## NEWSBRIEFS

## Car theft

An elderly man is robbed of his car at gunpoint outside of his own home. Crime Stoppers of El Paso and the El Paso Police Department ask for your help identifying this armed robber through the Crime of the Week. On the morning of Saturday, October 02, 2021, at 6:39 A.M., a 74-year-old man was walking to his car on his driveway on the 4900 block of Sun Valley. A man armed with a gun surprised the victim and demanded money from him. The victim did not give the man any money, and the suspect then ordered him to go inside the house. The victim refused and began to walk away from the suspect. The suspect got into the victim's car and fled the scene in the victim's 2022 Hyundai Elantra. The suspect is a male, $5^{\prime} 11^{\prime \prime}$ in height, and has a medium build. On the morning of the robbery, he was wearing a gray jumpsuit or overalls and a dark mask. Anyone with information on the identity of this carjacker should call Crime Stoppers of El Paso immediately at 566-8477(TIPS) or online: www.crimestoppersofelpaso. org. You will remain anonymous and, if your tip leads to an arrest, you may qualify for a cash reward. Crime Stoppers of El Paso, Inc. is a non-profit organization that brings together the community, law enforcement, and the media to solve crimes.

- Sgt. Javier Sambrano


## Nyathi excels

Faith Nyathi was named the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division 1 female athlete of the week of Oct. 4 by the U.S. Track \& Field and Cross Country Coaches Association(USTFCCCA). She led the El Paso Community College (EPCC) Women's Cross-Country team to a first-place finish at the New Mexico Highlands Invitational in Hobbs. The men's team took third place at the meet. Individually at the Invitational, Nyathi won the race with a time for the 5 K of $18: 50$, an impressive one minute, 24.5 seconds ahead of her closest competitor. Leading the men was Adams Biwott who finished second with a time of 26:03 for the 7 K men's race. Faith comes to EPCC from Zimbabwe. She is a freshman majoring in Kinesiology. "I heard of EPCC's dominate Cross Country team in Zimbabwe and aimed at running here all along." EPCC's next race will be on October 16th in Las Vegas, NM.

- Ismael De La Rosa

Conversation is an exercise of the mind, gossip is merely an exercise of the tongue.

- Quips \& Quotes


El Paso's Festival of Chariots was just like the ones held in major city throughout the world including Los Angeles, New York, London, Sydney, Hong Kong, Paris, among others. The original festival, also known as Ratha Yatra, was held in Jagannath Puri in Orissa, India.

## People celebrate Jaganath during festival

By Alfredo Vasquez<br>Special to the Courier

ELPASOCOUNTY-Krishnaconscious devotees came from all over the country recently to celebrate the first ever Festival of Chariots in El Paso. A celebration that originated in India thousands of years ago to pay homage to the God of the universe, known as Jaganath.

