

Briefly

School board, teachers suspend negotiations

The Dade School Administration and the United Teachers of Dade have suspended contract discussions until next Wednesday. The two negotiating teams are now debating a proposed 20.7 per cent teacher salary increase over the next three years and studying methods of teacher accountability. A spokesman for the UTD, which represents Dade's 15,876 teachers and aides, said the two sides are "in about 80 per cent agreement on the basic concepts." But the exact amount of the salary increase and the increments in which it will be paid are yet to be decided. Also unsettled are the issues of teacher tenure and bonuses for teachers with master's degrees. Both sides say they hope to reach a final agreement by next week.

Ferre, Lacasa meeting investigated

The State Attorney's Office will investigate the possibility that Miami Mayor Maurice Ferre and Commissioner Armando Lacasa violated the state's Sunshine Law by meeting with Cuban leaders at City Hall Wednesday. State Attorney Janet Reno announced the investigation yesterday, but made no other comment on the incident. The state law requires that the public be notified when two or more members of an elected body attend a meeting that could lead to official action. Ferre and Lacasa met with Cuban officials to discuss a task force that will recommend how to spend federal funds for Little Havana. Ferre denied there was any violation of the law, saying the meeting was in the open and that Cuban radio reporters and newspapermen were present. Three other commissioners, Rose Gordon, Theodore Gibson and J.L. Plummer were unaware of the meeting.

Planner to direct Center



Miami architect Stephen Little, the principal designer of the downtown Government Center, has been hired by County Manager Merrett Stierheim at an annual salary of \$29,055 to co-ordinate construction of the center. Little, 57, will work as a problem solver with the public agencies, architects and construction firms involved in the project and will report directly to Stierheim. Little developed the master plan for the center in 1976. The 30-acre site is located between Flagler Street and NW 5th Street from the Florida East Coast Railway right-of-way to I-95. A state office building and Miami police headquarters have already been built on the site, with a city administration building under construction. Also on the drawing board are a cultural complex including an art institute, historical museum and new main library; a county administration building; and the main station of the planned rapid transit system.

Group asks review of Ma Bell's rates

A coalition of senior citizen's groups has asked the state Public Service Commission to hold a series of public hearings to review Southern Bell's rate structure and consumer practices. The Joint Committee for Lower Telephone Rates made the request in a letter to PSC chairman Robert Mann on Tuesday, charging that the company's deposit requirements are arbitrary, that consumers are not informed of their rights and that Southern Bell's profits are too high.

Teachers offered class on Holocaust

A course designed to help high school teachers lead classes on the Holocaust will be taught each Monday night from April 23 to June 4 at Florida International University. The two-credit graduate course is sponsored by FIU, the Dade County Public Schools and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. For more information on the workshop call Professor Barbara Bader at 552-2561.

Bridge over the river jammed

The state Dept. of Transportation is advising drivers not to try crossing over — or under — the bridge at Brickell Avenue. Two lanes of the busy overpass will be closed to traffic from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. as workmen make repairs. The span will open to boat traffic only once every four hours. Motorists are asked to use NW 2nd Avenue or I-95 instead of Brickell.

Tourist tax dollars up for grabs

Cultural organizations that sponsor tourist attractions or events have until 5 p.m. Monday to apply to Metro's Council of Arts and Sciences for money from the county's 2 per cent tourist room tax. To be eligible for support, the project must take place between Oct. 1 and May 1, 1980. Applications should include a one- or two-page summary of the project and a one-page budget and must be submitted to the council's office in Room 2004, County Courthouse, 73 West Flagler St.

Bunnies, bonnets at Easter bash

For people who like bunny rabbits, Easter bonnets and hard-boiled eggs, the Robert King High Campground at 7025 West Flagler St. is the place to be tomorrow. The City of Miami's annual Easter Egg hunt will begin at 10 a.m. and will include an easter bonnet contest and a visit from the Big Bunny himself. Prizes for the best bonnets and the fullest basket of eggs will be given to kids in two age groups, under six and from 7 to 12. For more information, call 579-6916.

Odds are against Gamble

Mattie Gamble's luck seems to run out on April 13th — especially when it's a Friday the 13th, like today. A year ago today, Miami police raided Gamble's home at 245 NW 11th St. and found three pounds of pot, assorted pills, six rifles and seven handguns. Late last night, police again served a search warrant at her home. They said they seized about four pounds of pot, assorted pills, two rifles, two handguns and \$1678 worth of lottery tickets. Gamble, 49, on probation from last year's charges, began the first anniversary of that bust in the women's annex of the Dade County Jail. Just a coincidence, police said.

