



ROADWAY ROUNDUP — Steers are driven down Cuyamaca Ave in El Cajon today after they escaped from packing house. Cowboys were called out for the roundup. — Photo by Phil McMahan

★Cattle

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patrol, began combing El Cajon on horseback. Tim Dirkest, 38, a member of the Los Senderos Riding Club, said the whole roundup reminded him of a Merrill Lynch commercial about being bullish on America.

"We found some running around a recycling plant and got them out," he said, "but someone forgot to close the gate and they ran back in."

"The whole thing was too much."

A group of cowboys led by B.F. Bird, 60, rounded up 20 of the steers in Fletcher Hills this morning and drove them into town as police stopped traffic.

"This isn't your usual run-of-the-mill thing," said a woman police officer directing traffic.

"I love it; I love it!"

Dirkest said police would stop traffic at intersections but that the cows would wander up to the cars and refuse to turn.

"The police then stopped the cars a quarter-mile back from the intersection and we could drive them right

home," he said.

"We were getting calls from people saying, 'Hey, there's a cow in my yard,'" Dennis said.

Five of the steers were shot with a .22-caliber rifle by Owen Lada, foreman of the slaughterhouse, when they were too spooked to rope.

One of the steers was cornered at Gillespie Field. All of the steers were accounted for by 11 a.m.

"It has happened before but never like this," Dennis said. "For some reason, they just scattered all over town."

The meat company, which sells to area markets, is located a quarter-mile from Interstate 8, west of the E. Main St. off-ramp.

"They usually just follow the grass and keep moving until they are full," said Fred Stewart, a sales representative with the firm.

Grove said the steers were brought in yesterday from El Centro and were to be slaughtered today.

Lada said all the steers would be slaughtered.

"Just as soon as we get hold of 'em."

★Storm

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0.39, La Mesa, 0.53; Lemon Grove, 0.61; Montgomery Field, 0.65; Point Loma, 0.18, and San Diego State University, 0.62.

Lightning, thunder and hail were reported in many areas last night and early today. Hailstorms were reported this morning in La Jolla and Clairemont.

San Diego Gas & Electric Co. reported several power outages, most of them in the North County, because of the storm. The only outage in San Diego was in Mission Hills, where power was out from 1:12 a.m. to 5:25 a.m. today in an area along St. James Place, south of Sunset Blvd., after the wind blew a television antenna into a power line in the 4100 block on St. James.

Wind and lightning caused power outages in Ramona, and Oceanside last night and early today.

"The snow should be visible to the residents of San Diego tomorrow when the weather clears," he said.

Small craft warnings were up for north to northwest winds of 15 to 30 knots.

The storm brought about three-quarters of an inch of rain to the Los Angeles area by morning.

Three waterspouts (seagong tornados) were sighted off Dana Point last night, but there were no reports of damage.

Rudolph said waterspouts also

could occur off the San Diego County coastline.

Lightning struck a power pole in Inglewood just before midnight last night, putting about 2,700 Southern California Edison customers in the

dark for 1½ hours.

Rudolph forecast low temperatures of 45 to 50 along the coast tonight, and 37 to 42 inland. Highs tomorrow in both areas will be 58 to 63.

★Border

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The agent was released to Mexican authorities for investigation of misuse of official status.

"The Mexican border task force is charged primarily with apprehending alien smugglers," Kolender said. "I think they need more than seven men to do that."

"I would welcome an opportunity to cooperate in a special training effort (with Valladolid) the way we do now with the Tijuana (municipal) police academy."

"We have been very successful in improving relations with the Tijuana police through working with their academy instructors."

One problem Washington has not acted on, Kolender said, is the critical shortage of Border Patrol personnel here.

"There has been an increase of about 20% in Border patrol personnel here since the 1950s," he said. "In those years, about 20,000 illegals tried to cross in a year."

"Now, more than that number try it in a week."

The San Diego chief said he began the system because, in his view, the criminal justice system here does not take sufficient punitive action in cases involving juvenile aliens.

Two of Kolender's officers are in hospitals following a border incident Wednesday night in which two suspected bandits were wounded critically.

The San Diego officers suffered minor wounds when caught in a cross fire from border task force officers.

The Mexican equivalent to the San Diego task force is currently composed of seven immigration agents.

Kolender said he has been discussing border teamwork with Rodolfo Valladolid, chief of the Tijuana immigration sector.

"Relations have improved," Kolender said, since a border shootout last month in which one of Valladolid's agents was shot by a San Diego officer in U.S. territory during a suspected robbery attempt.

CULTISTS LOSE COURT BID

Parents win back 'Moonies'

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Five followers of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon began "deprogramming" sessions today — sessions their parents hope will change their lives.

"This is very scary," said John Howard, 23, of Danville, after a court decision yesterday returned him and four others to the custody of their parents for 30 days. "This is like the mental institutions where they put dissidents in Russia."

The ruling by Superior Court Judge S. Lee Vavuris followed 12 days of testimony on Moon's Unification Church and methods employed by those seeking to draw young people away from the religious group.

The parents who sought conservatorship of their children had argued that the church turned their children from creative young adults into unquestioning puppets.

Attorneys for the church members said the decision violated religious freedom and said they would appeal.

A few minutes after the decision, the parents led Howard and Janice Kaplan, Toledo, Ohio; Jacqueline Katz, Wolcott, N.Y.; Barbara Underwood, Portland, Ore.; and Leslie Brown, Westfield, N.J., out of the courtroom.

Wayne Howard, an attorney for the parents, said that "reality therapy" — procedures commonly called deprogramming — "will begin immediately."

Howard is affiliated with the Freedom of Thought Foundation of Tucson, a rehabilitation center for youths who had been affiliated with the Unification Church and other cult-type religions.