In India, considered by theologians to be the most spiritually endowed country in the world, the chariot festival tradition observes an episode in ancient history where an incarnation of God, Lord Jagannath, comes out of His temple so that the multitude of worshipers can take audience with the uniquely adorned deity. The extraordinarily carved representation of God is placed atop of a chariot, along with His cohorts Subhadra and Balarama, also expansions of God or of Krishna - which in Sanskrit (the oldest written language on the planet) means the All Attractive One - and paraded outdoors to the delight of enthusiastic crowds who committedly volunteer to pull the ropes of the massive chariot along a parade route. Devotees explain that the rope tugging is the manifestation of the participants' desire to pull God closer into their lives.
"El Paso has a growing community of Krishna Conscious devotees, and Jagannath, the Lord in deity form, actually arrived in El Paso in October of 2019, but the COVID-19 pandemic delayed the observance. The Festival of Chariots, also known as Ratha Yatra (Ratha means chariot and Yatra means journey), is part of the proper worship of Jagannath," stated Krishna Charan Das, an El Paso native who, along with his wife, has
been instrumental in starting a Krishna Conscious center in his hometown.
"Many devotees from around the United States came to honor El Paso's first Festival of Chariots, which turned out to be a very auspicious day," Krishna Charan Das stated. In India, millions of worshippers turn out for the Ratha Yatra festival, which is held annually during the late summer or early fall months.
"For our local festival, there were dozens of volunteers and sponsors who belong to the New Nilachal Bhakti Yoga community, a humble preaching center newly established on the westside," said Krishna Charan Das, whose birth name is Alfredo Gutierrez. "However, our main benefactor was Kesava Priya Dasa, a sincere devotee of Lord Jagannath. He led the way and empowered our community to hold this glorious festival," he related. Among the notable guests participating in the recent festival were the kirtan bands, the Mayapuris and the Prema Collective, as well as sixteen distinguished devotees of the Krishna Conscious movement who are among the original disciples initiated by the movement's founder, His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktividanta Swami Prabhupada. Krishna Charan Das related that the Krishna Conscious movement's founding acharya, affectionately addressed as Srila Prabhupada, introduced Krishna Consciousness to Western societies in the 1960's and his teachings have steadily spread all over the world. "It was Srila Prahbupada who initiated the first Festival of Chariots in the United States by promoting it in New York City and San Francisco. And fifty years later the festival finally arrived in El Paso," he said.
Now, the festival's observance is hosted annually by Srila Prabhupada's followers
in American cities including Chicago, Los Angeles, Boston, Miami, Philadelphia, among others, as well as in major Western hemisphere cities like London, Sydney, Paris, Moscow, and Rome, according to Krishna Charan Das.
During the recent Saturday affair in downtown El Paso more than three thousand individuals attended the daylong event, first lining the streets around San Jacinto Plaza while the chariot, pulled by eager participants, strolled on its parade path, and slowly following the chariot and singing devotees as they made their way to an ample parking lot across from city hall, where an open stage and a variety of canopied booths awaited the throng of curious onlookers.

As the chariot moved along the parade route, devotees with their mrdanga drums, kirtala hand-cymbals, even a guitar and saxophone, sang loudly transcendental mantras consisting of the Lord's names that they claim are full of auspiciousness and good qualities.
"By singing the names of Krishna, Rama, and Jagannath, the chanters and listeners' hearts are purified from material attachments and become eligible to enter the kingdom of God," Krishna Charan Das asserted. "The festival of Chariots is a great benefit to the whole of society," he added.
After the parade, the attendees were treated to various offerings including music and theatrical performances, meditation and yoga classes, a gift shop and bookstore, and a free vegetarian meal referred to as Prasadam, which is food cooked by devotees and offered to God in prayer then served as the Lord's mercy.
For more information about the Krishna Conscious movement in El Paso, interested individuals may call (915) 270-1615.


## By Lucie Winborne

- During the entire run of Gilligan's Island, it was never revealed if "Gilligan" was his first or last name.
- Although lesser known today, the temperance nove "Franklin Evans; or, The Inebriate: A Tale of the Times' was one of Walt Whitman's mostcommerciallysuccessful works. The great American poet wrote this novel at the start of his career, strictly for cash. Interestingly,
considering the book's subject matter, he later admitted that he wrote it in a three-day drunken stupor.
- Tic Tacs got their name from the sound they make when they are tossed around in their container.
- The gelatin in Haribo gummy bears contains nine out of the 10 amino acids that are essential to our bodies.
- On Feb. 1, 2005, the Emergency Alert System was accidentally activated in portions of Connecticut, calling for the immediate evacuation of the entire state. Later studies showed
hat citizens' common sense prevailed, with the typical response being to "change the channel" or seek other confirmation

Between 12,000 and 15,000 bicycles are retrieved from the bottom of Amsterdam's canals each year.

- After the release of the 1996 film "Scream," which involved an anonymous killer calling and murdering his victims, Caller ID usage tripled in the United States.
- Your ears secrete more ear wax when you are afraid
than when you aren't.
- 1912 saw the last Olympic gold medals made entirely out of gold.
- Scientists studying a deadly disease transmitted from camels also found that the animals contained the pathogens from which the common cold was born. Do we now know whom to blame?