— Heather Dewar

Hialeah man hospitalized with bites

Bluefish attack Haulover bathers

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Miami News Reporter

Bathers scream in agony and fishermen holler with ecstasy. In South Florida, that can mean only one thing — the Big Blues are back.

While fishermen were running joyfully to Haulover Pier yesterday, a school of vicious, 10-pound bluefish attacked three bathers just west of the pier, sending one to the hospital with deep foot lacerations.

"Mucho dolor (much pain)" said Antonio Novoa, 25, of 7809 W. 18th Ln., Hialeah, after spending nearly six hours at North Miami General Hospital getting his foot stitched up. "I thought it was a shark but the people said bluefish. I don't know. I didn't see too good."

What Novoa didn't see, he felt. So did two unidentified women who were bitten, also in the foot, within minutes of Novoa.

"When he came running up the beach, bleeding and screaming 'Shark! Shark!' everything went wild," said Haulover Lifeguard John Robinson. "Everybody hauled out of the water. They thought the whole place was going to be eaten by sharks."

Robinson said he and other lifeguards tried to calm the panicking crowd of about 1,200 by saying it was only bluefish.

"A few minutes after the first man, the other two women were bitten. They were just minor bites," Robinson said. He said the women left the beach in a huff.

"They were all bitten on the feet. You see, that's the most vulnerable area. The feet are moving and

splashing in the water and it's the most attractive area to the fish."

"The people came running out of the water like they saw a ghost," said Susan Perkins, 21, vacationing from New York. "We all thought it was a shark. The way the fish were all together like that, splashing in the water, it looked like one huge fish. I almost had a heart attack."

Novoa suffered six deep cuts in both the upper and lower front of his foot. He was helped out of the hospital in a wheelchair last night because of the pain. Hospital officials said he would be all right in a few days.

Bluefish, one of the ocean's most vicious predators, swim in schools of up to several hundred while feeding. They will attack almost anything in their paths.

Their progress can be followed by the flocks of seagulls that follow them above the water and swoop down to feed on the remains of the fish they rip apart.

Bluefish attacks on humans are common in the Haulover Beach area (located around 10501 Collins Avenue) this time of year. While painful and frightening, they usually are not severe.

"This is the first occurrence this year," Johnson said. "The pattern is they just hit and run. Sometimes after they pass they turn around and come back."

"We have been getting the 10 and 11 pounders for the last week," said Haulover Pier tackle shop manager George Kirsten. "I saw about a half dozen pulled in this morning."

Lifeguards and Haulover park officials said bathers should use extreme caution when swimming this weekend.



Antonio Novoa: bitten by bluefish on left foot

Cardenas disputes hit-and-run charge

ANA VECIANA
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Al Cardenas, the Republican tax attorney defeated by Claude Pepper in a bid for Congress last fall, strongly disputed a police report yesterday that charged him with drunk driving, leaving the scene of an accident and resisting arrest without violence.

Cardenas, free on \$1,750 bond, said he will ask Coral Gables Mayor James Dunn to suspend Sgt. Chuck Scherer, the officer who arrested him, until the matter is cleared. Scherer couldn't be reached last night.

According to police, Cardenas' leased 1977 Chevrolet, reportedly going 50 miles an hour in a 45-mile-an-hour zone, struck Carlton Roy Prosser as he rode his bicycle on South Dixie Highway in Coral Gables. Cardenas then continued north on the highway until he was pulled over near LeJeune Road, about four blocks away, police said.

Prosser, 30, of 9100 SW 77 Ave., is listed in serious but stable condition at Doctor's Hospital with skull injuries, a broken right arm, a broken leg, a broken shoulder and internal injuries. His family declined to talk with reporters.

"Of course, our main concern is the health of the young man (Prosser)," said Cardenas. "I am confident my charges will be cleared up."

"I was not leaving the scene of an accident," said Cardenas, 30, of 3301 NE 54th Ave. "I was trying to get back to see what I hit."

Cardenas said he was driving home from a lengthy session with his tax adviser and was in the right-hand lane when he was momentarily distracted by a wine-colored car that veered toward him from his left.

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"It wasn't more than a couple of seconds and then I heard a thump on my right fender. I didn't know what it was. I couldn't back up because I thought that might be too dangerous on the highway and I couldn't U-turn until I got to an intersection," Cardenas said.

He said he switched to the left lane to make a U-turn and was stopped at a red light near LeJeune Road for five to 10 seconds when a Coral Gables police car pulled up.

"If you were really a hit-and-run, you wouldn't stop for a red light," Cardenas said.

