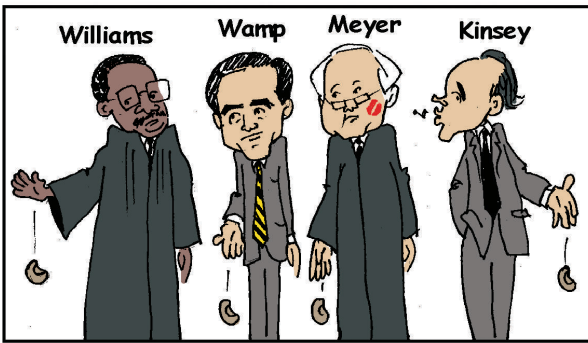


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FOREWORD

MAYOR BOB CORKER

"IT IS AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE TO BE MAYOR AT SUCH AN EXCITING TIME IN CHATTANOOGA'S HISTORY. OUR COMMUNITY HAS SOME OF THE MOST GENEROUS, INVOLVED AND SUPPORTIVE CITIZENS OF ANY CITY IN AMERICA, AND TOGETHER, WE ARE CONTINUING THE WORK OF BUILDING A GREAT CITY.

BUT BEING A PUBLIC OFFICIAL ALSO MEANS FROM TIME TO TIME BEING SUBJECT TO POLITE AND NOT-SO-POLITE JABS FROM THE PRESS. IN THIS DEPARTMENT, THE CHATTANOOGA FAX DOES NOT DISAPPOINT.

OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS DEAN ARNOLD, AND THE LOCAL ARTISTS WHO ASSIST HIM, HAVE CREATED HUNDREDS OF CARTOONS THAT HAVE DEALT WITH THE ISSUES OF THE DAY IN HUMOROUS TERMS.

ALONG WITH OTHER COLLEAGUES IN CITY GOVERNMENT, I HAVE BEEN THE SUBJECT OF SEVERAL OF THESE CARTOONS. AND THOUGH WE DON'T ALWAYS AGREE WITH THEM, THEY ALWAYS HAVE A WAY OF MAKING US LAUGH.

READERS WILL ENJOY REMEMBERING SOME OF THE BEST OF THESE CARTOONS, COMPILED IN THIS BOOK, AND THEY WILL REMIND US THAT AS WE WORK TO BUILD A GREAT COMMUNITY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO KEEP A SENSE OF HUMOR AS WELL.

SINCERELY,

BOB CORKER
MAYOR OF CHATTANOOGA

DEDICATED TO:

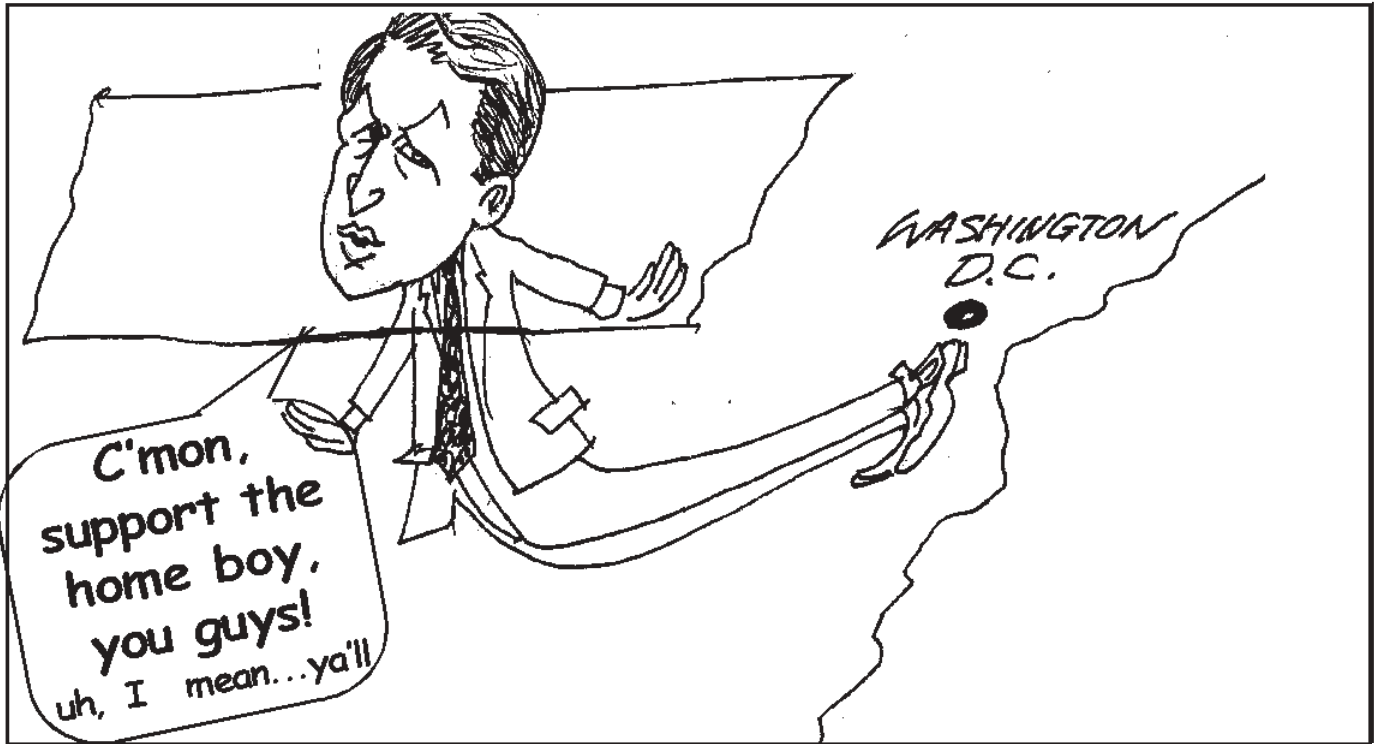
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~~GARRY MACK~~
~~VERY SLACK~~
THAT GUY →



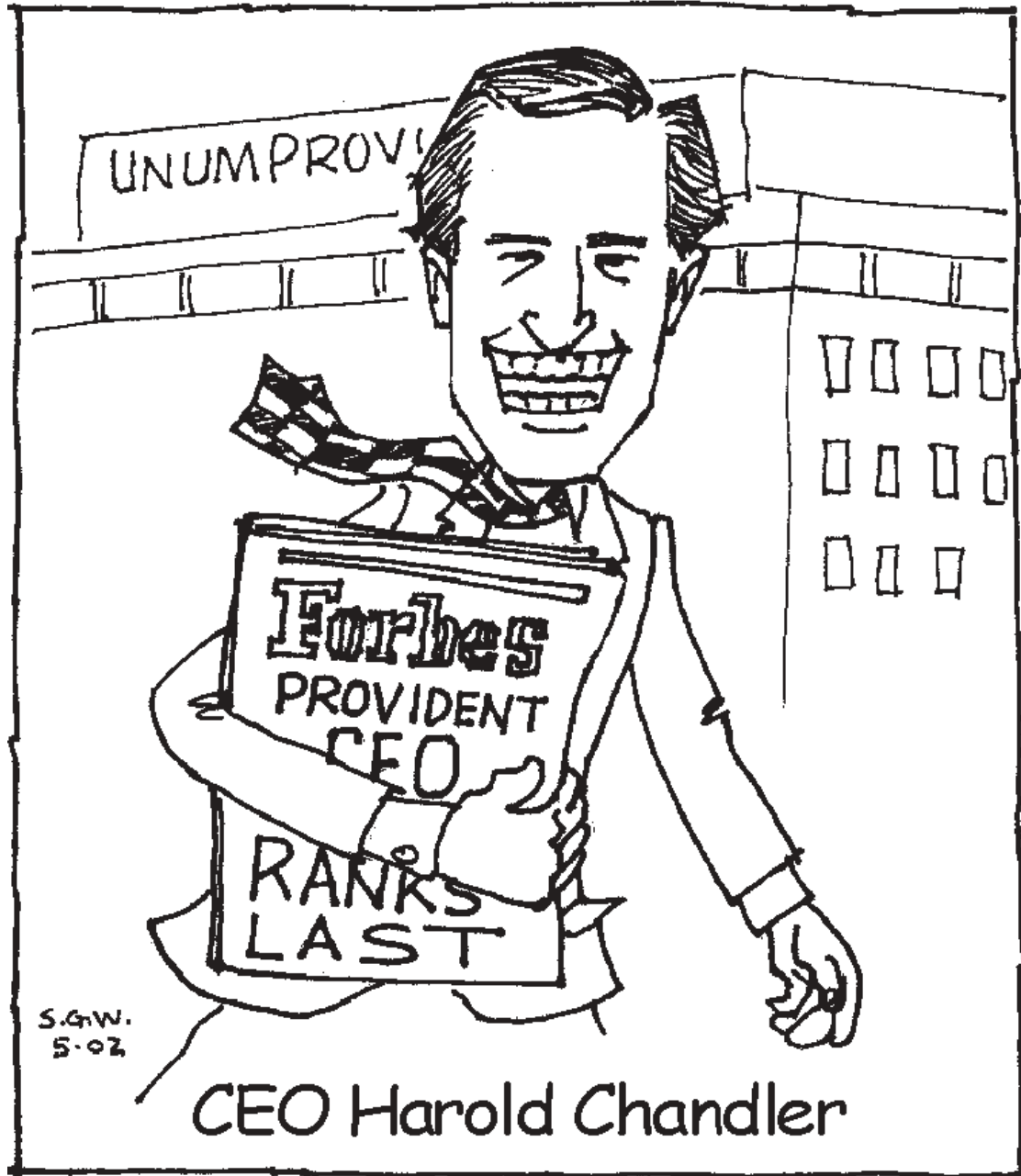
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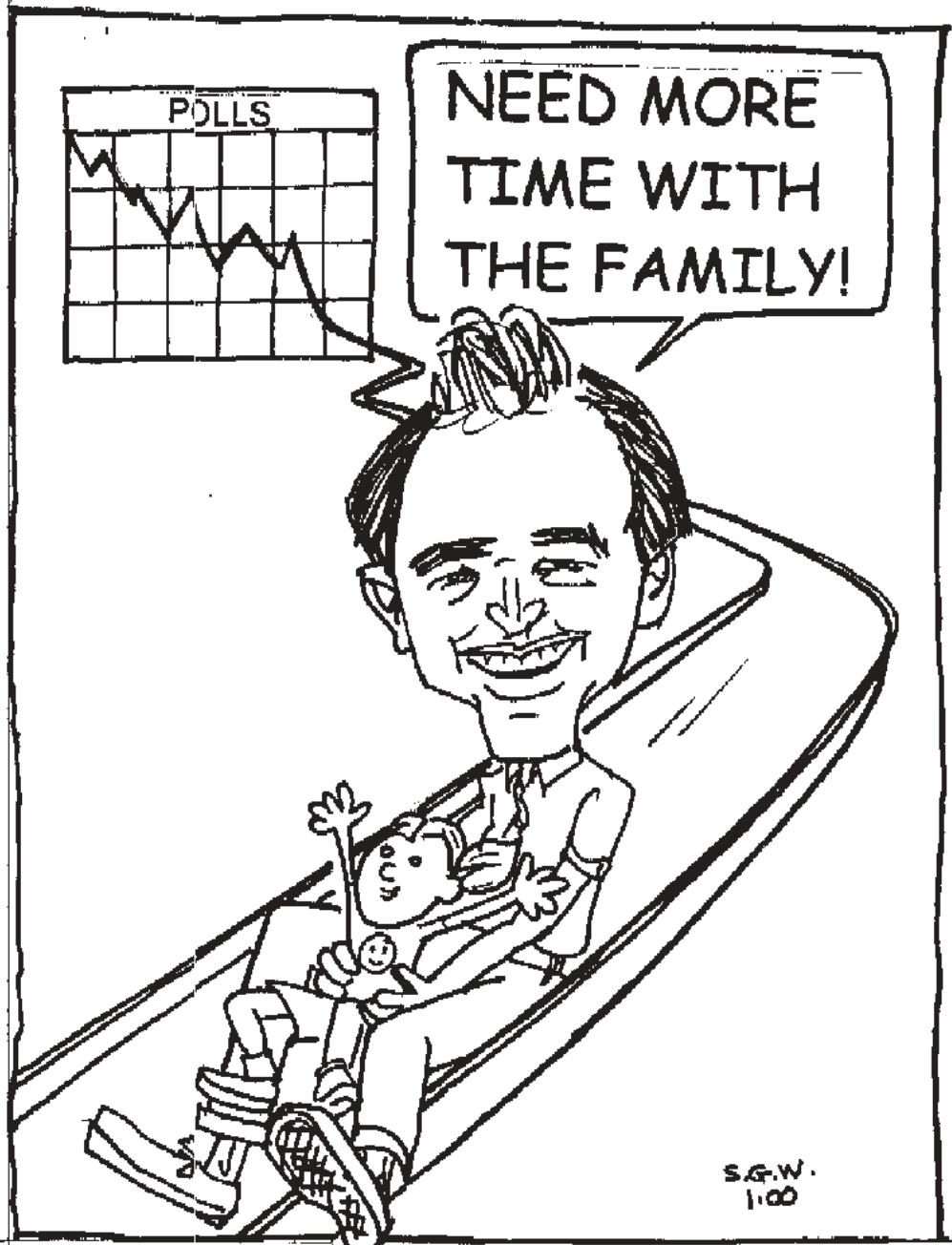


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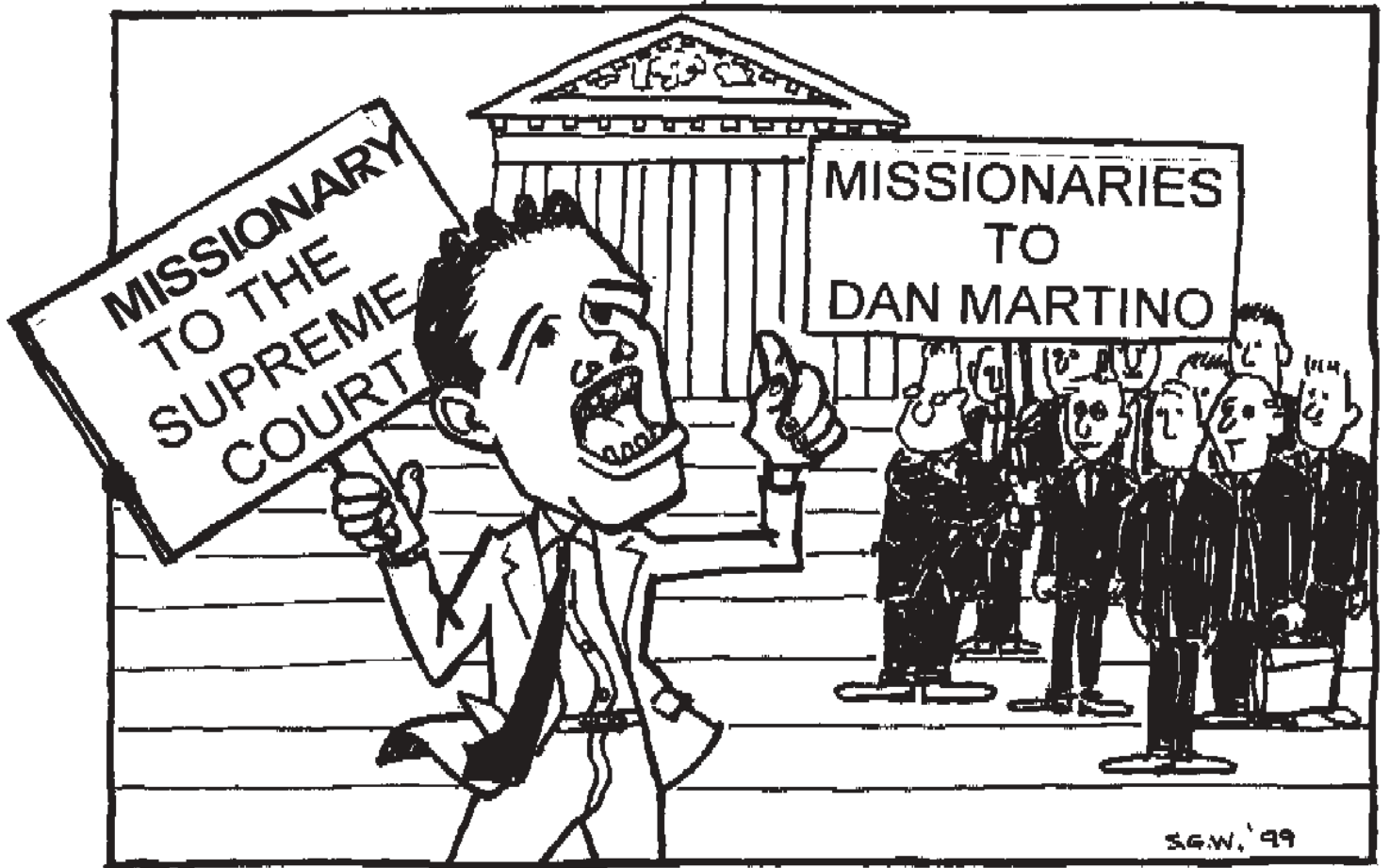


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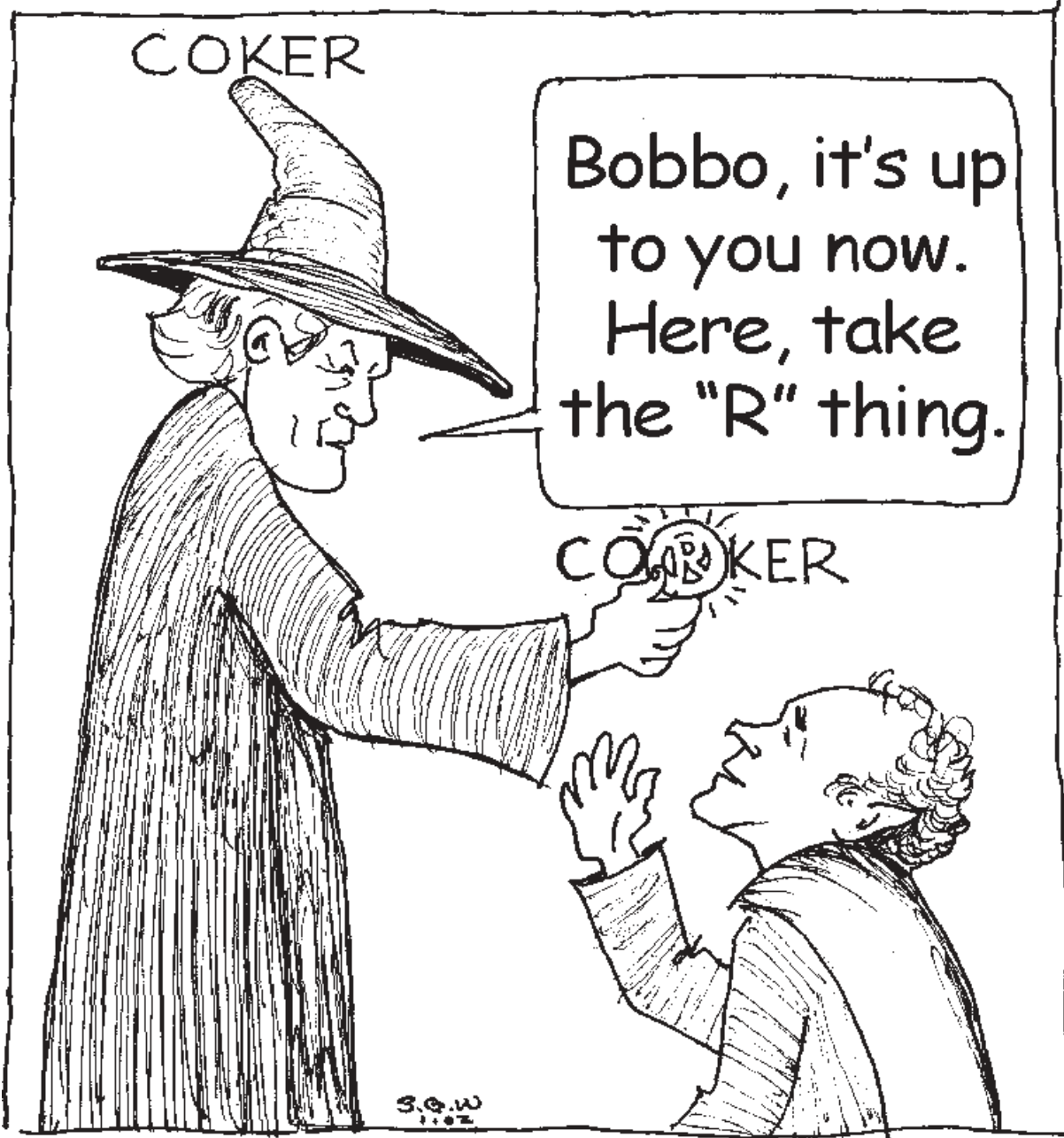
KINSEY SLIDES OUT OF OFFICE