Thought for the Day: "Stop the habit of wishful thinking and start the habit of thoughtful wishes."

- Mary Martin
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Answer Page 7
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: $\boldsymbol{\gg}$
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## Notice of Public Meeting To Discuss Canutillo Independent School District's State Financial Accountability Rating (FIRST)

The Canutillo Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 26, 2021 in the boardroom of the Canutillo ISD Administration Facility, 7965 Artcraft Road, El Paso, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Canutillo Independent School District's rating on the state's financial accountability system.
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##  Moments in time <br> The History ChanNel

- On Oct. 11, 1975, "Saturday Night Live," a comedy sketch show, makes its debut on NBC with George Carlin as its host, and Billy Preston and Janis lan as musical guests Since its inception, SNL has eatured a different guest host and musical act each week.
- On Oct. 12, 1492, Italian explorer Christopher Columbus sights Bahamian island, believing he has reached East Asia. Columbus, and most others, underestimated the world's size, calculating that East Asia must lie about where North America sits on the globe.
- On Oct. 13, 1957, the science-fiction thriller "The Amazing Colossal Man" premieres in theaters. The film revolved around an Army officer who began to grow uncontrollably after he strayed too close to an atomic blast in the Nevada desert.
- On Oct. 14, 1968, the U.S. Defense Department announces that the Army and Marines will be sending about 24,000 men back to Vietnam for involuntary second tours because of the length of the war. The decision badly hurt troop morale and the combat readiness of U.S. forces around the world
- On Oct. 15, 1991, after a bitter confirmation hearing, the U.S. Senate votes 52 o 48 to confirm Clarence Thomas to the U.S. Supreme Court. President George Bush had nominated the 43-year-old Thomas, an African American judge known for his conservative beliefs
- On Oct 16, 1946, at Nuremberg, Germany, 10 high-ranking Nazi officials are executed by hanging for their crimes during World War II after they were found guilty by the Internationa War Crimes Tribunal.
- On Oct. 17, 1906, Wilhelm Voigt, a German shoemaker wearing a stolen captain's uniform, impersonates an army officer and leads an entire squad of soldiers to help him steal 4,000 marks from the mayor's office cash box, exploiting their blind obedience to authority. The Kaiser thought the story was funny; the German army did not.
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## The 'Lead'

Where were you the day Elvis died? If you are younger than 44 you were just a gleam in your daddy's eye, or your momma's, but back in the day, those of us in TV news biz used to amuse ourselves by debating the lineup, the order of stories, of the evening broadcasts on the three networks. That's back when there were just three who carried the prestigious (translate pompous) national and international news, with their 800-pound gorilla anchors Walter Cronkite at the "CBS Evening News," John Chancellor of "NBC Nightly News," ABC's grand experiment with Barbara Walters and Harry Reasoner. They were called 800 -pound gorillas because as highly paid anchors they got their way, except for Waters and Reasoner, who didn't get along at all.
As a personal aside, I interviewed for my first network job in 1979 at NBC with the news division's president Bill Small, who had a well-deserved reputation wavering between hard-nosed and downright nasty. I expected the question: "What did you think of the 'Nightly' lineup last night?" And I expected he'd respond that whatever I said was wrong. So rather than giving a tactful, wishy-washy interview critique, I was fully honest and argued point by point with Small. We parted on what I thought were bad terms, but a week later I got the job
The point is that the network shows' lead story often made for a lively discussion. It was sometimes obvious, but not necessarily. On Aug. 16, 1977, in late afternoon, the word seeped out and then was confirmed: Elvis Presley, the "King of Rock and Roll," had died of a heart attack at age 42. By today's cable news reality, it would have been a no-brainer. Not only would that be the lead story, but it would have been the ONLY story
But back in yesteryear, 1977, those who ran the broadcasts considered themselves journalistic saviors. And while NBC and ABC led with Presley, the lah-di-dah news lords at CBS led with some microscopic, inside-the-beltway development in the debate over the Panama Canal Treaty.
Fast-forward to today's high-tech 24-hour cycle and social media where each and every one of us is a news lord, and a bitter argument between conspiracy theorists who strenuously argue that Elvis never died and those who don't give a damn. In modern times, the conspiracy theorists are represented by QAnon, and their Elvis is Donald Trump. But even after his loss at the polls (he really did lose) and Joe Biden's victory (he didn't really steal the election) there still is a network nightly newscast and producers and anchors who decide the lineup.
These days, it's a difficult choice or an easy one - they can't be wrong. On any given day this week, the lead can be Afghanistan, where Joe Biden's sudden withdrawal of troops was either a success story or an unmitigated calamity, or a weather disaster, hurricane high winds, followed by massive floods, forest fires or stifling heat waves - some sort of climate change apocalypse. There's a global pandemic, where in the United States, COVID has resurged just when we expected it to be tamped down because of a vaccine. It's consuming us once again because of American paranoia over shots. Occasionally there's a gruesome shooting massacre, and infrequently, there is something particularly outrageous about Donald Trump.
Oftentimes, it's what happens last. When Elvis died late in the day, technical limitations made it impossible to fully give it the network treatment. So if it occurs too late, the nets will turn to local news "happy talk" reporters, and their "if it bleeds, it leads" mentality.
It's not all that absolute, but the next time a rock ' n ' roll superstar dies or a significant political event occurs, CBS will lead with the rock ' $n$ ' roll star.
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## The age of progressive misinformation