But Sgt. Chuck Scherer, who said he witnessed the accident, reported that "the defendant made no attempt to stop and render aid" and had to be pulled over.

Scherer's report also says Cardenas resisted arrest "by pulling and fighting while being forcibly handcuffed."

Cardenas had a different version. He said Scherer pulled him out of the car and pushed him against the hood of the police car while handcuffing him.

"I was respectful at all times. I kept asking him to tell me what happened. I didn't know what I had hit and he wouldn't tell me," Cardenas said.

Cardenas also denied having told the Gables sergeant, "If you knew who I was, you wouldn't be doing

this to me," as Scherer quoted him saying.

"I told him — and these were my exact words — I am a respectful, law-abiding member of this community. I am not a common criminal. You have no right to do this," Cardenas said.

Though he was charged with drunk driving, Cardenas said authorities at the Dade County jail indicated he was not intoxicated. Results of a Breathalyzer test following his arrest were .06. A result greater than 0.10 is considered intoxication and more than .05 is considered evidence of recent drinking.

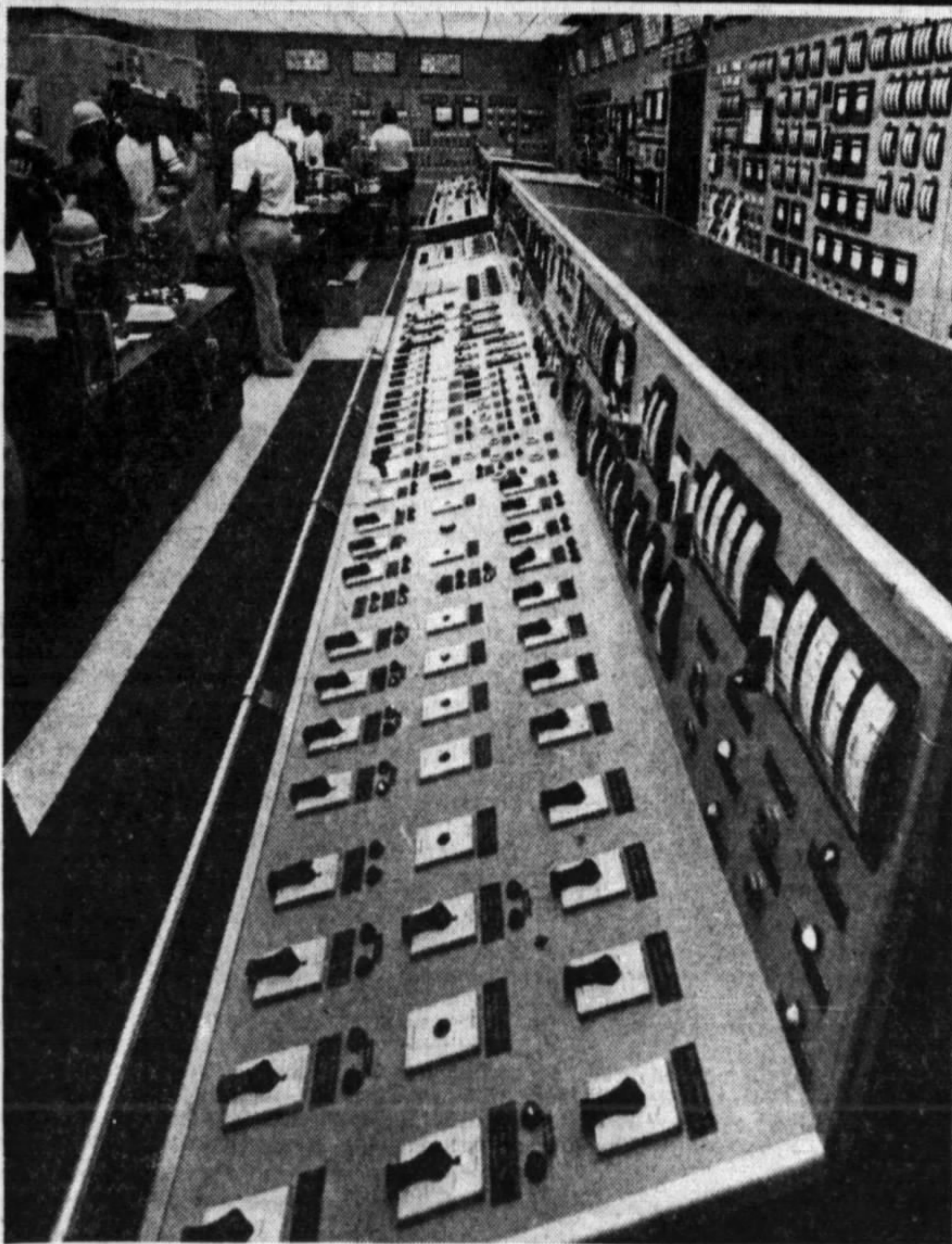
"I wasn't drunk. I couldn't afford to be drinking. I had a trial at 9 a.m.," Cardenas said, adding that he had had only two drinks over dinner with the tax adviser about 12:30 a.m.

