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Few Prostitutes, Customers Arrested Second Time

By Joe Earle

Most prostitutes and their customers on Wichita streets are fined instead of given jail sentences because they are first offenders, court officials say.

Wichita police say few prostitutes are arrested more than once, that after their first arrest, they get "street-wise" and learn to avoid detection. Their customers, commonly called "johns," rarely are arrested, a second time, court officials say, because the first arrest usually is so embarrassing.

"If we sold holes to crawl into, we could sell every one we had (to a

john)," said John Eisenhart, municipal court probation officer. "Any punishment the court levies is small compared to what they get at home."

The city's prostitution-related laws were toughened in the summer of 1981 to require prostitutes and their customers to spend at least five days in jail on second and subsequent convictions. But records show that municipal court judges sent only a handful of people to jail in the first year the new law provision was in effect.

THERE ARE exceptions. One woman, for example, a 21-year-old with three children, was arrested 11

times for prostitution and related crimes in the past 12 months and convicted of a half dozen of the charges.

But court officials and court records indicate she is a rarity.

Court records from September 1981 through August 1982 show three people were sent to jail as second offenders. A fourth has left the state and faces a jail sentence if she returns to Wichita.

Prostitutes convicted for the first time paid fines from \$35 to \$60; court records show. Second offenders paid fines from \$100 to \$155.

● PROSTITUTION, 5C, Col. 1

Police Cite Progress in Prostitution Fight

By Jim Cross

There never will be a law that's tough enough or a police force that's big enough to drive the last prostitute off South Broadway, say police.

But they say periodic crackdowns, combined with a new city law that makes it easier to arrest hookers, are helping take prostitutes off Wichita streets.

"I'm not naive enough to say we'll

eliminate all prostitution," said Police Chief Richard LaMunyon. "The goal is to get it out of the neighborhoods so people can live."

"Some people think prostitution is the No. 1 problem in the city. I wouldn't agree. But ask the guy who complains about us spending our time chasing prostitutes where he lives, and we'll let the prostitutes go up to his neighborhood and we'll see how he likes it."

THIS SPRING, police and city of-

officials were deluged with complaints from citizens of the South Broadway neighborhood, saying there were prostitutes and johns — men who patronize prostitutes — on every street corner. Prostitutes were soliciting schoolchildren, they said, and wives and mothers were afraid to go out for fear of being approached by men who didn't discriminate between them and the hookers.

● CRACKDOWN, 5C, Col. 4



Mike Hutmacher/Staff Photographer

More Than a Handful

Jerri Catlin, 12, of Hazelton in south central Kansas, struggles to make a hog behave Sunday at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show. The show continues at 8 a.m. today in the Kansas Coliseum.

Jets Don't Compare, Dick Says

Wichitan Preferred Zeppelins

By Ken Stephens

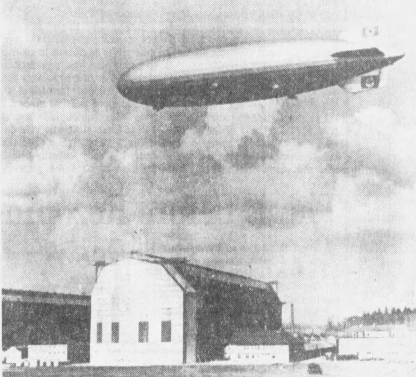
There was a time when a flight to Europe didn't involve cruelly cramming your body into narrow seats, or silencing a rebellious stomach with questionable frozen food warmed over in a microwave oven. It was a time when you didn't develop a stiff neck from trying to peer out a tiny window, only to see the top of a cloud bank or indistinguishable specks on the ground nearly seven miles below. And it was a time when you didn't arrive fatigued from trying to sleep sitting up and numb from the ceaseless roar of jet engines.

It was the age of the zeppelins, and it was a time Hal Dick of Wichita recalls fondly.

He has crossed the Atlantic 38 times — 12 on the Graf Zeppelin, 10 on the Hindenburg, 6 by boat and, since then, 10 by jet airplane.

"I've crossed the Atlantic a few times, and the best time in the lot was in the airships," says Dick, now 75 and president of Wichita Ponca Canvas Products.