How does a stupid and ridiculous lie come to be embraced and promulgated by top officials of the United States government?

Well, as it turns out, it's easy.
You start with an easily misinterpreted news photo that seemingly confirms the assumptions of progressive opponents of immigration enforcement that the agents policing our Southern border are cruel racists.
Then, you work up a Twitter mob saying that the photo has captured a tableau of hideous abuse.
You add open-borders advocacy organizations and civil rights groups denouncing the supposed misconduct in the harshest possible terms.
You throw on top a vice president and White House press secretary who have no regard for the truth and are happy to push any narrative convenient to them
Finally, as the piece de resistance, you deploy a president of the United States who is too cynical or doddering to bother with the facts and is usually following the crowd rather the leading it and get him to make a statement endorsing the ludicrous fictions about the misleading photo.
This was the path to President Joe Biden condemning border patrol agents on horseback for having "strapped" Haiti migrants at Del Rio, Texas, and declaring that they "will pay" for their "horrible" and "outrageous" behavior.
Never mind that there was no strapping, that the border agents did nothing wrong besides trying to enforce a border crossing while working for an administration fundamentally uninterested in the task, and that there is an ongoing investigation of the agents - itself a travesty - that Biden was pre-judging.
Sawyer Hackett, an apparatchik running Julian Castro's PAC, was an early proponent of the whipping lie on Twitter. He tweeted the picture showing a border agent on horseback grabbing at the shirt of a migrant - his reins flying in the air - and said agents were "rounding up Haitian refugees with whips," and this represented "unfathomable cruelty."
It was, to the contrary, entirely fathomable and not the least bit cruel. The agents were, in a common, long-standing practice, using horses because of the difficulty of the terrain and attempting to
block migrants from entering the country illegally. They didn't have whips and were twirling reins to control their horses. Within hours of the photo creating a stir, these facts were readily ascertainable.
Even Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas defended the agents before getting the memo from his superiors that they had become hated figures to be used as punching bags.
Days later, media stories still made eference to the nonexistent whips supposedly wielded by the agents.
Advocacy groups simply willed the whip story to be true, and for a swath of America - basically anyone foolish enough to take what Harris and Biden say at face value - they have succeeded.
Despite the haze of misinformation, the fact-checkers didn't descend en masse No Twitter accounts were suspended. All the people who pride themselves on purportedly defending American democracy from falsehoods and propaganda spreading on social media (and there's unquestionably a lot of it) stood aside or joined the pile-on.
Press outfits went out their way to label falsehoods promulgated by President Trump as such, indeed gave every indication that they relished doing it.
In contrast, The New York Times story about Biden castigating the agents didn't suggest that he might be wrong In fact, the original version of the article reinforced his smear by referring to "the images of agents on horseback chasing, and in some cases using the reins of their horses to strike at running migrants." The paper had to run a correction.
It's long been the case on college campuses that woke narratives have the power to trample facts and fairness. This phenomenon has escaped the confines of academe and now plays out at the highest echelons of American political power. Neither hacks on Twitter nor the president of the United States cared what really happened at Del Rio, not when the lie was more seductive and useful.