He called the report that his speech was slurred and his breath smelled of alcohol exaggerated. He said the .06 was probably the residual of the two drinks he had had five hours earlier.

The state Division of Motor Vehicles in Tallahassee said Cardenas has received eight tickets for moving violations in the last 4½ years. Two involved accidents, but he wasn't convicted in either. The others were for making an improper turn, passing around a barrier and failing to obey a traffic sign.

Cardenas said he was not at fault in two accidents. He said he thinks his driving record is "better than average."

The average number of violations drivers are ticketed for each year couldn't be immediately determined. But a Coral Gables road supervisor sergeant said the national average is probably closer to one moving violation every 2½ years per licensed driver.



Instruments dominate Turkey Point control room

Turkey Point clan says nuclear power only game in town

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Pat Hughes was standing in the space-age control room at the Turkey Point Nuclear Plant when asked whether he had seen "The China Syndrome," the controversial movie about a near-disaster at a nuclear power plant.

"Yeah, I saw it," said Hughes, 35, a health physics supervisor for Florida Power and Light Company. He shook his head and added, "I thought it was garbage. But I'm biased. I'm pro-nuclear."

Most, if not all, of the 300 people who work at Turkey Point, 25 miles south of Miami, agree with Hughes. They, too, are gung-ho on nuclear energy.

"Right now it's the only viable energy source we have," said Harvey Story, of FP&L's health physics department. "The reason people are afraid of it is lack of knowledge. It's just like the fear of dying."

Turkey Point's two nuclear reactors were closed down for refueling yesterday as FP&L officials took about 50 reporters and photographers on a six-hour tour of the plant, which produces two million kilowatts of electricity a year.

Breaking with tradition, FP&L officials suited up about a dozen reporters in protective clothing and took them inside the containment area — where the nuclear reactor is located — of one of the plant's two nuclear units. No cameras were al-

lowed in the "can," FP&L's nickname for the containment area.

Plant officials said nuclear reactor number three, shut down since Jan. 1, should be operating again tomorrow. Reactor four, shut down last week, will be back up June 3.

FP&L spokesman Charlie Scheer

See TURKEY, 7A

Feds order new safety measures

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is ordering the owners of 34 nuclear power plants — including Turkey Point in South Dade — to take urgent safety precautions to avoid accidents like the one at Three Mile Island.

The NRC said its staff has found a flaw in the design of some plants supplied by Westinghouse Corp. which could lead plant operators into actions that would prevent emergency cooling of the reactor's core. The flaw is similar to one in the Three Mile Island plant in Harrisburg, Pa.

However, Jack Hays, superintendent of the Turkey Point plant, said yesterday, "If they (the NRC) have issued an order we have not received it."

Jack Roberts



Roberts

Don Brandon has invited 500 people to a sitdown dinner at Miami's Bayfront Park Auditorium today and is planning to invite twice that many to Thanksgiving dinner.

Today's guests, selected from elderly poor in public housing, will arrive early and leave early. "We have to get them home before dark," says Brandon. "Many of them live in fear of muggers."

Brandon, a tiny little man with a neat, snow white mustache, started his working life as a short-order cook and eventually became a master chef and manager of a number of Air Force officer's clubs throughout the U.S.

At one point in his varied career he was the official party-giver for a 365-pound millionaire named Albert G. McCarthy, who enjoyed entertaining friends with surprise affairs. At McCarthy's private club in Washington Brandon cooked for President Dwight Eisenhower and President-to-be Lyndon Johnson.

"I can cook any kind of food there is but my favorite food is country cooking," said Brandon. "I love chicken and dumplings, pork and sauerkraut and beef stew." Before we could protest this didn't sound like anything country we had ever tasted, Brandon said: "I'm talking about Yankee country cooking."

After working at a number of management jobs in

He makes 500 poor rich for a day

Miami Beach hotels, Brandon settled down as a manager of the downtown Walgreen's store. He retired in 1970 and instantly regretted his decision. "I had been working 10 hours a day, six days a week and I felt lost with all that time on my hands."

