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Royal judgment — Rodeo queen judges for La Fiesta de los Vaqueros got a salute yesterday from Mini White as she thundered past them at the Pima County Fairgrounds. She was one of 18 competitors, but failed to be chosen as a finalist. Still in the running are Linda Appel, Heidi Drummond, Candi Mattingly and Rene Tomaski, all of Tucson, and Tammi Wolverson of Oracle. The rodeo will be held Feb. 21-24. (Star photo by Joe Patrono)

U.S. Olympic panel backs Carter's call

Two views on the boycott issue, Page 2C.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — The U.S. Olympic Committee voted unanimously yesterday to support President Carter in his request that the Summer Olympic Games in Moscow be transferred, postponed or canceled because of the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

After hearing in the morning from Lloyd Cutler, White House general counsel, and discussing the issue for the rest of the day, the committee's executive board approved a resolution that said: "Pursuant to the request of the president of the United States, the United States Olympic Committee directs its officials and staff to propose to the International Committee for the 1980 Summer Games be transferred to an other site or multiple sites, or be postponed or canceled for this year."

The executive board also said the U.S. committee should meet after any action by the international body "to consider appropriate action to be taken... under such circumstances that may exist at that time."

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Good Morning Top of the News Weather

A cloudy Sunday. There will be an increase in clouds today with some wind and a 20 percent chance of rain tonight. The high will be in the mid-60s and the low in the mid-50s. Yesterday's high and low were 68 and 38.

Yesterday's national temperature extremes were 84 at Laredo and McAllen, Texas, and 26 below zero at Brainerd, Minn. Details on Page 4A.

SunTran talks. A federal mediator has set up another meeting between SunTran officials and Local 310 of the Teamsters union, but the head of the company says he isn't optimistic about its outcome. Page 7A.

Get tough, America. Former Maj. Gen. John K. Singlaub, who was forced to retire after twice criticizing President Carter, says in Tucson that the United States needs to change its posture and show the world it will no longer be pushed around. Page 7A.

Imminent attack. United States Express.com reports about reports of Vietnamese forces gathering for possible attacks on Cambodian refugees inside Thailand. Page 12A.

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TV says Kush used steel, rope to strike players

PHOENIX (AP) — Fifteen depositions and seven sworn statements obtained by The Arizona Republic charge that Frank Kush reportedly struck players with beads, steel bars, wooden dowels and ropes.

The newspaper said in today's editions that the documents portray the former Arizona State football coach "as a brutal, unyielding man who had the final say on everything."

Some charge in the depositions that Kush ran players through various "hammer drills," exercises designed for punishment, until the players no longer were able to defend themselves.

The newspaper did not say where it obtained the documents or identify the sources. (See PAPER, Page 2A)

Parking tiff leads to arrest of suspect in 2 murders here

By KEITH ROSENBLUM
The Arizona Daily Star

An Arizono jail escapee was arrested late yesterday afternoon in Flagstaff and charged with the beating and shooting murders of two men at a Tucson motel earlier in the day.

Donald Eugene Harding, 38, also is wanted in connection with at least one other murder, two disappearances and several other crimes, including the armed robbery and kidnaping of five San Diego, Calif., residents.

Harding was arrested at a Tucson motel after a 4.4-m. yesterday by a friend in a room of LaQuinta Motor Inn, 602 N. Fremway.

Harding was arrested at 5:37 p.m. by Northern Arizona University campus police.

An NAU spokesman said Harding tried to park in a restricted area. Officer Phil Latham told Harding that he couldn't park in the area, and decided that because Harding looked "just kind of weird," he should be arrested.

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'Cracker' joke blows up

PHOENIX (AP) — Tucson policeman Robert Martin was asked by airport security to leave a Western Airlines plane at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport after a stewardess reported a hijacking attempt.

Tucson department spokesman Mike Walsh said yesterday that Martin, 38, was "a victim of his own stupid joke."

According to Walsh, the officer was flying back to Tucson after attending a school in Salt Lake City, tucked in his pocket for a piece of gum and was surprised to find a firecracker.

Walsh said the officer then remarked something along the lines: "What shall we do with this? I know, how about hijacking the plane to Cuba?"

Martin was interviewed by the FBI and allowed to continue his flight to Tucson.

No charges have been filed.

A stretch of the Bay Area Rapid Transit system was temporarily closed while BART investigated reports of possible damage along the tracks servicing stations at Walnut Creek and Pleasant Hill. Service resumed at about 7:15 p.m.

The Southern Pacific railroad also shut down operations.

Aene Bower, a hostess at the Caravelan tavern on the 2nd floor of a downtown skyscraper, said she was standing at the dock and "I felt it go up and down, not sideways." She said the restaurant was filled with dinner patrons and following the check the diners continued their meals.

The quake was felt 30 miles to the south in San Jose and 60 miles to the east in Stockton. It was felt 90 miles to the north in Santa Rosa, Calif., reporting the tremor also trickled in from South Lake Tahoe, Tracy and Hayward.

The Richter scale is a measure of ground motion, with each number representing a 30-fold increase in magnitude. Thus, a quake measuring 5.5 is 10 times as strong as one registering 4.5.

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Pay, class-size issues lead off teachers' list

By MARY POWERS
The Arizona Daily Star

One teacher might have 18 students while another had 40.

As always, pay is an important issue. Pickens said probationary teachers — those with less than four years of district experience — are anxious to end the dual-pay scale, in which they make less than teachers who have the same amount of experience, but have served 41 or more years of the district.

"No one else in the state has this dual-pay scale," Pickens said. He declined to say how large a pay hike teachers would get.

Teachers also want more elementary school specialists, particularly in physical education, art and music, she said. It is an issue never brought to the bargaining table before, Pickens noted.

Pickens said another new bargaining issue will be how to make early retirement economically possible for teachers who want the option.

Other items mentioned as concerns by teachers include personal leave without explanation, pay for unused sick leave, and discipline.

Pickens, however, declined to say how the items were ranked by teachers, or how the priorities of different teacher groups differed.

"That's information the district would love to have," she said.

She explained the district's ratio of 20 students to one teacher could mean that

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Mason used false names in financing two flights with UA recruiting funds

By CLARK HALLAS and BOB LOWE
The Arizona Daily Star

University of Arizona football coach Tony Mason used false names on university travel documents, misidentifying two persons whose round-trip flights were financed by football recruiting funds.

In one instance, a false name appeared on a document billing the UA for a player's flight home — an apparent violation of National Collegiate Athletic Association rules.

In the other, use of the false name concealed a Canadian man's "business conflict," the businessman told The Arizona Daily Star.

The businessman, who has conducted a number of high school coaching clinics that have featured Mason as a paid speaker, said he came to Tucson to see about setting up a clinic here.

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