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# Some coaches in trouble for making the wrong call 

By Steve Escajeda

Special to the Courier

Coaches are looked upon as leaders and good decisionmakers by their players. But once in a while, they prove that they're just as dumb as the rest of us.
There was some bad news for some very successful coaches last week; not because of any coaching mistakes they may have made on the field, but for some monumental mistakes they made off it.
Usually,coachesarebombarded with reporter questions on why they made the decisions they did to either win or cost their team the game.
This week, three of the best coaches in sports were spending time answering reporter questions on why they made the dumb decisions they did.
First, there was the news of Jacksonville Jaguars head coach Urban Meyer and his decision not to fly back with his team after their September 30 loss to the Cincinnati Bengals.
That decision was hard to understand, but what happened next just boggles the mind.
Later that day, Meyer said that he and family members went to his restaurant, his own Urban


Meyer's Pint House restaurant, a guy I catch as lying... he can't and that people nearby asked to ake photos with him.
Meyer said he should have left when people tried to get him to dance with them. However, a video emerged on social media that showed a woman rubbing her backside against the coach who didn't seem to mind at all
A second video emerged of Meyer touching a woman's [in 2011], and I called Roger bottom while he was sitting at Goodell a [expletive] in one the bar. The video showed that it of these emails too. They were appeared to be the same women both videos.
Either way, the woman in either video was not his wife. Oops.
Then there's the news that Las Vegas Raiders head coach Jon Gruden sent an email to the president of the Washington Football Team back in 2011.
The news of the email wasn't really news at all, but the fact that it contained an offensive racial comment about the NFLPA Executive Director DeMaurice Smith, was quite disturbing.
In the email, Gruden described Smith as having, "lips the size of Michelin tires."
The news of the emails contents was surprising because Gruden has never been associated with anything of a racial nature.
Gruden explained the email by saying that he has routinely used the term "rubber lips" to "refer to

## CryptoQuip Answer

When everybody around you is wild about big band music, you might be living
in a swing state.

I don't know if that's what he meant, but the words he used sure sound like something different.
But it didn't end there. There was vulgar language used to describe NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell.
Gruden explained, "I was in a bad frame of mind at the time Goodell a [expletive] in one keeping players and coaches three from doing what they love with a lockout. There also were a lot of things being reported publicly about the safety of the sport that I love. I was on a mission adult


- Have your carpets cleaned. High-traffic areas may require cleaning as often as every three or four months, but bedrooms can go as long as 18 months. Use runners and area rugs to safeguard spots that may be vulnerable, like under a vanity or by your sofas.
- "I had some residue on my bathroom ceiling from hard water condensation. happened to have a set of crutches lying around. I used a hair elastic to secure a hand towel to the arm rest of one crutch. Then I sprayed it with water and used it to scrub the ceiling. It worked
with high school football [in the Tampa, Florida, area] during that time, and there were a lot of parents who were scared about letting their kids play football. It just didn't sit well with me."
And finally, there was the . 0 decision made by Gonzaga head basketball coach Mark Few back on September 6.
It was reported last week that on that evening, Few did like a lot of us do, he engaged in an

Whatever the amount, it was obvious that Few had a "few" too many, as police stopped his vehicle after it was reporter to be driving erratically and speeding.
really well. I was done in no time." - A.A. in Florida

- Two ways to remove a bandage: Rub a little baby oil or vegetable oil over it, The oil will soak in and make it easier to remove. Or - and this works especially well with kids - have them soak in the bath and use baby shampoo to soften the sticky edges.
- A baking soda and water mix is great for tile floors if you want a quick mop up. If a lot of your floors are tile, do yourself a favor and invest in a steam mop. They clean and sanitize, leaving your floors brilliant.

