Branstad unimpressed by Mondale's poll lead

DES MOINES (AP) — A new poll showing the Democratic presidential ticket running ahead of President Reagan was distorted because it was taken at the end of the National Democratic Convention and will change after the GOP convention next month, Gov. Terry Branstad said Monday.

"I'm not surprised" by the poll, Branstad said at his regular press conference.

Over the weekend, the George Gallup organization said a poll taken in the wake of the Demomcratic convention last week showed the Democratic ticket of Walter Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro leading Reagan and Vice President George Bush by a 48-46 edge.

"You take a poll right at the time the American people have just gotten a one-week dose of the Democrats and it's no surprise that they do well," said Branstad, who heads Reagan's Iowa campaign. "The timing of a poll can skew

Branstad said the Democrats had a unified convention and it was a

good television show for the nation, leading to an expected upsurge in

Reagan can expect the same thing next month when Republicans meet in Dallas and will also get a boost in the polls, Branstad said.

ON OTHER topics, Branstad said: He's going to be concerned about Iowa's first-in-the-nation precinct caucuses, the same topic that dominated Iowa Democrats last week. He said the GOP situation differs from Democrats because his party doesn't write into rules that Iowa will be first.

Branstad, who heads the GOP rules committee, said he's thinking about writing Iowa's caucus date into party rules as a method of assuring the state remains first.

 He rejects a proposal offered by Rep. Neal Smith, D-Iowa, to conduct a primary election, rather than caucuses, in the state. The governor conceded that a primary would boost participation, but he said it would also jeopardize the state's first-in-the-nation status.

Treiber freed after serving 2½ years for manslaughter

Associated Press

Former University of Iowa football player Daniel A. Treiber, convicted of voluntary manslaughter in the 1979 stabbing death of an Iowa City man, has been released from

Treiber, 24, served 21/2 years of a 10-year prison term before prison officials released him July 2 from the Iowa Men's Reformatory at Anamosa. He was charged with stabbing Randy J. Seydel, 20, during a fight at a downtown Iowa City bar on Nov. 11, 1979.

Treiber was tried for first-degree

murder in 1980 in connection with the stabbing, but a Johnson County jury convicted him of the lesser charge of voluntary manslaughter.

Treiber came to Iowa City from Madison, Wis., on a football scholarship at the University of Iowa. He suited for one game but never played. He quit school in 1980.

The victim's father, S.J. Seydel, said Monday he didn't agree with

"I'm pretty perturbed," Seydel said. "I can't quite understand the American public when they're doing things like that."



That's one way

With temperatures in Des Moines soaring into the high 90s this weekend, Chris McCabe decided his lawn wasn't the only thing that needed cooling off. He watered the grass, and himself, by putting a sprinkler on his head.

Cafe De Klos wins demolition damages suit

More than \$33,000 has been awarded to the owner of the Cafe De Klos for damage to its business resulting from demolition of the neighboring Magnus Hotel last sum-

A Linn District Court jury Monday returned a verdict of \$30,840 against the Cedar Rapids Civic Development Association, owner of the hotel, and \$2,412 against Gee Grading and Excavating, the demolition contractor.

The jury rejected the claim of Holly House Inc., corporate owner of the cafe at 322 Second Ave. SE, for punitive damages, and the claim of owner Gary Dvorak for damages

based on intentional infliction of emotional distress.

Judge Thomas Koehler instructed the jury Friday that it could award damages to the corporation if jurors found the defendants were negligent while demolishing the building.

He also said that, if unreasonableness was involved in the creation of dust, vibration and noise at the cafe, or in limitation of access, the jury could award a verdict in favor of the basse contended that no negligence cafe owners.

Cafe attorney Robert Rush contended during the five-day trial that Gee was negligent in failing to protect the common wall of the two buildings from damage, and that the

association was negligent because it failed to employ a competent contractor or to supervise the demoli-

He also argued Friday that the association wanted the cafe building for its parking lot and got it when the interruption in business caused Dvorak to lose his lease because he couldn't pay his rent.

But defense attorney Steve Waror unreasonable action was involved. And even if there were, he said, there was no profitable business to be lost.

The evidence showed, he argued, that even though the business had

one of its best months in June 1983, the month before demolition began, gross receipts that month were only \$996. He said it would have been even less if some labor had not been donated to the business.

Rush urged the jury to return a substantial verdict to discourage "big guys" from not respecting the fundamental right of little people to use and enjoy their property.

The cafe has moved its equipment into a building at 422 Second Ave. SE, and is expected to reopen in September.

Legislator to test all his cattle in quarantine spat

VAN WERT, Iowa (AP) — State Sen. Berl Priebe, D-Algona, said cattle were to be done today or Monday he'll test all 400 of his Wednesday. cattle for brucellosis after 46 of the animals were quarantined by state officials.

