



Winter haven for ducks

Staff photo by Tom Kelly

It may have been 16 below zero this morning, but thanks to the springs, this duck pond on the far west side of the UW Arboretum never freezes. The pond, which is located just a short distance from the

bend on Nakoma Road, provides a home for hundreds of ducks throughout the winter while the rest of Madison's waterways are frozen solid.

## Seeks citizen suggestions

# Isolation of office Concerns Carter

PLAINS, Ga. (AP)—President-elect Carter, worrying about moving into the "strange and unnatural world" of the White House, says he wants public suggestions on how he can break free of the isolation of the presidency and keep in touch with ordinary citizens.

Closing out a year that brought him from relative obscurity to the nation's highest office, Carter said through a spokesman that he wants written suggestions on how to keep from becoming insulated from the crowds that pass by outside the White House gates.

Carter Press Secretary Jody Powell said public suggestions along this line can be sent to "People," Box 2600, Washington, D.C., 20013.

The president-elect planned a quiet New Year's weekend after meeting Thursday with former Maine Gov. Kenneth Curtis, who indicated he is Carter's choice to be the next chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Carter also issued a New Year's statement in which he said he believed 1977 would be a year when Americans can

"put old divisions behind us," and he expressed pleasure with the tone of exchanges so far with Soviet leaders.

Powell, in the last of hundreds of campaign-year news briefings, said Carter probably will make a "swing around the country" after his second or third month in office in an effort to keep in close touch with citizens and their everyday concerns.

Powell indicated that various regions would be visited to give Carter "a chance to see and talk to people who would not have an opportunity to travel to Washington."

The press secretary noted that as governor of Georgia Carter opened his office door to all comers at least once a month and met with them about their individual problems that involved state government.

"Obviously something like this is a matter of consideration," said Powell, acknowledging that the security precautions that envelop a president raise questions about doing the same sort of thing at the White House.

The president-elect knows he will enter "a strange and unnatural world" in the White House, Powell said.

## 18-year-old to be charged

# Odana arson suspect caught

By FRANK CUSTER  
Of The Capital Times Staff

Kimberly Scott Schlapper, 18, of 4950 Tomahawk Ct., Middleton, was scheduled to be charged today with arson for the Oct. 15 fire which severely damaged the Odana Elementary School.

Schlapper was arrested late Thursday afternoon after police detectives John Sippl and John Randall had checked into a tip that associated the youth with the fire.

Police said Schlapper admitted to them that he set the fire at Odana. Police are also investigating the possibility that he may be involved in several other area fires, including one Thursday morning at the Hilldale Assembly of God, 5202 Regent St.

chase that reached speeds of 90 miles per hour.

At that time, Schlapper gave his address as 306 N. Brooks St.

Sippl and Randall are members of the police-fire arson squad. They have been checking out hundreds of confidential tips relating to the Odana fire. The tip that led them to Schlapper came from a citizen "a couple of days ago," according to police.

Lt. Kenneth Vodak of the Fire Department Inspection Bureau said an investigation into the Hilldale Assembly of God fire had turned up footprints of a person walking into the building and the same footprints indicating the person ran out.

There were two fires set in that building—one in a classroom, the other in a storeroom. Both fires burned themselves out. Smoke damage is estimated at \$7,000.

The fire at Odana is believed to have been started in two locations after an attempt to burglarize the school was unsuccessful. The blaze did about \$376,000 damage to the 18-year-old building.

The school board had offered a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone responsible for the fire.

The board still has not made a decision on whether to repair the

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## No C-T on New Year's

The Capital Times will not publish tomorrow, New Year's Day. Regular editions will resume Monday.

Because there is no paper Saturday, today's PM section contains television highlights and listings for the entire weekend, including listings of the Bowl football games and parades.

The Capital Times office will be closed until Monday morning as will most departments of Madison Newspapers Inc. Exceptions are:

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## '76 tally is \$13,290

# Kiddie Camp Fund winds up

By JOHN C. SAMMIS  
Of The Capital Times Staff

The Capital Times' 52nd annual Kiddie Camp Fund campaign officially closes today, with this year's total of contributions from all sources amounting to \$13,290.55.

The money, given by many annual donors along with a number of new friends, will help provide needed aid to vital and effective work with young retarded children at the Kiddie Camp Training Center, and assure proper maintenance of that facility.