Jeff's Stylists



Harold Coker to Retire

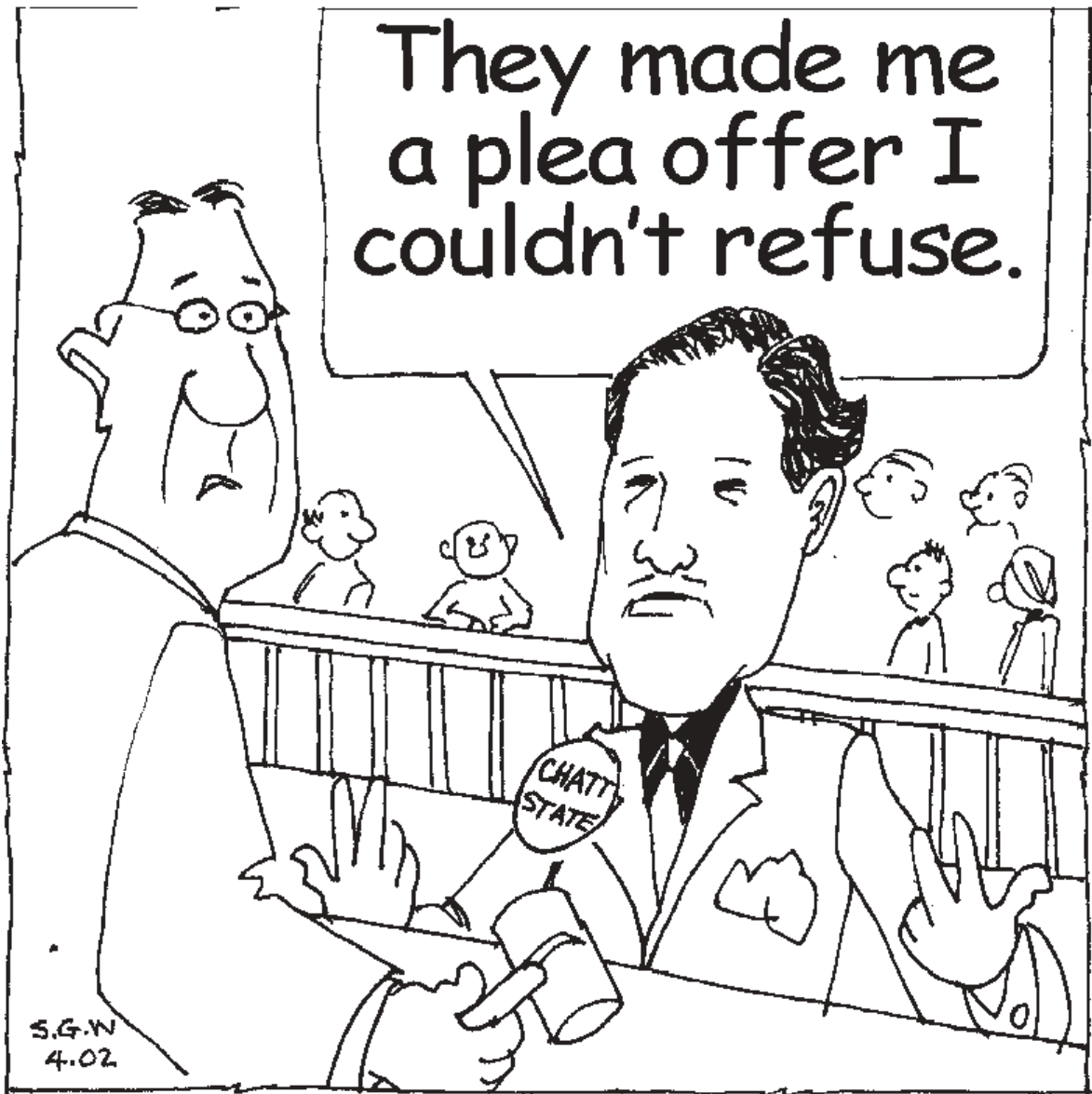


When Truth is Stranger Than Fiction



What? The President said to
take my show off the air?
....No, no, no...
He was talking about
Bin Laden!

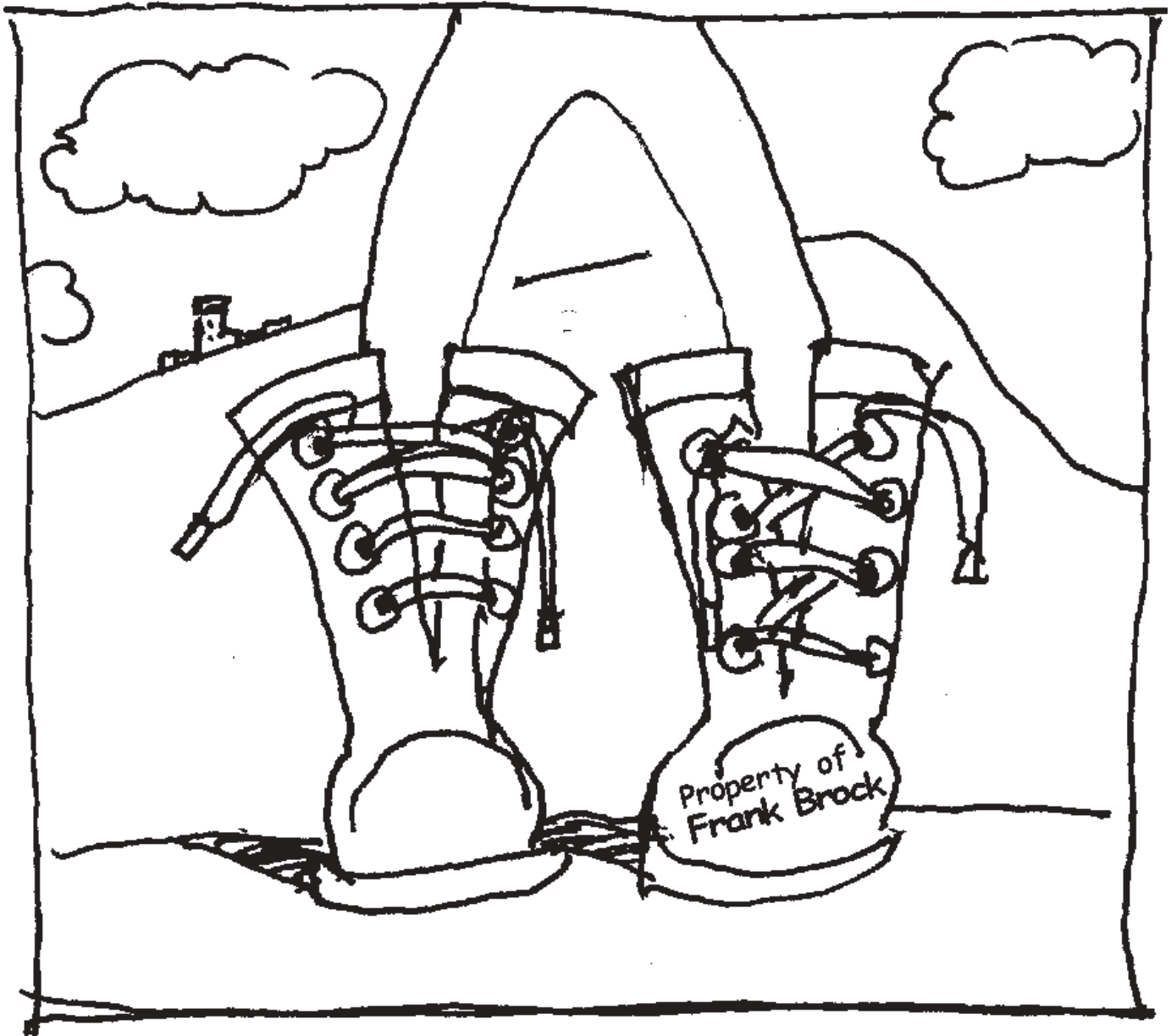




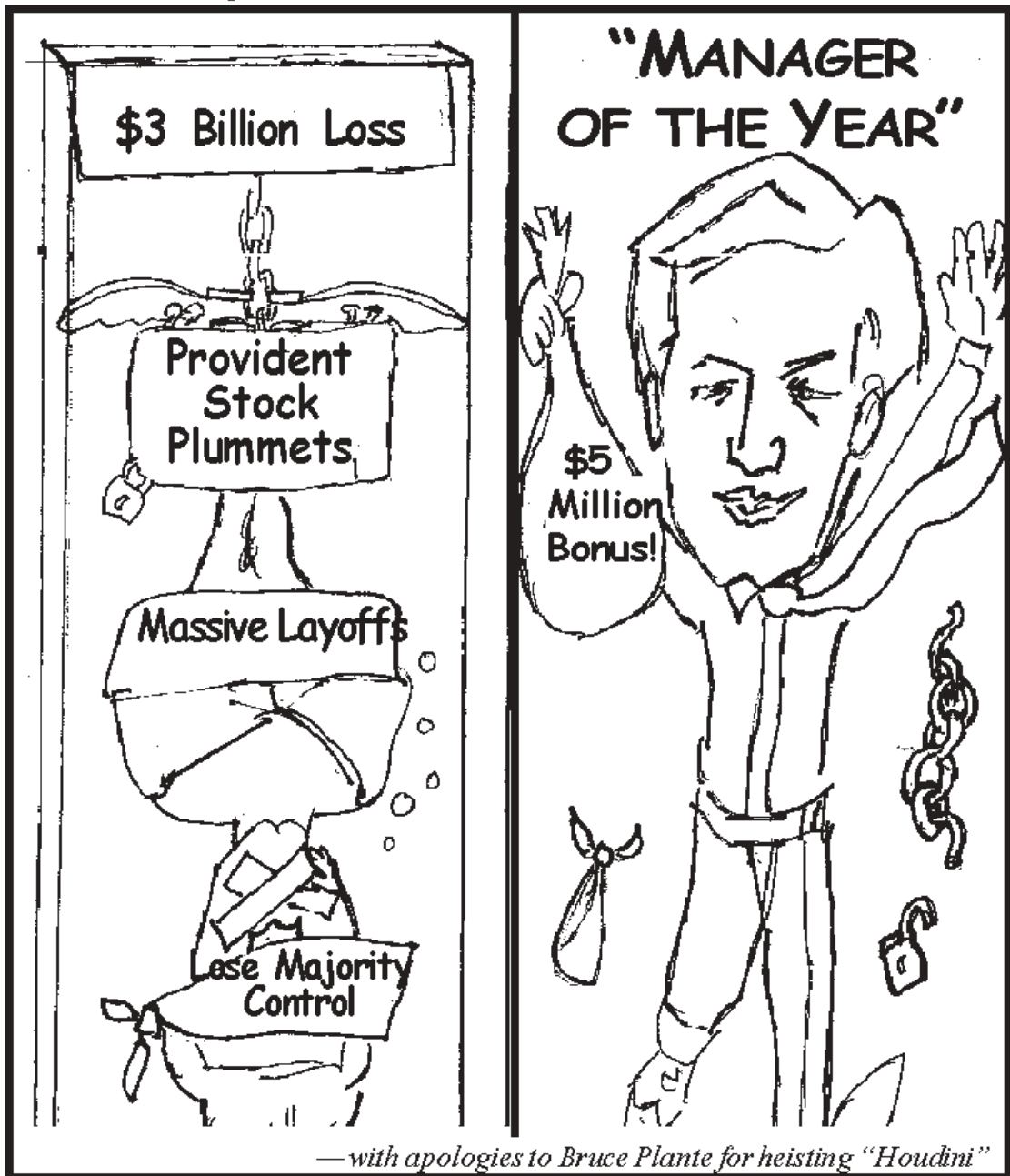
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Covenant Names New President



Harry "Houdini" Chandler



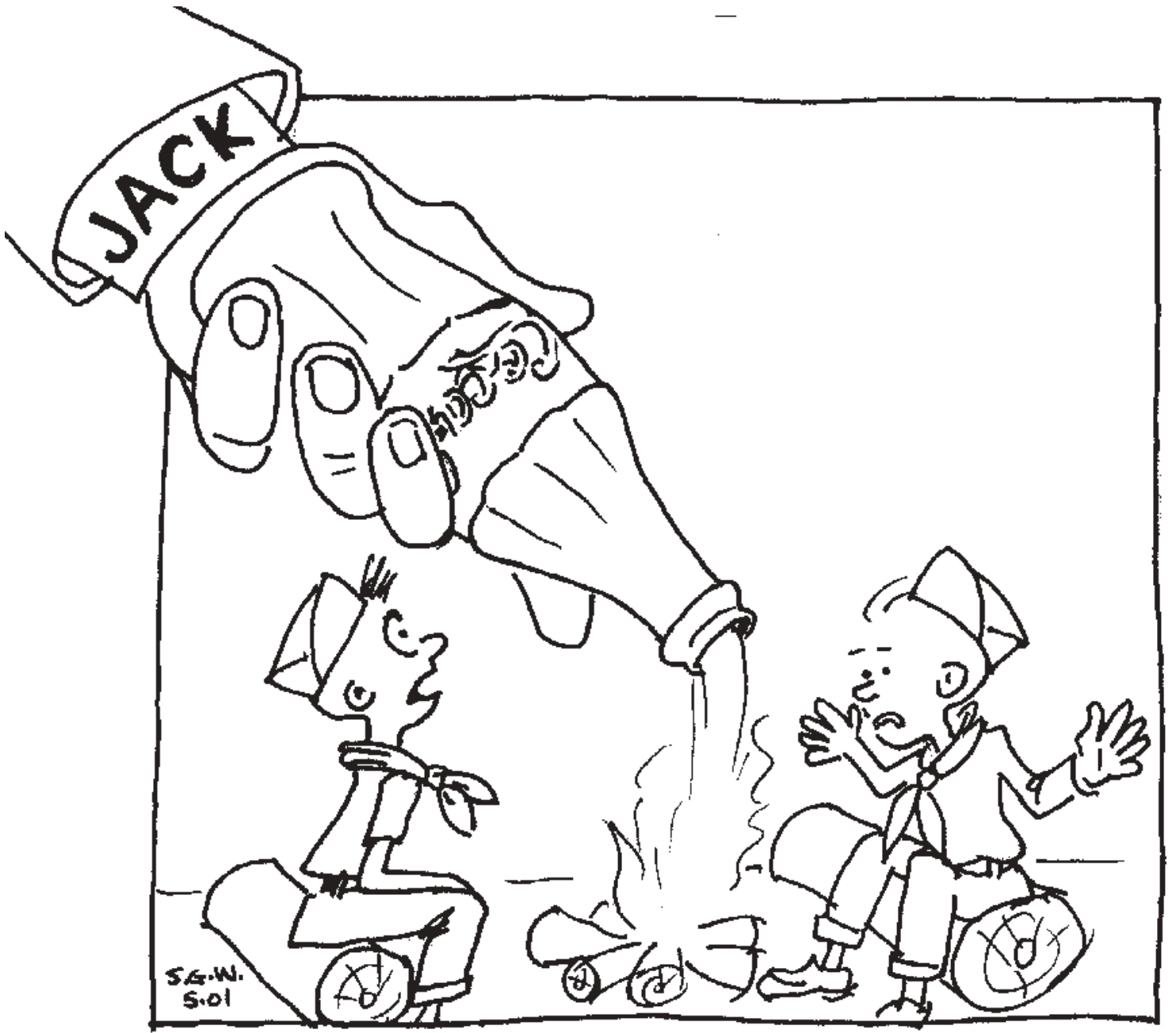
—with apologies to Bruce Plante for heisting "Houdini"

Which Jack?

It caused a local stir when Jack Murrah asked the United Way to consider defunding the Boy Scouts for their refusal to allow gay scout leaders.

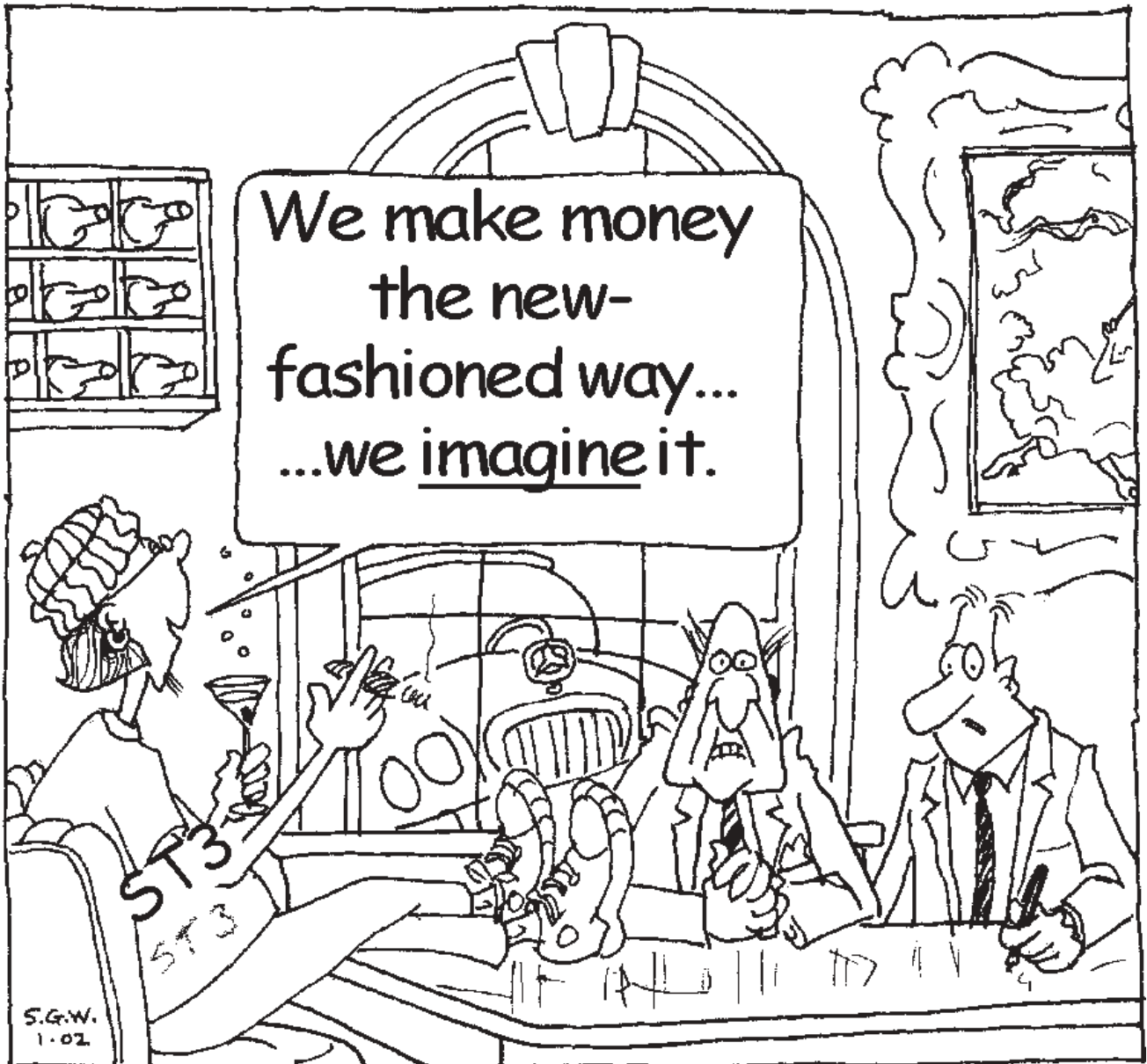
Jack Murrah runs the Lyndhurst Foundation which got its millions from Jack Lupton's Coca-Cola fortune.

So, everyone was asking, "Which Jack?"



