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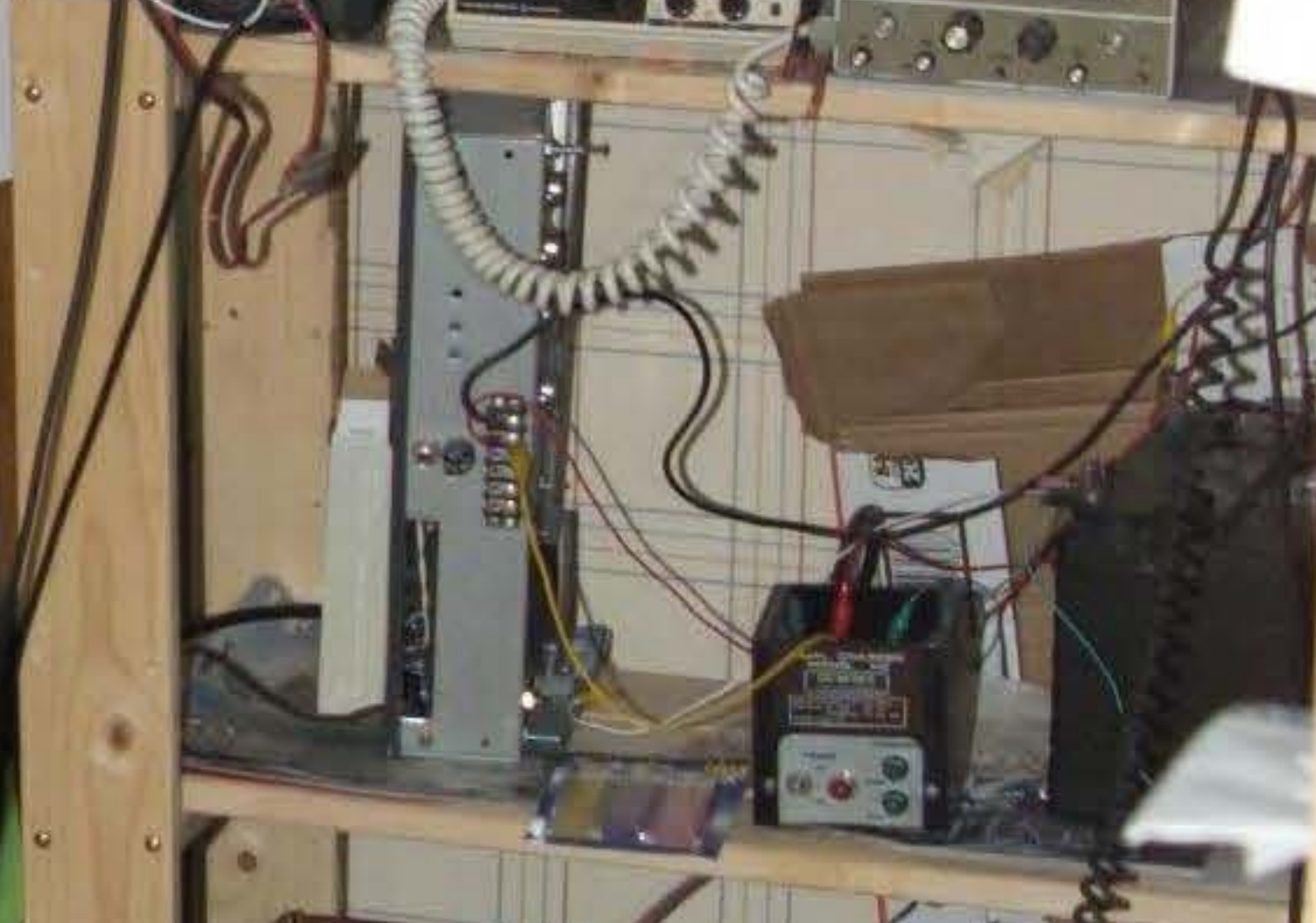








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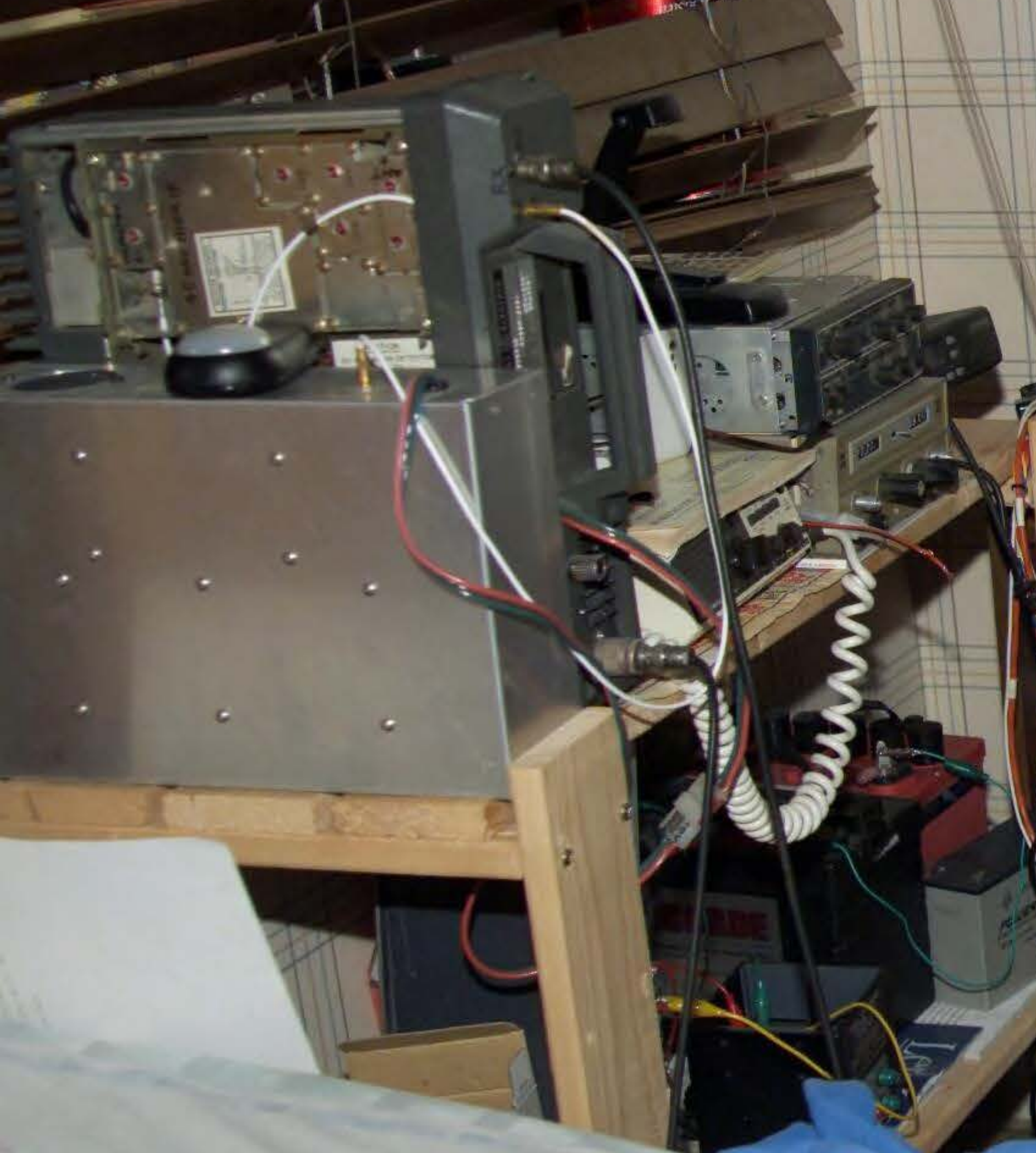
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A large stack of magazines on a wooden surface. The top magazine is 'HOME' with a cover image of a house. Other visible titles include 'LIFE' and 'TIME'. The stack is thick and appears to be a collection of various publications.

