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N.C. Builders Look For Single-Dwelling Advance

By The Associated Press
Single-family housing starts in North Carolina will rise 20-30 per cent in 1977 with multi-family housing starts up 10 per cent, predicts Nick DeMai, executive vice president of the North Carolina Homebuilders Association.

"I think the general economy is going to pick up next year and the buyer attitude will be better," said DeMai. "People feel more secure in their jobs. And I think people are now getting used to higher interest rates in the 8 1/2-9 per cent range."

The anticipated increase in housing starts represents a boom to builders, real estate agents and mortgage

bankers, who say the state's housing industry has not recovered from the 1974-75 recession.

Improvement in residential housing construction during 1976 was offset by a lag in commercial and public works projects.

Single-family housing residential building permits in 38 North Carolina cities were up 44 per cent through October compared to the same period in 1975. The value of all construction permits, however, was down 2.3 per cent.

"This was a good year, but not a great year," said Mike McAndrew, market analyst for Cameron-Brown Co., a mortgage banking firm in

Raleigh. "It's like wine — 1974 was undrinkable and everybody was glad to see '76. But 1977 promises to be a vintage year."

However, most officials expect commercial and income-producing projects to remain sluggish in 1977.

"I think it will take the balance of 1977 to get back in the position where it makes sense to finance new office buildings," said Kenneth Brown, head of income properties for Cameron-Brown. "There is still a softness in speculative building."

"You've got to have rents high enough to get a satisfactory return on costs to build and I think it will be

early 1978 before the formula is right to build an office building," he said. "I don't see any big commercial projects being built here next year. There's not really a need for any more big shopping centers."

The overall pace of the building industry is expected to quicken, experts say, for several reasons:

—Mortgage interest rates are expected to remain stable or even drop slightly.

—Demand for housing appears high and the period of "overbuilding" is nearly over.

—North Carolina's general economy is growing stronger.

—The price of new and

existing homes is rising, but not as rapidly as in previous years.

—Apartment occupancy rates now appear solid and are catching up with other price increases.

"The key to construction is interest rates holding stable," said Ed Harrington of Cameron-Brown's residential construction office in Raleigh. "The interest rate (in 1977) should hold between 8-9 per cent."

"More houses are coming on now than in the past two years," he said, "but there will be conservative planning because of the recent crunch. Nobody wants to get stuck with 25 houses."

Ex-Mental Patient Held In Durham Quiz Suspected Sniper

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — A former mental patient, wanted by Durham police on three felonious assault charges and for questioning in a rash of sniper assaults that have killed two

persons, was arrested in Clayton Monday night.

Durham Police Chief Jon P. Kindice said the man, James Willie Grace, 31, of Durham, was apprehended without a

struggle by Clayton police. A dispatcher for the Clayton police, who asked to remain unidentified, said they received a tip from at least two persons who recognized Grace's picture, which was shown on evening television newscasts, and knew where he was.

Grace was taken to the Durham police department where he was questioned for about six hours about the sniper attacks that killed two persons and injured two others during a 12-day period this month.

He was arraigned before a magistrate early this morning, and bond on the three assault charges was set at \$10,000. He was being held in the Durham County Jail.

Kindice said later the three charges "involved an assault by a weapon upon three other people that took place the same night as Mr. Bradshaw was murdered and in the same locality." Herbert C. Bradshaw, 68, a retired editorial page editor of the Durham Morning Herald, was shot to death in his home last Wednesday night in the fourth sniper assault.

Kindice refused comment when asked if the arrest of Grace would be the final one in the Durham sniper case.

Grace was found in a residence in Clayton, which is located in Johnston County about 35 miles southeast of Durham.

The dispatcher said Grace

was not armed when he was captured at 6:16 p.m., just minutes after his picture was shown on television, and said he did not know there were warrants for his arrest.

The dispatcher said Grace waited calmly in the Clayton police headquarters while Durham police came to take him back to Durham. "He was just as cool as a cucumber," the dispatcher said. "He was chewing bubble gum and was just as relaxed as he could be. He's articulate, expressed himself well."

Kindice said the warrants against Grace stemmed from a

shooting at a store 10 blocks from the Bradshaw house. He said the shooting involved a handgun and was not considered one of the series of snipings. He said no one was reported injured in that incident.

Grace was recently released from a state mental institution at Butner, where he had been committed Oct. 1.

In his afternoon statement, Kindice said Grace "is not the only person currently under investigation for the sniper shootings. We cannot make any additional comment about the sniper shootings or the evidence we are working on."