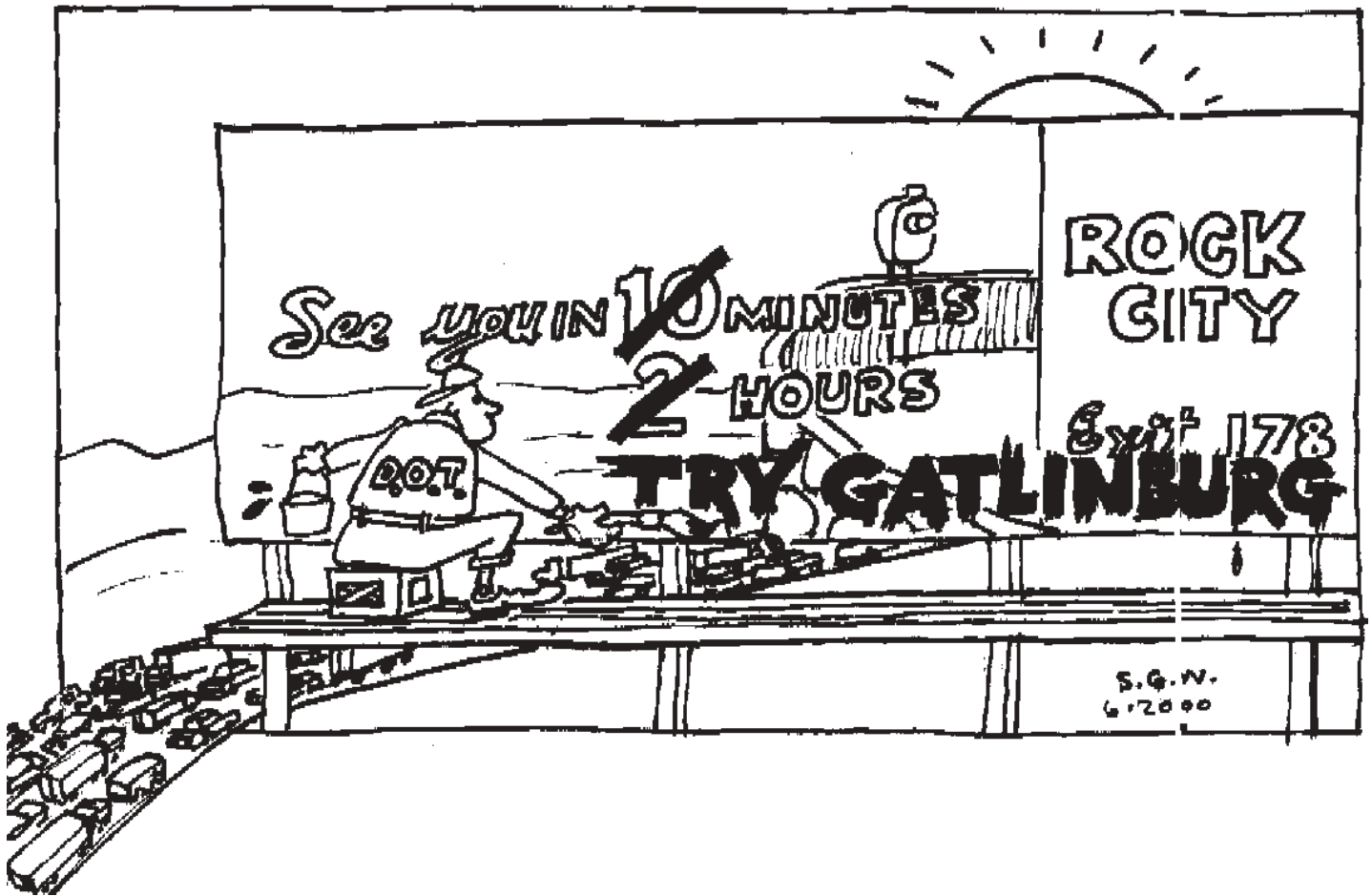
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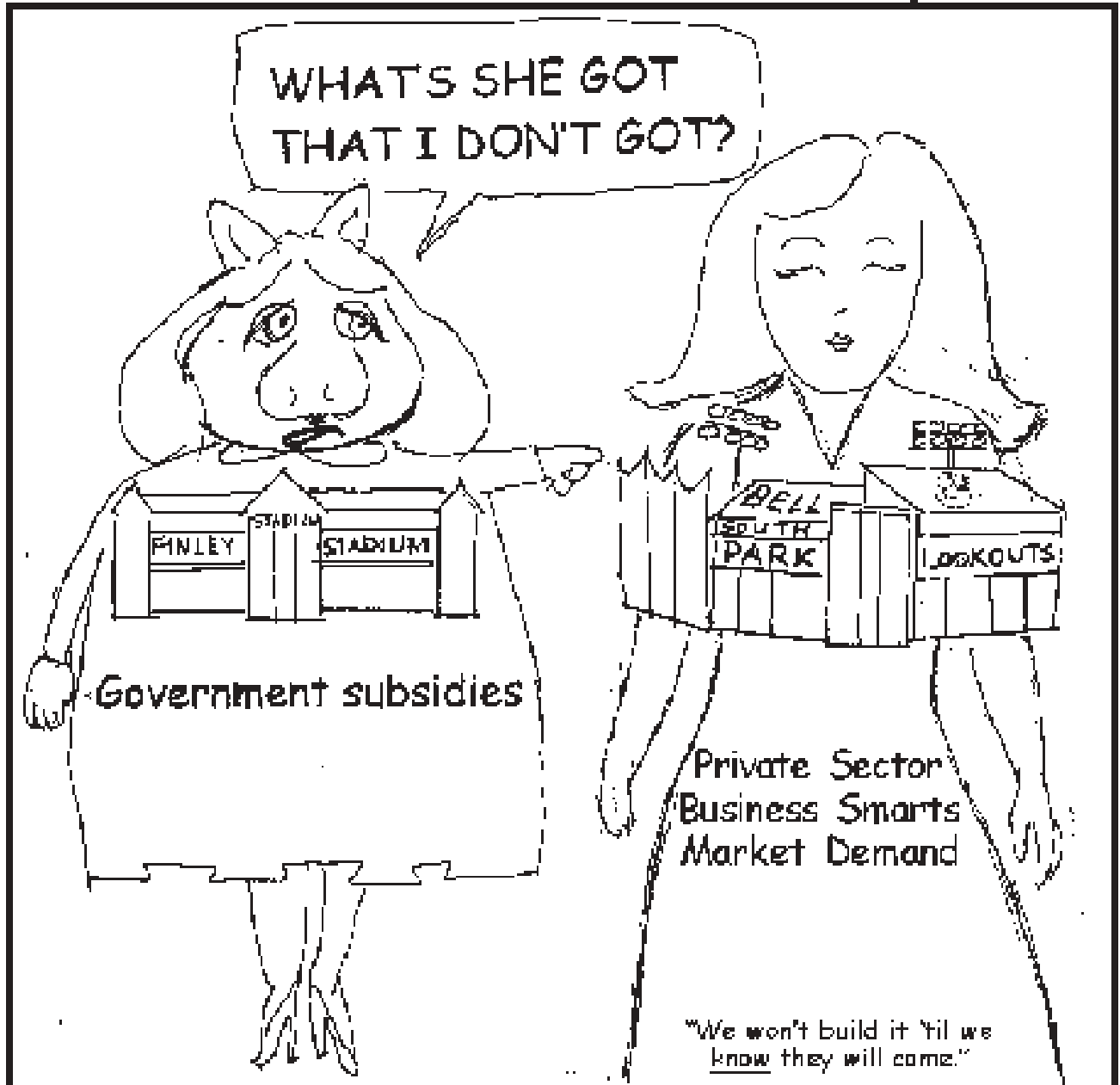


CHANNEL 12 OFFICIALS CHOSE
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HARASSMENT CHARGES...





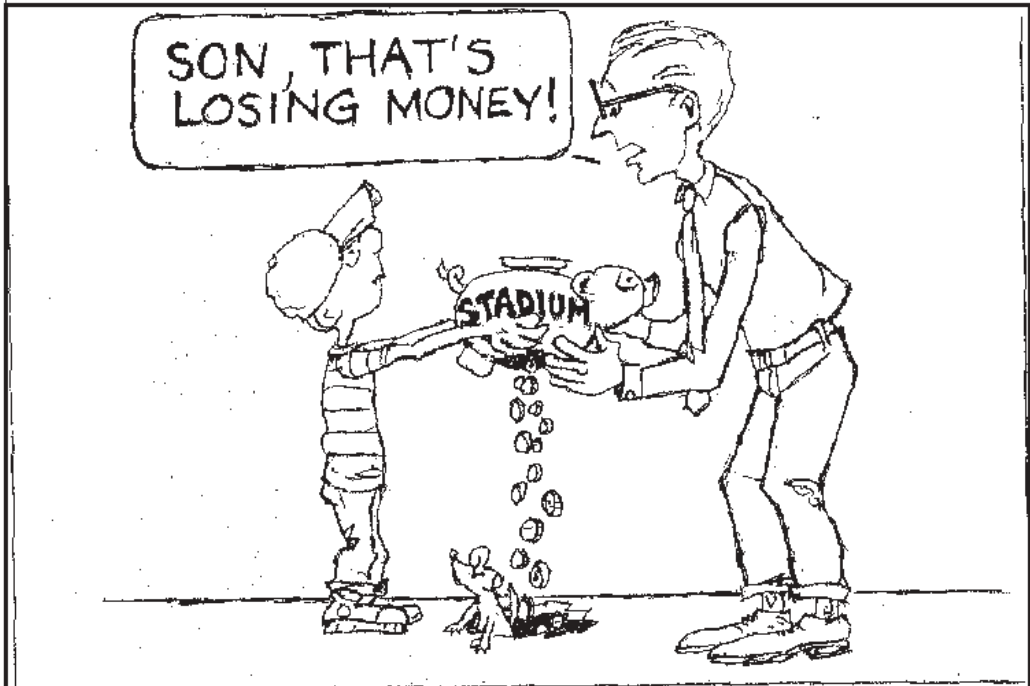
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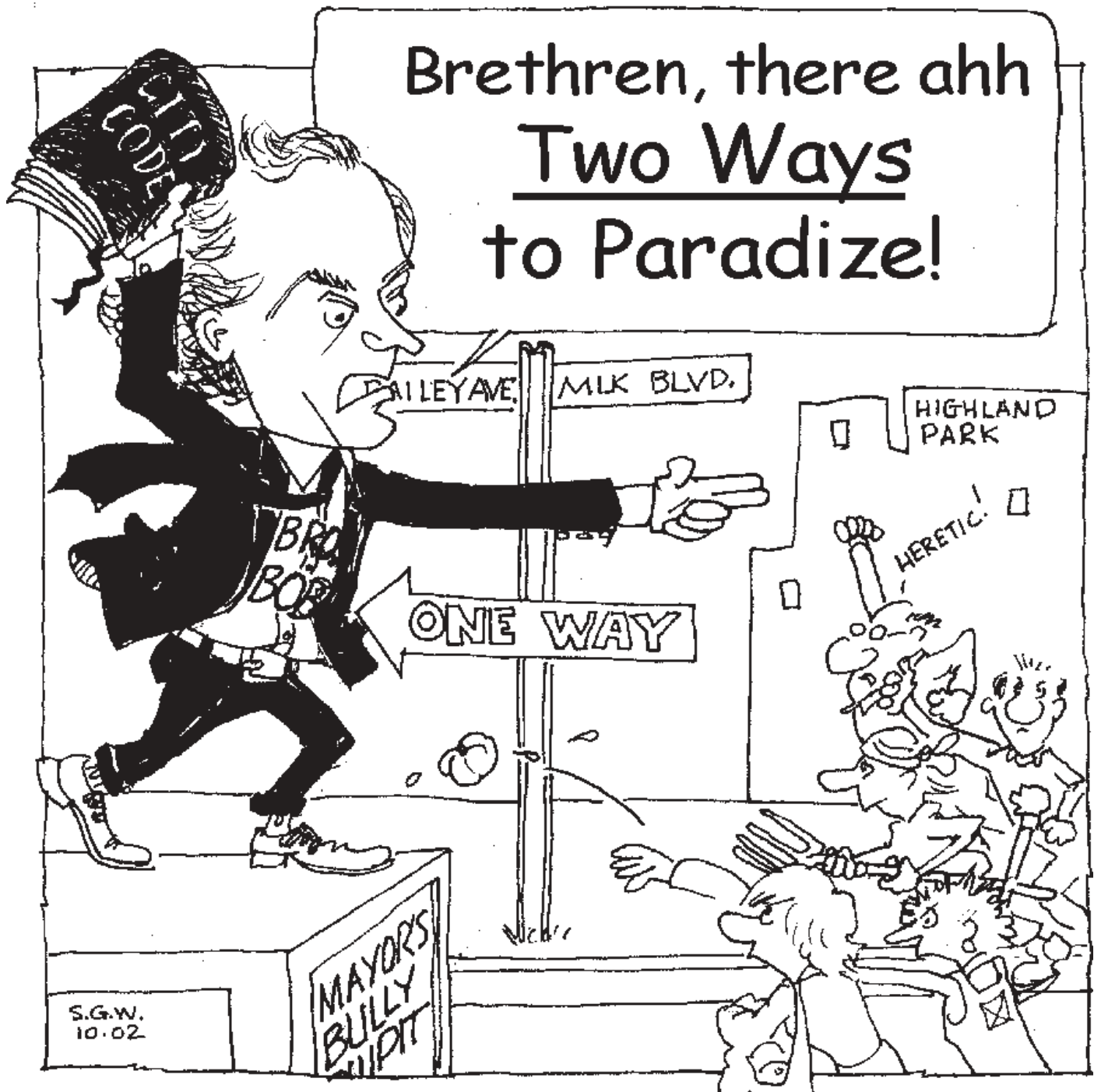
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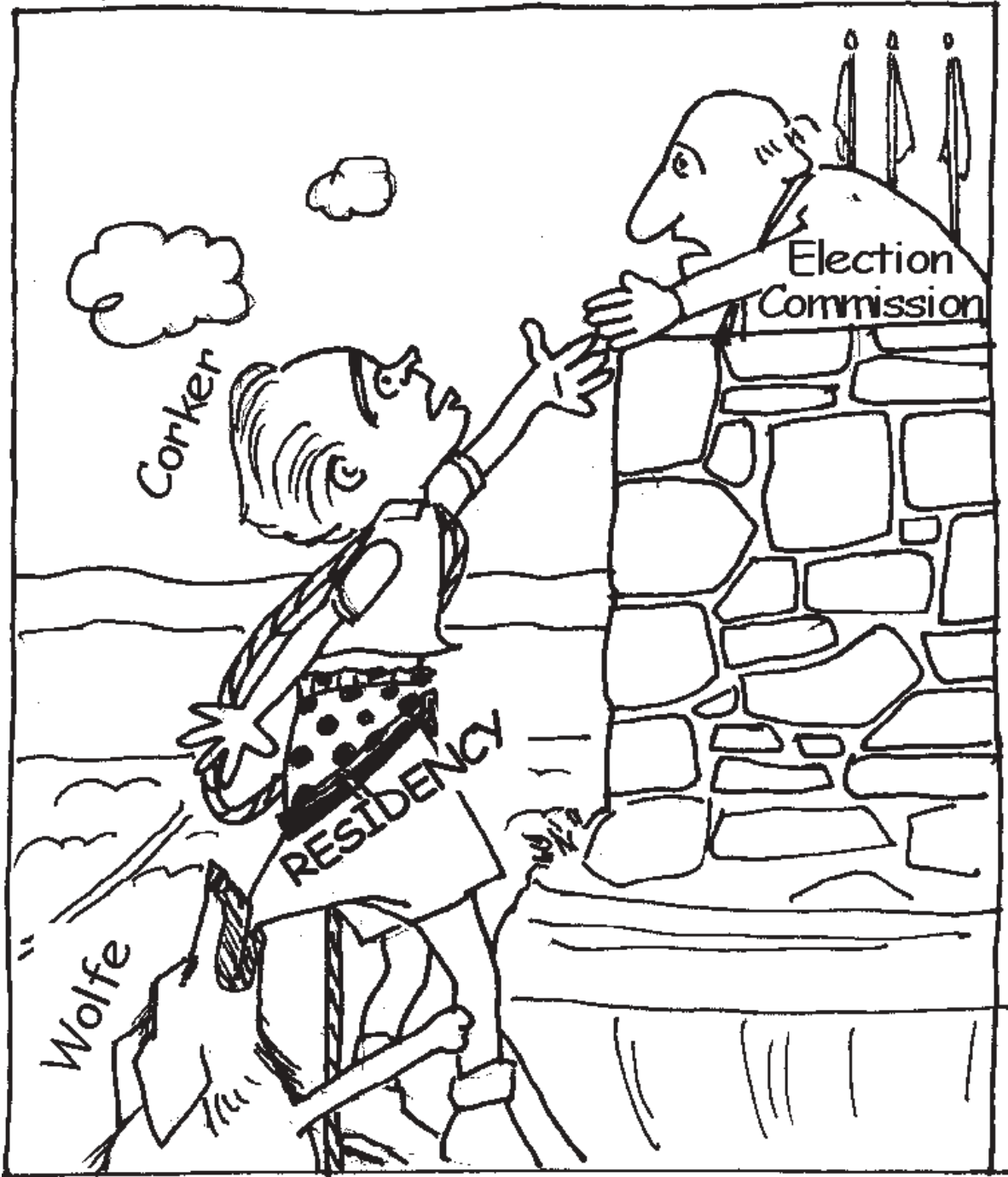




Mister Mayor



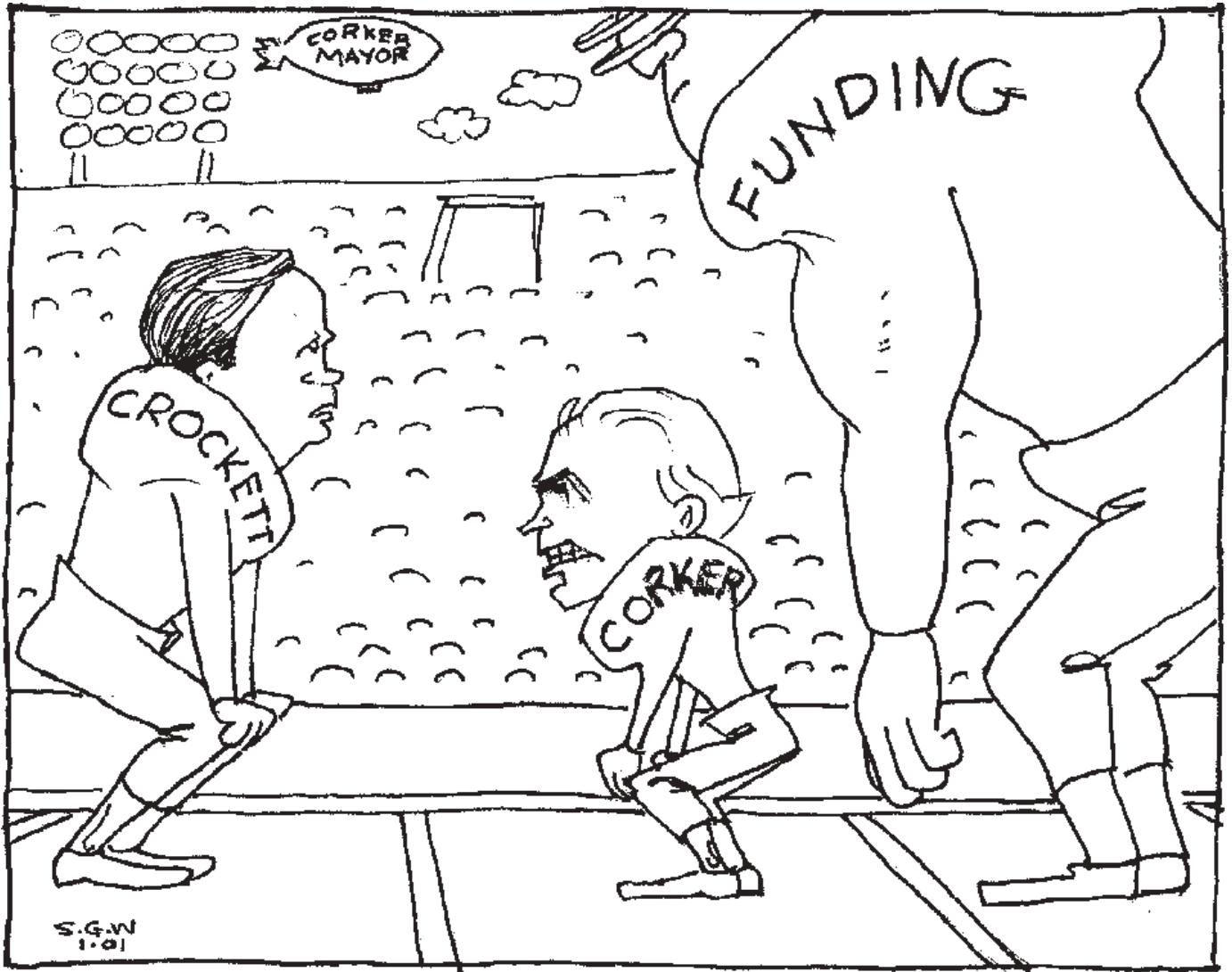




I Really Do Live Here!

When mayoral candidate John Wolfe listed allegations of Corker failing to meet the residency qualifications for the office, the case went to the Election Commission.

The commissioners lent a helping hand by ruling in his favor.





So...who do you think's the frontrunner?