Brandon catered a few parties for friends and began cooking for Wednesday night church meetings at Shenandoah Baptist Church, just south of Coral Way on SW 17th Avenue. He lives nearby. It was a short distance from the church that Brandon saw a man digging for spoiled food in a garbage dumpster parked in the rear of a supermarket.

"It touched me deeply," recalls Brandon. "A few days later I saw a man I recognized as a neighbor fishing for food in the dumpster with a sharp stick. This was in 1974 and when I told George Means, the country music man, I wanted to give a party for 100 poor people he got people to subscribe to more food than we could handle."

The solution was simple. Brandon gave three Christmas parties in three days in churches in Hialeah, Perrine and Miami. He has been giving parties ever since. The Tamiami Kiwanis Club and the Palm Springs Women's Club have helped him for years. This year South Miami Kiwanis and the Ladies Auxiliary of Harvey Seeds American Legion Post are helping.

Party giving has become tedious, however. The City of Miami used to let him have Bayfront Auditorium free: Now he has to pay \$200 in rent plus \$35 for

insurance and \$50 for lighting.

Brandon was thinking about giving up on his Easter party when Marty Cohen, a 93 year-old philanthropist, told him he'd take care of the fee.

He used to be able to get church buses to bring his guests to dinner. But insurance companies put a stop to that. They say their liability policies cover church activities only. Sometimes Brandon can use county buses but there is fierce competition for them in the holiday seasons.

Today, a number of people have been recruited to bring guests to the party in their own autos.

Guests will be served baked ham, tuna salad, salad, potatoes, slaw and olives. Brandon guarantees it will be good but served cold. If he cooked the food at Bayfront Auditorium he would have to pay for the kitchen service. Instead, Brandon will cook the food at Shenandoah Baptist and transport it downtown.

Brandon is in his 70s but says he doesn't look his age and prefers not to dwell on the subject.

Why does he knock himself out giving parties for old people? Perhaps it's the woman who told him that she and her husband were living on canned soup and day-old bread they bought at half price. And he has never forgotten the old men digging for food in the dumpster.

"I want to give people a chance to get out and live life instead of sitting in front of a TV waiting for death to come," he says.

HRS Sues to Close 'Unsanitary' 40-Bed Home

By JANE DAUGHERTY
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State health officials Wednesday moved to shut down an unsanitary and unlicensed congregate living facility that inspectors label a fire hazard where residents don't get enough to eat.

Albert Cosio, the owner of Pacific Homes, 44 SW 11th St., also has refused to comply with a state order to close and refuses to allow Health and Rehabilitative Services (HRS) inspectors to enter the decaying two-story building they used

to license.

HRS has sued Cosio, of 721 Minerva Ave., Coral Gables, in Circuit Court to get an injunction to force him to close the 40-bed facility. A court hearing is set for Wednesday on a related HRS motion that would force Cosio to let HRS back in to check on residents and conditions at Pacific Homes.

HEALTH OFFICIALS notified operators of two other adult congregate living facilities (ACLFs) that they plan to revoke their licenses and remove state clients in an emergency action.

Max Rothman, HRS district administrator, said that by Friday 44 clients, mostly former mental patients or elderly persons, will be moved out of the two homes facing licensure action because of unsanitary conditions or fire hazards. They will be sent to vacant beds in other Miami-area ACLFs that do meet standards, he said.

ACLFs, first licensed in Florida in 1976, offer room, board and "personal care" to clients who pay \$240 to more than \$700 a month. Residents can get assistance in bathing, supervision of their medications and are supposed to live in a "family atmosphere."

Liane Palacin, HRS adult and aging supervisor, said ACLFs cannot accept residents who require daily nursing care or who are not able to take their own prescriptions.

"THEY [ACLFs] are the step between boarding houses or retirement hotels and a nursing home," Palacin said.

HRS licenses 80 ACLFs in Dade and Monroe counties. Palacin said there are dozens more operating illegally without licenses.

Pacific Homes is an ACLF with a history of serious deficiencies. Before the state revoked its license in January, it had been cited for a live rat in the kitchen, cracked ceilings, holes in walls, malfunctioning

holes in floors, multiple fire hazards and for failing to give residents enough food to prevent malnutrition.

Palacin said Cosio has apparently been granted a license from the

state Hotel and Restaurant Commission. But HRS Attorney Lenny Helfand said, "They still have the same clients [as when licensed as an ACLF], therefore we contend that they are still operating as an ACLF."

The other two Miami ACLFs threatened with closing are Kehoe on the Bay, 455 NE 28th St., and 12 Pearls Manor, 163 NE 55th St.

Rothman said at least 30 of 67 patients will be removed from Kehoe and its annex by Friday.