A promotional flyer for 'Direct.com' with the headline 'PRICES ARE FALLING'. The flyer lists various computer products and their prices, such as a monitor for \$99, a laptop for \$299, and a ThinkPad Transnote for \$799. A black mobile phone is placed on top of the flyer. The phone has 'iCOM' branding and a numeric keypad.























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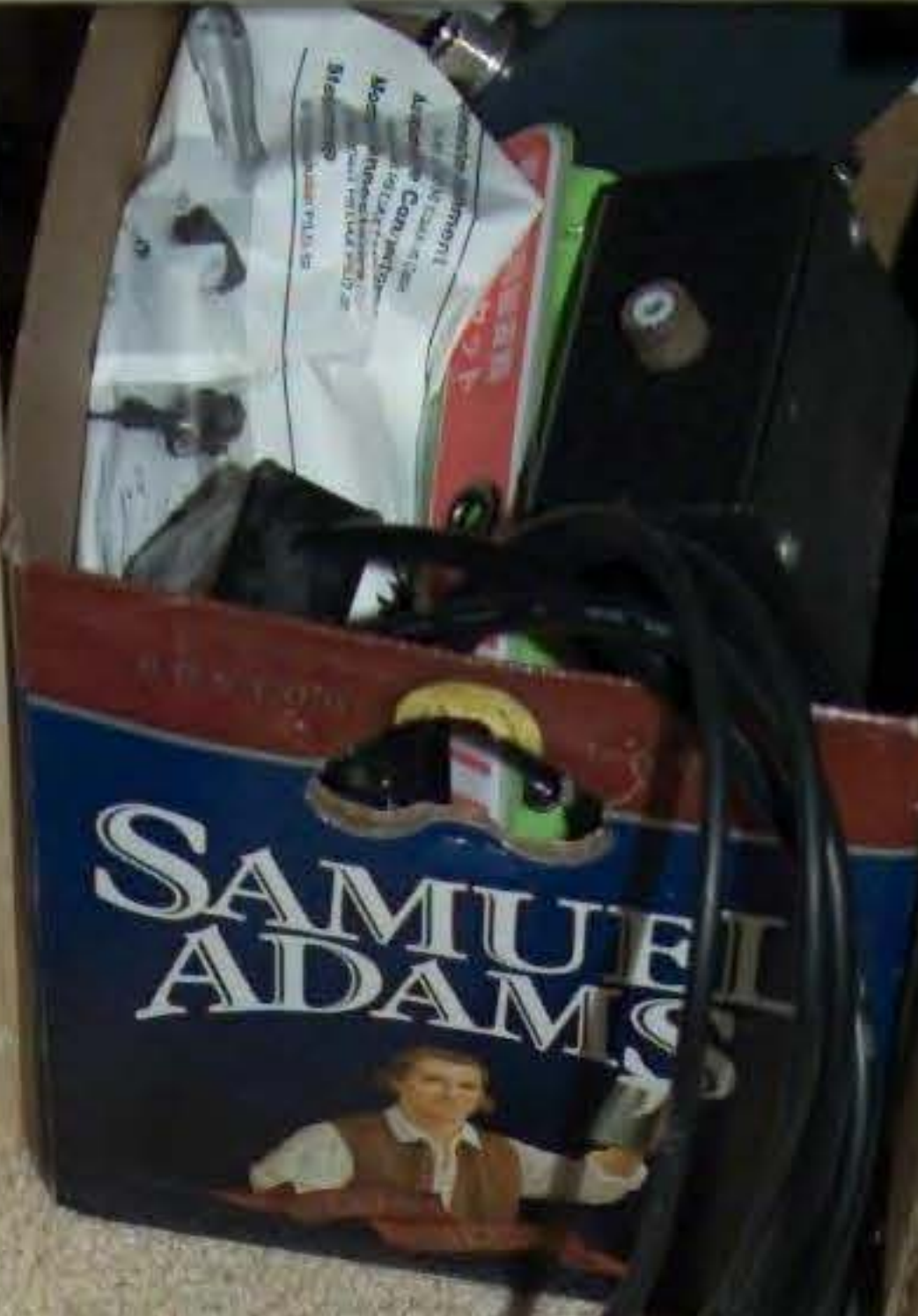