Finding the Correct Conflict

The newspaper made a big deal about a \$50/mo. city phone line Mayor Corker had used for RSVPing to a Lamar fundraiser.

But the paper hardly mentioned the hundreds of thousands Corker actually raised for Lamar at the fundraiser. (Not that there's anything wrong with that :)



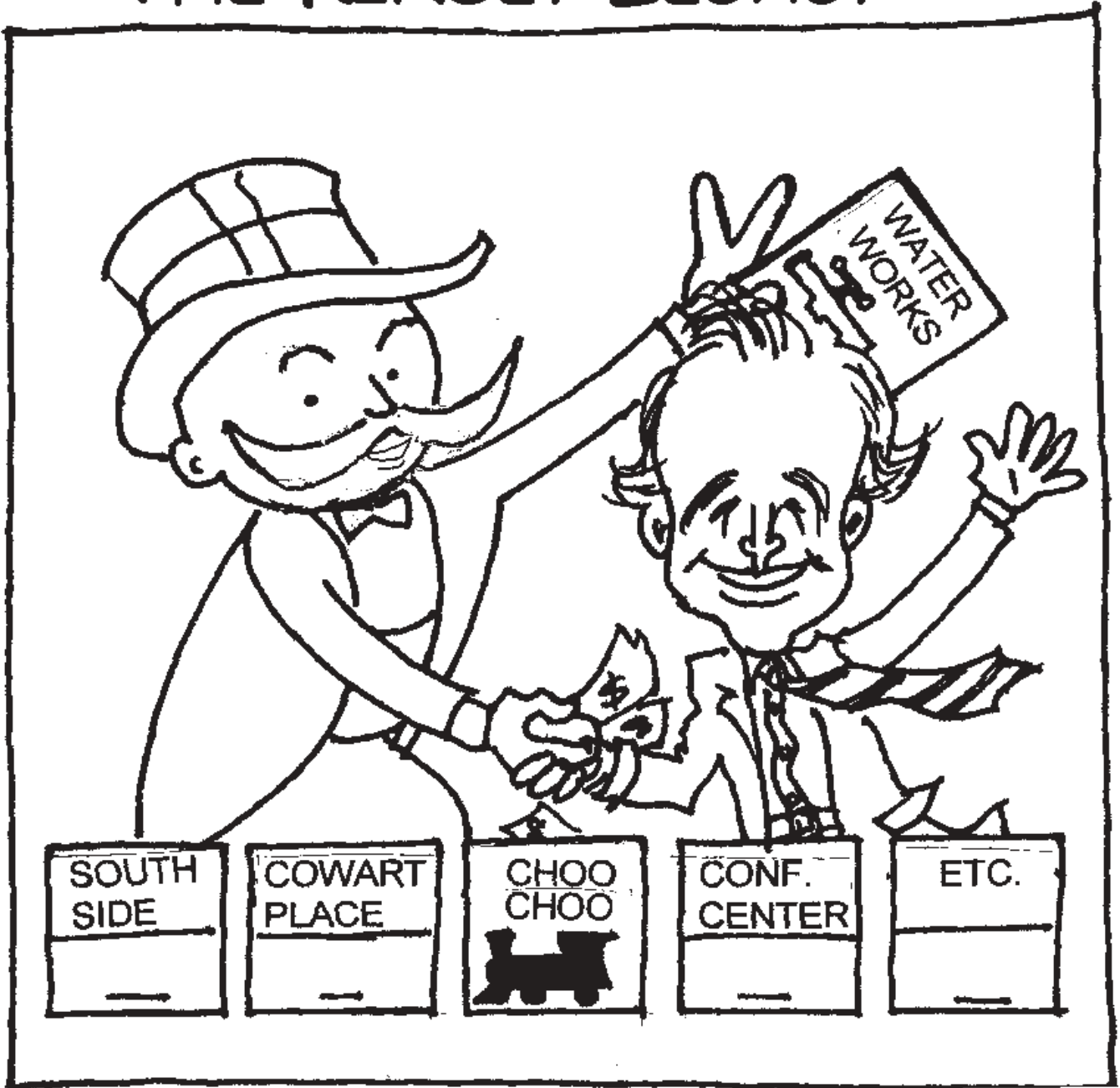


Kinsey in '97



Kinsey in 2000

THE KINSEY LEGACY

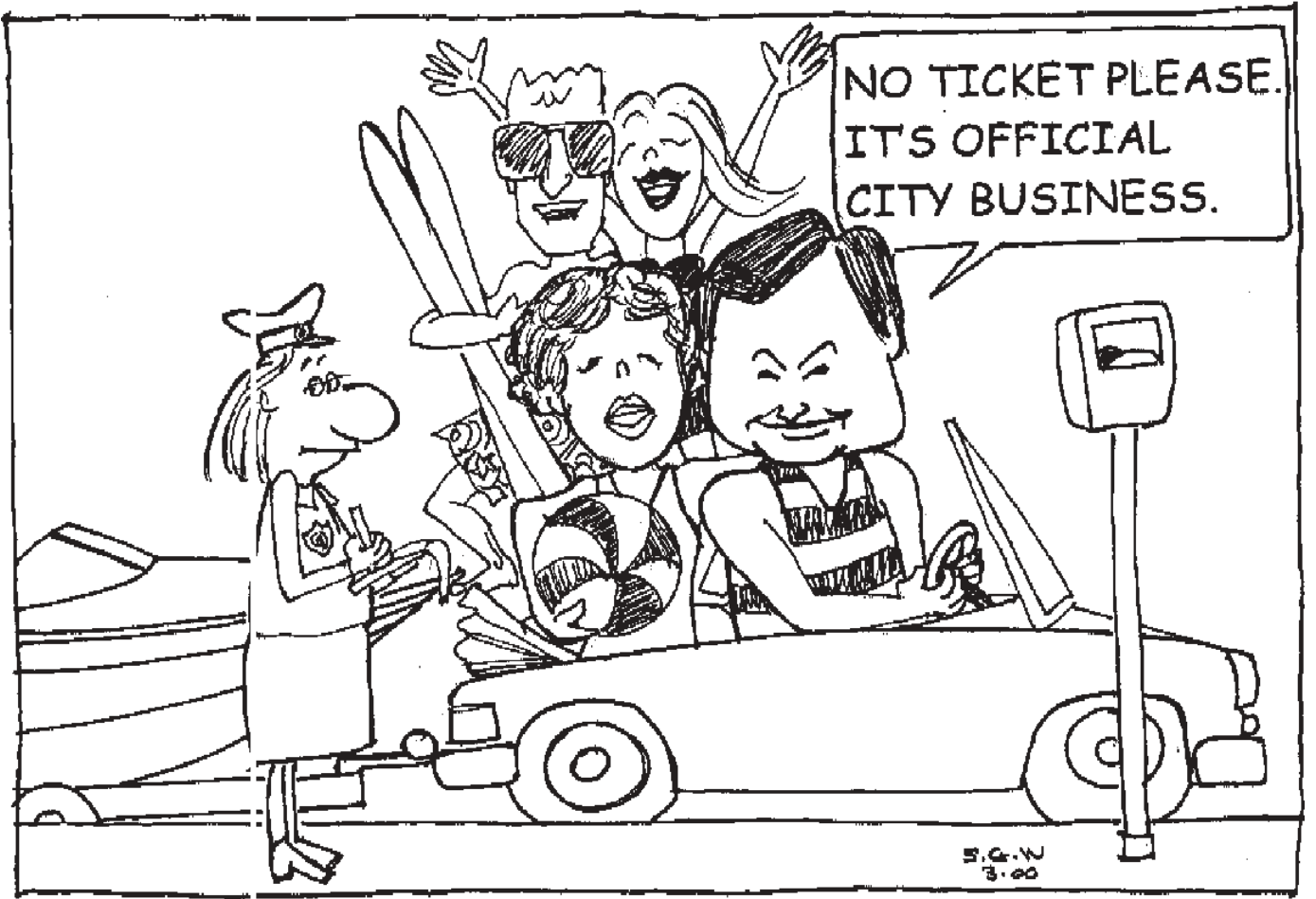


City & County Politix

His Ancestor's Horse Never Got Ticketed!

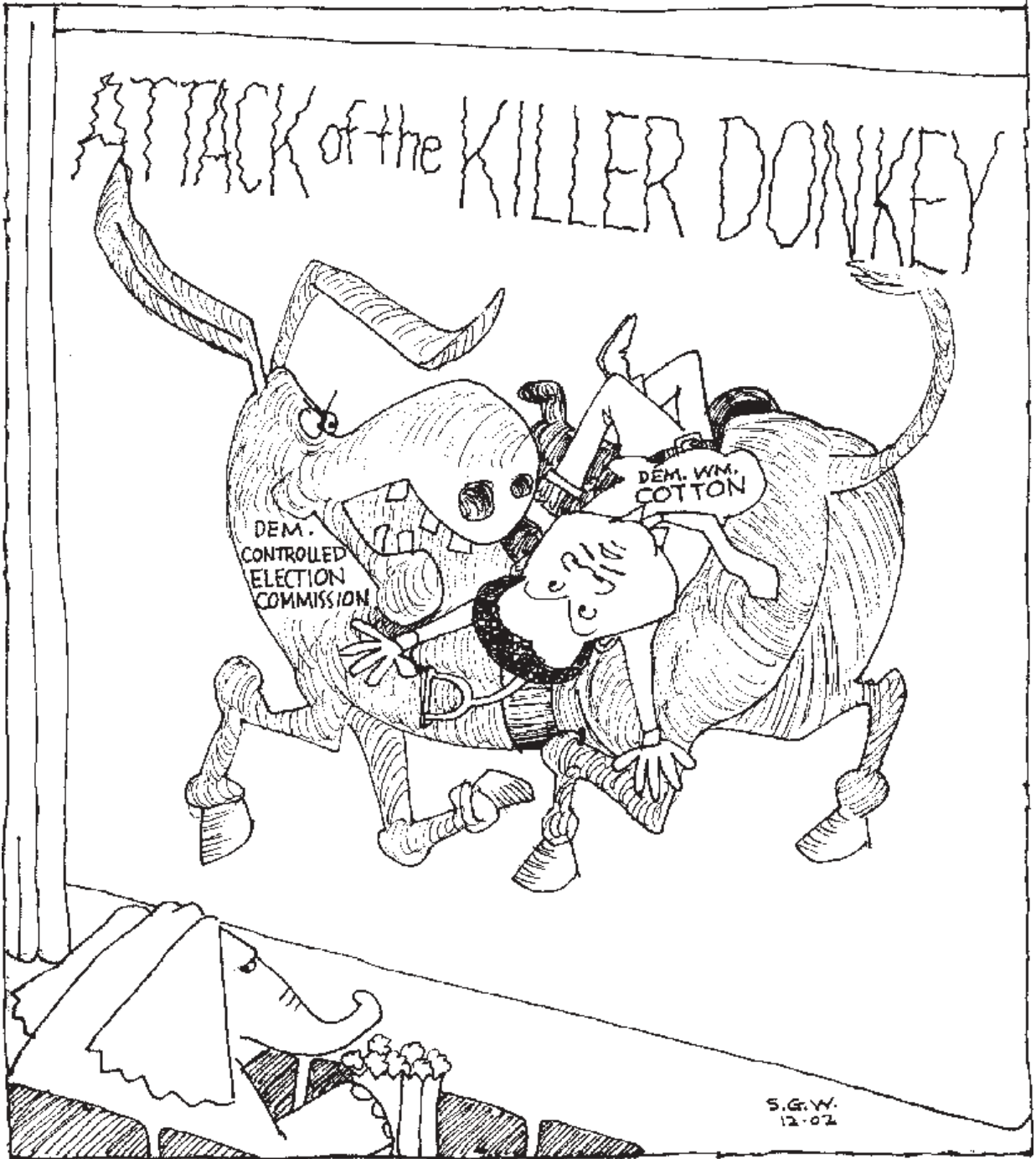
City Councilman David Crockett got dealt another 15 minutes of fame after it was discovered that the nearly \$4,000 he racked up in parking tickets was dismissed by city court.

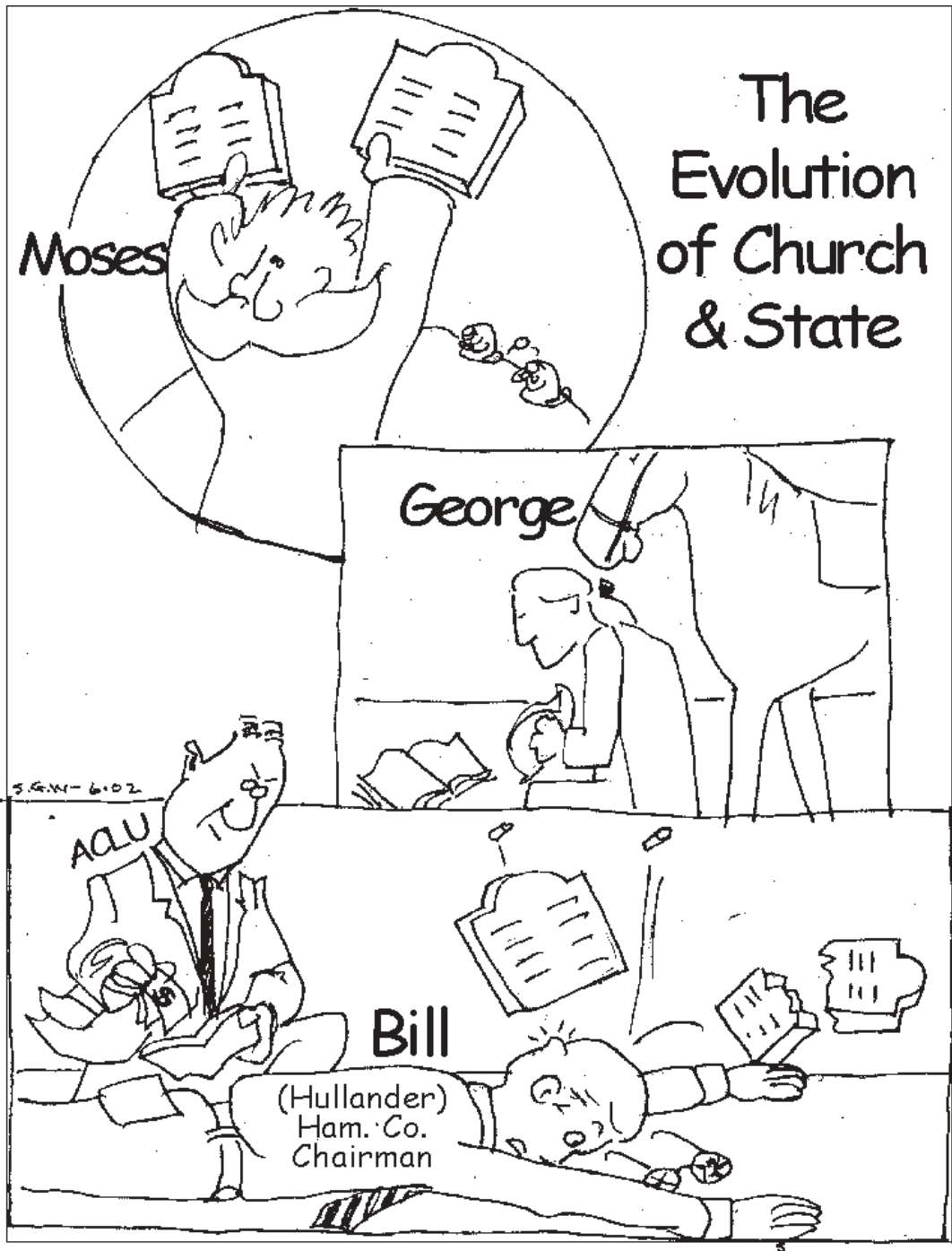
He went ahead and paid the fines anyway, even though it was all for “official city business.”



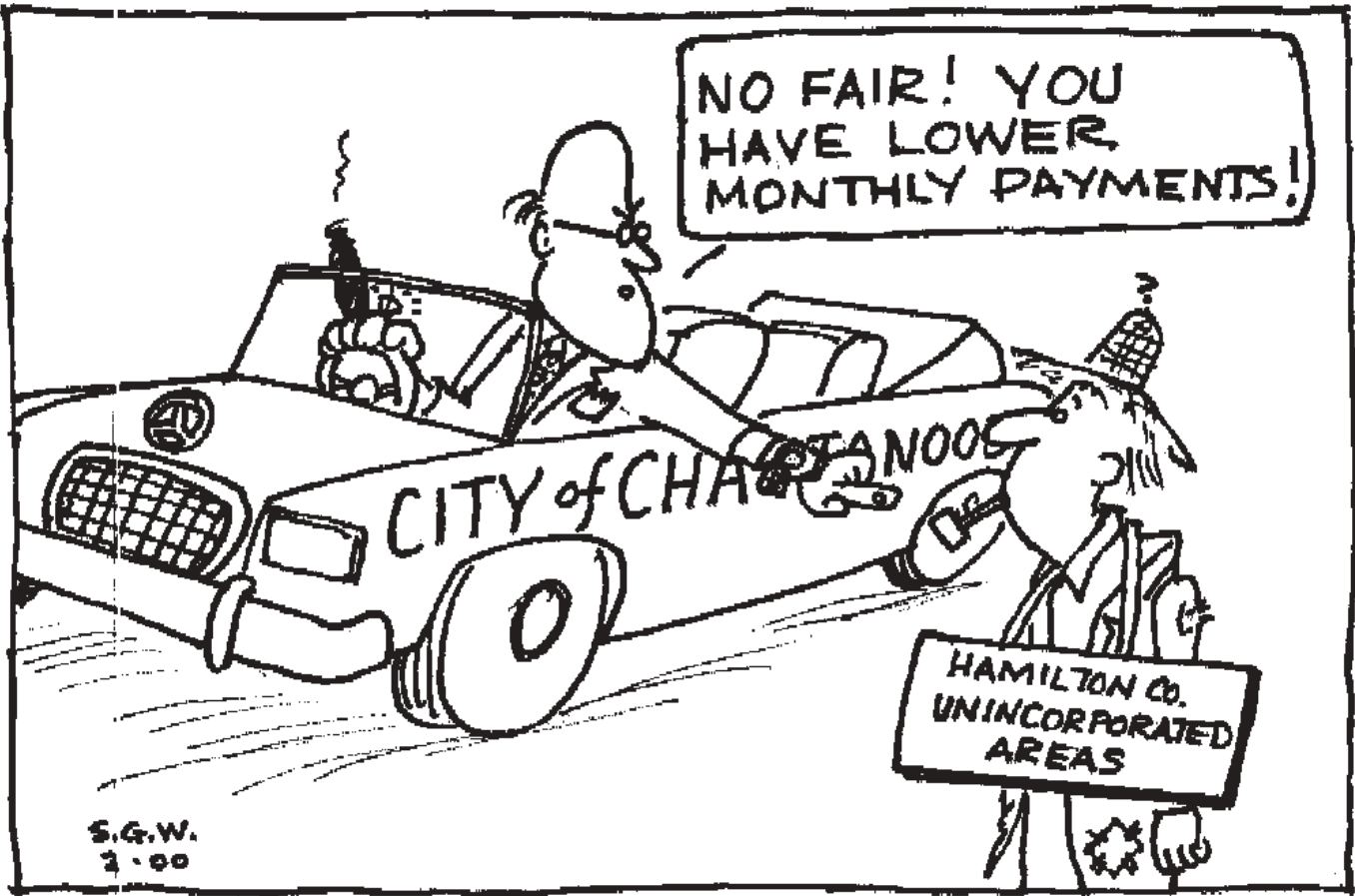
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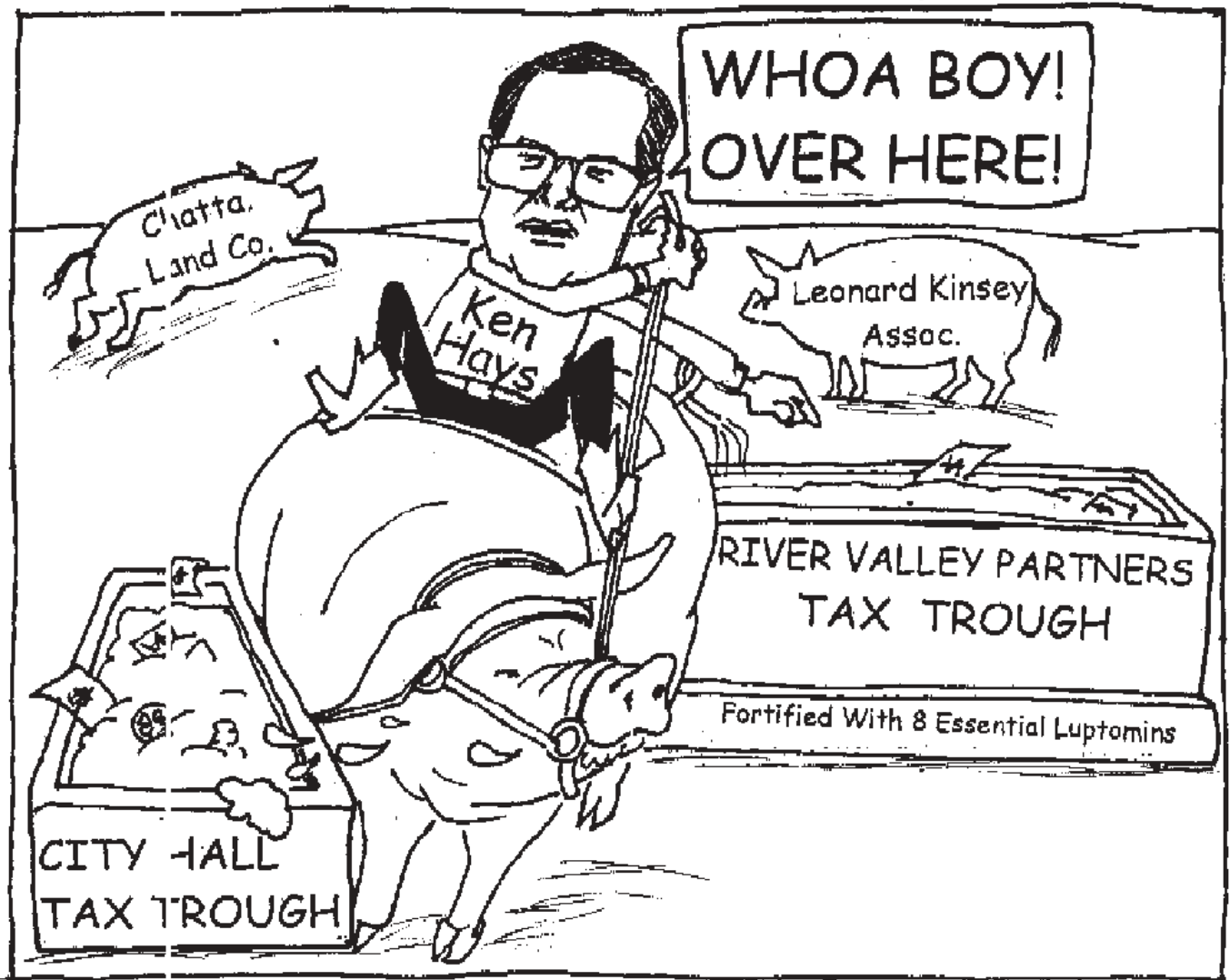