Trial on Speed Detectors Ends

By ARNOLD MARKOWITZ
Herald Staff Writer

Radar's trial ended Wednesday with the state and 27 speed defendants calling for strict rules to govern its use by traffic police if its acceptability as court evidence is upheld.

That is as far as the agreement between the opposing lawyers goes. They differ on the principal issue of whether the kinds of radar in use now should be accepted in court under any circumstances.

It should be, said Assistant State Attorney Kenneth Drucker. It shouldn't, said Assistant Public Defenders Paul Tunis and Michael Lederberg.

Dade County Judge Alfred F. Nesbitt, who heard their closing arguments for an hour and 45 minutes Wednesday, will make up his own mind, perhaps next week. His decision, while not legally binding on other judges, is likely to serve as a precedent at least until appeals run their course through higher courts.

SINCE FEBRUARY, when Nesbitt suspended action on speeding cases pending the outcome of the hearing just ended, an estimated 4,000 tickets have piled up, waiting.

Courts in eight other states have upheld the reliability of police radar, the most recent decision having been made last year by the Wisconsin Supreme Court. Neither that case nor those decided in Delaware, New Jersey, Connecticut, Maine, Ohio, Kentucky and Arkansas featured as much opposing expert testimony as did the Dade case, which in effect turned the state's role from prosecutor to that of defendant.

Testimony introduced by the public defender built a pastiche of criticism against radar speed detectors now in use in the United States: trees and buildings were described as having been clocked at more than 80 m.p.h., a neon sign at 100, whistles blown into a citizens band radio at speeds from 45 to 83. The radar beam is so wide that it can't pick a speeder out of a group

of vehicles without at least one chance in four of being wrong.

EVEN WITNESSES for the state testified that radar can give incorrect readings if officers using them, aren't properly trained or when large numbers of cars are moving in opposite directions on a highway.

The public defenders argued that radar should not be accepted in court until it learns to identify speeders without fail — but that if it is accepted a lot of new rules ought to be imposed on its use.

Tunis told Nesbitt that moving radar guns should be outlawed altogether because they magnify all the faults of radar standing still.

Other changes Tunis wants would amount to virtually eliminating whatever usefulness presently used radar units have. Many of their automatic features, opposed by the public defender, are subject to errors of a type that would convince a policeman operating them that the incorrect information is

correct, he said.

Drucker, defending radar, agreed with Tunis and Lederberg that some features of radar units in use here are undesirable and ought to be banned. However, he urged that, with better training, police should be able to overcome other potential faults through observation that does not rely totally on what the equipment tells them.

"The mere presence of radar, the mere thinking by motorists that radar might be on the roadway, controls speed. In controlling speed it saves lives and property damage," Drucker said.

"There's no evidence that radar does any of those things," Lederberg argued in rebuttal. "Mr. Drucker says we have to have it out there so people will slow down, but the California Highway Patrol uses no radar whatsoever, yet it has one of the highest ticketing rates and one of the highest conviction rates, and we all know what crazy drivers they have out in California."

Bus Makers Refuse to Bid On Special Buses for Dade

Metro's plans to purchase 110 buses especially equipped for the elderly and handicapped ran into a formidable barrier Wednesday. Nobody bid on the contract to make them.

Dade had joined with Los Angeles and Philadelphia in calling for the first bids on the so-called "transbus".

Bids on 530 of the buses were to be opened in Philadelphia. The two major American bus manufacturers had said they were not interested, but Transportation Secretary Brock Adams had hoped foreign companies would participate.

The U.S. Department of Transportation pioneered development of the new bus at the urging of national handicapped and elderly groups.

Failure to get the bids will not delay Dade's plan to improve its bus system, said Metro Transportation Coordinator John Dyer. The county

is also purchasing 150 "advance design" buses, which are a step below the transbus. In its call for bids on the advance design buses it included the option of purchasing 110 additional ones.

The advance design buses can be delivered in 12 months, he said. It would have taken three years to get the transbuses. For each type the county had estimated a cost of \$110,000, with the knowledge that the transbus would cost more, he added. The federal government would have covered the additional cost of the transbus. Manufacturers estimated the cost at \$250,000 each.

The transbus would have wide doors, low floors and three axles. Both it and the advance design bus were designed to "kneel", a process in which the front end of the bus is lowered while passengers are boarding.

Tresvant Wins Appeal on One Of 3 Counts



TRESVANT

One of three convictions against former Opa-locka commissioner Al Tresvant Sr. was overturned Wednesday by the Third District Court of Appeal.

The court reversed a bribery conspiracy conviction against Tresvant on grounds that an identical charge against co-defendant Candy Giardino, former mayor of Opa-locka, was dismissed.