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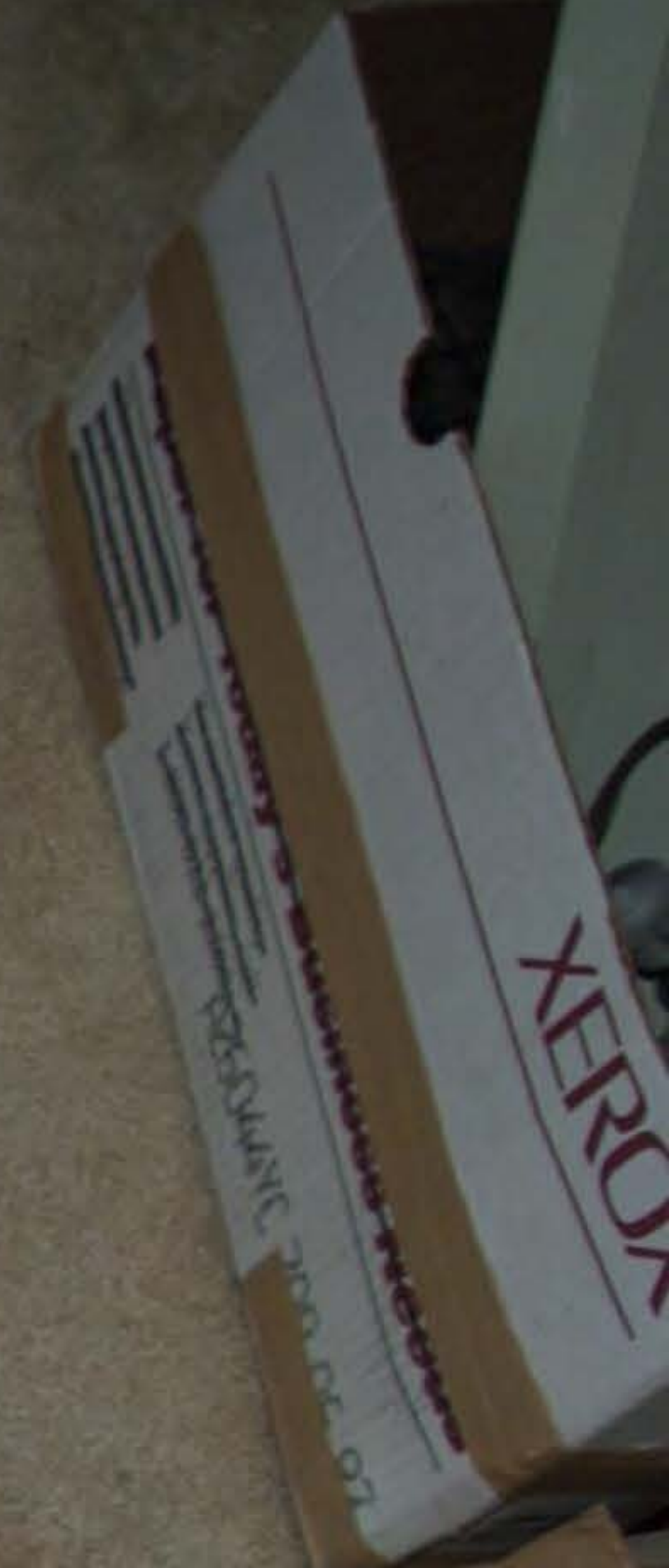
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Suspect picked for Pentagon

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — A federal judge on Friday released a man charged with carrying a false identification near the Pentagon on the night that a terrorism warning was issued. U.S. Magistrate Judge T. Buchanan Hamed of Alexandria, Va., released on \$5,000 bond and limited his travel to Washington, D.C. area.

But the prosecutor in the case may be sure that it will actually make it that much harder for the defendant to cooperate.

Hamed's arrest Monday night just hours after the FBI issued a terrorism warning, told reporters that Hamed was "in the wrong place at the wrong time."

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Hells Angels defendant sentenced for selling drugs

More serious conspiracy charges dropped by prosecutors

By Andrea Cavanaugh
Staff writer

A defendant in the alleged Hells Angels drug-ring case was sentenced Tuesday to three years probation after earlier pleading guilty to one charge in return for having others dropped.

George Owens, 29, was sentenced to probation for one count of selling the prescription drug Vicodin, Deputy District Attorney Kevin Suh said. Owens also received 45 days in jail but was given 45 days credit for time served.

In exchange, prosecutors dropped

conspiracy charges against him that carried a possible penalty of five years in jail, Suh said.

In February, the Ventura County Grand Jury indicted 26 people, including local Hells Angels leader George Christie Jr. Fifteen of the defendants were accused of the most serious charge — conspiring to sell drugs to minors.

Besides Owens, three defendants have pleaded guilty to charges stemming from

the indictment.

Mary Carlisle, 44, pleaded guilty to drug charges in exchange for having conspiracy charges dismissed. Two others, Joshua Adams, 23, and Derek Mashburn, 22, have pleaded guilty to conspiracy and drug charges. None of the three has been sentenced yet.

Attorneys for several of the remaining 11 conspiracy defendants have said privately they are negotiating agreements with

prosecutors that include the dismissal of conspiracy charges.

Some defense attorneys have estimated in recent weeks the conspiracy prosecution could cost taxpayers in excess of \$6 million.

After Tuesday's sentencing, Owens' attorney, Joe Lax, said prosecutors' motivation for dismissing the conspiracy charges against his client were obvious.

"I think it was because he was not guilty of those conspiracy charges," Lax said. "If

they could have proven them, we wouldn't be here. We'd be in a trial court."

Chief Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey Bennett refused to comment on why the charges were dropped.