Mayor's Chief of Staff Moves to "Private Sector" to Head River Valley Partners

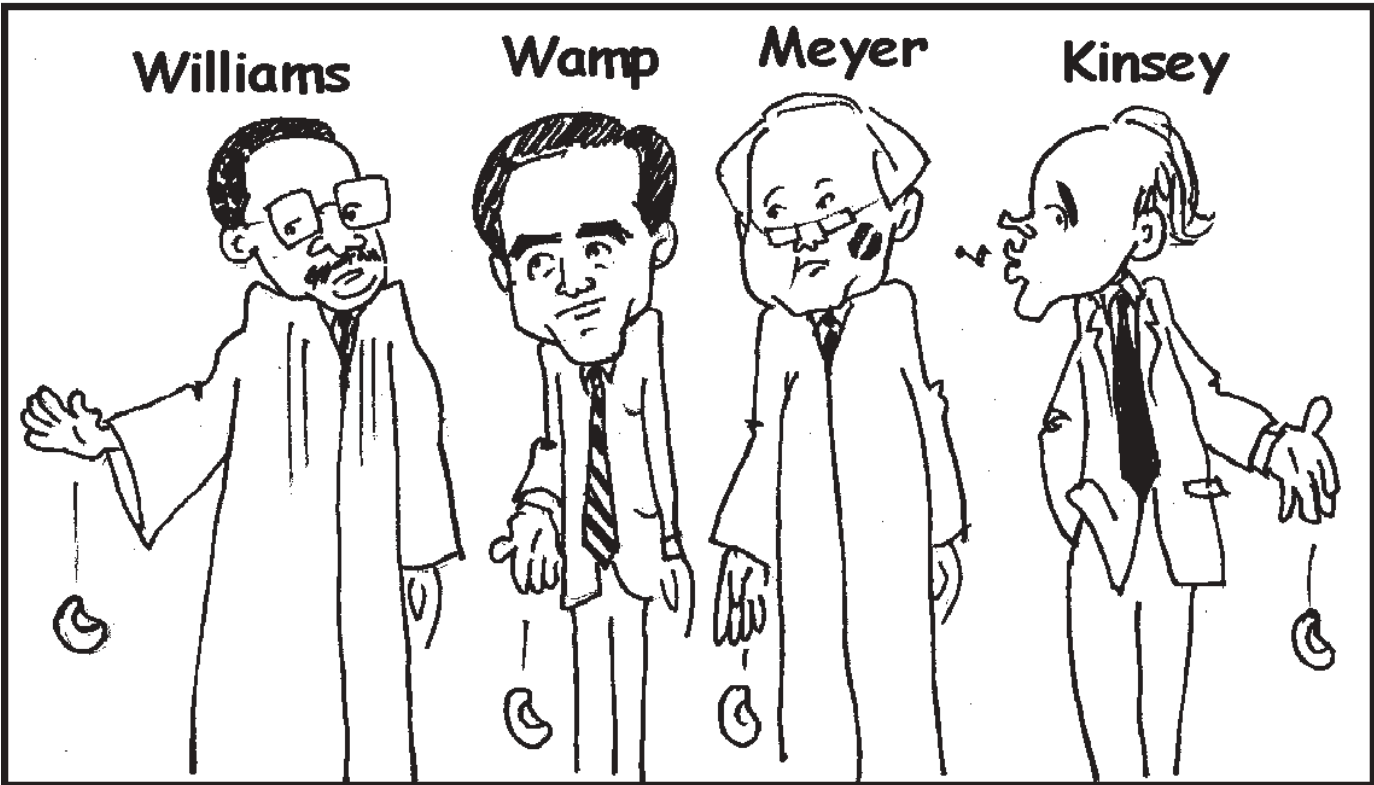


Judging Judge Bean

Welcome to Chattanooga, where a rehabilitated cocaine user becomes Congressman (Zach Wamp) and an attorney disbarred from federal court -- who had a little drug involvement himself and got six months for felony theft -- gets elected the City Judge (Russell Bean).

But, then again, who are we to judge?

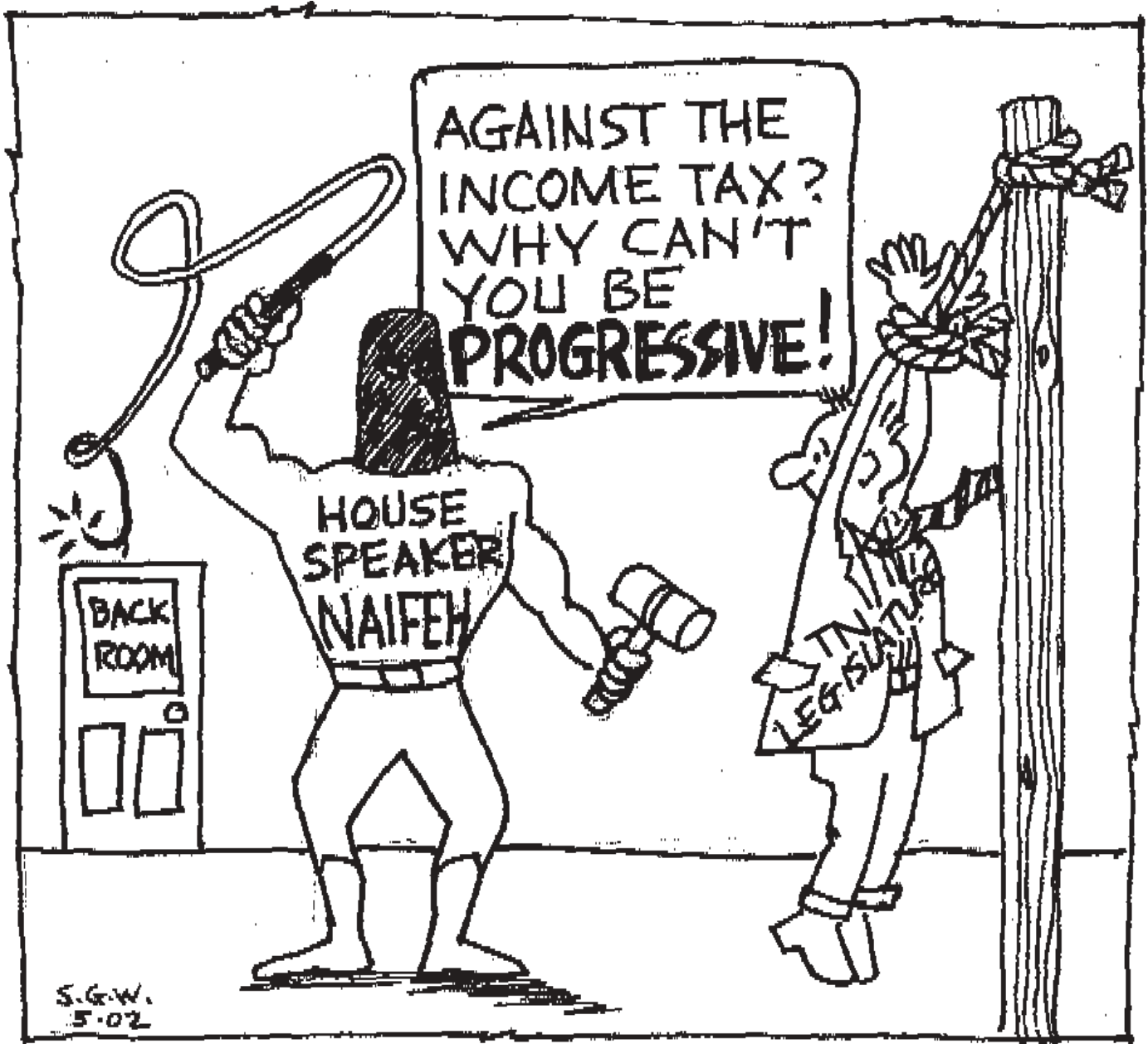
He who is without sin, cast the first Bean



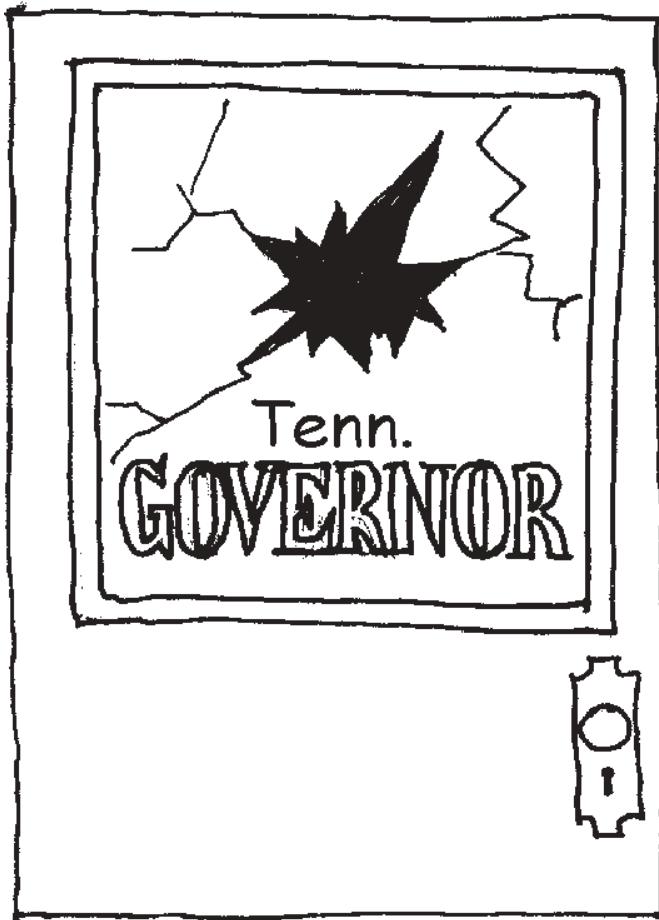
And just in case anyone thinks I'm in a better position to judge than these guys, I had one of my artists draw an addendum:



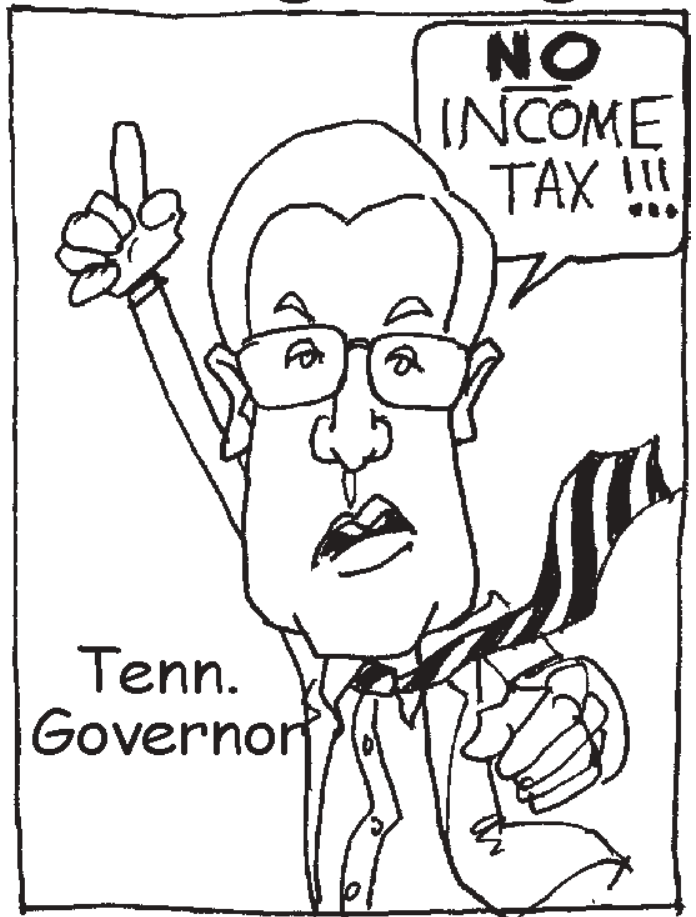
Tennessee Politax



The Cost of Breaking Things



One Broken Window:
A few dollars



One Broken Promise:
A few billion

Seemed Like a Good Idea at the Time

In late April, the IRS said they wanted their bill sent in.

During that same week, the people of Lookout and Signal Mountain learned their Bill would also be expiring.

Bill McAfee, who held the high honor of accepting Gov. Sundquist's request for him to sponsor the income tax bill, was replaced later that year by staunch income tax opponent Chris Clem (R-Lookout Mt.).

EXPIRED THIS WEEK!

Form **1040** Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service
U.S. Individual Income Tax Return 1999
 For the year Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1999, or other tax year beginning

L A B E L H E R E	Your first name and initial	Last name
	If a joint return, spouse's first name and initial	Last name
	Home address (number and street). (If you have a P.O. box, see page 18.)	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. (If you have a foreign address, see p	

Label
 (See instructions on page 18.)
Use the IRS label.
 Otherwise, please print or type.

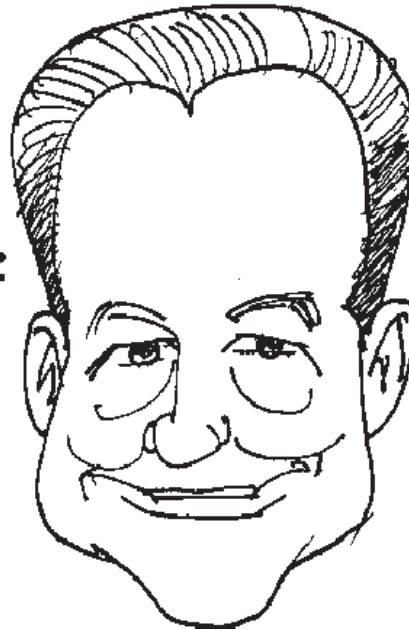
Presidential Election Campaign
 (See page 18.)

Do you want \$3 to go to this fund?
 If a joint return, does your spouse want \$3 to go to this fund?

INCOME TAX Bill

Income Tax BILL

(Rep. Bill McAfee,
 House Sponsor of
 Tenn. Income Tax,
 announces retirement)



Gov. Sundquist's Office Conducts Poll

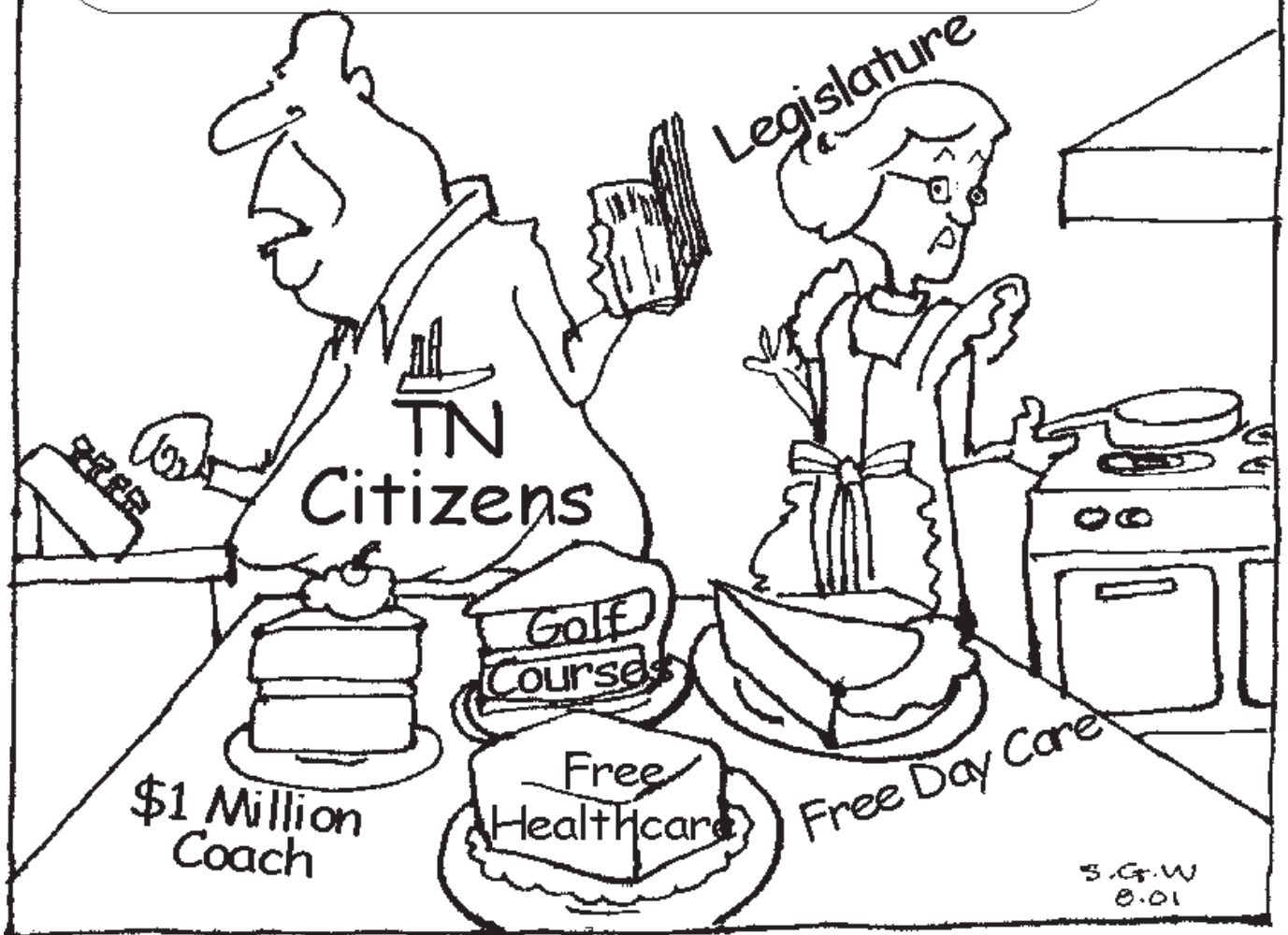


DO YOU BELIEVE THE PEOPLE ARE AWARE OF TENNESSEE'S CURRENT CRISIS AND SHOULD THERE BE REFORM?

☺ // ☆ YEH!
THE GOVERNOR SHOULD FIRE COACH FULMER RIGHT AWAY!



You're spending too much on flour and sugar!...and make me some more desserts!!!