Conduct of the 1976 Fund drive was by The Evjue Foundation, Inc., in association with this newspaper. We are most grateful to everyone who shared in the giving.

For a few months, now, The Capital Times' formal fund-raising activity on behalf of the Kiddie Camp care and training project for Madison area developmentally disabled children has come to a temporary halt. However, the work with these handicapped youngsters will continue around the calendar.

Good people desiring to aid the remarkable Training Center work (conducted there since 1958 by trained

KIDDIE CAMP FUND	
Previously reported .....	\$11,876.59
Garver Memorial Trust .....	500.00
C&P Stores, Inc., Madison .....	500.00
CUNA Mutual Insurance Society, Madison .....	250.00
Hyland-Hall and H&H Electric Foundation, Inc., Madison .....	50.00
Anonymous Donor, Sun Prairie .....	50.00
William C. Offerdahl, Dane County Board member .....	32.76
Dane County Grieg Male Chorus and Auxiliary .....	25.20
Mr. and Mrs. Carmen S. Helleckson, Menasha, in memory of their granddaughter, Deborah McCann .....	5.00
John Thomas (age 13), Rt. 9, Verona .....	1.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$13,290.55</b>

personnel of the Madison Area Association for Retarded Citizens) may continue to send money gifts, at any

time in the year to "Kiddie Camp Fund," care of The Capital Times.

Mailing address at the newspaper's new home at 1901 Fish Hatchery Road is "P.O. Box 8064, Madison, Wis. 53788."

No gift is too large ... and none too small!

All such donations will be accepted and recorded and, when the Kiddie Camp Fund column resumes about May 1, 1977, published in The Capital Times.

Gifts from individual citizens (including children), as well as civic, business, fraternal, religious, and social groups throughout Madison and the surrounding communities, to aid a great work for unfortunate children, will continue to be most welcome!

William T. Evjue, founder, and former editor and publisher, of The Capital Times, who died here at age 87 on April 23, 1970, established the Kiddie Camp Fund in 1925 under auspices of this newspaper to enlist public financial support for "preventorium" care of underprivileged youngsters threatened by tuberculosis.

In later years, the Fund provided good support toward a winning Kiddie Camp battle against rheumatic fever, and, for nearly 19 years now, has been devoted to Kiddie Camp work with young Madison area retarded children.

In all the years since Mr. Evjue was instrumental in establishing "Kiddie Camp," Madison and area citizens have contributed a grand total of \$584,302.06 to help meet the needs of ill and handicapped children.

Most of this money, of course, has been expended through the years to help meet current and continuing costs of the Kiddie Camp programs for the children and maintenance of the Kiddie Camp Training Center. There is little possibility of building a large Kiddie Camp Fund "bank account," due to the never-ending costs of the work.

(Supplementally, in 1976, Madison Kiddie Camp, Inc. provided—from the Fund—limited assistance to two related programs backed by MARC, the Dane County "Respite Care Program" of RFDF, Inc., and MARC's own summertime "Overnight Camping

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Staff photo by David Sandell

Myron Robinson

# Robinson leaves, says city doesn't care about blacks

By ROSEMARY KENDRICK  
Of The Capital Times Staff

The majority of Madisonians are no longer interested in black people or black problems, according to Myron F. Robinson, who has been executive director of the Madison Urban League for the past six years.

Today is Robinson's last day in that job. He is leaving to take a similar post in New Haven, Conn.

Robinson has watched Madison's black population grow from 3,000 to about 10,000, has seen blacks move into varied positions of influence, and has sensed a lessening of interest in blacks on the part of many liberal whites.

"As long as our numbers were small, we would be the issue to rally around," Robinson said in a Capital Times interview.

"We were a novelty in 1971; now we're old hat. We're not a priority any more; people are looking for another problem to deal with."

"Now, ecology seems to have become the issue to rally around in Madison, as opposed to humanity."

But, Robinson noted, "our problems are still here, and racism still exists."

The main focus of the Urban League is getting minorities into jobs. In the past year, the League placed 269 persons with annual salaries totaling \$1.7 million.

"My job has been to get money in people's pockets

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# 9 arrested in gang fight

By FRANK CUSTER  
Of The Capital Times Staff

Nine members of a Jefferson area motorcycle gang were arrested late Thursday following a brutal fight at the Wisconsin Inn tavern at 852 Williamson Street.