Black Market

RALEIGH (AP) — North Carolina now has 11 times as many prospective parents seeking to adopt infants as there are infants available, state officials say.

The demand as spurred some "black market" activity in which babies are being sold for adoption, said officials in the Division of Social Services in the Department of Human Resources.

The number of children sold on the black market is "hard to pin down," said Sarah Austin of Family Services Inc. in Winston-Salem, one of four private adoption agencies in the state.

"We all feel that it's happening but when we try to find figures, we can't find them," she said. "Agencies used to know abortions were going on, but we were the last ones to know who was doing them."

Woodward Webb, an assistant state attorney general, said he knew of no prosecutions under a year-old law outlawing the buying and selling of babies.

Mrs. Peacock said black or racially mixed children have special placement problems. In 1976, the N.C. Adoption Resource Exchange, which registers prospective adoptive parents and hard-to-place children, had 124 children, 83 of whom were black and 11 of whom had a racially mixed heritage. Of the 154 prospective parents, eight couples were black.

For the fiscal year that ended last June 30, the state had 3,762 adoption cases on file. More than 700 were placed by agencies, more than 2,700 were placed by the natural parents with relatives, 245 were independent arrangements and in 56 cases, state agencies did not know how the placement occurred.

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HOW MANY DOGS?

Is there a Greenville city ordinance concerning how many dogs a person may keep in his back yard? F.W.

Greenville Inspections Department Director Alton Warren said the animal ordinance does not state a number, but that the residential zoning laws say that anyone having more than three dogs has a kennel, and a kennel, of course, is not allowed in a residential area. Common sense would be used, he said, as applied to a mother dog with puppies. Probably puppies under three or four months old would not be counted, IF their living area is kept clean and IF neighbors are not complaining.

WATKINS PRODUCTS

There's a certain kind of liniment I like which used to be sold by Watkins Products salesmen. I'd like to contact one and see if the company still sells it. C.H.

Hotline would like for a Watkins Products salesperson or anyone who knows of one to call us at 752-1336. We shall report any response we get in the column, of course.

Open Friday

The Pitt County Tax Collector's office will remain open Friday, while other county offices close for the New Year's holiday, to give tax payers an opportunity to pay their taxes before the first day of the new year.

Tax collector W. R. Smith said today that his office will be open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Friday so persons who have not paid their 1976 tax bills can do so and avoid the two per cent penalty that will take effect January 1.



Power Struggle Felt Over

INTERIM MAYOR? — Alderman Michael Bilandic, right, introduces his mother to Alderman Edward Burke after the memorial service for Mayor Richard Daley in the Chicago City Council chambers Monday. Bilandic is expected to be named Chicago's interim mayor today, according to reports from a strategy meeting the Democratic aldermen held Sunday. (AP Wirephoto)

Hunt's Road Goals Are Aired By His Secretary

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Gov.-elect Jim Hunt probably will be anxious to complete four-laning of U.S. 74 from Charlotte to Wilmington, news secretary Gary Pearce said Monday.

Such construction would be in keeping with Hunt's stated goal of developing a roads program that would support his overall theme of economic development.

Other projects include improving access to the state ports at Wilmington and Morehead City and development of loops around North Carolina's major urban centers, Pearce said.

The loops would likely be the most costly because state officials failed 20 years ago to seek inclusion of such roads in the federal Interstate highway system.

Consequently, the state would have to pay a larger share of the construction costs.

There also will be less money for highway contracts in 1977 than in 1976, said Highway Administrator Billy Rose.

Contracts this year totaled \$205 million, but available funds for 1977 are expected to be between \$180 million and \$200 million, Rose said.

Hunt is unlikely to freeze road projects upon taking office Jan. 8, as Gov. James E. Holshouser did in 1973, Hunt aides said.

However, aides said a slowdown in construction is considered normal during the first year of a new administration.

"What we want to look at is planning down the road and development of the bond issue," said Pearce, referring to Hunt's stated intention to seek legislative and voter approval for a \$300 million highway bond issue.

Hunt aides also have indicated that, while political appointees of the outgoing Republican administration will be weeded out of the Department of Transportation, few, if any, resignations from career professionals will be accepted.