SUNDQUIST PROPOSES \$1.2 BILLION INCREASE



OLD GOV. DONALD
HAD A FARM



“Solving the Problem”

There were lots of proposed solutions to the financial crisis, including the DOGS, then the CATS budgets. (See previous page.)

The Governor tried a short term solution to stop the bleeding: eliminating all “non-essential” positions. (Cartoon to your right.)

On the reverse side of the page, the twilight zone hit for Republicans when they avoided the income tax and “solved” the problem with a sales tax hike.

S.G.W.
7.02

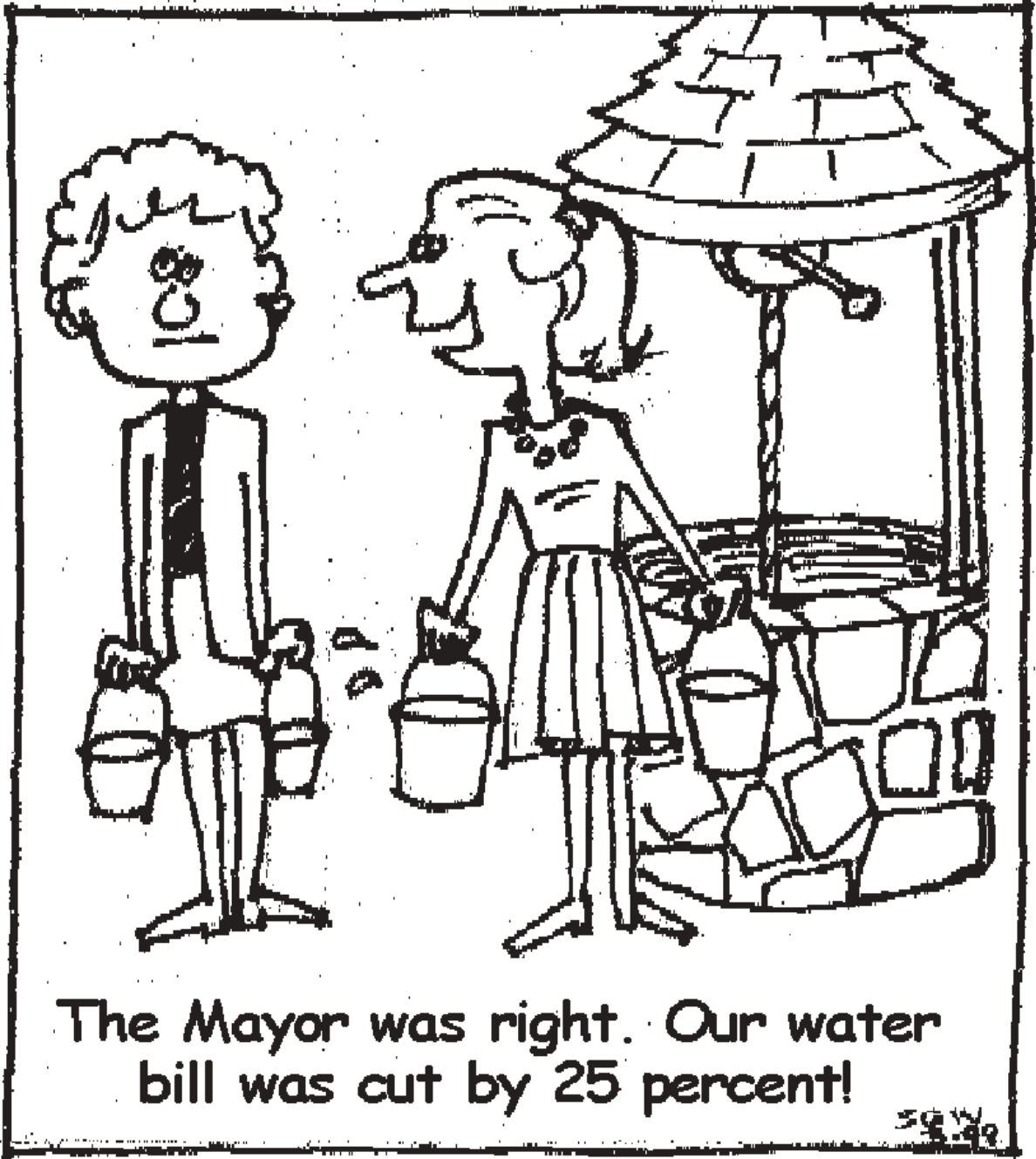
What about that guy over there?

He's essential, sir.





The Water Company Takeover



The Unanimous City Council Crumbles

When City Councilwoman Marti Rutherford announced she would oppose Mayor Kinsey’s ambitious plan to take over the privately-owned water company by eminent domain, it was the first “break in the dike” after a bunch of little leaks.

(And, since you had to ask: no. “Dike” has nothing to do with Marti.)

Takeover Dike Doesn't Hold Water



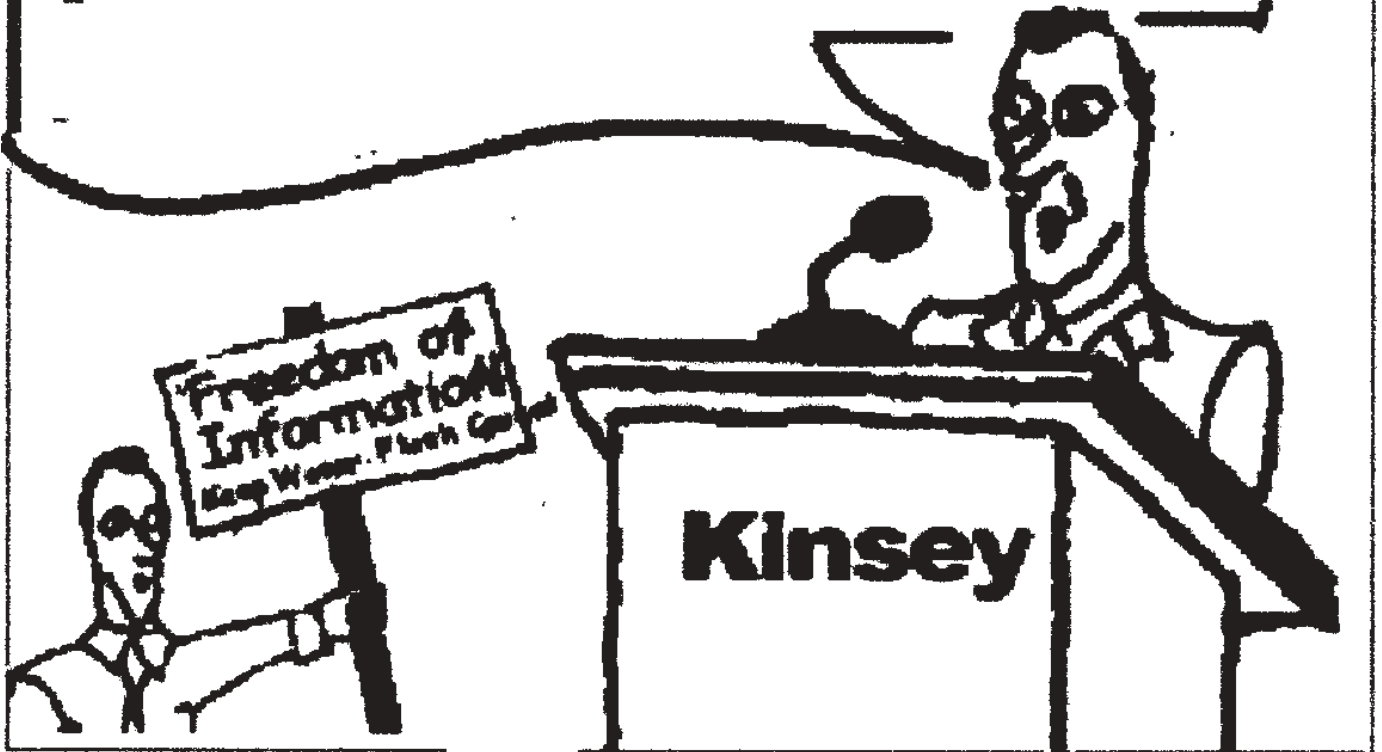
The Infamous Decosimo Report

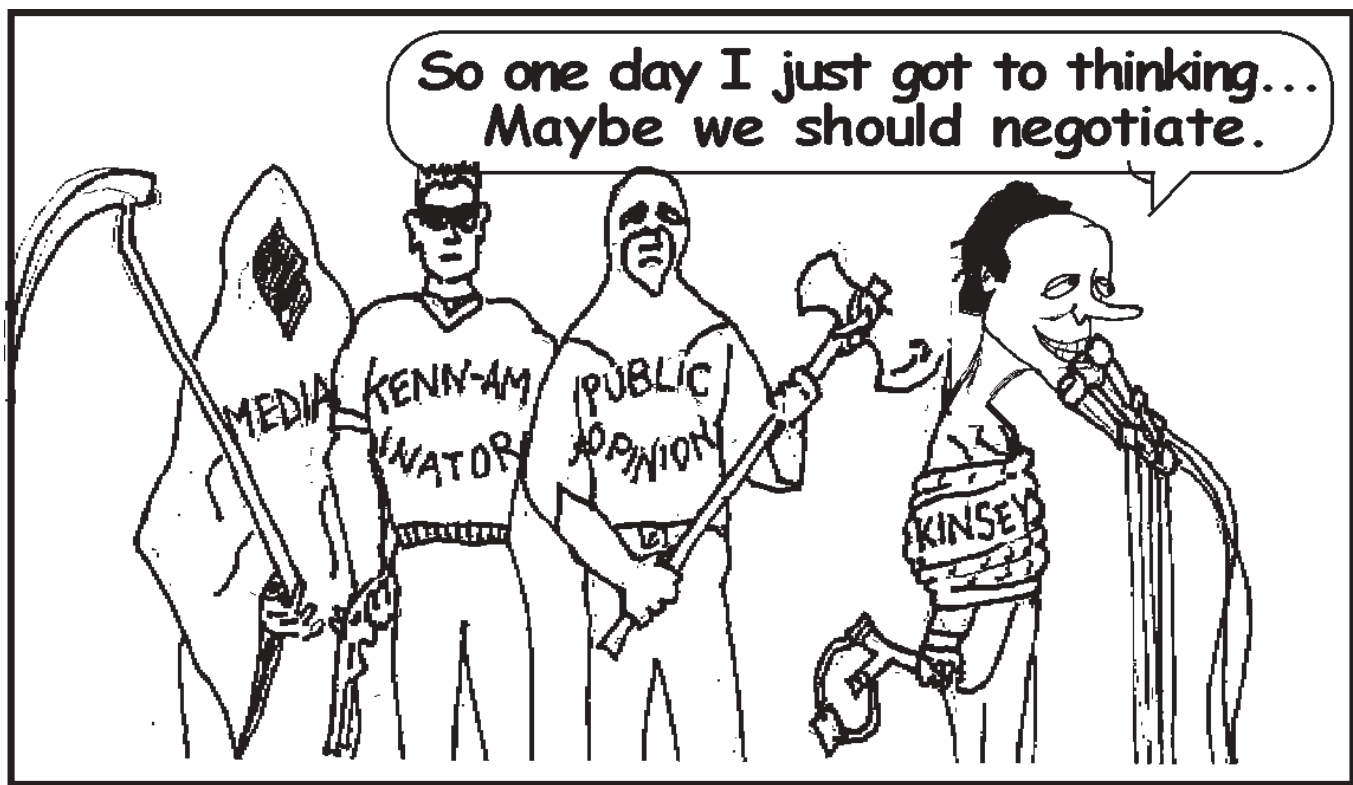
Asked why the city should take over TN-American Water Company, the mayor pointed squarely at the “Decosimo Report,” the feasibility study prepared by Joe Decosimo’s high-profile accounting firm.

Problem was, Kinsey wouldn’t let anyone actually see the Decosimo Report. (He said it was private between he and Joe, not public.) Ultimately, a judge ordered Kinsey to release it, but the battle was already over by the time the appeals court confirmed the ruling. Mayor Kinsey lost but didn’t have to pay the legal fees. (Uh...my legal fees :(I was the one who sued him :)

The cartoon to the right was *Chattanooga Fax*’s first, published around the time President Clinton claimed no relations with “that woman.”

I did NOT have public financial relations with THAT MAN....
Joe Decosimo!





Why the Mayor Didn't Release the Decosimo Report (below)

From the Desk of Joe Decosimo

DECOSIMO REPORT

\$1,000,000. - .42 + 2 BITS ÷ 1
X MUCHO DINERO = 0

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o	x	x
x	o	o

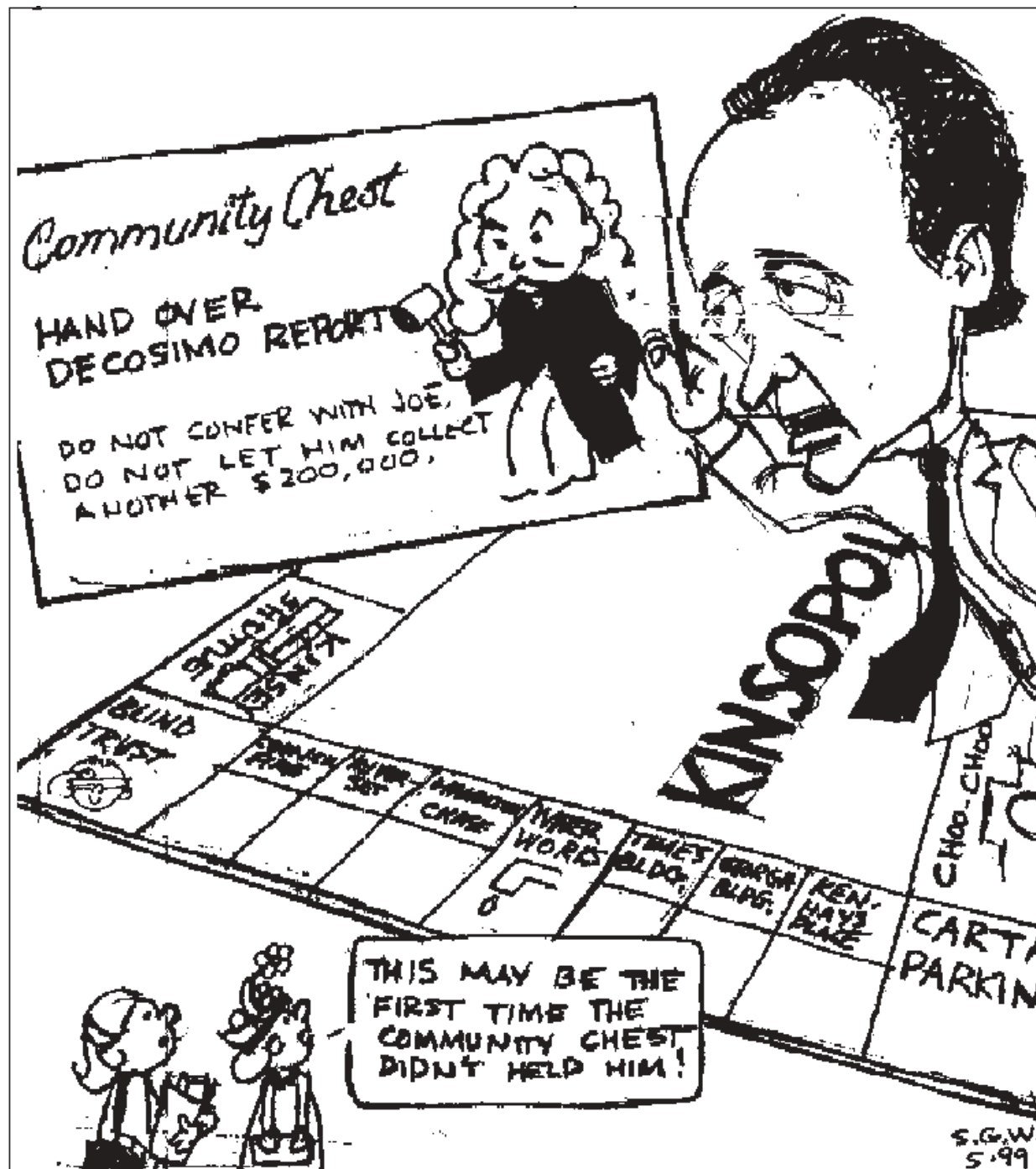


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x	x	o

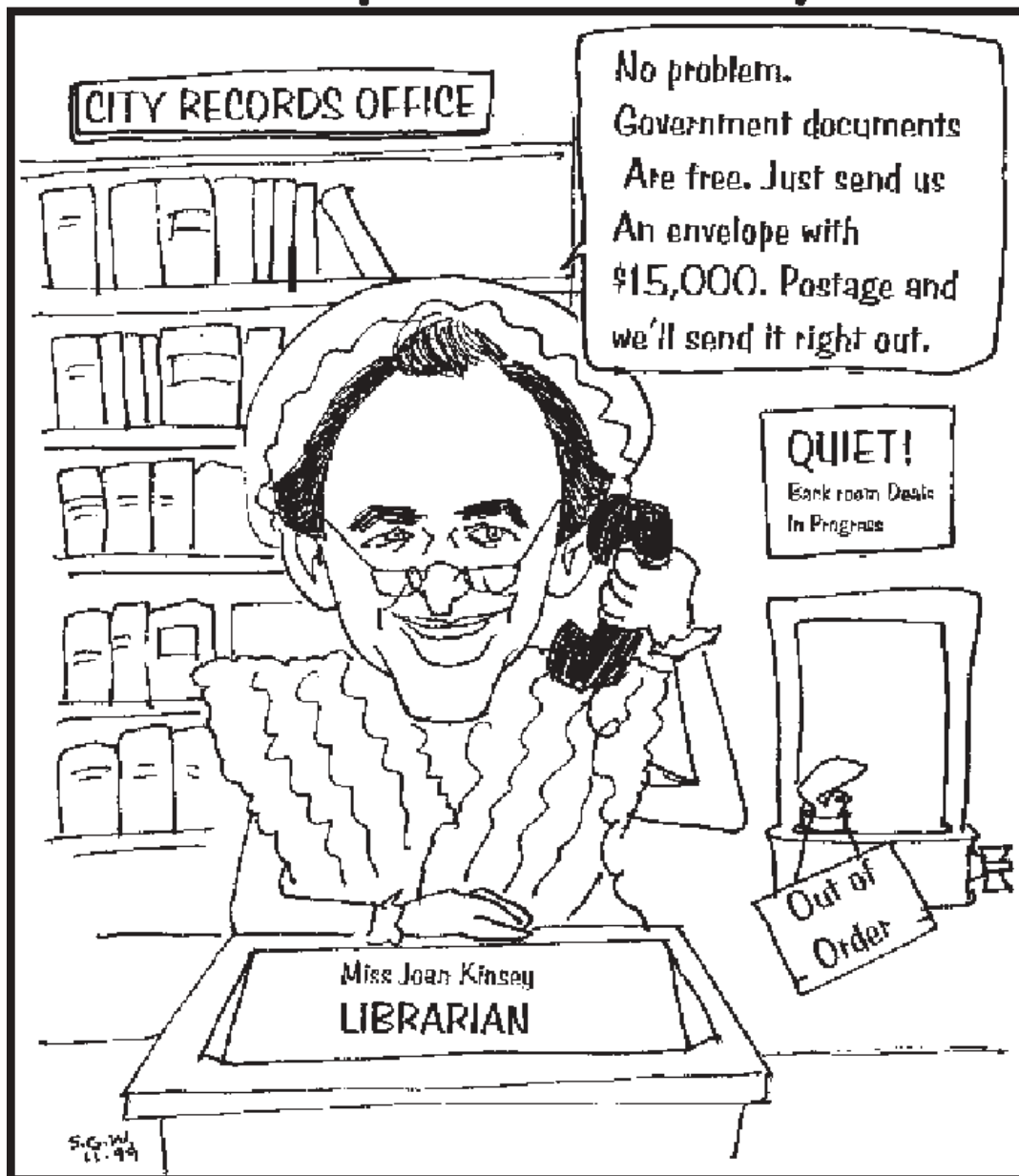
YES, IT'S FEASIBLE

Jon,
Great idea!
Go for it!

P.S. Keep this note
Secret. My
handwriting
is awful.
Thanks! Joe



Court Ruling: City to Hand Over Decosimo Report but Not Pay Costs





Publick Schools

IT'S SCHOOL TIME AGAIN!