Dick flew in the great German lighter-than-air ships before World War II as a liaison engineer for the Goodyear Zeppelin Co. As he talks, you can almost see him scanning the Hindenburg's blueprints, as



Wichitan Hal Dick crossed the Atlantic Ocean 10 times in the Hindenburg, whose fiery crash in 1937 at Lakehurst, N.J., ended the age of the zeppelins.

● ZEPPELINS, 5C, Col. 1

By Nunzio Lupo

Staff Writer

Difficult Task Marks Kickoff Of United Way

This year's local United Way theme, "People Helping People... More Than Ever," evokes a touch of poetry and a hint of the economic problems that the giant charity faces as it opens its 1982 campaign tonight.

United Way of Wichita and Sedgewick County enters this campaign uncertain about the fund-raising climate and hampered by the highest unemployment in more than a decade.

At this point, United Way officials are unsure whether contributors will even be able to meet their 1981 pledges, which are being collected until the end of November.

But the organization and its more than 6,000 volunteers are said to be more committed this year to raising enough money to support Wichita's social service agencies.

"The (fund-raising) meetings are better attended, and the people are more serious," says 1982 Campaign Chairman C. James Mans, a managing partner in the accounting firm of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co.

United Way officials are calling this the toughest fund-raising effort since the 1971 recession. Local unemployment stands at 9.8 percent. The aircraft industry, which accounted for almost half of all dollars pledged in the 1981 campaign, employs about 26,400 fewer than in mid-1981.

John Rush, executive director, said he was concerned about the outcome of the 1982 campaign because "no United Way director would ever say he's not concerned — (that) it's in the bag. He would say that every dollar counts."

But "this year, there's an urgency to it that hasn't been there before."

Nonetheless, United Way officials last week took the announcement that Beech Aircraft Corp. will call back several hundred workers as a sign that the economy may be improving.

Still, United Way this year has set a cautious goal, hoping to secure \$6.1 million in pledges between today and Oct. 28. The goal is 4 percent more than the \$5.9 million pledged in 1981. Pledges for the 1982 campaign are taken during the next 30 days and collected throughout 1983.

EVEN WITH the modest 4 percent increase, the United Way will have to dip into its rainy day "Economic Stabilization Fund" for \$625,000 to make up the difference between the \$6.1 million goal and the \$6.73 million it already has allocated for 1983.

United Way donations help pay the bills at 34 member and five non-member agencies ranging from the Wichita Area Rape Center to Goodwill Industries. And United Way officials say that the sour local economy is putting extra pressure on these agencies to provide services.



Rush

Drive Begins With Parade, Torch-Lighting

The United Way of Wichita and Sedgewick County will start its 1982 campaign tonight with a parade and traditional torch-lighting in front of Century II.

The parade, led by a color guard from McConnell Air Force Base, will begin at 7:15 p.m. at McLean and Douglas, and will proceed eastward until it reaches the torch site about 8 p.m.

The procession will feature the Northwest High School marching band, United Way and community dignitaries, a drill team and clowns, plus representatives of 30 United Way member agencies.

At 8 p.m., a ceremony opening the 1982 campaign will begin with an invocation, followed by comments from United Way officials, including C. James Mans, 1982 campaign chairman, and Duane Buckley, president of the United Way Board of Directors.

After their comments, Mans and the 1982 child of the year, Jesse Lee Kyle, will light the torch, signifying the official beginning of the campaign.

Kyle, 4, is enrolled in a preschool program for developmentally disabled youngsters at Starkey Developmental Center, a United Way member agency.

"This community has always responded to the needs," says a hopeful Mans. "I think they'll do it again."

At the end of August, Rush says, the charity had collected 71.7 percent of the \$5.9 million in pledges; at the end of August 1981, when the United Way was collecting the 1980 campaign, it had 72.4 percent of the \$5.4 million in pledges.

AIRCRAFT COMPANIES and their employees pledged \$2.75 million of the \$5.9 million 1981 campaign total: Boeing Military Airplane Co., \$1.4 million; Cessna Aircraft Co., \$808,597; Beech, \$438,230; and Gates Learjet, \$172,073.