Lax said allegations by the District Attorney's Office of a massive drug conspiracy might be unraveling.

"It may have looked like roses to be in the beginning but turned out to be little balls of manure," he said.

— Andrea Cavanaugh's e-mail address is acavanaugh@insidex.com.

Illmore Mayor Dropped

The case was dismissed in a Ventura County Superior Court judge's ruling Tuesday. The judge said the case was dismissed because the defendant, Illmore, had not been able to pay the \$50,000 bond. The judge also said that Illmore had not been able to pay the \$50,000 bond. The judge also said that Illmore had not been able to pay the \$50,000 bond.

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Bombing injures Taliban's top foe

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — The symbol of opposition to Al Qaeda's hard-line Taliban rulers, Ahmed Shah Massoud, was unconscious and in serious condition Monday after a suicide bombing attack, his brother said.

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Re: Greg Totten's July 27 commentary, "Board of Supervisors' broken promises compel lawsuit":

The district attorney's comments present an extremely misleading representation of the policy decision of the Ventura County Board of Supervisors.

First, Mr. Totten asserts the board amended a local initiative without getting the electorate's approval. Mr. Totten knows the board did not change one word of the ordinance. The ordinance contains the phrase "associated inflationary cost." There is no interpretation or definition of this phrase in the ordinance. It is left for the board to interpret.

In an effort to control runaway public safety costs, the current board adopted the most common-sense interpretation of inflation, the Consumer Price Index. Mr. Totten wants the board to use an old interpretation adopted by a previous Board of Supervisors. The old interpretation resulted in granting public safety increases that are simply not sustainable.



John F. Johnston

Even in our extraordinarily tight budget situation, the board has increased its financial support for public safety programs. In 1994, public safety programs cost taxpayers \$83,706,900 or 48 percent of the money over which the board had discretionary control. This fiscal year, public safety will cost taxpayers \$128,350,200, or 55 percent of all discretionary funds. Had the sheriff and district attorney received all the increases they demanded, this dependency on discretionary funds would have increased to \$139,063,400, or 59 percent.

This is the very reason why Mr. Totten does not support the board's adoption of a new interpretation of inflation, and it is his prerogative to point out that disagreement. However, it is misleading of him to state that the board has actually amended a voter initiative.

Not one word of the initiative was changed.

The most misleading representation of Mr. Totten is his implied statement that public safety funding is only 15 percent of the total \$1.2 billion county budget. While almost any statistic can be presented in a way to be technically accurate, Mr. Totten needs to understand that the comparison is irrelevant since 80 percent of that money cannot be used to fund public safety. For instance, monies collected for road repairs, fire protection or medical payments cannot be used to pay for public safety.

The gross budget of public safety has grown 119 percent in the last 10 years. Inflation, as measured by the CPI, grew only 25 percent. Had the board approved this year's budget demand from public safety, using the old interpretation of inflation, the public safety budgets would have increased 23 percent over last year while the CPI increased only 3.7 percent.

Mr. Totten claims that when the board states that public safety is its highest budget priority, it is a "hollow claim." However, the board's action

suggests otherwise, i.e., the board has given virtually all new local revenues to public safety this year and reached into pitifully low reserves to prevent public safety layoffs.

Mr. Totten apparently feels that if the board is not using the old formula for inflation, one that is simply not sustainable, the board is not making public safety its first priority.

I understand Mr. Totten is not receiving all the money he wants. I know of no department head who is. But the board has kept public safety its highest priority even during these very difficult budget times, and it is misleading to claim otherwise.

Lastly, I am one of those who asserts that Ordinance 4088, as interpreted by the sheriff and district attorney, will lead to bankruptcy. I am prepared to sit down with any competent and impartial financial analyst to demonstrate why that is the case.

— John F. Johnston is the county executive officer for Ventura County.

Financial news commentators cheapen sacrifice of U.S. soldiers

It was too hot to sleep, so I got up and turned on the TV. Bad idea. Usually, I find some documentary that puts me right to sleep, but this time, I surfed through the all-news channels. Instead of being put to sleep by some droning narrator, I was infuriated by a panel of perky financial analysts on Fox discussing what "bounce" the latest events in Iraq would give the market.

I can only describe their round-table discussion as obscene. For starters, this financial news segment was called "Cashing In: The Cost of Freedom." The panelists all cheerfully bantered back and forth about the challenges and opportunities the quagmire in Iraq presents to shrewd investors. Here are a few of the incredibly cynical comments these calculating commentators offered:

"Well, they got the boys, Odai and Qusai, but will the market get any pop without Pop?" Chortle, chortle.

"Getting the boys definitely caused a small rally, but if we keep losing GIs, the market will lose confidence again quickly."

"Well, the loss of any American life is regrettable; however, I think the casualties haven't had much effect one way or another on the market."

"What Wall Street needs is confidence that the situation in Iraq is well in hand. I think killing Saddam's sons is great news for the market."



Alicia A. Reynolds

these people? Have they no sense of decency? Regardless of one's views of the war, I find this gaming of the events that are continuing to transpire in Iraq to be in the poorest of taste. No doubt the stock market is influenced by wars and world events, but that doesn't mean analysts have to sit around guffawing about this grueling Iraqi conflict as if they were attending some college football game. This war is no game. Real people are dying over there.

As this disgusting round-table chitchat ensued, I thought of a former student who just returned from Iraq. His father was so incredibly relieved to have his son return home. "He's lost a lot of weight," his voice cracked, "but we're so glad to have him back."

During his tour of duty, a group of his father's co-workers had held a weekly rosary for his safe return. Thankfully, their prayers had been answered. However, other parents haven't been

"Definitely, I think we've turned the corner in Iraq and you'll see that reflected in the market. ... It's up from here." Chuckle, chuckle.

I wanted to slap each one of their smiling, smug faces.

What is wrong with the same holds true for so many of my students and their families. These obnoxious pundits, with their "ringside" commentary about "Bush's latest TKO in Iraq" and what a "bounce" that will bring the market, know nothing about the real cost this war is inflicting. Their inane chatter reveals them to be nothing more than shameless profiteers who have hopped aboard the wartime gravy train — just like Halliburton and Bechtel.