According to police, the arrests followed an attack by the Diablos Lobos club against members of the local C.C. Riders.

About 18 members of the Lobos club entered the tavern simultaneously at about midnight, half through the front door and half through the rear door, according to a report. Women accompanying the gang members reportedly locked the doors to prevent anyone from escaping.

The number of C.C. Riders in the

tavern at the time was not immediately available, but three were injured in the ensuing fight. Member Bob Stafford was reportedly hit several times over the head with a pool cue, while Jay and John Marston both suffered facial cuts, probably inflicted by bottles.

Madison police, aided by sheriff's officers and guards from the state Capitol, managed to end the disturbance, but only after disarming several chain-wielding Lobos at gun point.

The small arsenal of weapons confiscated from the Lobos members include several motorcycle chains, two knives, four hand guns, two shotguns and a substantial amount of ammunition.

Those arrested were Roger W. Brown Jr., 22, Evansville; William L. Karner, 30, Ft. Atkinson; Timothy S. Clement,

24, Jefferson; Lon F. Clark, 23, Ft. Atkinson; David J. Halzel, 29, Stoughton; Kenneth G. Farris, 25, 3580 Breckenridge Rd.; Kathy R. Mullenax, 21, Oconomowoc; Bruce L. West, 20, Watertown; and James C. Albright, 30, Watertown.

They were to be arraigned today on a range of charges including conduct regardless of life, disorderly conduct, aggravated battery and being parties to crime.

C.C. Rider Bob Smith, who for seven years was president of the club, said, "It was almost a massacre. We don't need this kind of action."

He said that the Lobos have been

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## Hello Wisconsin

by Miles McMillin



WHEREVER THE bizarre vagaries of politics are mentioned these days, there is a good chance the Korean Santa Claus, Tongsun Park, will be mentioned. It is said that the most intense bi-partisan cover-up in history has been fashioned in Washington to keep the public from learning how the politicians

who voted huge hand-outs for Korea got back part of the hand-outs to help swell their own nest eggs. Some of the cases have already been exposed. Frantic efforts are being made to keep the press from breaking any more cases. Not all the press, apparently. There are reports

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# Murders probe asks \$6.5 million; Ray may talk

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Committee on Assassinations will formally request a \$6.5-million budget for 1977, amid reports that James Earl Ray, convicted killer of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., is ready to testify before the panel that he was "framed."

The committee planned to release a 26-page report today spelling out the leads it intends to pursue in its investigation of the killings of King and President John F. Kennedy.

Ray reportedly has written a letter to the committee, without his lawyer's consent, stating his willingness to testify. Copies of the letter were sent to the Washington Star and The New York Times.

He was quoted as saying in the letter that he was "framed by the FBI and local police and then coerced by his own attorney to plead guilty against his will" to the murder of King.

James Lesar, Ray's Washington attorney, said he is not likely to permit committee investigators to interview Ray in prison, but he indicated that

there is nothing he could do to prevent the panel from subpoenaing Ray to testify.

It was disclosed last week that an unnamed source has told the committee of an interview with Ray in which the convicted assassin said that while he fled from the law after King's slaying he received instructions from a "conspirator" in Portugal.

In the Kennedy case, the committee also wants to look into an earlier disclosure that the CIA tape-recorded a phone call between Lee Harvey Oswald and the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City about two months before Kennedy was killed on Nov. 22, 1963, in Dallas.

Sources have said transcripts of the phone call show that Oswald, named as the lone assassin, asked for a visa to travel to the Soviet Union. But three CIA employees stationed in Mexico City at the time have been quoted as saying the tapes showed Oswald offering information in exchange for a free trip to Russia.

House committee investigators already have been sent to Mexico to seek an explanation for the discrepancy.

Ray, who is serving a 99-year sentence in the Brush Mountain Penitentiary at Petros, Tenn., reportedly wrote a letter attacking two newspaper reviews of a book about him by George McMillan called "The Making of an Assassin."

In the letter, Ray is quoted as inviting the reviewers and McMillan to testify about the case along with him and then "we shall let our under-oath testimony determine the facts."

In March 1968, Ray pleaded guilty to the April 4, 1968, killing of King in Memphis, Tenn. But he told the court then he did not agree with statements by the prosecution and by his own defense attorney that there was no conspiracy.



