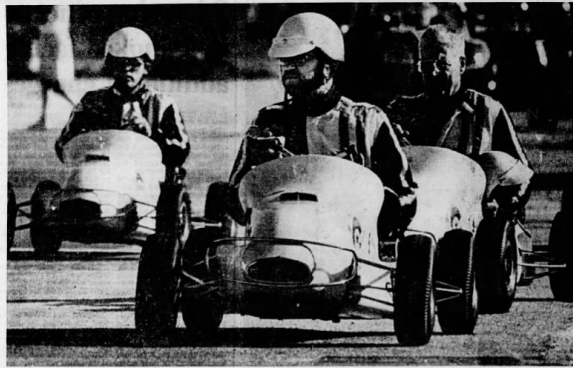


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Bill Scott of the Egypt Temple leads the way to the drill competition.

Shriners sharpen skills at competitions

SHRINERS from Florida, rather than a buggy driver or a musical player in the Oriental band.

"I think you're closer to the kids when you're a clown," he said behind his white painted face and lime green hair.

The biggest inspection gaffe, though, is forgetting to wear the Florida Association Shrine Minor Corps pin on your shirt.

of the Tampa temple's tricycle parade. Like most of his fellow Shriners, Harry Falk, 42, of Sarasota — an Oriental band member player for the past 20 years — said that the annual convention helps make Shriner performers parade favorites to many people.

"The competition makes us better," Falk said. "And that just makes us better when we go out on the street and perform in public."

Evidence revealed in girl's burning death

By TODD HOLZMAN

Prosecutors have presented new evidence against a man charged with the murder of a 12-year-old Fort Charlotte girl in an effort to convince a Charlotte County circuit judge to revoke or increase a \$100,000 bail.

Investigators presented Judge William McIver, who signed the arrest warrant, with evidence that Bradley Philip Scott and the 12-year-old girl were seen together the night of the crime.

neighbor of the Pikaritz family, Linda sometimes stopped by to watch Scott work. The two also were seen talking "on several occasions" at a local convenience store, including the night Linda died. One witness said she once saw Scott give Linda a can of beer.

A dove-shaped shell that matched those from the girl's necklace was found in the car Scott drove on Oct. 12.

McIver granted the defense time to review the sworn statement, but is expected to rule on the motion Monday. Scott, who remains in Charlotte County Jail, will not be allowed to post bond over the weekend, McIver ruled.

Jail officials call Coffin a master at manipulating

COFFIN from Florida

Some enough to get an attorney in a number of places. Prescott said, "We had no idea [let free] who he was. He gave us all kinds of stories."

He was returning to his former prison, the Alhambra-Charlotteville Joint Security Complex. Coffin phoned radio stations while he was a fugitive, alleging that prison officials there had threatened his life.

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Hospital seeks OK for surgery

A lawyer for Delray Community Hospital in Delray Beach asked a judge Friday to appoint a guardian for a patient who has refused to let doctors amputate her leg.

\$5 million bail set for two men

A federal magistrate set \$5 million bail Friday for two Wilmington men arrested last week at a heroin smuggling ring.

Ernest J. Benevento, 39, of 1470 Draft House Lane, and his uncle, Ernest A. Benevento, 56, of 1482 Draft House Lane, are accused of bringing more than \$25 million worth of heroin into the United States.

The drug pipeline began in Turkey with morphine base and passed through the Bahamas and West Palm Beach, federal agents said. The morphine was taken to Atlanta, where it was converted into heroin, and then driven to New York City for street sale and federal agents said.

The government had attempted to hold the Beneventos without bond. Their attorneys argued at a bond hearing this week that neither man has been a danger to the community or been accused of any crime since last year.

Both men were arrested last June when they attempted to leave the country with \$95,000 in cash in their luggage. They were charged with not filing a currency declaration. That case is still pending.

Delray police release robber's description

Delray Beach police Friday released a description of the man who they believe robbed Citicorp Savings of Florida branch at 401 S.W. Atlantic Ave. on Thursday.

Police described the slim black man in his mid-20s as six feet tall, 150 pounds, with very short, dark, wavy hair, a mustache and designer blue jeans. The man was wearing a black cowboy boots, police said.

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