What is missing from so many round-table discussions concerning recent events in Iraq is a sense of gravity. But I suppose that lack of somberness can be expected when you have a president who sets such a cavalier tone himself. The whole war has been presented by the media as entertainment, replete with a president who believes dressing up like a GI Joe doll to greet the troops and making statements like "bring 'em on" are the height of statesmanship.

so fortunate. Since President Bush declared the war over on May 1, more than 50 soldiers have been killed, and more deaths tally up each day — five over the last weekend alone.

And so while stock analysts play their confidence game over the airwaves, scheming on ways to "cash in" on the war, my former student Maria prays each night that her husband isn't among the casualties reported on the nightly news. The same holds true for so many of my students and their families. These obnoxious pundits, with their "ringside" commentary about "Bush's latest TKO in Iraq" and what a "bounce" that will bring the market, know nothing about the real cost this war is inflicting. Their inane chatter reveals them to be nothing more than shameless profiteers who have hopped aboard the wartime gravy train — just like Halliburton and Bechtel.

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Not to mention the recently revealed Pentagon scheme to set up a commodity-style market using real investors who place their bets on various predictions of terrorist attacks to see which one is most likely to occur. This proposal would ask investors to gamble on such questions as, "Will terrorists attack Israel with bioweapons in the next year?" The proposal, called The Policy Analysis Market, would have been under the direction of retired Adm. John M. Poindexter, the former Reagan national security adviser who sold arms to the Iranians and then illegally diverted those funds to Nicaraguan Contra guerrillas.

I can only imagine the obscene round-table discussions such a program would generate among these avaricious TV financial analysts: "Gee, Matt, if it were me, I'd put my money on a bio-hit."

"Naah, Laura, if you wanna make some real money, bet on a car bomb."

More and more, our airwaves are filled with the thoughtless chatter of news moderators who discuss the grave issues before them as though they were hosting a game show. While home audiences are treated to chatty news anchors and video game graphics, it's been a long, hot, terrifying summer for our young men and women in uniform.

How dare any program focus on

how this war and the sacrifices made by our troops will profit various stock portfolios. Instead of seeking hot stock tips, we in this country should ask ourselves what we are willing to sacrifice for those who are safeguarding our freedoms.

What will our tax cuts and dividend breaks bring our soldiers, many of whom live just above the poverty line? When they return home, aside from some flag-waving fanfare, what can they expect to receive? A "jobless" recovery; bankrupt state and local governments; 30 to 40 percent hikes in college tuition; lack of affordable housing; cutbacks in education, police and fire services; soaring health-care costs?

Just what kind of America are the "market" and their cadre of media patsies helping to create for those whose lives are on the line? Something tells me that when it comes to "cashing in" on this war, our young men and women both in and out of the service will get the short end of the stick. I think our young people deserve better than to have their futures be put in the hands of political leaders and their private-sector supporters who see every event as a potential "get-rich" business opportunity. Cashing in? For shame.

— Alicia A. Reynolds teaches in a Ventura County public school. She writes a biweekly column for *The Star*.

Sanchez Is Convicted of Murder

Jury must now decide whether the serial rapist, already facing life in prison, should be executed for the shooting death of a Moorpark College student.

By TRACY WILSON
Times Staff Writer

After four days of deliberation, a jury Tuesday convicted serial rapist Vincent Sanchez of the brazen kidnapping and murder of a 20-year-old Moorpark

College student in a case that stunned residents in relatively crime-free eastern Ventura County.

The jury found Sanchez guilty of first-degree murder, kidnapping, attempted rape and related special circumstance allegations in the fatal shooting of Megan Barroso.

Superior Court Judge Ken Riley ordered jurors to return Monday to begin the penalty phase of the trial. The seven-man, five-woman jury must now decide whether Sanchez, 32, a former construction worker already facing a life prison term for a string of rape convictions, should be executed for killing Barroso.

Sanchez sat with his head bowed and did not face jurors as Riley read the verdicts before a courtroom filled to capacity. Barroso's parents and brother sat silently as the judge spoke. Sanchez's family sat several feet away, his father gripping a wooden cane.

Before returning their verdict Tuesday, jurors had asked questions indicating a possible split over the special allegations, prompting Riley to ask lawyers how he should proceed if the jury returned hung on some counts.

Indeed, jurors hung on two questions related to whether Sanchez had a specific intent to kill Barroso during a kidnapping. Prosecutors, however, said the deadlock does not affect the main criminal counts, or findings that trigger a penalty phase.

In addition to the counts involving Barroso, the jury found Sanchez guilty of assault with a deadly weapon and attempted kidnapping for attempting to run a 21-year-old woman off the road in Simi Valley in October 2000. The woman was not in court when the verdicts were announced.

After the jury was excused, attorneys for both sides and relatives of Barroso hurried from the courtroom and declined comment.

During the upcoming penalty phase, prosecutors are expected to present evidence from Barroso's family and friends on the effect her slaying has had on their lives. They are also expected to present additional evidence in-
[See Sanchez, Page B8]



SEARCH: SWAT team members check around a Calleguas Municipal Water District building after the shootout at the nearby sheriff's station. Initially, authorities thought there might have been two gunmen involved, but they later dismissed that theory.

Photographs by BOB CAREY, Los Angeles Times

Man Dies in Shootout With Deputies in Thousand Oaks

The Newbury Park resident opens fire at the sheriff's station. His motive is not known. There are no other major injuries.

By AMANDA COVARRUBIAS, DARYL KELLEY AND STEVE CHAWKINS
Times Staff Writers

A gunman was fatally shot in a battle with officers Tuesday morning after he opened fire in the parking lot of the Ventura County sheriff's station in Thousand Oaks.

For reasons unknown to authorities, the man started shooting at the two-story building with two high-caliber handguns a little after 9:30 a.m.