Accident on the Beltline

This late model Opel ended up on its top late Thursday afternoon, after its driver, Michael L. Hirsch, 18, of 5005 Highland Drive, lost control while on the Beltline at Todd Drive.

Staff photo by David Sandell

## Radicals present ongoing threat to China leaders

By JOHN RODERICK

TOKYO (AP) — New reports of violence in China suggest that though Mao Tse-tung's widow and her three leading party allies are under arrest, their radical followers still pose a powerful threat to the new Peking regime.

Mao's successor, Communist party Chairman Kuo-feng, recognized this danger in a Dec. 25 speech when he called on the masses to "wage a people's war" in 1977 against "the gang of four" and their adherents.

The latest reports say armed radicals clashed with the ruling moderates in Paoing, a key rail center 100 miles southwest of Peking. It took a "concerted effort" by the army to put an end to "great chaos" in the city, the official reports said. They did not say when the violence occurred.

Hua said last weekend that a planned coup by radicals led by Mao's widow, Chiang Ching, was put down "without firing a single shot or shedding a drop of blood." Hua insisted the situation was "very stable" in the aftermath of the arrest of the four radicals in October on charges of treason.

Enough seems to have happened in Paoing, however, to cast doubt on Hua's claims.

It may be surprising that more serious cases of unrest have not been reported, given China's vastness, its huge population and the fact that the radicals were strongly influential in the decade preceding Mao's death last September.

In gaining power, the moderates had the backing of the 2.5-million-man army, the party elders and the immense Chinese bureaucracy. As long as these elements remain firm, and as long as they continue to control the mass media, they seem likely to prevail.

Against these powerful institutions, Chiang Ching's faction could count on some elements of the militia, millions of radical-minded youths trained as "Red Guards" during the 1966-69 Cultural Revolution and later in the universities, and thousands of party cadres who owed their jobs to Madame Mao.

The moderate press claims that Chiang Ching's efforts to subvert the militia in Shanghai and elsewhere were stopped by loyal militiamen and that Shanghai's workers have turned against the four, who had depended on that port city of 10 million as a power base.

But little has been said about the current role of the students, who only a few months ago were denouncing the moderate policies of the late Premier Chou En-lai and — if the moderates are to be believed — never hesitated to imprison or otherwise suppress their critics.

Told for years that they were the vanguards of the revolution and that "to rebel was right," many of these youths undoubtedly still see the new order as a betrayal of communism. These students, trained in violence during the Cultural Revolution, may now have gone underground.

Hua and his moderate backers have tried to outflank the radical movement by subscribing, at least on paper, to most of its objectives. At the same time, systematic propaganda vilifies Chiang Ching and her associates as "bourgeois capitalists" and promises leniency to their followers who repent and come over to Hua's side.

Hua and the moderates emphasize that they are fulfilling the wishes of Mao, still a proletarian demi-god in many Chinese eyes. They have pictured Chiang Ching as disloyal to her late husband and shored up their own claims to legitimacy by ordering the building of a mausoleum for Mao's body and issuing a new edition of his works.

## Miami hotelkeepers claim strike hasn't hurt business

MIAMI (AP) — Hotelkeepers and nightclub owners say reservations for New Year's Eve festivities are flowing in despite a deadlock in the seven-day strike that has spread to eight luxury hotels.

"Since the strike, we're actually doing 20 per cent better," Ken Gaston, managing director of the theater at the struck Deauville, said Thursday. "Our business is very good."

Other industry spokesmen say there have been few cancellations; most inquiries are about the outlook for February.

Two more hotels were struck Thursday after federal mediators said there was no hope for an immediate settlement and halted negotiations.

Service was reported normal as nonunion help and unionized musicians and entertainers hired by the struck hotels crossed picket lines of the 11,000-member Hotel, Motel and Restaurant Employees Union. But union officials predicted that management

would be unable to find enough qualified help as the strike spread.

The Sheraton Four Ambassadors and Dupont Plaza, both in downtown Miami, were the latest to be struck. Others are the Doral Country Club, Doral Beach, Deauville, Eden Roc, Carillon and Shelborne.

Edward Stephenson, president of the Dade Federation of Labor AFL-CIO, said almost 100 local unions voted to honor picket lines. However, the musicians union is not a member of that federation.