The 46 cattle, kept on land near Van Wert in south central Iowa, were ordered kept away from other animals last Friday after tests for brucellosis turned up positive in cattle Priebe recently sent to slaughter. The disease is a highly contagious disorder which causes abortion and interrupts reproduction in affected cattle.

The tests on the quarantined

PRIEBE'S AGREEMENT to test the cattle appeared to ease the concerns of neighbors who criticized delays in testing of the

Bob Jackson, who owns land next to the Preibe spread, said his cattle were tested on April 29 and were quarantined May 24. The brucellosis tests were positive in 18 of the animals.

Neighbors Kevin and Lymon

Schuldt said their animals were quarantined this spring when three reactors were identified on March 9.

The neighboring producers have complained publicly and to State Veterinarian Dr. Merle Lange that Priebe, chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, had been taking too long to test the cattle for the disease. They said that until all the herds in the area are checked, they won't be able to replace the cattle they were forced to buy off.

Officials acknowledged there have been delays in getting Priebe's cattle tested. Earlier this spring, his

cattle were vaccinated for another disease, leptospirosis, which would cause a false positive reaction for brucellosis if brucellosis testing is done within a 60-day period after the vaccination. State officials agreed to a 60-day delay.

As the hay season progressed, Priebe requested another delay to get the hay harvested and stored.

Lange said the request was reasonable and would have been granted to anyone who asked. To his knowledge, no one else asked, he

CCC veterans meet Sunday at Backbone

Civilian Conservation Corps companies 1756 and 781 will hold their 51-year reunion at Backbone State Park on Sunday.

Open to the public, the reunion will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Lake Rock Tower.

A two-hour program begins at 1 p.m., and will feature Winter Carnival Queen Jill Farmer; Linzy Martin of the Lake Preservation Association; Amy Zimpfer of the Environmental Protection Agency; Kenneth Tow, assistant Iowa State Soil Director; and Al Swe-

gle, The Gazette farm editor. You may bring your food or purchase food on the grounds. Lunch will be served from noon to 1 p.m.

For more information, contact Harry G. Powell at 365-7990.

Health board ignores Linn wage freeze

By Mary Burke Gazette County reporter

The Linn County Board of Health and County Supervisor Joe Rinas butted heads over a raise for board Director Keith Erickson last night. Neither backed away.

The Linn County Board of Health wants, and has the authority, to raise its director's salary 10 percent — from \$37,523 to \$41,275. But only the Linn County Supervisors can give them the money — and as of last night they weren't planning to do that.

"We're asking the board of health to accommodate us in maintaining salary freezes for management this year," Rinas said at the health board's monthly meeting.

Rinas told board members there are 100 management-level people employed by the county. Supervisors have decided to freeze the wages of all of them, he said, asking that the health board go along with that decision.

However, last night the board members recommended 3 percent increases for most of their midmanagement staff, on the condition that the supervisors allocate the additional \$5,950 necessary. Last month they had approved, unconditionally, a 10 percent "wage adjustment" for Erickson, director of the public health department since August

"The ball's in the court of the Board of Supervisors right now," health board Chairwoman Rita Huber said after last night's meet-

"When we hired Keith permanently, we told him we were going to pay him \$30,000, and within a reasonable time he'd be evaluated. If that evaluation was favorable, we would adjust his salary upward," Huber said. "He's gotten raises," she admitted, "but this would be an adjustment."

She pointed out that under Erickson, the Health Department has initiated new programs — such as a VD clinic — and been recognized by the State Health Department.

She added that the integrity of the health board is on the line in keeping its promise to Erickson.

"In light of the special request for Keith's salary," Rinas said, he had compiled a comparison between the health director and the salaries of other department heads between 1980 and 1984.

"He certainly has not been discriminated against, he certainly has done very well," Rinas said.

Erickson, the third highest paid county employee, only receives less than County Attorney Denver Dillard at \$49,000 and Conservation Director George Hamilton at \$38,-

According to Rinas' figures, Erickson's salary between 1980 and 1984 has jumped 25 percent — from \$30,000 to \$37,523. Huber noted awards won by the

department under Erickson, saying that reflected well upon him as well as the rest of the department.

Board members also pointed out that Erickson's current salary is what the previous director was being paid five years ago. (That director, Al Ahern, had held the position 10 years.)

Supervisor Joe Rinas finally admitted the board might change his mind about approving the money,

Cassville hosts Twin-O-Rama

birth will be given the VIP treatment at the 40th annual Twin-O-Rama at Riverside Park in Cassville, Wis., Friday through Sunday.

Registrants will receive souvenir gifts and tickets for a chicken barbecue. They will also be eligible to compete for trophies in the judging, which begins at 9 a.m. Sunday.

Free admission will be offered daily except for a \$2 admission fee to the Teen Hop Friday night. In case of rain, all events will be moved indoors.

Twins and others of multiple stars are daily events, along with a Kids' Day on Saturday and a Venetian Night Boat Parade Saturday evening. An 11 a.m. street parade will be held Sunday, followed by the chicken barbecue.