Eric Nishimoto, a spokesman for the Sheriff's Department, said deputies shot back in a volley that lasted five to 10 minutes.

"We don't have a motive," Nishimoto said. "We have no idea why he chose this particular building and why he chose to do what he did."

The man was identified as 48-year-old Gregg Wynn Hackett of Newbury Park.



SLAIN: The body of the gunman lies covered as a deputy shields the man's license plate from the media. Officials eventually identified the shooter as Gregg Wynn Hackett, 48, of Newbury Park.

When Hackett started blasting, his bullets smashed the windows of a community meeting room where deputies and officers from other law-enforcement agencies were attending a routine training class.

Some officers returned fire through the windows, while others "deployed out of the other end of the building to outflank the suspect," said Under-sheriff Craig Husband.

During "a lengthy gun battle," deputies toting AR-15 carbine rifles scuttled from car to

car in the parking lot to one side of Hackett, who was crouched behind his late-model red Acura, Husband said.

"It takes a lot of courage to put yourself in harm's way and confront a gunman who is
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Bounty Hunter Fails to Nab Funds

Judge denies Andrew Luster's captor a share of the rapist's forfeited bail money.

By TRACY WILSON
Times Staff Writer

Saying he cannot condone Ventura County judge on Tuesday refused to award part of the \$1 million in forfeited bail money to the bounty hunter who captured fugitive rapist Andrew Luster in Mexico.

Instead, the judge agreed to reimburse the county Sheriff's Department and district attorney's office \$154,000 for trying to apprehend Luster after he fled his trial in January.

Superior Court Judge Edward F. Brodie has not decided how the remainder would be divided but instructed the county Probation Department to determine how much money Luster's three rape victims are entitled to in restitution.

Duane "Dog" Chapman and his supporters abruptly walked out of the courtroom as Brodie issued his ruling. The bounty hunter had sought \$250,000 to recover costs and fees related to his Mexican dragnet. But Brodie said Chapman had no standing in the court.

Chapman and two associates face criminal charges in Mexico after grabbing Luster, 39, the great-grandson of cosmetics legend Max Factor, at a taco stand in Puerto Vallarta on June 18.

Brodie cited the pending case in Mexico and Chapman's tactics in his ruling, saying, "To come into this court and ask this court for my stamp of approval is another matter. He went to Mexico and failed to comply with the law ... I cannot condone vigilante justice."

Outside the Ventura courthouse, Chapman, wearing a leather jacket, snakeskin boots and sunglasses, refused to ex-
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U.S. Delivers Findings on Angels Flight Crash

Investigators say faulty mechanical and brake systems contributed to a fatal Angels Flight railway crash two years ago. B3

Ex-Official's Defense Bill Stirs Controversy

Taxpayers are now paying for the criminal defense of the man who was once South Calif's most powerful politician. B6

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Pointa West mounted Steve Lopez has the dog off.

So Far, Few Commit to Being on Recall Ballot

Hundreds pull papers to run for governor, but days before the deadline only 15 complete the process. Last-minute filings are expected.

By ALLISON HOFFMAN, JOEL RUBIN AND JOE MATHEWS
Times Staff Writers

Nearly 500 Californians have taken out papers to run for governor if Gray Davis is recalled Oct. 7. That has the state bracing for one of the longest and most ungainly ballots in recent American history.

But as of Tuesday, only 15 people had filed the required documents with county clerks' offices and paid the necessary fees.

So while the state's political leaders are consumed by the decisions of actor Arnold Schwarzenegger and U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, county registrars are holding their breath until 5 p.m. Saturday, the deadline for would-be candidates to file their paperwork. It is these hundreds of lesser-knowns who will determine the size of the ballot, and perhaps the shape of the race.

Even if a fraction of the 482 people who pulled papers decide

Feinstein Factor Is the Big Unknown

The senator has said no before, then run. If she enters, she'll foil Davis' strategy and shape how the race plays out.

By MEGAN GARVEY
Times Staff Writer

Through three decades in politics, U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein has retained the right to change her mind.

In 1971, then-San Francisco Mayor Joseph Alioto accused Feinstein of double-crossing him with her last-minute entry into the mayor's race after saying she had no intention of running. She finished third.

Afterward, a triumphant Alioto struck back, keeping her from being named chair of the



WELL SHE? Sen. Dianne Feinstein has said little publicly about running.

Bay Area's pollution control board. She later told her biographer, Jerry Roberts, that in private Alioto had admonished her with a remark she never

forgot. "You don't cash loser's tickets at the winner's table," he told the woman whose career he had backed until then.

In 1978, hours before San Francisco Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk were assassinated in their City Hall offices, Feinstein, then president of the Board of Supervisors, told reporters that she would never again run for mayor after two previous defeats.

Later in the day, she stood on the steps of City Hall to announce the deaths of her colleagues, her skirt stained with blood. The following week she was chosen interim mayor, then led the city through the aftermath with a calm dignity and went on to serve 10 years in the office.

With Saturday the deadline
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to run, the potential confusion — and the friends and family that fringe candidates bring in the voting booth — might make the difference in a tight recall race. Voters will be asked to decide whether Davis should remain governor, and who should re-

place him if he is recalled.

A Times survey of all 88 county clerks' offices suggests that while the ballot will ultimately contain dozens of names, there will not be — contrary to popular belief — a gubernatorial candidate for every star you can

see from the top of Mt. Whitney.

One reason is the brief window — 17 days — for jumping into the race, which is unique in this recall election. Another factor is procrastination. In almost every election, there is a cre-
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Trouble Is Brewing at S.F. Starbucks

Seventeen of the coffee shops are vandalized in what appears to be a political statement.

By LEE ROMNEY
Times Staff Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — In the 11 years since Starbucks opened its first outlet here, its green siren for some grew to symbolize dot-com excess, high rents, the homogenization of America and the pitfalls of globalization.

In the pre-dawn hours Tuesday, someone in town struck back.