Union officials said they were meeting with individual hotels to try to replace contracts that expired in September, bypassing the Southern Florida Hotel and Motel Association which thus far has been representing most of the hotels.

"Until I have a feeling that something possibly can be done, we'll just have to let it sit or a little while," said Leland Dean, one of three federal mediators who held two days of talks.

replacing that of Dorothy Schiff, who acquired the Post in 1939, assumed the publisher's title in 1949 and in 1961 also became editor-in-chief.

The masthead of the Post, founded by Alexander Hamilton in 1801, calls it the oldest continuously published newspaper in the United States.

Meanwhile, sources said Murdoch is trying to expand his American publishing empire even further by getting into a "bidding war" with the Washington Post for control of the New York Magazine Co. which owns New York magazine, the Village Voice weekly newspaper and New West magazine.

The magazine company reportedly suffered losses of up to \$2.5 million when it began publishing New West earlier this year.

The sources said Murdoch has offered as much as \$13 million for the company and that Washington Post publisher Katharine Graham is expected to make a counteroffer.

## Today's News Capsule

### Tax forms ahead of schedule

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Difficulty in writing regulations and getting new tax forms printed has not been as bad as originally envisioned, and the Internal Revenue Service now says its mailing is ahead of schedule.

The IRS said in October that the forms for 1976 would be sent in early January, one week to 10 days later than the 1975 forms. Substantial changes resulting from the Tax Reform Act of 1976 were responsible for the expected delay.

Although most taxpayers have either received their forms or will receive them in a few days, the spokesman said about eight million taxpayers will not get forms until the second week in January.

### Retail sales off Christmas week

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Retail sales dipped Christmas week, despite a late buying surge at department and clothing stores, adding to tax cut speculation.

The decline from the previous week was only 0.4 per cent, but it represented a trend of flat or declining sales that began the week after Thanksgiving. Last year when consumer buying lifted the nation from its worst post-war recession, the holiday trend was up.

### Goldwater mentioned in trial

TUCSON, Ariz. (UPI) — A judge says Sen. Barry Goldwater and Rep. Sam Steiger may be mentioned in evidence or called as witnesses at the trial of John Adamson on charges of murdering reporter Don Bolles.

Superior Court Judge Ben Birdsall also indicated Thursday that white-collar, big-business enterprises convicted of illegal activities — and the subjects of articles by Bolles, an award-winning investigative newsmen for the Arizona Republic — may also be mentioned.

Birdsall made his disclosures on the first day of questioning of prospective jurors at the trial of Adamson, 33, a greyhound dog breeder accused in the June 2 car-bomb killing of Bolles.

### Winter packs a cold punch

United Press International

Winter's barely a week old, but it packs a heck of a punch for its age. The northeast was snowbound and the midlands shivered in record cold today as the nation prepared to usher in the new year.

A National Weather Service spokesman warned early today that persons outdoors would be "subject to frostbite or permanent injury to the extremities if exposed for any length of time."

Thorhult, Minn., reported a 38 below zero reading Thursday and strong winds sent the wind chill factors there to 70 below.

"In weather like Thorhult is having, an exposed hand would have frostbite within a minute and the flesh would freeze in two or three minutes," the weather service warned.

## Moon's first paper hits the street

NEW YORK (UPI) — New York has a new newspaper today, and its oldest paper has a new publisher.

The new paper is the News World, a daily morning paper financed by the Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Unification Church. The old paper is the New York Post, the nation's oldest continuously published paper, and its new publisher is Australian magnate Rupert Murdoch.

Tom Pearson, head of promotion for the News World, said the paper had an initial press run of 150,000 copies of 24 pages each at its printing plant in Mount Kisco, N.Y. It costs 25 cents a copy.

He said the paper, aimed at young people, will be available only in Manhattan at first, but Moon, a controversial Korean evangelist, hopes it will eventually have a nationwide circulation.

The news world, with an editorial staff of 130 and a business staff of 70, is a subscriber of United Press International and Agence-France Presse, he said.

Tom Miner, the paper's business manager, said

Moon owns a majority of the stock in the paper, but added, "There's no visual or written or editorial material, there's nothing to link this newspaper to the Unification Church except for stock."

The News World, published by News World Communications Inc., operates out of the old New Yorker Hotel, where the church has its offices.

