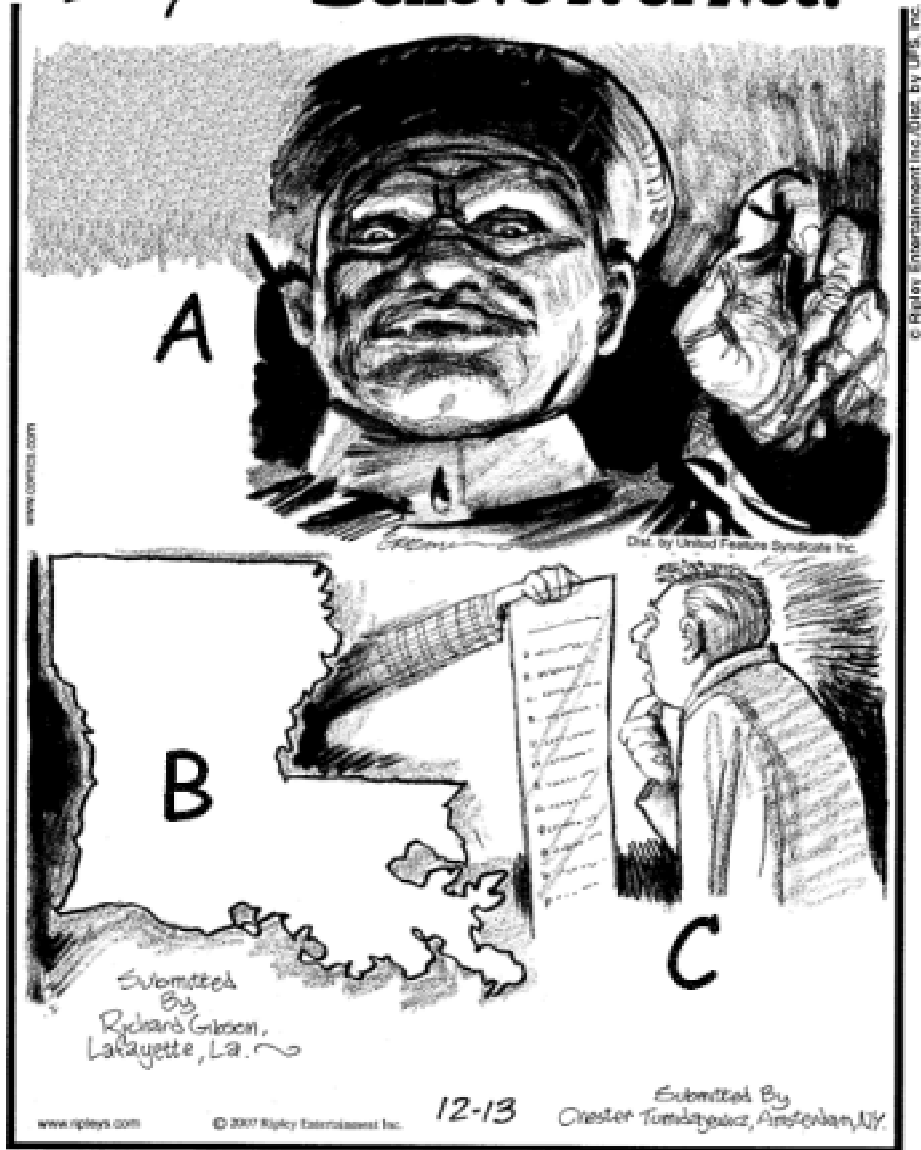


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< TASK 1 > Read the articles (1) to (3).
And figure out which article they come from.
Write A, B, or C.

- (1) _____ In Spanish-ruled Louisiana (1762-1802), a gathering of eight or more non-Catholics was illegal!
- (2) _____ There were so many candidates in Bulgaria's 2007 local elections that the ballots were 6 1/2 feet long!
- (3) _____ "Chinese Vampire" Li Man-Yiu of Hong Kong was arrested for stealing and drinking two vials of blood from a hospital laboratory in Sept. 2007!

<TASK 2> Answer the questions.

- (4) In Spanish-ruled Louisiana, could eight or more non-Catholics have a gathering?
- (5) How long was the ballots of Bulgaria's 2007 local elections?
- (6) What was Li arrested for?

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<ANSWERS>

- (1) B (2) C (3) A
- (4) No, they couldn't.
- (5) They were 6 1/2 feet long.
- (6) He was arrested for stealing and drinking two vials of blood.

<WORDS & PHRASES>

"Chinese Vampire" 「中国版吸血鬼」
 Li Man-Yiu (人名)
 Hong Kong 「香港」(地名)
 was arrested for stealing and drinking ~ 「~を盗んで飲み逮捕された」

two vials of blood 「血液2瓶」
 from a hospital laboratory 「病院の研究室から」
 in Sept. 2007 「2007年9月に」

In Spanish-ruled Louisiana
 「スペイン(国名)支配下のルイジアナ(地名)では」
 (1762-1802) 「1762年から1802年まで」
 a gathering of eight or more non-Catholics
 「カトリック信者でない人が8人以上集まること」
 was illegal 「違法だった」

There were so many ~ that ... 「とても多くの~がいたので、...」

candidates 「立候補者」
 Bulgaria's 2007 local elections
 「ブルガリア(国名)の2007年地方選挙」

the ballots 「投票用紙」
 were 6 1/2 feet long 「6フィート半の長さがあった」