POSSIBLE DECLARATION DRAFT — The Rev. James K. Allen looks over a copy of what may be a portion of the final draft of the Declaration of Independence. The handwritten document

was found in a Boston attic. The National Archives is studying its authenticity. (AP Wirephoto)

Minister Possibly Found An Original Declaration Draft

By PETER BREWER
Associated Press Writer

BOSTON (AP) — Two fragile yellow pages bearing the first half of the Declaration of Independence have turned up in a Boston attic, and the minister who found them thinks they're straight from the quill pen of Thomas Jefferson.

The National Archives isn't ready, just yet, to agree that the Rev. James K. Allen has found the long-lost original, but an expert there says he's fascinated.

And the Rev. Mr. Allen, of the First Parish Church of Dorchester, says, "I've settled in my own mind what it is."

The minister said the document was among a pile of 1856-vintage papers given him Oct. 8 by a friend, George Berg, 78, who knew the minister's interest in history.

"He told me, 'We cleaned out a lot of attics in Dorchester. This was in one of them,'" said the Rev. Mr. Allen.

"There was a June 11, 1853, newspaper," he said, "and when I turned it over, this was under it. I almost jumped over the car, and I said, 'George, you really have got something here.'"

"We are fascinated by the potential of what he's found," said Robert MacClaren, chief chemist of the National Archives. MacClaren is one of several experts who have examined the 14-by-22-inch pages.

But he said it will take much work to determine whether the document is authentic.

"You have to find out the origin of the fibers of

the document, and if you find out they came from Holland at the time that Jefferson would have used the paper — that's a plus. If you find that the inks were comparable and available for use by Jefferson — that's a plus," said MacClaren.

The original four-page Declaration of Independence, fashioned by Jefferson with help from Roger Sherman and John F. Livingston, was approved, after some revisions, by the Continental Congress in Philadelphia on the evening of July 4, 1776.

John Dunlap, a printer, worked through the night of July 4-5 and turned out 1,000 broadsides for rapid distribution through the colonies, but the original from which he worked was lost.

The Rev. Mr. Allen says there's ample evidence that his document is the original.

"For one thing, it shows that Jefferson wrote 'inalienable' but the printer made it 'unalienable.'"

"For another thing, this second page includes three lines that were dropped by the printer from the original broadside, but were later put back in."

"And the fold shows it was used by a printer. My father owned a country newspaper, and nobody else folds a paper along the line of the letters but a printer putting up hand type. That's a printer's fold."

MacClaren said a tiny bit of the paper will probably be enough to analyze chemically, while an electron microscope could be used to test the ink.

S. Africa Police Flown In To End Black Strife

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) — Police reinforcements were airlifted to Cape Town today to patrol black townships where militants and migrant workers have fought each other in bloody street battles for three days.

Police reportedly shot and killed two blacks in Langa township during the night when a stone-throwing crowd of 500 persons attacked their patrol vehicles. Twenty-four persons were killed in weekend rioting in Guguletu and Nyanga townships.

The fighting and widespread arson first erupted Christmas night because the migrant workers, mostly Baca tribesmen from the newly independent Transkei district, had resisted the

militants' call for a holiday boycott of shopping and celebrations.

Black youths attacked bachelor hostels where the migrant workers live and the workers retaliated by burning the homes of the militants, police said.

At least 106 persons were injured, many in hand-to-hand fighting between the two groups. Police opened fire several times during the rioting, but it was not known how many of the casualties were hit by the gunfire.

With fresh police units being flown in from the capital of Pretoria today, authorities said order generally had been restored to the townships. The violence began to ebb late Monday night and early today after senior police

officers brought together leaders of the opposing factions in an effort to end the clashes.

An estimated 5,000 residents fled Nyanga, which bore the brunt of the rioting, on Monday. The refugees pushed overloaded carts and rode on cars and trucks carrying their furniture and other belongings. Some houses in the abandoned districts were later set afire.

A spokesman for the Bantu Administration Board, the government agency responsible for black affairs, said 81 houses, five small hostels and 14 vehicles had been destroyed by fire.

The latest deaths brought to at least 395 the unofficial death toll in six months of racial violence in South Africa.

Carter And His Cabinet Holding Private Sessions

By FRANK CORMIER
Associated Press Writer

ST. SIMONS ISLAND, Ga. (AP) — President-elect Carter is calling his cabinet into private session at this secluded island retreat to exchange views on an economic stimulation program that he hints might be less expensive than originally anticipated.

The program is expected to include a combination of tax cuts and government job programs. Carter said after a meeting with his economic advisers on Monday that he will make a final decision on the tax cut portion of the plan "within the next 10 days."