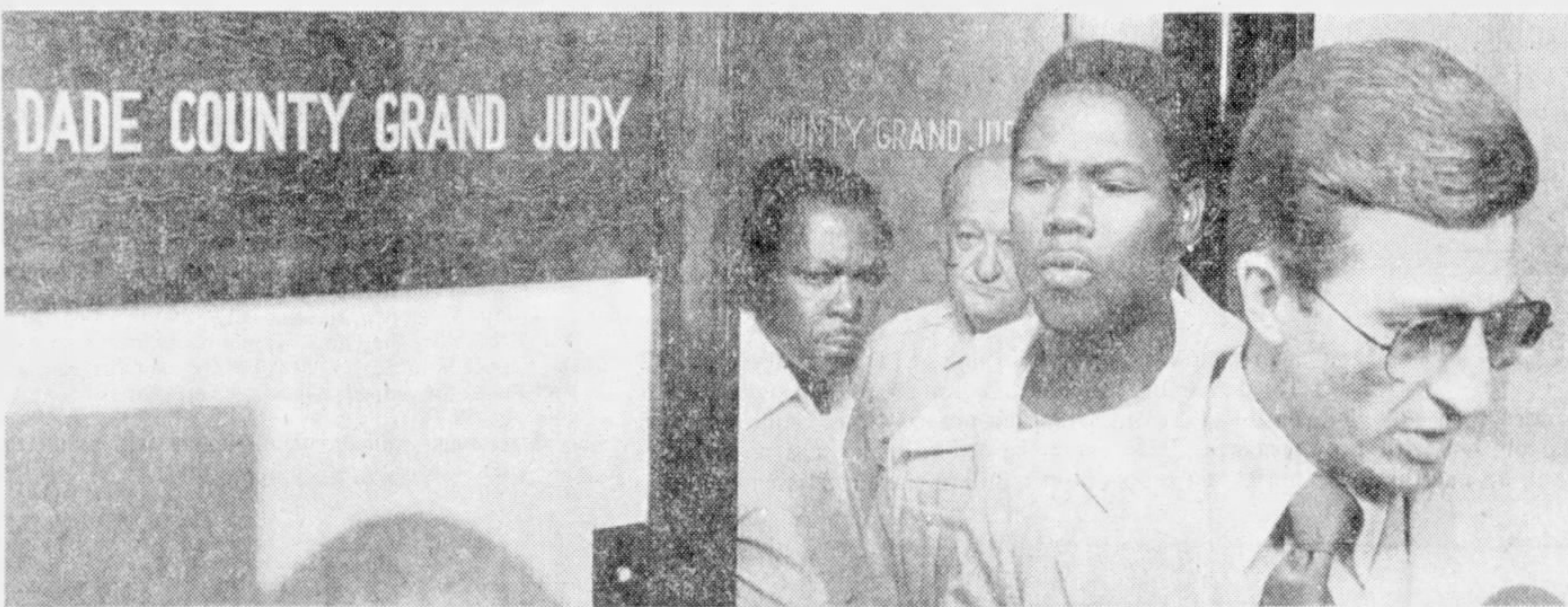
Two other convictions against Tresvant — for bribery and unauthorized compensation for official behavior — remain intact, pending the appeal court's review of

trial transcripts.

Neither Tresvant nor his lawyer James W. Matthews could be reached for comment.

The appeal court cited the Giardino case in overturning Circuit Judge Wilkie Ferguson's refusal to dismiss the bribery conspiracy charge against Tresvant.

Tresvant was convicted of accepting part of a \$7,000 bribe from a Fort Lauderdale construction company. Sentenced to a six-month to four-year term, Tresvant has been free pending the appeal.



— JOSEPH RIMAKUS JR./Miami Herald Staff

LaFleur, Left, Leaves Jury Chambers After Testifying
... with unidentified bailiff, son Hollis, and lawyer Guralnick

LaFleur, Cops Testify to Grand Jury

By JOE OGLESBY
Herald Staff Writer

Schoolteacher Nathaniel LaFleur and four Metro policemen Wednesday testified to the Dade Grand Jury about the wrong-house police raid Feb. 12 that left LaFleur with broken ribs and cuts on his head.

Testimony before the panel began at about 2:30 p.m. and continued for four hours. All of the testimony was secret.

None of Wednesday's witnesses before the Grand Jury would discuss his testimony.

"We only hope they take whatever action they deem necessary," said Ronald Guralnick, a lawyer representing LaFleur.