Police say as many as 17 of the Seattle-based chain's stores were vandalized — windows clouded with glue, "For Lease" signs posted on their facades and some of their locks jammed.

The pranksters also posted a notice on San Starbucks letterhead regretfully announcing the closure of "thousands of retail and cultural workbooks."

The "message" from the Starbucks Corporation, which party officials dismissed as "frivolous," turned the highly touted social res-
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The CIA Had Batted Out...

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London, left, Richard Marcus and Sally Kirkland hobnob.

Spain because it offers a place where she can check in with friends—the five-spirited across stops by daily whether she arrives in a limousine or without make-up. "Now Sally," a waitress might say, "you're going the law."

This morning Kirkland is wearing jeans and making up a powder-due shoe with a glittery, matching scarf. Please see page E3.

Extraordinary Dad and Friend

...there is usually a deadline, but you try to do it with grace. You hope it does honor to the person who has died, something that the family will be able to put in a book. I used to be a difficult journalist, but I've changed. It's just something that you do over and over again.

I wrote my father's obituary last week, and it was not like that at all. There was no pile of files, no usual deadline. There was no time as my parents' birthdays were in front of my father's memorial service. I wrote it again and again until it was something suitable for the occasion. I know how to do it now. I've learned to write for the living. I've learned to write for the living.

big "Kick Me" sign on Uncle Sam's back.

If industry estimates of oil reserves are correct, the 800-mile pipeline would for a few years carry as much oil as now moves through the Strait of Hormuz. It's hard enough to defend our oil supplies in the Mideast. It is impossible to imagine a fatter, or less defensible, terrorist target than the Alaska pipeline.

Unless, that is, one looks at the handful of natural gas pipelines that serve our East Coast. Or the two dozen refineries concentrated in Texas, Louisiana and California that process a huge percentage of the oil we use. Or the nuclear power plants that have failed time and again to repel teams of mock terrorists designed to test their security. (Air Force jets scrambled Wednesday night over Pennsylvania's Three Mile Island plant because of a "credible threat.") Or the way that our own military planners have attacked centralized energy production plants and distribution grids in the Mideast, Serbia and now Afghanistan.

The classic study of U.S. vulnerability, "Brittle Power," was carried out for the Pentagon by the Rocky Mountain Institute in 1982. Its authors, Amory and Hunter Lovins, wrote at the time that "all of the energy sources being promoted as the backbone of American energy supplies in the 21st century are precisely those least suited to survive the uncertainty and violence that seems likely to characterize the future." Amazingly, it's these same centralized technologies that the Bush administration pushed for in last spring's energy plan and continues to support.

The alternative, of course, is to take the money now used to subsidize fossil fuels and nuclear power and use it instead to jump-start the conversion to renewable energy sources, which by their nature are decentralized, flexible and unappealing to terrorists. Take, for example, wind power. It is already the fastest-growing power source on Earth, mostly because it's environmentally benign. But now we know it's a security asset as well. An enemy could knock out one windmill, but it wouldn't stop electricity and it wouldn't damage all the other windmills. No one is standing guard around the clock on their rooftop solar panel.

It's a happy coincidence that smart power is also secure power. The sooner we get to work on it, the sooner we'll be able to cross out those oil and coal lines of worry.

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If the CIA Had Butted Out . . .

By AHMED BOUZID

Imagine if Aug. 19, 1953, had come and gone, uneventfully. Imagine if Operation Ajax, coordinated by the British MI6 and the American CIA, which toppled the flourishing democracy in Iran of Mohammed Mossadeq, had never left the drawing board. Imagine if the Western-educated Mossadeq, a charismatic leader who was massively backed in Iran by a burgeoning middle class, had been allowed to peacefully lead his country to become the first truly Muslim democracy in the Middle East. And imagine if his government had been allowed to assume its obligations and responsibilities, as stipulated by the 1906 constitution, and if the shah had been allowed to reign but not rule, as again stipulated by the Iranian constitution, and imagine if Britain and the U.S. had not been egged on by oil companiesavid over Mossadeq's nationalization of oil interests in Iran but instead had stayed out of Iran's business and not intervened. Imagine what would have likely happened.

Had the coup never taken place, Iran probably would have gone on to build a sturdy, authentic democracy that would have brought about a far more durable stability than what the shah—disregard applied in the eyes of his people at a weak, easily manipulated Western puppet—ever managed to deliver.

Had the coup never taken

place, democratic Iran would have long ago done away with the myth that Islam and democracy are incompatible.

More important, nationalist and anti-colonialist as it was, Iran would have handsomely served as the model to follow for the dozens of Arab and Muslim states that had recently gained, or were about to gain, independence from colonial occupation, thus averting their alignment with the Soviet bloc as well as the rise of home-grown thugs and dictators.

Had the coup never taken place, the ayatollahs, who had supported the coup against Mossadeq, would never have gained their political clout. Indeed, the shah saw in the conservative ayatollahs the perfect partners against the radicalism of the left and the liberalism of the middle class.

Had the coup never taken place and the ayatollahs never been given the political clout they had enjoyed under the shah, the June uprising of 1963, which was fueled by the clerics' antipathy toward the shah's attempts at modernization, would also have never taken place.

Hence to birth crackdowns would have followed the uprising, we would have a little-known cleric, a certain Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, gained international attention as the spiritual leader of that configuration against the shah.

Had the coup never taken place, Khomeini would have remained a little-known cleric. In-

stead, he was exiled for 14 years, a time during which he cultivated his image from that of a charismatic leader to that of a sacred returning messiah. And during those 14 years, the prospect for the emergence of a truly democratic Iran grew dimmer while Islamic radicalism, associating all that is Western with the hated shah and his supporters—principally the U.S.—took a deeper hold on the passions of an increasingly frustrated younger generation.

Had the coup never taken place, there would not have been a hostage crisis, and neither would the U.S. have severed its relations with Iran and imposed economic sanctions. Both actions, more than 20 years later, remain in effect to this day.