As a prelude to today's first working session with those nominated to cabinet posts, Carter conferred for nearly four hours here Monday with his key economic advisers. Aides said the session was being held to consider "alternative approaches to job creation, tax reduction and reductions in government waste."

Today's cabinet session was to follow an early meeting with

Gov. Hugh Carey of New York and Mayor Abraham Beame of New York City, for discussion of financial difficulties of the nation's largest city.

Earlier, on arriving at this rented island estate from his home in Plains, Ga., Carter said the latest economic indicators had left him "fairly well encouraged" compared to a few weeks ago.

And he reiterated that after Monday's discussion, saying in a statement that he and his advisers also "focused on current economic trends, which seemed

slightly more positive than we had earlier expected."

Previously, Carter voiced concern that the economy was worse than he had thought during his campaign for the White House.

His two upbeat pronouncements about the economy, coupled with a reference to attacking waste, could be interpreted as indicating Carter hopes to present an economic package to the 1977 Congress that would add less money than expected to the federal budget deficit.

In his Monday night statement, Carter said that "although no final decisions were made, I believe significant progress was made toward an economic package constituting a balanced attack on both unemployment and inflation."

He indicated that the plan he and his cabinet will finally agree on will include both public works jobs to cut unemployment and tax cuts to stimulate the economy. His advisers in past weeks have indicated the project would cost some \$15 billion to \$20 billion.

On another subject, Carter was asked on arrival here Monday about the likelihood of a 1977 meeting with Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev. Carter responded that he thought this "a likely prospect for 1977, although we have not made any plans for it."

Responding to another question, Carter said his briefings by the CIA indicate "fairly substantial" increases in Soviet arms production, but "we are still far stronger than they are," by most measures.

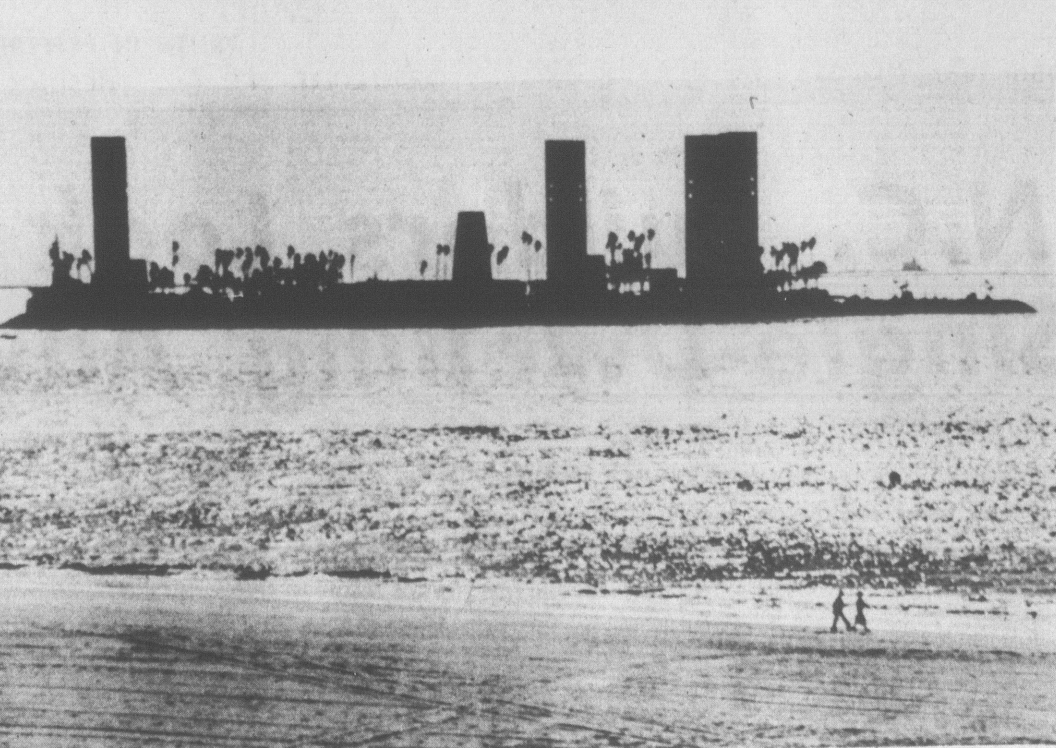
Carter, wife Rosalynn and daughter Amy are staying here at Musgrove Plantation, a secluded retreat on 2,000 acres owned by W. Smith Bagley of Washington, an heir to the Reynolds tobacco fortune.

