't buy the new enforcement of the drinking policy, drinking while their team was defeated. During their pregame show, the band formed a martini for the alumni, spelling "No Booze" on the backs of members facing the student stands.

Photo by Edward Palsa Jr.

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### Weather

Summertime weather should continue through tomorrow under clear skies. The high temperature today and tomorrow will be near 85, and the low tonight 55.