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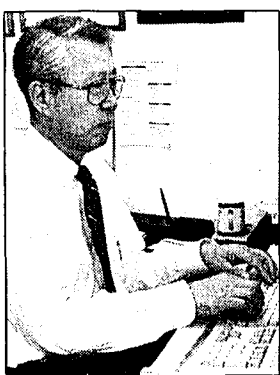
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## HIGHLIGHTS

**HOMICIDE DECREASE:** Gang-related homicides in South Los Angeles have dropped markedly—to two last month, compared with 16 reported last May—leading police to give new credit to the truce declared between warring black gangs. **B1**

**FUND-RAISING PROBE:** The Board of Supervisors asked the district attorney's office to investigate whether criminal charges should be lodged against county health officials whose bungled fund-raising efforts wasted \$726,019 in public money. **B3**

**INGLEWOOD SHOOTINGS:** A substantial amount of cocaine was found in the apartment where five people were shot to death Monday, suggesting that the residence was a center for drug trafficking, Inglewood police said. **B3**



LOU MACK / Los Angeles Times

**SUCCESS STORY:** Jay C. Kim, above, Republican congressional candidate in the new 41st District, has come a long way since coming to America 31 years ago. **B3**

### BILL BOYARSKY

The essence of Perotism, the new political movement sweeping the country, is an electronic version of power to the people. But the columnist wonders if the people would be up to the tedious task of government once the novelty and excitement of interactive "Town Halls" on radio and TV wore off. **B2**

### EDITORIALS

**A REKINDLED ISSUE:** Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin raised more questions than he answered about American POWs. Information about all Americans held in the Soviet Union since World War II must be dug out and promptly made available. **B6**

### COMMENTARY

**ROUGH JUSTICE:** The Supreme Court's support of the U.S.-arranged kidnaping of a Mexican will have fearful consequences for the rule of law on both sides of the border. By David J. Scheffer, a specialist in international law. **B7**

### ON THE RECORD

"Sir, don't tell us your underlings were responsible for this. You were as responsible as anyone else. . . . We on the Board of Supervisors have been bamboozled."

—Los Angeles County Supervisor Gloria Molina in accusing county health department Director Robert Gates of mismanaging the agency and its budget. **B3**

### FANTASY 5 RESULTS

JUNE 16

Tuesday's Winning Numbers: 18-24-28-35-38

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Tuesday's Winning Cards:

- ♥ Hearts: King
- ♣ Clubs: 8
- ♦ Diamonds: Ace
- ♠ Spades: 6

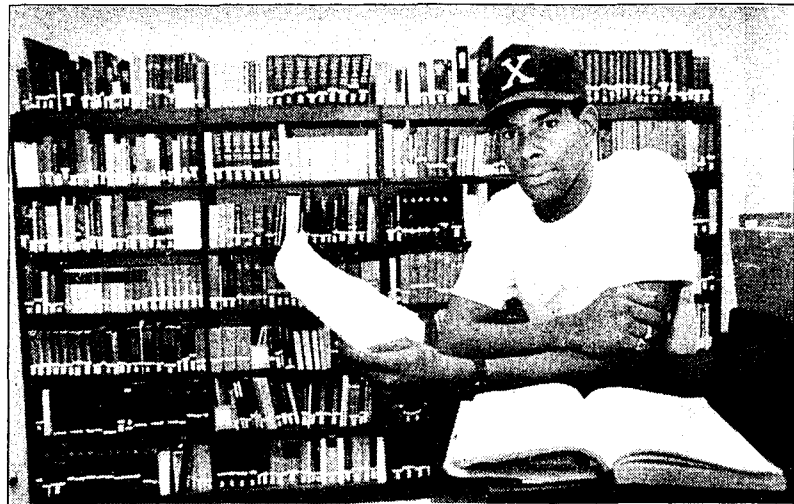
### DAILY 3

Tuesday's Winning Numbers: 9-6-1

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## A Blueprint for Peace



JIM MENDENHALL / Los Angeles Times

Anthony Perry holds Bloods and Crips peace treaty, with book he used as inspiration.