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SEA, SUN AND OIL WELLS — While ice and snow buffet much of the nation, a couple enjoys a stroll on the warm beach sand at Long Beach, California, against a background of sun-dappled ocean and

an oil-drilling island which has been camouflaged with trees and what appear to be apartment buildings. The "buildings" are shells covering drilling and pumping equipment. (AP Wirephoto)

Skipper Reveals Tanker Without Gyrocompass

NEW YORK (AP) — Far off course and sailing without its gyrocompass, the Argo Merchant ran aground while the captain and three of his top officers were on the bridge, according to court testimony.

Capt. George Papadopoulos testified Monday in U.S. District Court in Manhattan that the Liberian tanker was 24.5 miles off course when she foundered on shoals, eventually split in two and spilled 7.5 million gallons of heavy oil into the sea.

A skipper for nine years, the 43-year-old Papadopoulos said the ship's gyrocompass was not working when the accident occurred and the ship was being steered by a less reliable magnetic compass.

Meanwhile, spills from two other Liberian tankers were being contained, and the explosion that wrecked another was blamed on a spark of unknown origin.

At Marcus Hook, Pa., at least 134,000 gallons of oil

spewed into the Delaware River Monday from the tanker Olympic Games, but a work crew had the slick surrounded with a 2,000-foot boom.

The tanker — which reportedly was carrying 17 million gallons of crude oil — had run aground during a docking maneuver at a refinery 15 miles downriver from Philadelphia.

On the Thames River in Connecticut, the Coast Guard managed to contain 1,900 of the 2,000 gallons that spilled from the Oswego-Peace. But the remaining oil in the Thames had coated as many as 100 waterfowl, and globs of oil reached rocks along the eastern bank of the river.

The oil, used to fuel the ship itself, apparently leaked from a crack in the hull Friday as the ship unloaded 250,000 barrels of heating oil at Amerada Hess Co. yard near Groton.

A Coast Guard board heard evidence Monday in Long Beach, Calif., that the explosion that destroyed the Sansinena

and killed at least four crewmen was caused by a spark that ignited a cloud of gases from the ship's cargo tanks.

Rear Adm. James Moreau, chairman of the board, said, however, that the origin of the spark remains a mystery. The board is planning on-site inspection of the wreckage of the ship, which was destroyed Dec. 17.

In New York, Papadopoulos testified at the start of a hearing on the effort by Thebes Shipping Co. of Monrovia, Liberia, the owner of the Argo Merchant, to limit its liability in the face of several lawsuits.

Meanwhile, the giant oil spill from the wrecked tanker drifted in a twisted butterfly configuration off Nantucket Island, apparently held motionless by fickle winds.

"It's just kind of sitting out there now," Coast Guard spokesman Norman Deragon said of the 7.6-million-gallon oil slick about 30 miles off Nantucket.

See Tough Sledding For Effort To Win Veto Power, 2nd Terms

By NOEL YANCEY
Associated Press Writer

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exempt to Hunt is Rep. J.P. Huskins, D-Iredell. "There's a sort of feeling a man ought not to profit by his own efforts," said Huskins in explaining the reason for excluding Hunt.

"Judging from the past, I think either one would have tough sledding," said Rep. William W. Watkins, D-Granville, the Democratic House majority leader in the 1975-76 legislature.

"Every governor I know of in recent years has asked for the veto power and two terms," said Rep. Roberts Jernigan, D-Hartford. "It hasn't passed yet, and I'm doubtful it will pass."

"I don't think the chances of them passing are very good," said Rep. John Ed Davenport, D-Nash. "A lot of people think we are well served under the present provisions. I don't think the governor is all that important even when he is of the other party. Our government reorganization law gives the governor broad power to administer government. He also has broad power of appointment."

"I'm personally against it, but it would be hard to vote against something to let people

vote on the issue," said Sen. Kenneth Royall, D-Durham.

Sen. James B. Garrison, D-Stanly, said he thought both proposals would be approved by the legislature after hard fights.

"I think their chances will be improved if they don't apply to Hunt," said Garrison. "The reason is I feel like House Speaker Carl Stewart and Lt. Gov. Jimmy Green want to be governor. That (making it apply to Hunt) would begetting in their ball park and could cause trouble."

She is trying to arrange a leave of absence from her present job so she can return to it when the Hunt administration ends four years from now.

Dr. Morrow said she is faced with the task of "finding competent people, placing them in the right positions and delegating them the authority they need."

