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Watching the River Flow

According to Reuters, a judge on England's Supreme Court was hearing an appeal when a cat strayed into the courtroom and sat purring in the corner.

The judge, disturbed by the noise, requested a bench warrant for the immediate arrest of the animal, but when an attendant rushed in with a length of rope and a bag to make the arrest the cat escaped.

The feline is reportedly still at large.

An ad in the latest issue of National Lampoon said that "Animal House," which was filmed here last term, will be out in "mid-1978."

The ad also said "Reporters on the closed set have leaked out these advance reactions: The roast beef was good, the mashed potatoes were cold and the strawberry shortcake was great."

The Kansas City Kings basketball team of the NBA has

been groping for just about anything to help turn around their dismal 16-34 record, according to a wire report in the Eugene Register-Guard.

The Kings borrowed a plastic pyramid from their basketball counterparts, the Royals, in hopes of drawing strength from the so-called mystical pyramid power — and have won three in a row.

"I don't believe in the thing," said Larry Staverman interim King's coach, "but if anyone tries to take it out of here I'll break his arm."

The Royals, according to the report, used the pyramid when they were in fifth place in the American League West and went on to win the division and post the best record in baseball last year.

And from the Associated Press:

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.—An inmate at the Charlottesville-Albemarle Joint Security Complex has filed a federal court complaint to get a free pair of undershorts.

Inmate Waddel Boyce Flood charged that his non-white underwear had been taken away and that he was filing suit "in hopes that I will be furnished with proper underclothing."

Jail Administrator Samuel Pruett, who was the brunt of the charge, said "We require inmates to wear white, because we have to wash all their underwear together and we don't want colors fading all over everything." He added that Flood had enough money in his jail account to pay for his own underwear.

place and never saw him," muttered a perturbed Detective John Mudder.

The Environmental Protection Agency has dropped an awards program for companies making outstanding efforts to control water pollution because no company ever won. — Santa Barbara News and Review.

A woman in the Portland suburban area called the local sheriff's office recently because a bull had gotten loose and decided to stand around in her yard.

The sheriff's office responded with two pickup trucks and tried to shoo the bull away, but gave up after its hoof hit them a couple of times.

Sometime later, a 13-year-old boy showed up, picked up a two-by-four, hit the bull over the head and led him home.

In Long Beach, Calif., a 15-year-old boy charged with public drunkenness testified in juvenile court that 17 rum cakes he consumed caused his condition.

The cakes, called Babarum, have since come under a new state law that makes it a misdemeanor to sell or give anyone under 21 any cake or candy that contains more than 2 percent alcohol. The manufacturers have since reduced the alcohol content from six percent to conform with the law.—The Christian Science Monitor

Indians, feds reach initial pact

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — The federal government and representatives of 4,000 Indians who claim 60 percent of the land in Maine have reached a formula for an out-of-court settlement: \$30 million cash, \$1.7 million a year for 15 years and 300,000 acres at \$5 an acre.

But the party essential to a final settlement, the state of Maine, may not go along.

The proposal, worked out by a

presidential task force and representatives of the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy tribes, needs approval from the state government, Congress and the 14 private land owners, most of them paper companies, which would sell the land.

If agreed to by all parties, the

package settlement would cancel all further claims by the tribes in Maine.

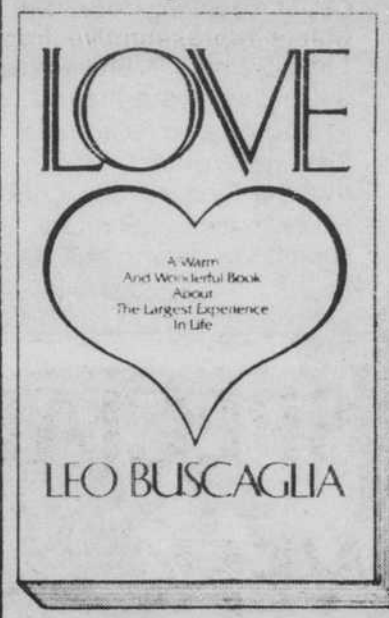
But when the proposal became public Thursday, Joseph Brennan, Maine's attorney general and a candidate for governor this year, attacked it as "irresponsible and indefensible."

Smoking sets blaze in quad unit

A fire in the Campus Court quads, 1544 Alder St., Monday morning has been attributed to "careless smoking" by Eugene Fire Department Capt. Neal Cannady.

A carpet and chair were burned in one of the quad units. No injuries were directly related to the blaze, however, a tenant cut his hand while breaking the glass cover of a fire extinguisher, according to Cannady. No one was in the unit at the time of the fire.


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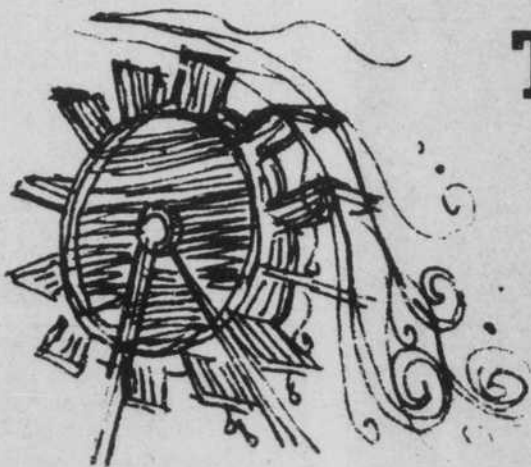
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