Here are excerpts from an original draft of a peace treaty being proposed by a group of ex-gang members from Watts and the 1949 Egyptian-Israeli General Armistice Agreement on which it is based. The gang treaty is an attempt to formalize an ongoing truce between the Bloods and Crips. The 1949 agreement was aimed at ending fighting in Palestine, although that cease-fire did not hold.

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A CEASE-FIRE

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2. NO ELEMENT OF THE LAND OR AIR MILITARY OR PARA-MILITARY FORCES OF EITHER PARTY, INCLUDING NON-REGULAR FORCES, SHALL COMMIT ANY WARLIKE OR HOSTILE ACT AGAINST THE MILITARY OR PARA-MILITARY FORCES OF THE OTHER PARTY, OR AGAINST CIVILIANS IN TERRITORY UNDER THE CONTROL OF THAT PARTY; OR SHALL ADVANCE BEYOND OR PASS OVER FOR ANY PURPOSE WHATSOEVER THE ARMISTICE DEMARCATION LINE SET FORTH IN ARTICLE VI OF THIS AGREEMENT EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN ARTICLE III OF THIS AGREEMENT; AND ELSEWHERE SHALL NOT VIOLATE THE INTERNATIONAL FRONTIER; OR ENTER INTO OR PASS THROUGH THE AIR SPACE OF THE OTHER PARTY OR THROUGH THE WATERS WITHIN THREE MILES OF THE COASTLINE OF THE OTHER PARTY.

2. No element of the land, sea or air military or para-military forces of either Party, including non-regular forces, shall commit any warlike or hostile act against the military or para-military forces of the other Party, or against civilians in territory under the control of that Party; or shall advance beyond or pass over for any purpose whatsoever the Armistice Demarcation Line set forth in Article VI of this Agreement except as provided in Article III of this Agreement; and elsewhere shall not violate the international frontier; or enter into or pass through the air space of the other Party or through the waters within three miles of the coastline of the other Party.

## Ex-Gang Members Look to Mideast for a Peace Plan

■ **Truce:** Group uses 1949 cease-fire agreement between Egypt and Israel as the basis for an agreement among L.A.'s Bloods and Crips.

By JESSE KATZ and ANDREA FORD  
TIMES STAFF WRITERS

If it was a good idea for a warring corner of the Middle East, it just might work for the Bloods and Crips.

So figures a group of ex-gang members who are seeking to cement the ongoing truce in South Los Angeles by looking to another seemingly intractable conflict—the 1948 war between Israel and Egypt that briefly ended in 1949 with a United Nations treaty.

As Los Angeles was erupting in flames, these young men were digging up a copy of the armistice agreement, translating the stilted diplomatic language into street terms and adding a few of their own rules prohibiting such things as profanity, graffiti and the brandishing of weapons on rival turf.

A section of the Egyptian-Israeli accord banning "aggressive

action by the armed forces" was changed to "no aggressive action by the leading influential gang members." A reference to stopping attacks by land, sea or air became a prohibition on "drive-by shootings and random slayings."

"In both cases, you have two peoples who are basically related but divided," said Anthony Perry, 30, a former gang member who helped adapt the accord to the rules of the streets. "To me, that was profound."

Although the document is being fine-tuned and has not been circulated among most gang members, Perry and his colleagues are hopeful that the treaty will formalize what so far has been only a verbal agreement between some Bloods and Crips factions.

By next month, they plan to present the accord to the four principal gangs in Watts, where the first link in the truce was forged between the Grape Street Crips at the Jordan Downs housing project and the PJs at Imperial Courts weeks before the riot.

"Many of them are very intelligent and some are very sophisticated," said VG Guines, director of Save Every Youngster Youth Enterprise Society, one of the oldest gang counseling centers in

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## Police Give Truce Credit for Drop in Gang Killings

By LESLIE BERGER  
TIMES STAFF WRITER

Gang-related homicides in South Los Angeles have dropped markedly—to two last month, compared with 16 in May, 1991—leading police to give new credit to the truce declared between warring black gangs, a high-ranking police official told the Police Commission on Tuesday.

"There's no question there has been a real decrease in violence among black gangs," said Deputy Police Chief Matthew J. Hunt, who commands the department's South Bureau.

"They have come together," Hunt continued. "How they have is very difficult to determine. Personally, I think it was an outgrowth of a lot of frustration and a lot of concern about the violence that was ongoing."