She said she and Hunt agree that the problems of children and senior citizens should get more attention from state government than they have in the past.

They also agree, she said, there should be "as much input as possible from the local level because that is where the state programs are administered."

Lt. Gov. elect Jimmy Green, who may have his eye on running for governor in four years but isn't admitting it if he does, said he has always opposed both proposals, but he promised to keep an open mind.

"Maybe there's a new argument that I haven't heard...I don't know it all. I'm just saying when I look backward, I don't recall an occasion when I felt a governor could have succeeded himself nor an occasion when I thought the governor needed the veto power," he said.

Former Manson Girl Is Asking Release On Bail

By LINDA DEUSCH
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Leslie Van Houten, her lawyer claiming she has grown up during seven years behind bars, is seeking release on bail pending her retrial in connection with two of the Charles Manson killings.

But her attorneys will have to present written proof of her rehabilitation, a judge said, before her \$200,000 bail can be lowered.

The 27-year-old Miss Van Houten, who won reversal of her 1971 conviction on a technicality this year, stood by solemnly Monday as attorney Maxwell Keith pleaded for lower bail.

Keith described his young client as thoroughly rehabilitated and "no danger to society." He said "Leslie has grown up" and has no more ties to the Manson family.

He cited her exemplary prison record — she has become a writer and editor of the prison newspaper at the California Institution for Women.

But Superior Court Judge Jack Goertzen said Keith would have to present prison records to support his assertions.

Goertzen assigned the case to Superior Court Judge Edward Hinz Jr. and set a tentative

trial date of Jan. 28.

The slender, dark-haired Miss Van Houten was neatly groomed and soft spoken Monday.

day, a distinct contrast from her last court appearance five years ago. Then, with her head shaved in dedication to Manson, she was dragged from the courtroom as a jury condemned her to die in the gas chamber.

In 1972, her sentence was commuted to life imprisonment along with that of Manson, who currently is a patient at the California Medical Facility at Vacaville, and two women co-defendants when the death penalty was outlawed.

She was not charged with the five murders that included actress Sharon Tate but with two killings that occurred the following night, Aug. 10, 1969. These were the slayings of supermarket owner Leno LaBianca and his wife Rosemary.

In the penalty phase of her trial, Miss Van Houten confessed under oath she had helped others stab the couple to death.

She refused to express remorse, saying, "Sorry is just a five-letter word. It can't bring back anything."

Escapee Had Ride Waiting

HAZELWOOD, N.C. (AP) — "He went over the back fence and he had a ride waiting on him," said Walter Taylor, superintendent of the Haywood County prison, from which lifetimer Arrlie Fox escaped Sunday.

Fox, 28, of Weaverville, pleaded guilty to first degree robbery in 1964 after testifying against three co-defendants in a robbery-murder trial.

Fox was 16 when he turned state's evidence and testified against his brother, Roy Lee Fox, cousin Donald Fox and Robert Carson McMahan.

The three were convicted of murder and first degree robbery in the Nov. 10, 1964 slaying of Ovella Jean Lunsford of Upper Hominy.

Mrs. Lunsford was shot and her husband, Charles Lunsford, was assaulted during a holdup at their home.

Arrlie Fox's co-defendants received double life sentences. Donald Fox has since died in prison.

Arrlie Fox was under consideration for commutation of his life sentence to 40 years, Taylor said, which would have made him eligible for parole from the minimum security prison.

WASHINGTON (AP) — An advisory panel will meet Wednesday in Atlanta to consider whether the nation's swine flu inoculation program should be resumed for elderly and chronically ill persons, a federal health official said Monday.

Asst. Secretary of Health Dr. Theodore Cooper of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare said, "We're heading into the season where there's more chance of influenza, which always hits the elderly hardest. I'm not trying to suggest what the advisory panel should recommend. I've asked them to weigh the pros and cons."

The government's advisory panel, which recommended suspension of the swine flu program after an outbreak of a disease called Guillain-Barre syndrome that causes paralysis, will meet at the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta.

Cooper said there is no established connection yet between Guillain-Barre's disease and swine flu shots, which were halted on Dec. 16.

Since October, there have been 383 reported cases of the

syndrome nationally, including 202 persons who had swine flu shots, three who received Hong Kong flu shots and 166 who were not vaccinated.

Cooper said if the inoculations are resumed, he does not expect a large demand for shots because of widespread doubts over the program.

More than 40 million persons received the shots before the program's suspension. Congress appropriated \$135 million last summer for the inoculation program.