Had the coup never taken place, Saddam Hussein would have never dared invade Iran in September 1980. The U.S. would never have sided with Iraq's dictator and neither would it have committed itself to a policy of ensuring that Iraq not lose the war. It would not have supplied Hussein with crucial assistance or turned a blind eye to his egregious crimes against his people.

Had the coup never taken place, Hussein would not have found himself by the end of the war against Iran as the commander of one of the largest armies in the Middle East.

More important, he would have never been under the impression that, as long as he restricted his aggression to fellow Muslims and

kept off Israel, the world would only decry and condemn him but never act.

Had the coup never taken place, chances are that Iraq never would have invaded Kuwait, and the U.S. never would have had to orchestrate a massive military campaign against his army, let alone establish bases on Saudi soil. It would not have rendered talk about human rights and international law totally meaningless and hypocritical to Arab and Muslim ears.

Imagine a new era of foreign policy—an era in which international law is taken seriously, respected, in which sovereign democracies are encouraged, nurtured, applauded, rather than fought against, stifled and killed. Imagine if we abandoned, once and for all the poisonous doctrines of "Iron Chancellor" Bismarck and Henry Kissinger and instead subscribed to those of Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch. Imagine if we took the United Nations and The Hague seriously, rather than treating them as kangaroo courts in which only those causes championed by the mighty and powerful were pursued with vigor, while other grievances were neglected and scorned.

How many millions of lives would we have saved, and how much safer and more prosperous would the world be today?

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Fidel Castro

over Soviet missiles based in Cuba, Castro was reduced to a noisy pest.

He lost more support—monetary and otherwise—with the collapse of the Soviet Union a decade ago. Now that the last Russian troops are leaving, Washington needs to move along too.

For most of us, that will be easy. Castro's visage has been replaced on this country's most-wanted list by another bearded enemy, Osama bin Laden. And as we recall the thousands who died Sept. 11, purportedly at this Saudi terrorist's behest, it is easier to look back at Castro's 42 years in power and see the Cuban dictator for the comparative nuisance he was. Of course, that won't stop Miami's vocal Cuban American lobby, abetted by a handful of unreconstructed cold warriors in Washington, from trying to feed their Castro obsession like desperate junkies.

One professional anti-Castro lobbyist, Otto J. Reich, was even nominated by President Bush in March to be under-secretary of State for Latin America—the top U.S. diplomat for the region.

Fortunately, his nomination is stalled in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Committee staffers are still investigating Reich, according to a Senate spokesman. Most likely the probe includes Reich's tenure in the early 1980s as director of the so-called Office of Public Diplomacy at the State Department.

That was a propaganda operation that the Reagan administration set up to sell the CIA's covert war against Nicaragua to a skeptical American public. And there have been hints in the past—in investigations of the Iran-Contra scandal—that some of the money the CIA used in its covert war against the Sandinista government in Nicaragua may have been spent in this country, which would be a violation of federal law.

But whether or not Reich broke the law, his obsession with Castro should be enough to disqualify him for the post.

At a time when we are trying to win our closest neighbors' support, not just to fight terrorism but also for more cooperation against illegal drugs and on immigration and trade matters, the last thing this country needs is a representative whom Latin Americans can shrug off as a *Juchitán*-one-note.

Platin has shown that he realizes that the Cold War is over.

Bush can do the same thing by firing himself another nominee to oversee his government's diplomatic activities in Latin America.

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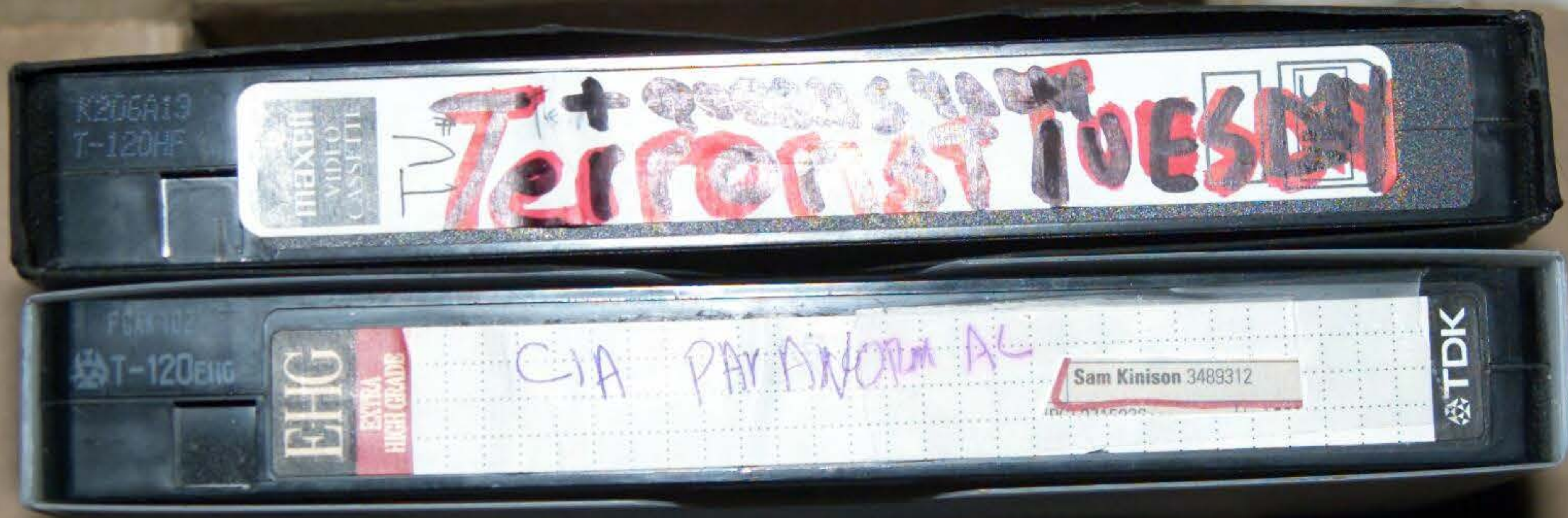
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