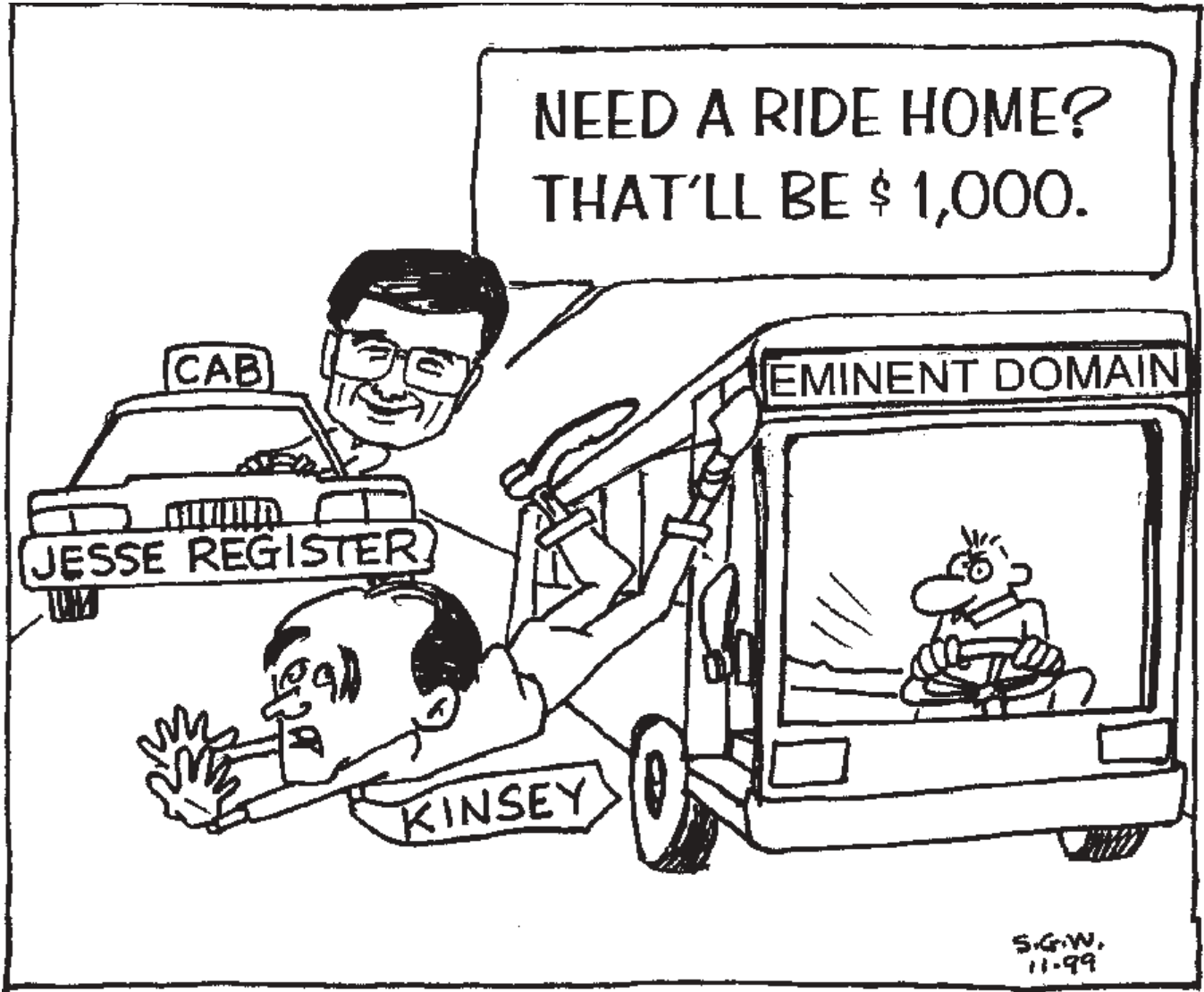


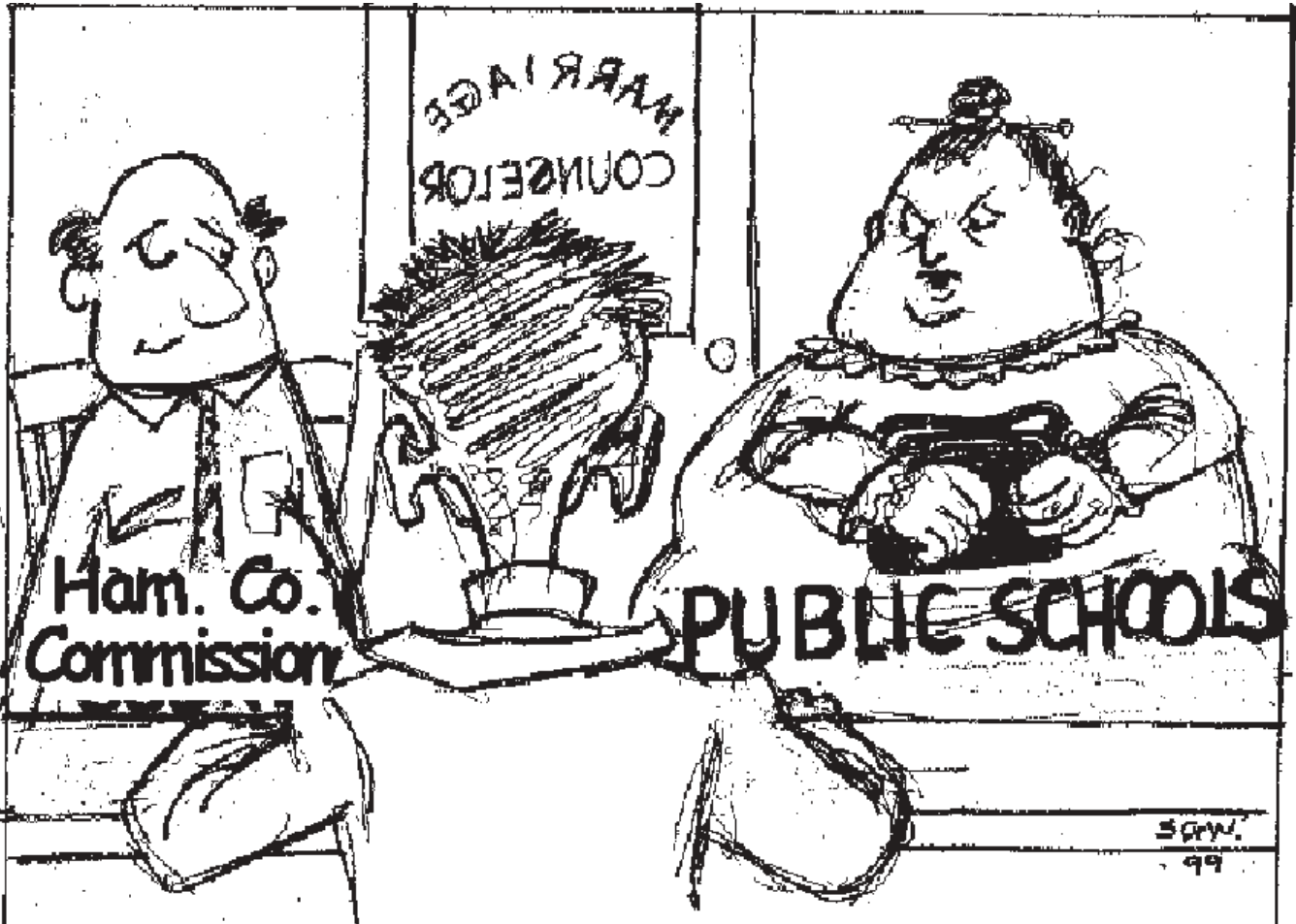


We've Trimmed All the Fat!

Just after Mayor Kinsey lost the water company takeover battle (or, got kicked off the eminent domain bus), Superintendent Jesse Register got another 15 minutes of fame when the story broke that \$40,000 a month was being spent to transport kids in taxi cabs.

It wasn't our simplest cartoon, but it's our best drawing of Jesse. So it made the cut.



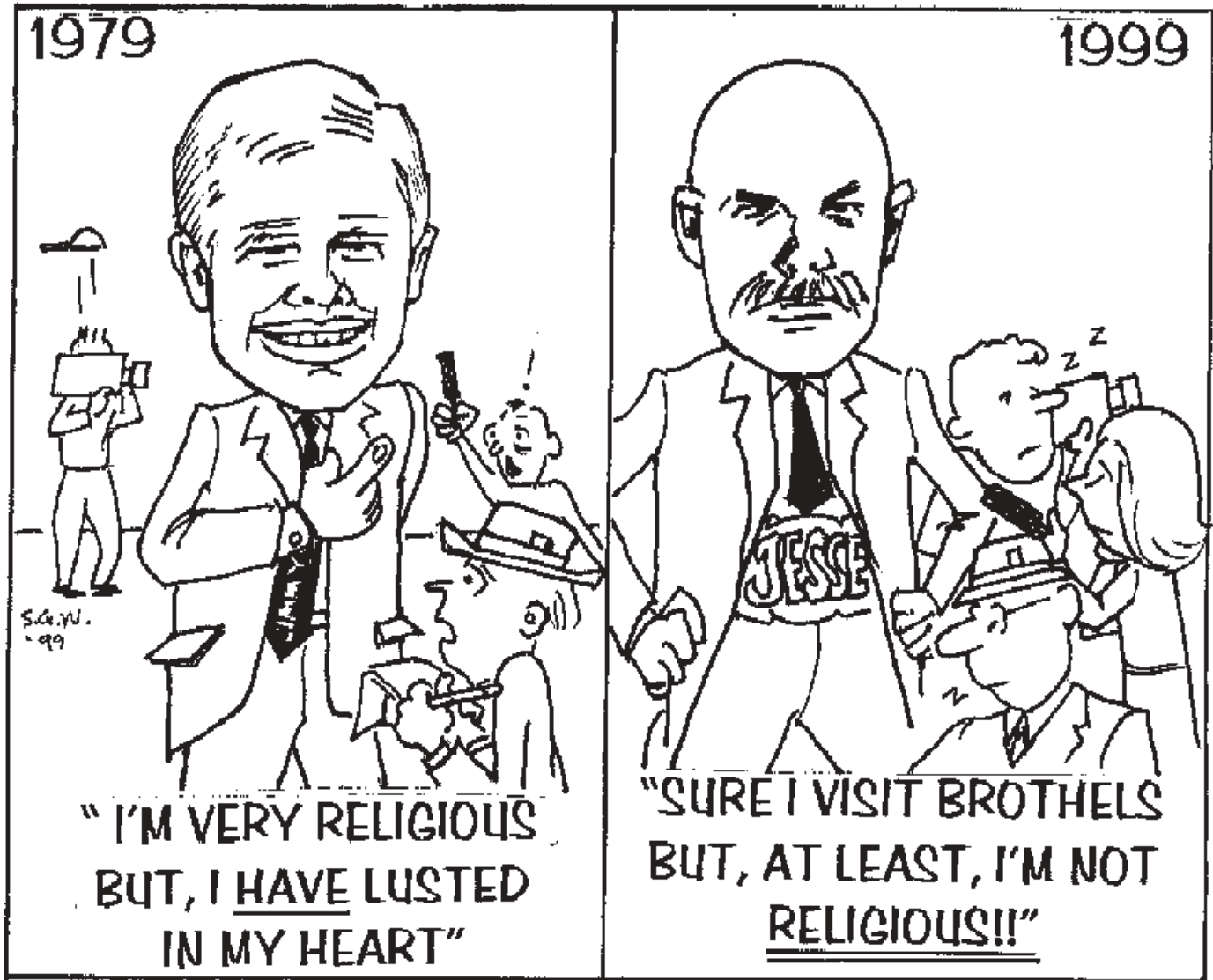


WE'VE DECIDED THAT IF WE
INCREASE OUR GROCERY MONEY
OUR LOVE LIFE WILL BE BETTER.
RIGHT HONEY?

National Cartoons

by the CHATTANOOGA FAX

Evolution of the PLAYBOY Interview



Centuries' Top African-American Actors Accept Awards

Sidney



Halle

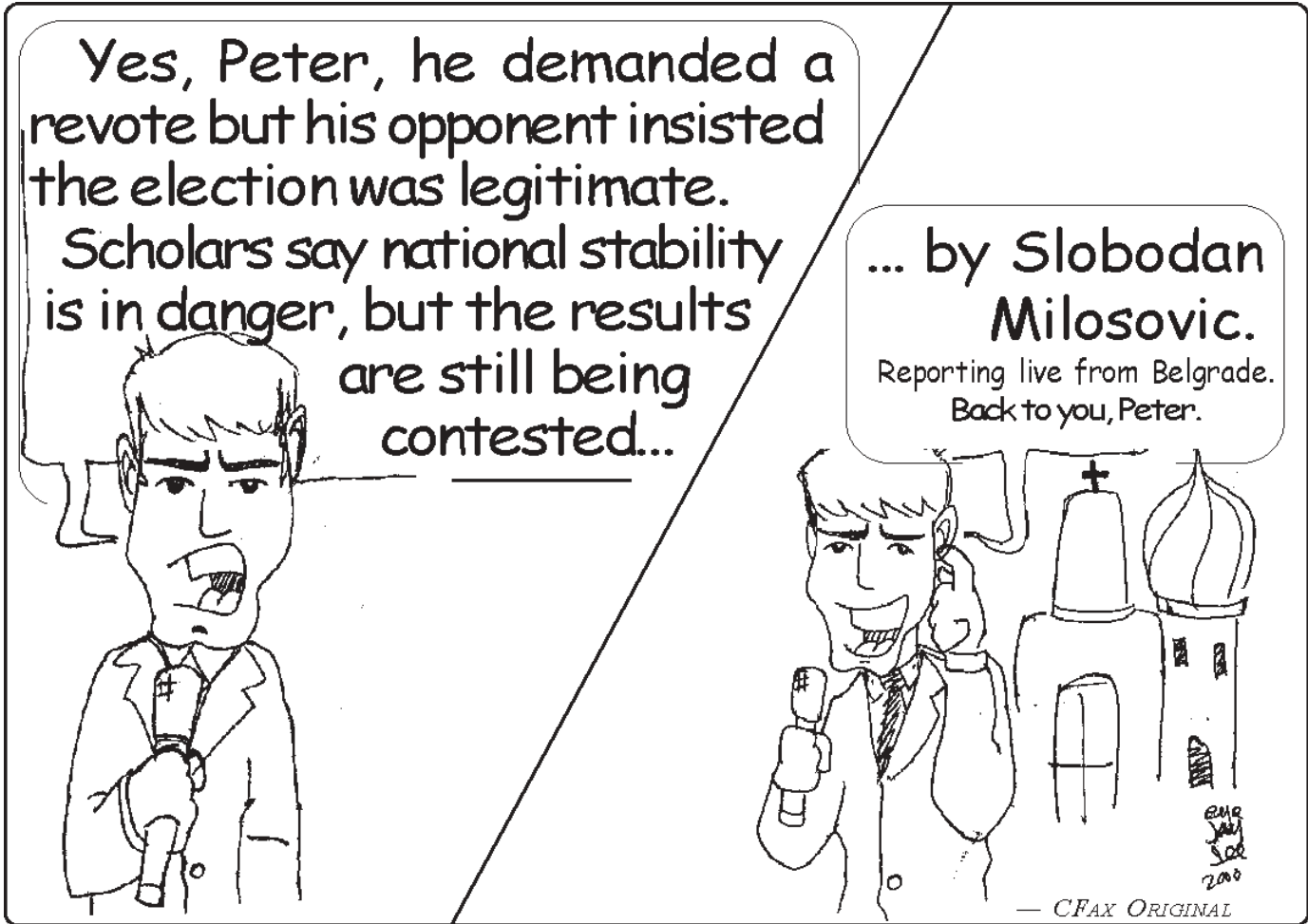


Denzel

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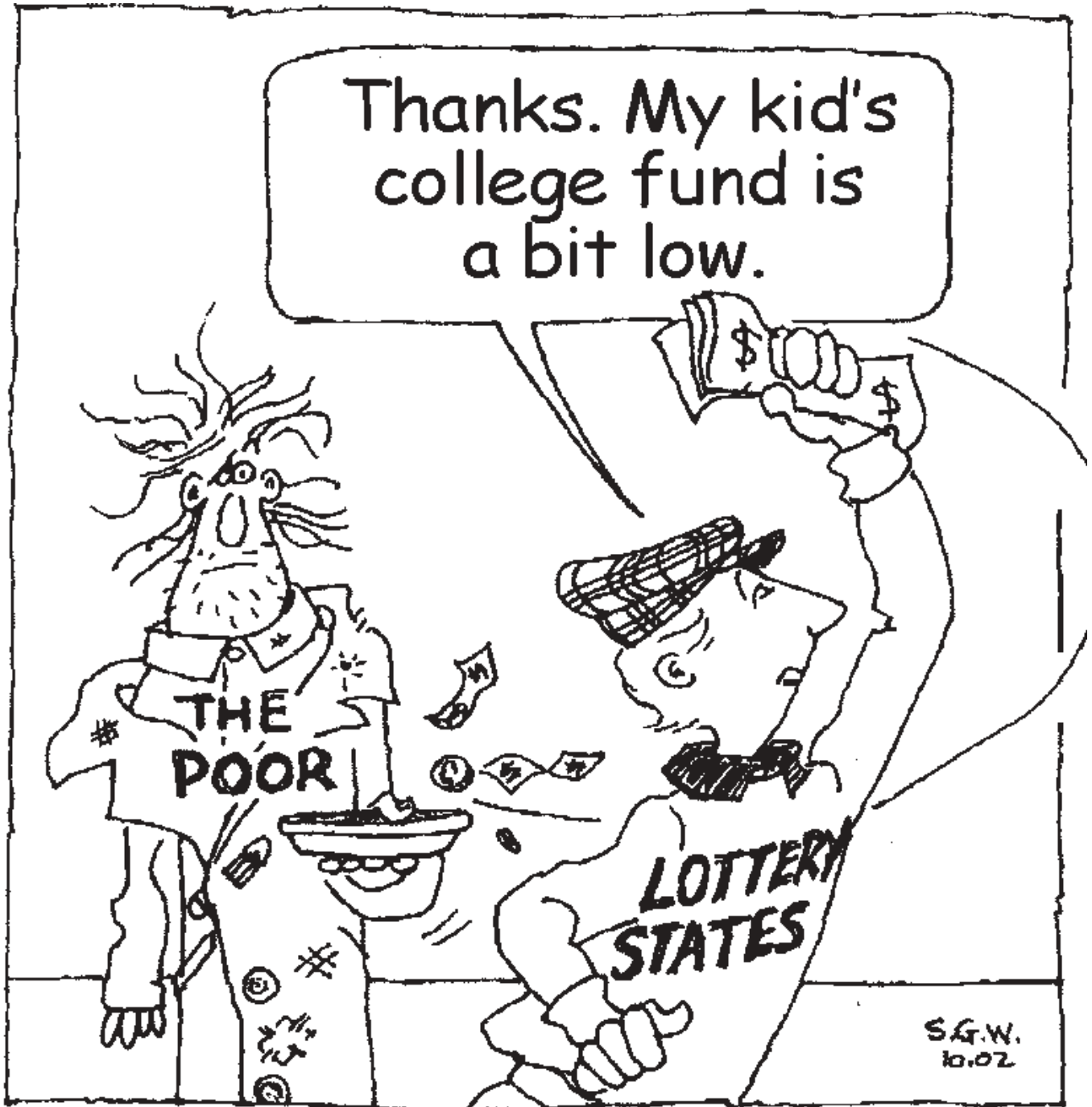


Jesse

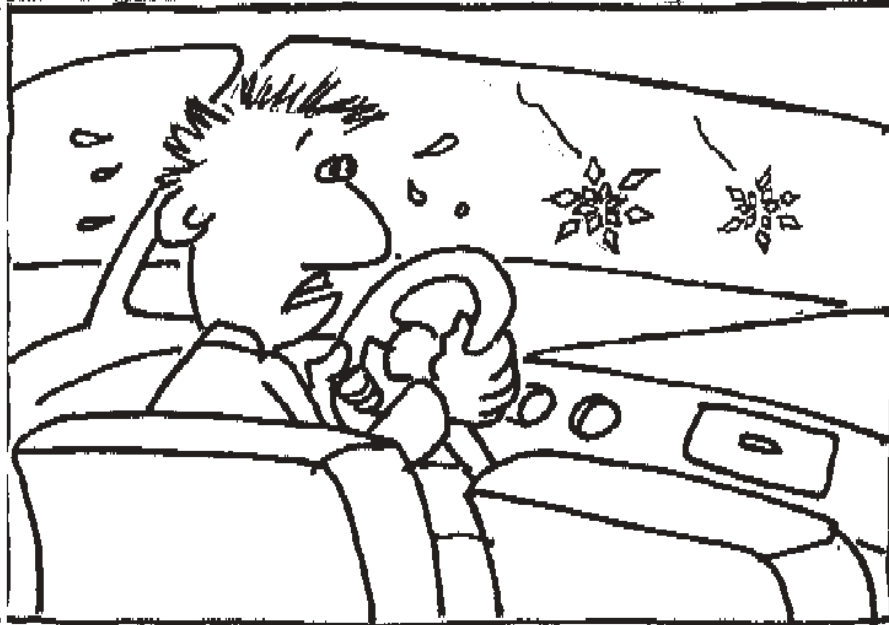


(Published when Gore was protesting the vote count in Florida.)