Will Decide Flu Vaccine Future

Evangelist Shirley Daniels, who is the former Jean Rives, now of Brooklyn, N. Y. will hold two nights of revival at Faith Tabernacle Church on the Bethel Highway.

Services will be held tonight and tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. The pastor, the Rev. Paul Thomas, invites the public.

Forced To Put Up Or Shut Up

GREENSBORO (AP) — "It was time for me to put up or shut up," says Dr. Sarah Morrow, newly named state secretary of human resources, on why she decided to take the job when it was offered by Gov. elect Jim Hunt.

Dr. Morrow has been director of the Guilford County Health Department for seven years, and said in a recent interview that she had often been critical of the Department of Human Resources.

"I was somewhat torn over whether or not to accept the position," she said. "You get attached to a place when you've been there for a while and it's hard to give up security for the unknown."

"But for years, I've often been critical of the Human Resources bureaucracy. I've felt that money that should be going for human services has been channeled into administration and paperwork, so when the appointment was offered, it was time for me to put up or shut up."

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D. H. Conley Highlights

By Linda Cox

D. H. Conley was presented at the 81st Annual Meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools December 12-15, in Atlanta, Ga. by J. R. Carraway, principal; and Mrs. Barbara McLawhorn, chairman of the steering committee.

D. H. Conley officially became an accredited school and a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Approximately 35 members of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) visited the T.M.R. Class at W. H. Robinson School December 17 and presented gifts and entertainment to the students. Students chairing the committees were as follows: Terry Dixon, refreshment; Paulette Hill, gifts; and Betty Hines, entertainment.

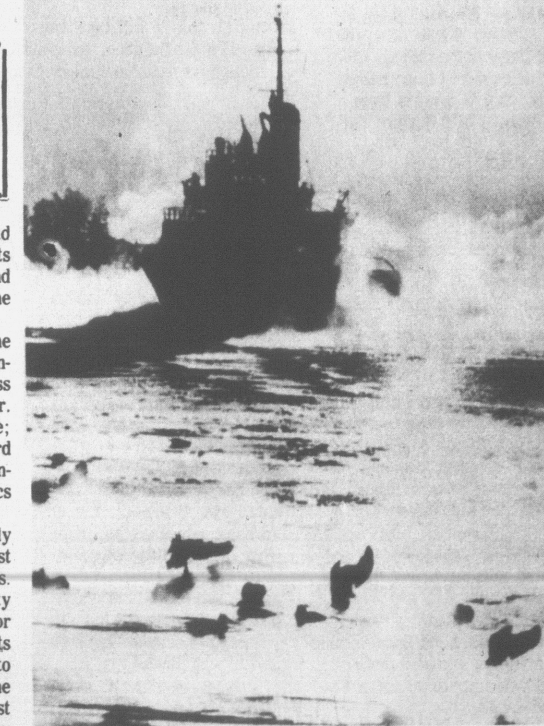
The JROTC participated in the Christmas parades in Greenville and Morehead City. At the Greenville parade the Pitt Rangers, Color Guard and Drum

and Bugle Corps marched.

An Honors Party was held December 16 for all students who received honor roll and principal's list honors during the second grading period.

Door decoration winners in the Christmas Door Decoration Contest were as follows: Miss Hopkins' door, first place; Mr. McAdams' door, second place; and Mrs. McGlohn's door, third place. The contest was sponsored by the home economics department.

The Literary Club recently sponsored a Bowtie Day Contest to raise money for club projects. Male students and faculty members purchased bowties for 25 cents each. Female students and faculty members tried to win the bowties by getting the men to talk to them. The first place students winner was Mary McCracken, and second Valerie Coward. Rose Ann Williams was first place winner in the faculty division and Mrs. Stewart was second place winner.



A REAL ICE-BREAKER — Finnish ice-breaker Tuvo opens a channel in the ice of the Gulf of Finland outside Helsinki Harbor Monday. Temperatures as low as four degrees below zero were reported Monday in Helsinki for the first time this winter. (AP Wirephoto)

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palazzo pants has sheer yoke and full sleeves gathered at cuffs; barest slip of a dress in brushed nylon with V-necked decolletage echoes dropped V-shaped waistline. Spaghetti strings tie long-sleeved coat at bosom and high, round neckline. (Fashions from left to right by Deena; John Kloss for Cira; Ralph Montenero for Blanche; and John Kloss for Cira, all in Caprolan nylon.)