Rush speculated that 1981 campaign aircraft donations weren't down because employees groups might be dipping into surpluses to make their commitment. Some groups take in more through payroll deductions than they pay out to the United Way and other charities.

Another reason the numbers might not reflect reality is that figures for August include payments the United Way received as of the second quarter, which ended in June. The third quarter ends this week.

"It's the last quarter that may kill us off," Rush said.

Bottom Line Was K-State 31, WSU 'No Mas, No Mas!'

MANHATTAN — Sorry, McShocker fans. No miracle for you this week.

This time around, Moses and his people had to swim for it; the sea wouldn't part. This time, David got stomped on so bad by Goliath that the poor little guy was screaming, "No mas! No mas!" This time, when Noah needed a lifeboat, the best he could come up with was an umbrella, and that wasn't nearly enough — his famous last words, "Glug! Glug! Glug!"

Seems the Prince and his McShockers used up all their magic the week before, beating Kansas.

No miracle, no magic, no mas, no mas, this time: Kansas State 31, WSU 7. Or, K-State 31, WSU glug, glug, glug.

Whatever, welcome back to earth, fellow Shocker fans. It was still very nice, very heady, a lot of fun while it lasted, that undefeated feeling.

And no matter what, nobody can take away the thrill of the victory over Kansas

the week before. Right? Look at it this way:

So WSU didn't beat K-State. So what? After David kayped Goliath, nobody came up to him and said, "Way to go, Dave. Now look who we've got scheduled for you next week. Goliath's big brother!"

And nobody came up to Noah after his boat ride and said, "Nice going, sailor. Now what you gonna do for an encore?"

Nor did anybody say to Moses a week after he parted the Red Sea, "Very impressive, that miracle, son. But what have you done lately?" What a game. The McShockers are good, but K-State devoured them so greedily, so convincingly, that afterward the Wildcats all but belched and asked for a second helping.

Watching the Prince of Shocker U. Prince Eddie McLunkins III, run, spin and all but piroquette with a football is thrilling, but Saturday it was a little terrifying, a little like watching David trying to strut his flashy stuff against not just one, but 11 Goliaths.

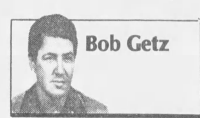
The program says McLunkins is six feet tall and weighs 170, but from where I sat, it looked like the Prince of Sprinkles would give away pounds to a hat rack.

Quiggles from my notebook:

● I love K-State's stadium. The football field is sunken. You walk inside the gates, you have to step down, way down, to get to most of the seats. It's more like a man-made valley with seats on the sides than a mere stadium.

From the open "promenade deck" high above the field where the refreshments and rest rooms are, you have a magnificent view of the game way down below or of the religious experience beyond — the Flint Hills.

● K-State needs some lessons in hospitality, though. If putting the visiting fans in end zone seats wasn't bad enough, charging them \$11 to sit there was larcenous. The least K-State could have done if it had to put the visiting fans there would



Bob Getz

have been to charge half price, since the people who sit there only have a good view of half the football field — the nearest 50 yards, of course.

There must have been close to 100 QEZized RVs at the game. What's this nonsense I've been hearing about the economy?

From wandering drolly among pre-game tailgate parties and luncheons, I think I know what fried chicken chain is definitely No. 1.

● The K-State-WSU game is the biggest job James and Alice Porter have ever had in the three years they've owned a private

charter bus company in Wichita. They brought six buses to the game.

"We could have filled 10 more, if we had them," James said, dollar signs flashing in his happy eyes.

● Best time overheard: Said a woman, seeing all the black and gold in the vast KSU parking lot before the game, "Look at all the latent Shocker fans here."

● Best of the many T-shirts with messages? Wichita Vice Nichols: "It's hard to be humble when you're from Wichita."

● K-State fans with fan-fantasies of an Orange Bowl invitation threw oranges and orange peelings onto the field after touchdowns.

Wouldn't the ultimate irony be K-State's losing one of its best players and any chance of going Orange Bowl because he slipped on an orange peel and pulled or broke an important part of his body?

And finally: Congratulations, K-State, for winning. And congratulations, WSU, for going 1-1 in the Big Eight this season.