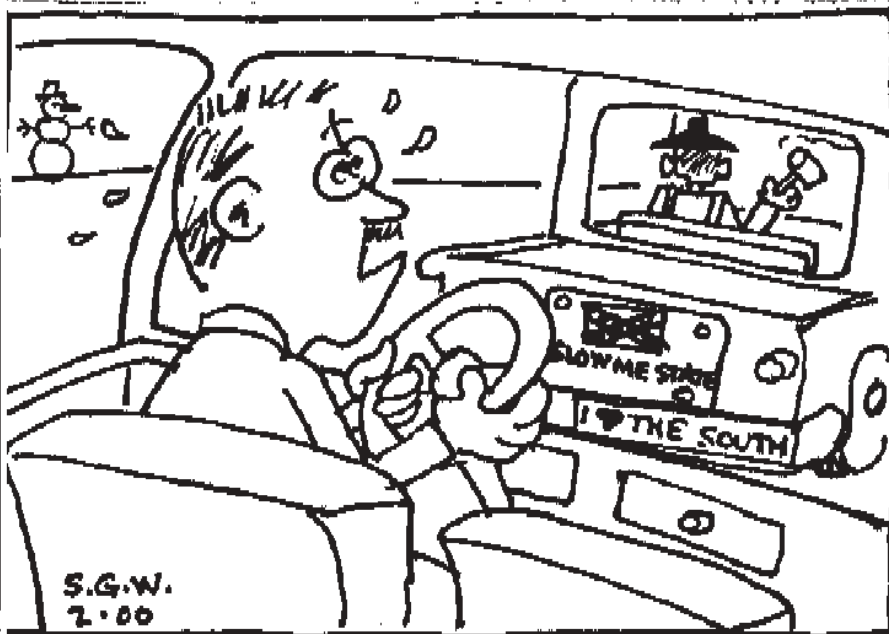
Thanks. My kid's college fund is a bit low.



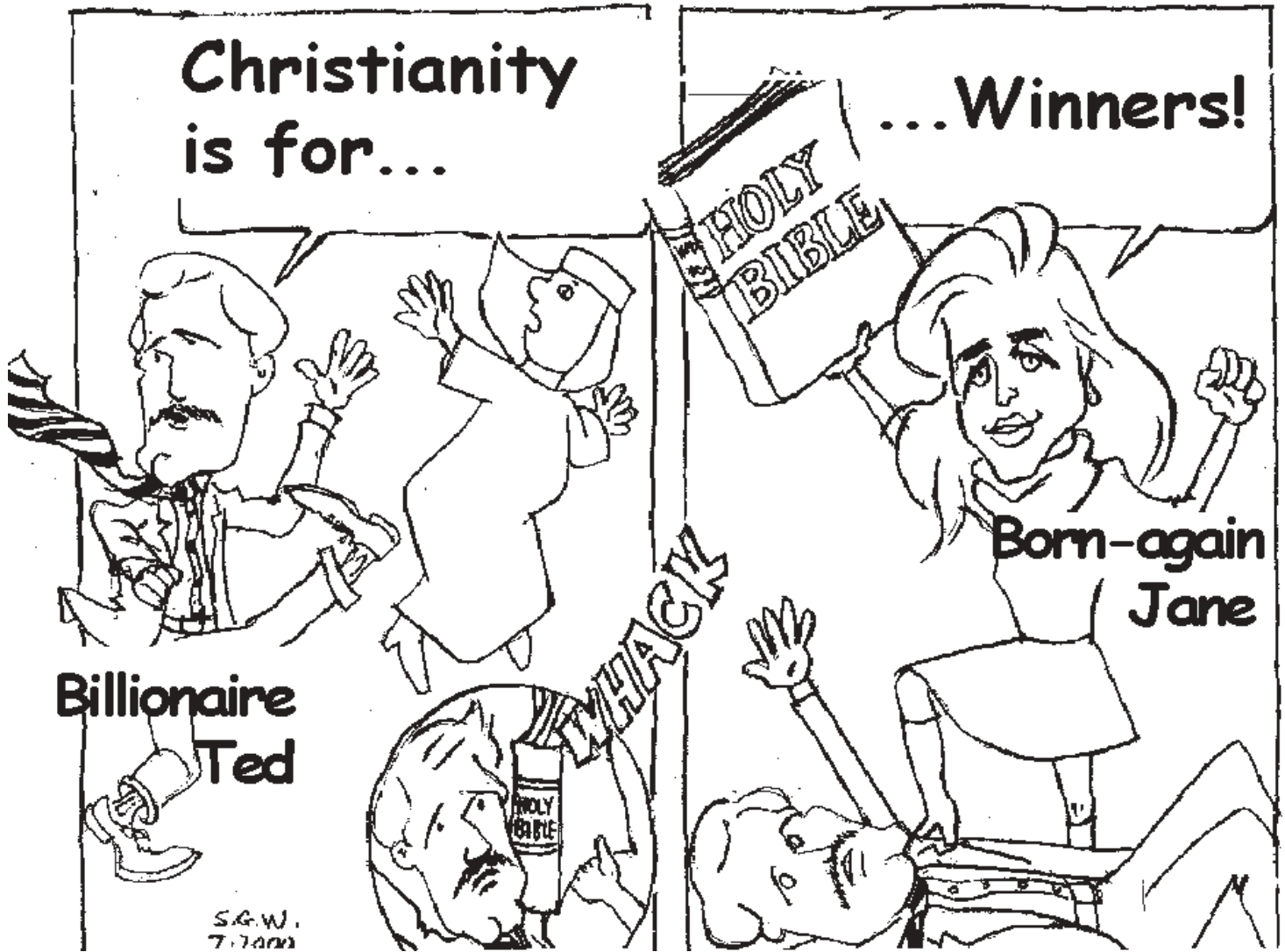
SOUTHERNER'S WORST DRIVING FEARS



NORTHERNER'S WORST DRIVING FEARS





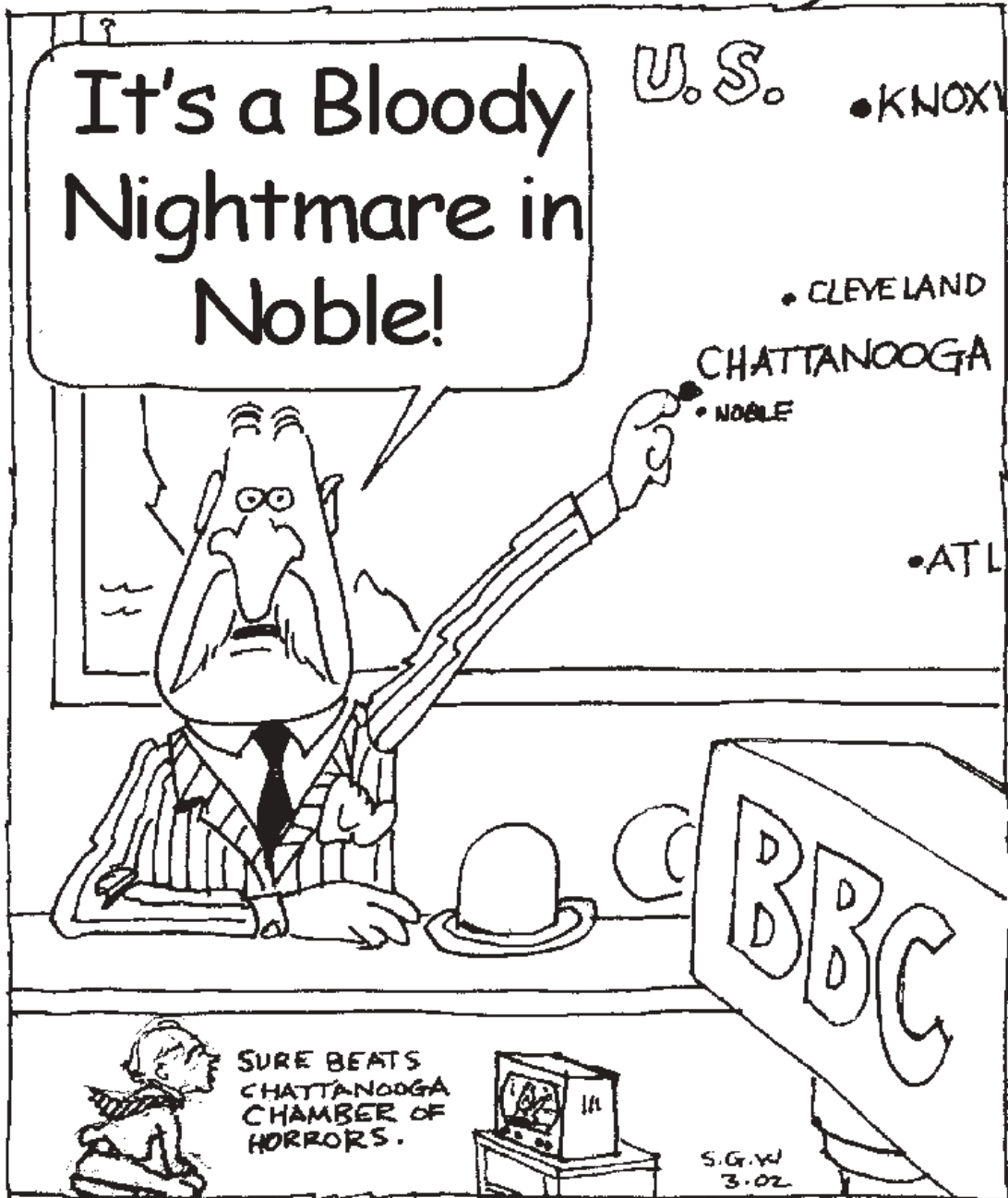


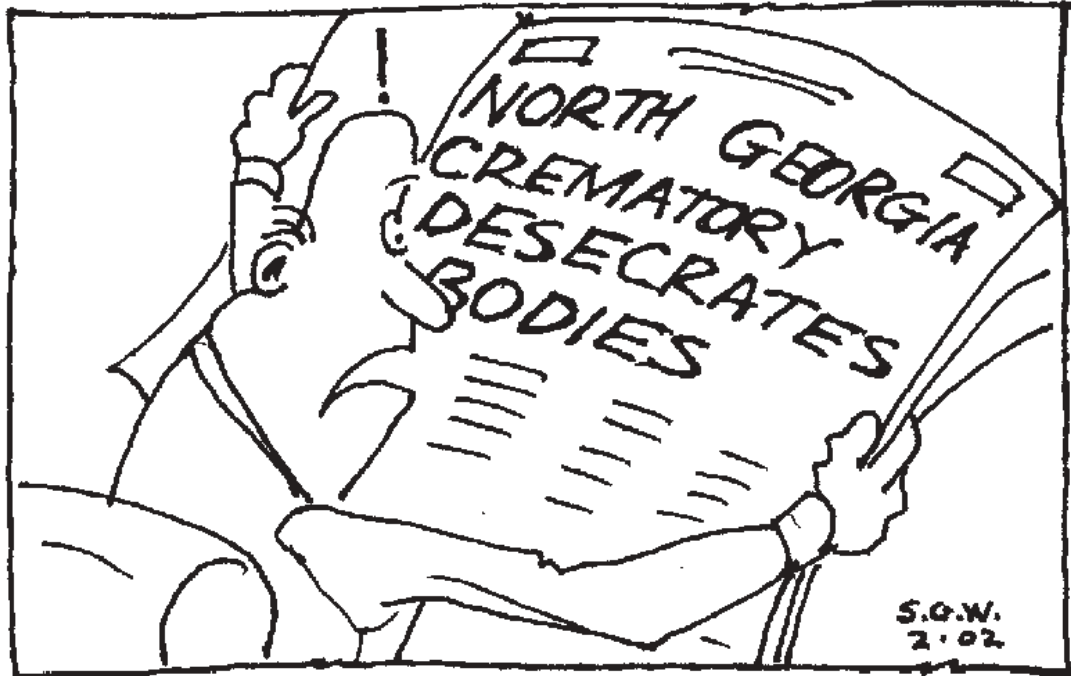
(Irony of cosmic proportions: Ted Turner, who proudly announced that Christianity is for losers, couldn't even convince his own wife. News reports confirmed that Jane Fonda had become a Christian of the born-again stripe.)

National Toons

w/ a Local Twist

Chattanooga's Public Relations Coup



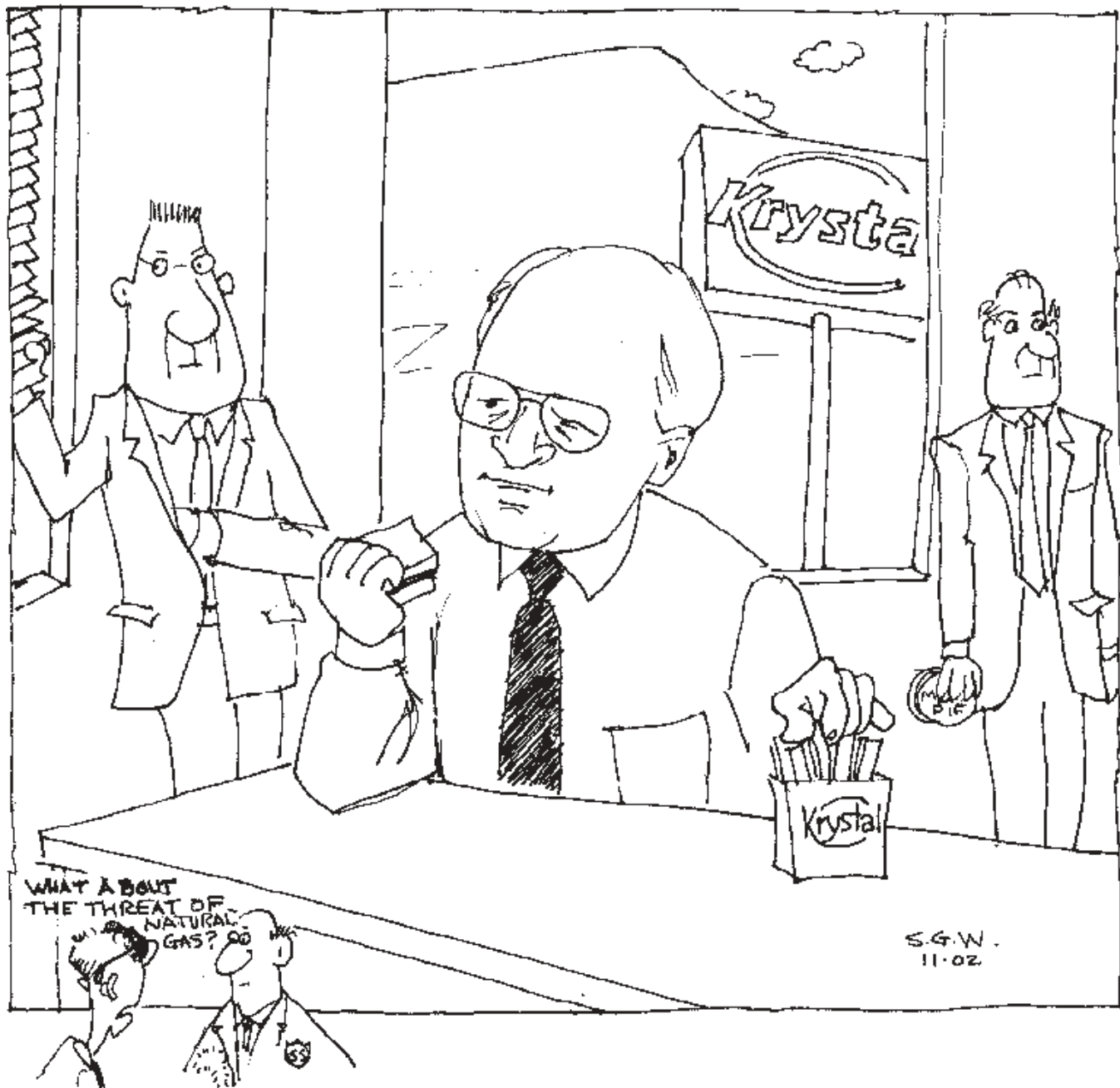


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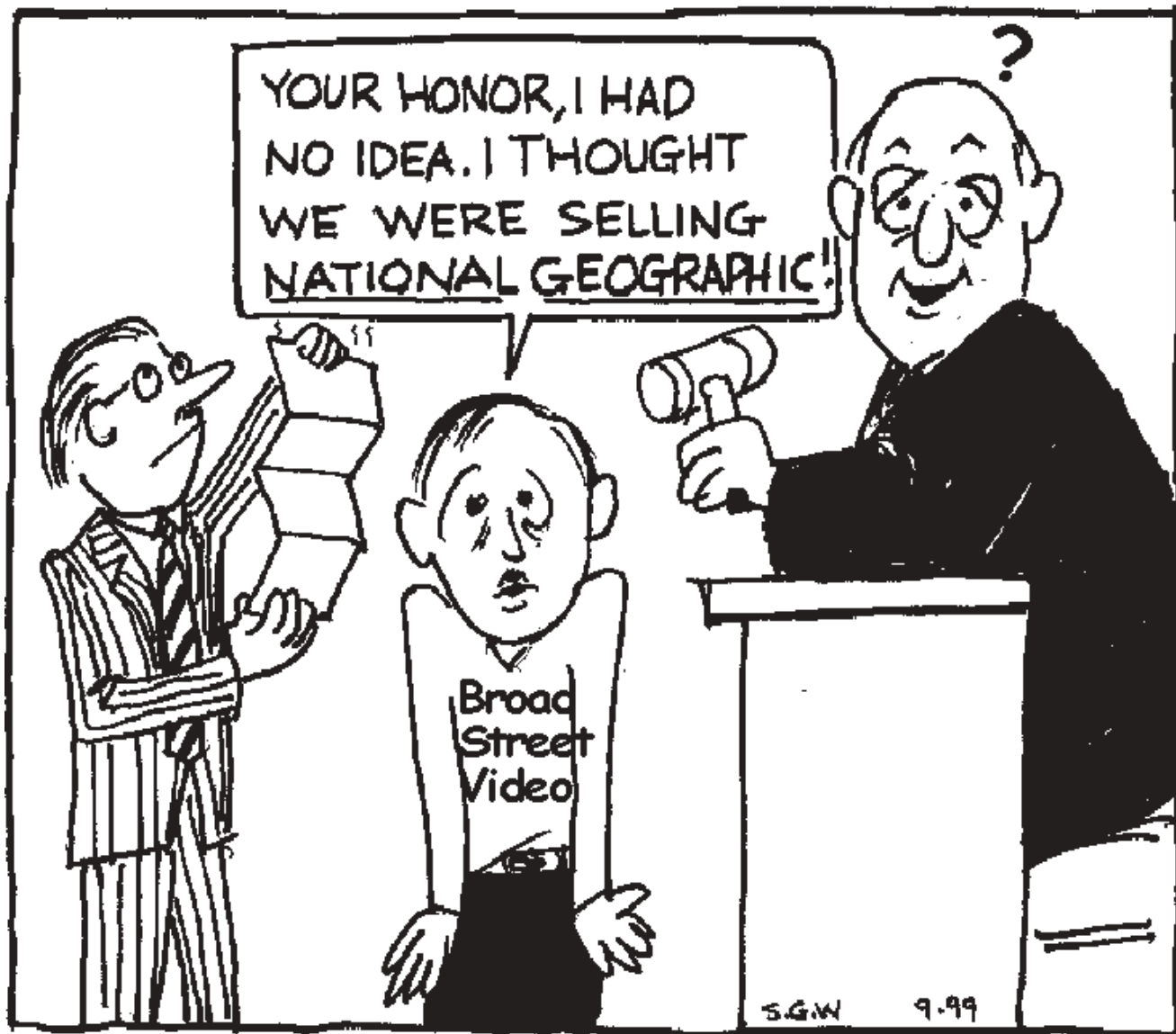
The familiar face to the right visited Chattanooga around the time the media always alluded to the “secret, undisclosed location” where he often hid.

The familiar figure on the following page was “On the Road Again” to Chattanooga just as the mall announced that anyone wearing headbands (a gang signal) would be removed.

The "Secret, Undisclosed Location"



Court Overturns Obscenity Conviction Says Porn Seller Had No 'Actual Knowledge'





Osama Runs Too Far...



....Way Too Far.

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