> A Flea Market/Arts & Crafts Show is new this year, and will be held Saturday and Sunday. An allday volleyball tournament for men and women will be held Sunday,

Cassville is located along the Mississippi River at the junction of highways 81 and 133. A nine-car ferry operates daily between this Carnival, bandstand entertain- Grant County village and the Turment, bingo and dancing under the key River, Iowa, landing.

Stabbing victim was murdered

DES MOINES (AP) — The body of a man who was found in his rural Story City home last week apparently was a murder victim, State Medical Examiner Dr. Thomas Bennett said Monday.

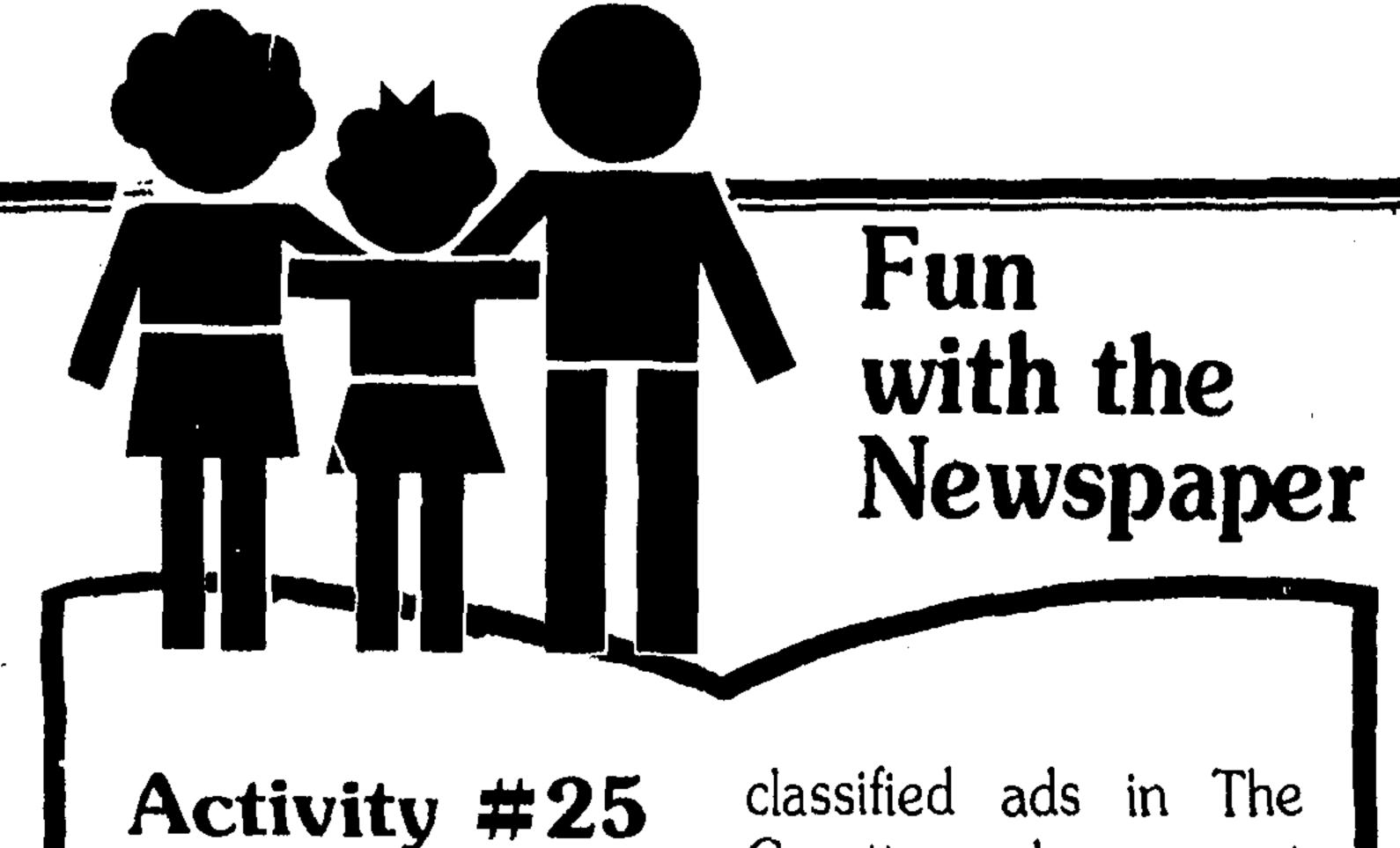
Bennett said an autopsy he performed on the body of Arnold Sansgaard, 59, on Sunday showed that he died of stab wounds.

He declined to speculate on the

time of death but said Sansgaard had been dead for several days before his body was found Friday in his home in Boone County.

The homicide is being investigated by the Boone County Sheriff's Department and the Iowa Bureau of Criminal Investigation.

Investigators said Sansgaard's car was missing.



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