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## Missing pair found dead near James

By STEVEN WINGFIELD  
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ISLE OF WIGHT — A 20-year-old man and a 14-year-old girl who went to Ragged Island along the James early Sunday were found dead Wednesday afternoon, both shot in the head.

David Knobling of the first block of Sallins Lake Drive, Hampton, and Robin M. Edwards of the 600 block of Willow Drive, Newport News, were found by a beach-comber shortly before 4 p.m. almost a mile from where Knobling's pickup truck was found abandoned.

The black 1986 Ranger was found early Monday in the parking lot of the game preserve at the south end of the James River Bridge by a county sheriff's deputy on routine patrol. The keys were in the ignition, the radio was playing and a door was open, said Deputy Joey Willard. What caught his attention, the deputy said, was there were two pairs of underwear and two pairs of shoes in the truck, along with Knobling's wallet.

Edwards' body was found clothed in a blouse and pants and no shoes, while Knobling was wearing only his pants.

The investigation into the slayings will involve several jurisdictions, as well as the State Police Bureau of Investigation, A



Knobling



Newport News Detective David Seals consoles Knobling's father, Karl, at scene.

## Tribble leaves fate of money up to donors

By NANCY COOK  
 Staff Writer

RICHMOND — Moving to stem criticism of his withdrawal from the 1988 Senate race, Sen. Paul Tribble Jr., R-Va., said Wednesday he will not keep any of his \$1.4 million war chest for a future political campaign.

"I am not a candidate for any other public office. If and when I become one, raising money will not be a problem," said Tribble, who stunned supporters Saturday by announcing he would not seek re-election, but hinted he may run for governor.

Tribble said he would give his 7,000-plus contributors several options: getting what's left of their money back, contributing it to the state Republican Party, contributing to the Republican Senatorial Committee, or designating their own charity.

He said he hoped many would support Republican candidates for the General Assembly and the Virginia Republican candidate for Senate in 1990.

Returns, however, will not be for the full amount contributed. Tribble has spent some of the \$2 million he had raised on fund-raising and his statewide television commercial Saturday. He also said he has outstanding bills and salary commitments to keep.

"People will get at least 50 cents on the dollar, no less," he said. "But once those expenses



Byrd S. Saville Jr.

... donations a "contract" are met, there won't be any money left over.

Tribble's announcement comes after several of his contributors interviewed this week demanded their money back, contending it would be unfair for him to keep it for any purpose other than the Senate race.

"I think he made a contract with the public," Newport News realtor Byrd S. Saville Jr. said Tuesday. "He runs and we put up the money. Well, we put up the money and now he's decided to do something else." The ink

## Special copters responsible for hit

By RICHARD HALLOMAN  
 STAFF WRITER

WASHINGTON — The U.S. helicopters that shot at an Iranian mine-laying ship in the Persian Gulf late Monday night were from a secretive Army unit, Task Force 100, trained for special, unconventional operations behind enemy lines.

The unit, the size, arms and equipment of which are secret, as part of the Army's First Special Operations Command, with headquarters at Fort Bragg, N.C. Other elements are the Rangers, the Special Forces, better known as Green Berets, and

the Delta force.

The helicopter unit provides tactical transport and gunship support for Ranger commando raids. Green Beret guerrilla operations, or Delta force attempts to rescue hostages. Long-range transport would come from the Air Force's Special Operations Wing.

An account of how the Army helicopters got to the Persian Gulf and what they have done was pieced together from administration officials who asked not to be named, from briefings and from a press pool report filed from the gulf Wednesday.

Task Force 100's helicopters were sent from their base at Fort Campbell, Ky., to the gulf in June at the request of the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Adm. William J. Crowe Jr., who had become concerned about maritime guerrilla warfare.

Crowe, who commanded the Midest Force of U.S. warships in the gulf 10 years ago, became anxious after an Iraqi fighter fired missiles at the American frigate Stark in May, killing 37 sailors. He worried that American warships might be vulnerable to attack by Iranian speed-



Kristie Hart of Virginia Beach and Ted Hudson meet Minnie.

## For 135 area children, dreams really come true

By SUSAN NOHMAN  
 Staff Writer

ORLANDO, Fla. — As their parents clutched tissues and tried to let go of any last-minute moanings, 135 sick and handicapped children traveled by plane, bus and ferry, Tuesday to Disney World to fulfill dreams.

Her dream is to see Snow White," said Linda Boyette of

her 16-year-old daughter, Sarita, after the children had boarded two Boeing 727 jets at Patrick Henry Airport in Newport News.

Sarita got her wish.

"I got a Snow White kiss," traveled by plane, bus and ferry, Tuesday to Disney World to fulfill dreams.

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## Man in hostage case was on probation

By BOB EVANS  
 Staff Writer

JAMES CITY — The man who held two children hostage in a 4-hour standoff with police last week was on probation for a 1982 armed robbery conviction that authorities had never tried to revoke, despite prosecuting him for other crimes every subsequent year.

Commonwealth's Attorney William L. Person Jr. said he was not aware William M. Wallace Jr. was on 15 years' probation until Monday, even though Wallace had been prosecuted and jailed here several times since 1982.

The failure to identify Wallace as a possible probation violator occurred because there is no state or local system to identify such situations, state and local authorities say.

If there was a system, Wallace might have been returned to prison after his 1982 conviction for assault and battery.

Wallace received a suspended sentence and was placed on 15 years' un supervised probation after the 1982 robbery conviction. Over the subsequent five years, he was "concentrated" on charges ranging from assault to possession of marijuana.

These cases, however, were heard in district courts, where probation officers do not routinely work. More serious charges, which would have been



Paper industry products tainted by dioxin.

## Paper industry points out products tainted by dioxin

By PHILIP SHARCOFF  
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WASHINGTON — Traces of the toxic chemical dioxin have been found in a wide range of paper products, industry officials said Wednesday.

Although minute dioxin contamination of paper could be pervasive, the industry studies said, they specifically mentioned food packaging, disposable diapers, tampons and paper tissue and other paper products are contaminated.

Any product made from pulp contaminated with dioxin would likely contain it, industry spokesmen said. They said it had not yet been determined

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