Deputy Police Chief Ronald A. Frankle, who represented outgo-

ing Police Chief Daryl F. Gates at the meeting Tuesday, told commissioners that no statistics have been prepared to compare recent gang violence in the South Bureau—known for the most violence by black gangs in the city—with the Police Department's Central, West and Valley bureaus.

Later, Hunt said that street robberies in the South Bureau had risen in the past few weeks and that drug dealing continued to be high, though he was unable to say whether gangs were responsible. But he reiterated that gang-related violence—namely drive-by shootings and homicides between Bloods and Crips—had dropped, and he expressed cautious optimism about the weekly parties that have brought longtime rivals together.

"I would like to think these gatherings will have some long-

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## One Word Stalls Saudi Visa: Jewish

■ **Religion:** Auction firm said it had a difficult time getting permission for L.A. businessman to bid at disposal of U.S. goods from Gulf War.



John Schwartz

A Woodland Hills businessman who spent five months in a Nazi concentration camp may miss an auction of U.S. war material left in Saudi Arabia after the Persian Gulf War because he has refused to hide his Jewish faith.

John Schwartz, who has earned a living for 25 years buying and selling surplus government equipment, wants to travel to Saudi Arabia in two weeks to bid on millions of dollars worth of scrap metal, trucks, tents and

other military hardware no longer needed by the Department of Defense.

At first, the Saudis all but said no to Schwartz, a native of Hungary whose parents were executed by the Nazis in 1944. The problem: The word Jewish under the religion classification on his visa application.

In a letter June 3 from the Saudi firm contracted by the Defense Department to run the auction, Schwartz's busi-

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## State's Senators Join Shipyard Dispute

■ **Navy:** They oppose plan to keep Long Beach facility from bidding on work for ships based in San Diego.

By JAMES BORNEMEIER  
TIMES STAFF WRITER

WASHINGTON—California's senators are siding with a group of Los Angeles and Orange County congressmen who are up in arms over Rep. Duncan Hunter's (R-Coronado) efforts to keep the Long Beach Naval Shipyard from bidding on short-term ship repair jobs now performed exclusively by San Diego companies.

At stake are jobs and millions of dollars in repair work at a time when military and defense-related spending are rapidly shrinking in Southern California. The battle is also a test of politicians' ability to deliver much-needed financial help to their respective districts.

Hunter labeled the attempted diversion of repair work to Long Beach as the "snatching" of San Diego jobs and said it would disrupt San Diego Navy families who want to spend time together

when ships visit port.

But Rep. Dana Rohrabacher (R-Huntington Beach), whose district includes Long Beach, said Tuesday that "Duncan is putting up a tremendous fight to protect the interests of his district over the interests of the country."

The Long Beach ban was included in the defense authorization bill passed by the House two weeks ago despite letters of protest to Navy Secretary Lawrence H. Garrett and two attempts to thwart Hunter's plan in committee.

Navy rules already call for the

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## 3 Held in Deaths of Catering Truck Workers

By MICHAEL CONNELLY  
TIMES STAFF WRITER

Three men were arrested Tuesday in the slayings of five catering truck workers—including a 13-year-old boy—who were kidnaped in North Hollywood last year and executed, authorities said.

Police identified the suspects as Tony Rivera III, 32, of Los Angeles; Lawrence Aquinaga, 36, of Santa Maria and Edward M. Tafolla, 24, of Los Angeles. Investigators said, however, that no

details of the arrests or the evidence linking the men to the killings would be released until after the district attorney's office files charges later this week.

Lt. John Dunkin said all three men were being held without bail. The bodies of the five catering truck workers were discovered near a guardrail in remote La Tuna Canyon, near Sunland, Dec. 10.

The victims were the truck's owner, Ismael Cervantes, 43, of Sylmar; his son, Ismael Jr., 13; brothers Heriberto and Jesus

Sandoval, 16 and 19 respectively, and Francisco Gasca, 31. All of them lived in North Hollywood.

They had been shot and stabbed and their hands were bound, investigators said. Two days before the bodies were discovered, their catering truck was found ransacked and abandoned in North Hollywood. It had last been seen Dec. 7 on Lankershim Boulevard.

The killings spread fear through the ranks of hundreds of catering truck operators. Many

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