

In Other News . . .

Sidney Fiddles While Home Burns

NAWLINS -- While the city crumbles, decays, slides and burns around him, alleged Mayor Sidney Barthelmy has fiddled and diddled and basically piddled away eight years in office. Why didn't the man ever leave a wake-up call?

Carmella Lamarque Nominated for Loving Cup

THE GAP -- The estranged wife of car dealer Ronnie Lamarque was nominated today for the Loving Cup, the *Slime-Picayune's* annual award to the citizen who has done the most for the city over the past year. "Hey, she tried to have Ronnie bumped off," explained *S-P* publisher Ashwip Pippis, Jr. "What more do I need to say?"

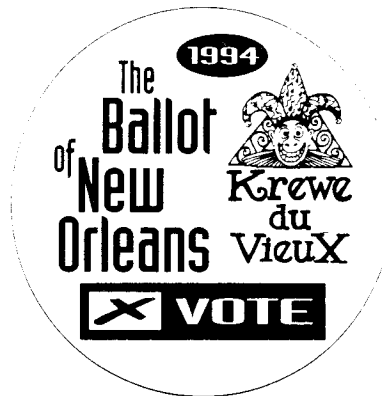
New Political Party Emerges in LA

MONKEY HILL -- In response to the failure of the current political parties to solve the many problems facing the state, a group of disgruntled voters has announced the formation of a new political party: The Banana Republicans. Party spokesman Bubba "King" Kong claimed that only the Banana Republicans could peel away the layers of corruption and deceit from Louisiana politics. "Those monkeys have had years to fix the problems, and all they've done is fix elections. It's time for some fresh fruit in office."

Radio Jocks to Star in New Cartoon

Blithering conservative Rush Windblow and infantile shock jock Howie Sperm have announced that caricatures of themselves (is that redundant or what?) will star in a new MTV (Mucous TeleVision) cartoon, "Beaver and Butthole". Sperm will be Beaver, since he's such a dickhead, while Windblow is Butthole, since he passes wind every time he opens his mouth.

Yuks on the show will come from the stars' lewd comments about female supreme court justices, and their promise to set fire to each other at least once per episode. Yuck!



Programming Note:

Kitty Kincaid's "Psychic of the Stars" program will not air today due to her unexpected death.

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Calling Space Age Love

VENUS -- The Executive Committee of the Krewe of Space Age Love met in secret and, in keeping with KSAL tradition, decided not to reveal their theme, although in a stunning break with tradition, this year they do actually have a theme.

For those poor starved aliens who are desperate to unearth the KSAL theme, the Krewe has decided to release a clue: a 1-900 number with only the digits revealed. The letters, if arranged properly, reveal the nature of the theme.

And the number is: 1-900-227-4666. From Venus, good luck.

INANE Skirts the Issue

THE WATERGATE -- Also shrouding itself in secrecy, the Motley Krewe of the Mystic INANE has announced that it too will not reveal its parade theme. Krewe officials did say (in a very high voice) that they would be wearing skirts. In light of past INANE themes such as "Blind Majorettes" and "Ku Klux Klowns", this should be taken as an ominous sign.

Dollahs fo' Scholahs

SCHOOL BORED BUILDING -- Just when you thought only the politically connected got free Tulane scholarships (or, like Johnny Jackson, you'd actually have to get elected so you could award one to yourself), along comes the Krewe of Drips and Discharges wit' its very own Dollahs fo' Scholahs program. That's right: parade-goers along the Krewe du Vieux route who call out the secret phrase -- rumored to be "Where y'at, dollah!" -- will be handed their very own Tulane scholarship (football season's tickets included). Now, if only our politicians would be so democratic in their principals . . .