"This is a case about the very essence of life — mother, father and children," said Judge Vavuris in his decision. "There is nothing closer in our society than the family. A child is a child, even though the parent might be 90 and the child 60."

He told the parents, who came from as far away as New York and New Jersey, not to take the youths out of San Francisco until after 5 p.m. Monday to give lawyers for the youths time to appeal.

Psychiatrists testifying for the parents had argued in court that the youths were brainwashed; psychiatrists hired by the church said they weren't.

Former Moonie followers said the church used protein-poor diets and lack of sleep to coerce recruits into submission; church members who had successfully resisted deprogramming said the "reality therapy" was brutal and humiliating.

In the past, many judges — Vavuris among them — granted such conservatorships to parents of so-called Moonies without first demanding the youths appear and tell their side of the story. This time he asked that they be present.

★Judge

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against him (or her)," Froehlich said.

The judge's taste apparently is not limited to insisting women wear dresses.

Garvey's memo rules out leather jackets for men and calls for "suitable formal attire," although sports coats are permissible.

At least one of Froehlich's colleagues on the bench disagrees.

"It is no more proper for the court to turn back fashions to 1950 than it is to 1890," Superior Court Judge Robert W. Conyers said.

In defending his predilection, Froehlich threatened action against violations of the guidelines.

"If people come into my courtroom not dressed in proper attire, I may react by not allowing them to appear."

Froehlich indicated that most of the attorneys he has talked to about his "rules" have cooperated.

"I don't feel they want to antagonize the person hearing their case."

"Can't he tell girls from boys?" a pantsuited probation officer asked.

Attorney Marcia Nolen said attorneys, probation officers and other officers of the court "should dress professionally," but added, "I don't think that eliminates pantsuits."

"I think pantsuits are very professional and attractive," Nolen said. "My \$160 pantsuit is the best-looking thing I own and anyone who would throw me out of court for wearing it is bananas."

"I'm really upset," said attorney Susan Finley, who described her wardrobe as consisting "mostly of pantsuits."

"I appeared in his court March 9, and I wasn't told anything," she said. "Years ago, I used to ask before I appeared in court in a pantsuit, but I thought that battle was over five years ago."

"If in fact he purports to ban pantsuits for women," Harvey said, "I consider it ridiculous."

"Perhaps miniskirts are preferred?"

Nepal mountain climbers lose 2 U.S. members

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP) — The Foreign Ministry said today two American members of an international party attempting to scale the 27,807-foot Makalu mountain had returned home for medical reasons.

A ministry spokesman said John Roskelly, 28, of Spokane, Wash., and Dane Burns, 23, of Kellogg, Idaho, left Katmandu March 10 as an advance party for the 20-member expedition but turned back after Roskelly became ill.

★Death

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hension among some legislators on their relationship with Brown if they vote for an override of his veto.

Brown's hands-off statement should remove him as a factor in upcoming votes.

"It's the kind of issue that's rather hard to debate," Brown said. "I think the subject matter has been well plowed."

Brown said in another interview recently that if the death penalty is renewed over his veto, he will carry out the law "as compassionate as I can."

"I'll carry out the law. I will give no blanket pardons," he said.

Conceding that there may be executions while he is governor, Brown said, "I will make a judgment in each case, viewing the totality of circumstances, trying to be as compassionate as I can, but also mindful of the fact that whatever the law is, my oath of office is to carry it out."

Recent surveys of the Senate and Assembly show that while firm majorities favor renewal of the death penalty, there is doubt whether the necessary two-thirds vote for a veto override can be assembled by proponents.

The outlook in the Senate will be clearer next Thursday when the chief death penalty bill comes up for debate and a vote. It is Senate Bill 155 by Sen. George Deukmejian, R-Long Beach, which was amended on the Senate floor yesterday and scheduled for the first full debate next week.

Deukmejian has an urgency clause on his bill, which means it must have a two-thirds vote for passage in each house, the same as required if it reaches the point of an attempted override.

The measure will require 27 votes in the 40-member Senate and 54 votes in the 80-member Assembly.

Deukmejian introduced his bill after the state Supreme Court ruled in December that California's death penalty law did not meet requirements set down by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Deukmejian also was author of the earlier legislation found flawed by the courts.

The possibility of a Supreme Court ruling of unconstitutionality was raised again yesterday during debate on an amendment that would permit juries to consider a defendant's past criminal activity, whether or not there was a formal charge or conviction.

The amendment was approved by a 19-17 vote despite the objection of Sen. Alfred Song, D-Monterey Park, chairman of the Senate Criminal Justice Committee and a coauthor of



SEN. GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN

Deukmejian's bill.

Song and Sen. Bob Wilson, D-La Mesa, had amended the bill in committee to restrict juries during the penalty phase of a murder trial to consider "prior convictions of the defendant for felonies involving the use or threat of force or violence."

Deukmejian's amendment rewords that to allow consideration of "significant prior criminal activity."

Deukmejian cited cases where a murder defendant had been charged with violent assault but was not prosecuted before his murder conviction.

He said that since a defendant may present evidence in a bid for leniency, prosecutors should be able to present evidence of any circumstances in a defendant's past of significance to guide a penalty jury.

Song said Deukmejian's language might be appropriate if a jury was deciding on the length of a prison term, but pleaded, "We're talking about taking a life."

Song also said the amendment he and Wilson offered in committee was not opposed by Deukmejian and argued that the whole Senate should not weaken its committee system by rejecting the language approved in the policy committee.

Sen. John Stull, R-Escondido, a proponent of capital punishment, voted for Deukmejian's amendment. Sen. James R. Mills, D-San Diego, an opponent, voted against it. Wilson was absent.

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