Pearson said front page articles included, "Fairwell to 1976," "Carter calls for unity," "Dow Jones over a thousand," as well as an editorial and a color photo.

Murdoch Thursday took control of the Post, the last evening newspaper in a city that once enjoyed strong news competition.

Murdoch is now publisher and editor-in-chief of the Post, in addition to his publishing interests in other news endeavors in Australia, Great Britain and the United States. Sources said he bought the paper for \$30 million.

Murdoch's name crept into the Post's masthead between the early and late editions Thursday,

## Robinson departing

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rather than to tell people they should like each other," Robinson said. "We feel that the best way to reduce racism is to have economic, political, and social parity, and that is the mission of the Urban League.

"It's the mission of the churches to try to change attitudes, through love and understanding."

On a personal level, Robinson commented that "being black in Madison is very lonely. You feel invisible to some extent. It's not our culture here — it's different — there are no black roots or tradition."

He feels that "as the number of blacks increases in Madison, the healthier the climate will become for black people" in terms of identity.

Robinson said he will feel more "at home" in New Haven, where there are about 100,000 blacks in the metropolitan area and 73 per cent of the school population is black. Noting that before coming to Madison he lived in Youngstown, Ohio, and Washington, D.C., where there are large black populations, he said he had taken for granted such things as "hearing news about blacks when you turn on the radio."

"Coming to Madison woke me up," he smiled. "I will never again take being black for granted."

A major change in the situation of black people in recent years has resulted from Affirmative Action programs, which place legal requirements on employers to seek out qualified minorities and women to hire.

Robinson said that while AA has made many whites hostile to blacks as a potential "threat" in terms of the job market, it will be around for a long time.

"Affirmative action is necessary," he said. "I can't see it going by the wayside. It will continue to be a part of the American system because Americans must be forced to be humane — to share certain things, to be less greedy."

In 1971, the Madison Urban League

had a staff of two and a budget of \$26,000. Now it has 15 on its staff and a \$280,000 budget.

The League is involved in job development, counseling, placement and upgrading; training and apprenticeship programs; employment assistance to minorities in prison; health screening and education; and encouraging the placement of blacks in decision-making positions "to effectively bring about change."

"Anything we've accomplished in Madison is the result of working with other organizations" such as the Equal Opportunities Commission, NAACP, Human Relations Commission for the public schools, and the Afro-American Center, Robinson said. "With this type of coalition, we've been able to accomplish a lot."

He paid special tribute to the "pioneers" in Madison's black community: Dr. Harry Hamilton, James Wright, Dr. N. O. Calloway, Charles Hill, Eugene Parks, Hilton Hanna, and May Mitchell.

Robinson has served on Mayor Paul Soglin's economic development task force and praises Soglin for his efforts in bringing jobs to Madison.

"I'm very positive about the mayor," Robinson said. "He has come more than halfway to see that every sector in the community has a chance to participate in the decision-making process." Criticism of Soglin for allegedly being anti-business "is unwarranted," in Robinson's opinion.

He is also optimistic about Jimmy Carter, saying, "I think the man's honest, and I think he's a humane type of person."

Robinson, 32, will be succeeded for now by Jennifer Clifton Lee, who becomes acting director until the League recruits a new executive director from a nationwide search.

Robinson is confident the League will continue to grow and play a vital role in Madison. It has a "very competent" staff, "great insight and leadership" on its board, and is fiscally sound, he said.

Smith said the Lobos have formed a brotherhood with the Milwaukee Outlaws, who have been involved in a feud with the C.C. Riders for several years.

Smith said a similar incident nearly developed about two weeks ago when a large group of Lobos and Outlaws conducted the same type of raid on the same tavern.

"Half came in the front and half in the back," Smith said. "But we had a lot of guys in there and it was a Mexican stand off."

Smith said the C.C. Riders are a peace-loving club and will cooperate to the fullest with authorities in the prosecution of those arrested after Thursday's disturbance.

## Cycle gangs fight

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"trying to muscle in" to Madison for some time.

## Arson

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school. That decision is slated for the Feb. 7 meeting of the board.

Odana area parents are urging the board to rebuild the school, saying that it had not been considered for closing until the arsonist struck.

But there is also pressure on the board to abandon Odana as part of an effort to reduce the size of the school system to reflect declining enrollments.

Currently, the children who had gone to Odana are being bused to five neighboring elementary schools.