THE GRAND Jury appearance of LaFleur and four of the five officers involved in the raid

came after investigations by Sheriff E. Wilson Purdy and State Attorney Janet Reno.

Reno said there was insufficient evidence for criminal charges. Purdy suspended three officers — Vincent Farina, Robert Singer and Russell Fisher — for 10 days without pay. A fourth, John Mullally, was suspended for three days without pay. James Leggett, who assisted the detectives, was not suspended.

Mullally was the only officer involved who did not attend Wednesday's session. He now lives in New York, working as a detective.

The officers testified voluntarily and waived immunity, according to their attorney, Ed O'Donnell.

LaFleur was accompanied by his friend Loretha McCrary and son, Hollis, who both testified.

The Grand Jury issued no report. Its term ends next week.

DESPITE HER finding that the officers committed no crime, Reno said Wednesday that her opinion should not influence the Grand Jury.

LaFleur was injured when the officers raided his house at 9245 NW 25th Ave., looking for drugs. They found none. The house they should have raided was on a different street. The mistake occurred, they said, because they counted streets instead of looking at street numbers.

Police and LaFleur give differing accounts of what happened during the raid. LaFleur contends he and his girlfriend were beaten. The policemen claim LaFleur slammed his front door on them and attempted to go for a gun in his bedroom.

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT

A headline in Wednesday's Herald incorrectly stated that two teenagers were killed after their car drove through a large puddle and swerved into a tree at Bird Road and SW 119th Avenue Tuesday. They were both injured. One of them, Terrance Kevin Naftal, 16, of 5240 SW 106th Ave., remains in American Hospital in serious condition.

U.S. Government Report:
Box or menthol:

11 Carlton have less tar than 1 Merit.

Carlton Box... less than 0.5 mg. "tar" and 0.05 mg. nicotine.
Carlton Menthol... "tar" less than 1 mg. nicotine, 0.1 mg.
Merit... "tar" 8 mg. nicotine, 0.6 mg.
Of all brands, lowest Carlton Box... less than 0.5 mg. "tar" and 0.05 mg. nicotine.

Carlton is lowest.

Less than 1 mg. tar.

Warning: The Surgeon General Has Determined That Cigarette Smoking Is Dangerous to Your Health.

Box: Less than 0.5 mg. "tar," 0.05 mg. nicotine. Soft Pack and Menthol: 1 mg. "tar," 0.1 mg. nicotine av. per cigarette. FTC Report May '78.

Metro: Build Downtown Loop First

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final decision on the first phase. They will also have to come up with more money.

"This leaves us \$51.59 million short that we have to find somewhere," said County Transportation Coordinator John Dyer.

There is only \$24 million available to build the people-mover, which is supposed to complement the 20.5-mile, heavy-rail rapid transit system the county will build from Dadeland to Hialeah through downtown Miami.

The touchiest part of the financing, said Dyer, is the amount downtown property owners will be required to contribute.

Original plans called for owners of property served by the people-

mover to contribute 2 per cent of the cost of the line, but some members of the people-mover policy committee, including Metro Commissioner Ruth Shack, have said that is not enough.

Shack has suggested that downtown businesses bid for transit stations in or near their buildings. She said they should be required to make a substantial contribution because they will receive substantial benefits from the people-mover.

Dyer said he plans to make some new recommendations on financing Saturday.

Of the additional \$51.59 million needed to build the county's recommended first phase, 80 per cent have to come from the federal government. The county plans to ask the federal government for more

people-mover money by late June, no matter which alternative is chosen Saturday.

Dyer hopes to get the federal share from a special fund established for building experimental people-movers in four cities. Miami was not among the four cities originally selected, but local officials hope to pick up \$40 million that was turned back by Cleveland when it decided not to build a people-mover.

County officials have no assurances that they'll get any of the Cleveland money, and even if they got all of it, it wouldn't be enough to build the recommended first phase.

Dade will be competing with Los Angeles, St. Paul, Detroit and Houston for the federal funds.

"Los Angeles and St. Paul are in front of us," said Dyer. "We have been playing catch up ever since we

started."

And if the federal government does come up with more money for the proposed loop, local governments would have to come up with more matching money. The state would be asked for about \$5 million more. The county would have to take another \$2.5 million from its Decade of Progress bond funds and the city of Miami and downtown property owners would have to contribute about \$2.5 million more.

The downtown double loop, said Dyer, is lowest in construction cost and operating cost per rider and would generate the greatest operating revenues.

The double loop would have an operating cost of 31 cents per rider, and operate at an annual loss of \$600,000 based on a 25-cent fare, Dyer said. It would cost \$3,636 per foot to build, he said.