Be sure you use a trivet or other protectant when placing flowerpots on wood floors. Also, purchase felt pads for the bottoms of furniture. This will eliminate divots or other kinds of depressions or scratches in the floor.

Although Few refused to take a field sobriety test, police said he exhibited "several signs of intoxication" and his blood alcohol content samples were 119 and .120 ; the legal limit is 08.

Of course, Few said he was sorry and promised he would never make this kind of mistake again.
As a punishment, Few has been suspended for the team's season opener against little Dixie State, who I've never heard of.
Hmmm, I wonder what their players will think the next time these coaches demand that they act responsibly and stay out of trouble.

- "Great gravy is only a plastic bag away! This is my tip for separating the fat from pan drippings to make gravy. I take a quart-size plastic bag and set it in a glass measuring cup. Pour the pan drippings through a strainer, right into the bag. Let it sit for 15-20 minutes, and the fat will separate to the top. Seal the bag, and snip a small hole in a bottom corner, drain the liquid into a saucepan to make gravy. It's that easy." - T.C. in Idaho
"Tiny tears in your window screen can be secured with clear nail polish. I dab the spot, then use tweezers o line up the tiny wires, then dab again. Just make sure the window is open, or the screen might stick to the windowpane." - T.T. in Indiana

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## Super Crossword

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## Moore Texas by Roger Moore

Gov. Jim Ferguson is impeached in August of 1917 mostly because he vetoed funding for UT.

## GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

## DIFFICULTY: $\star \star$

$\star$ Moderate $\star \star$ Difficult


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## VA thieves never learn

massive kickback-and-bribery scheme that included vendors and employees at two Florida VA hospitals. The $\$ 20$ million in thefts started in 2009 and

# VETITIRANS $\star$ POSTI $\star$ 

by Freddy Groves
Criminals just can't seem to help themselves when it comes to stealing from the Department of Veterans Affairs. What they haven't figured out is that they will eventually get caught.
In a despicable scheme, a New Jersey man has admitted to helping steal and then sell $\$ 8.2$ million in HIV drugs. One of his theft partners worked

## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that $X$ equals $O$, it will equal $O$ throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: $\mathbf{Y}$ equals $\mathbf{W}$
YZWA WKWBIUXOI FBXQAO IXQ GE YGDO FUXQP UGR UFAO

LQEGJ, IXQ LGRZP UW DGKGAR
GA F EYGAR EPFPW.
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in a VA hospital pharmacy and was discovered via surveillance footage. The thefts happened over the course of 27 months. How, we would like to know, could someone be allowed to walk out with $\$ 8.2$ million in drugs in her bag without being stopped by security?
In Georgia, a VA employee pleaded guilty to stealing $\$ 1.9$ million in medical equipment and then reselling it. Using his VA credit card, he bought hundreds of items and sold them to a company in another state for eight years. The U.S. Attorney had a big day in arresting 16 people in a wasn't discovered in audits. Their methods of theft and the charges were numerous and varied: inflating the cost of goods sold or shorting the orders, paying kickbacks, making purchases with VA credit cards, receiving bribes, healthcare fraud and ordering from companies that didn't exist. The last of the band of hieves was recently sentenced. In a smaller but equally importantscheme, a Washington landlord admitted to scamming 16,000 for HUD-VA housing for a homeless veteran. Not only was he billing the government for the monthly rent, but he was collecting from the veteran as well, a clear violation of the HUDVASH program. For this he will get nailed for three times the amount he stole. The formerly homeless veteran will share in this and get a settlement of $\$ 4,000$
The one big beef I have is that none of these criminals ever go to jail for very long.
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