Give Dad A Chance To Explain Note

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 14-year-old girl who loves both her parents tremendously. Every night I make my Dad a lunch for him to carry to work the next day. This evening I found a note in his lunch box that read: "Honey, meet me after work tonight. I love you. (Signed) Nora."

Abby, my Dad "worked" two hours late last night, so now I'm putting 2 and 2 together. I always thought my Mom and Dad had a good marriage, but I'm beginning to wonder. One thing I'm sure of: My Mom loves my Dad and trusts him.

Should I tell my Mom? I'm afraid she might leave him, and I don't want that. Please help me. I've got to tell somebody, and you're the only one I can trust.

THEIR OLDEST CHILD

DEAR CHILD: Don't tell your Mom. It's possible that someone played a joke on your father. (Or maybe someone was trying to get him into trouble.) Tell your Dad you found the note and give him a chance to explain.

DEAR ABBY: There ought to be a law prohibiting women who are under 5 feet 10 and weigh over 165 pounds from wearing tight pants.

From the rear they look like they're carrying around a couple of watermelons. It wouldn't be so bad if they stuck to dark colors, but these klutzes always wear shocking pink or bright orange. And the pants are usually made of a stretch material, which is stretched to the point of straining at the seams.

Please, Abby, use your influence to get some legislation going to outlaw such unsightly sights. They mar the beauty of our streets and shopping centers.

DISGUSTED IN BOSTON

DEAR DISGUSTED: The law you suggest would be as hard to pass as would another making it a misdemeanor to watch such "klutzes." Sorry, but there's no law that says you have to look.

DEAR ABBY: Once again you advised: "If you go, you owe." I write to disagree.

Forty years ago, an elderly man (whose age I am now) did a favor for me. When I promised to repay him, he said, "I GAVE that to you. If you repay me, that makes it a LOAN."

Since then, I've tried to live that creed. Now you tell my guests that I have merely "loaned" them my hospitality, and they must pay it back, thereby denying me the joy of giving. I protest.

LOU ROSEN: SANTA ROSA

DEAR LOW: Your protest is noted. But if someone accepted my hospitality repeatedly without reciprocating, I'd wonder why.

CONFIDENTIAL TO N.L. IN L.A.: No one said it better than Harry Emerson Fosdick: "Vital religion is like good music. It needs no defense, only rendition. A wrangling controversy in support of religion is as if the members of the orchestra should beat the folks over the head with their violins to prove that the music is beautiful."

DEAR ABBY: I am 30, college educated, have a good job and money in the bank. I'm 6 foot 2, weight 190, and people tell me I look like Paul Newman.

I like sports, and the theater, and I love people. Older women, children and animals adore me. I come from a good family, smoke only a pipe and refuse to chase tramps.

My problem? I am lonesome. I drink to chase tramps. Girls tell me they like me as a brother. I have more "sisters" than a convent. What's wrong with me?

LONESOME

DEAR LONESOME: Either your description is off, or you are.

DEAR ABBY: I am almost 20, and for nearly five years I have carried one of your columns in my wallet. It is so worn I can scarcely read it, but it's done me more good than any single thing I've ever read. Please reprint it, Abby, for girls who need the advice as much today as I did then. I am enclosing the column. I am the girl who wrote the letter signed MOTHER HATER.

Sincerely yours,
"WISER NOW"

DEAR "WISER": Yes, I'll reprint the column. And here it is:

DEAR ABBY: I am 14 and think more girls my age should appreciate mothers who love them enough to care about what they do. I feel sorry for young girls my age whose mothers let them go in cars with boys, and wear eye makeup and hairdos that are too old for them.

I am not allowed to go on car dates until I am 16. My mother helps me select my clothes. I wear no makeup to school, and only a little on special occasions. My mother has lived a lot longer than I have, and I have learned from experience that when she forbids me to do something, she always has a good reason for it. I am thankful that I have a mother who loves me enough to raise me right.

FOURTEEN AND LUCKY"

CONFIDENTIAL TO MY READERS: Merry Christmas. And may God bless you and yours.

Design Group Picks Winners In Furnishings

By VIVIAN BROWN
AP Newsfeatures Writer

Floorings that include tie-dyed canvas, a beveled vinyl that resembles barn siding and a layered look in a rug were among handsome furnishings that won awards for designers and manufacturers in the sixth annual program of the Resources Council, a national association of interior furnishings manufacturers.

More than 200 entries included a wide variety of designs that were singled out for awards by the jury for imaginative use of materials, adaptability and other qualities. Awards were made in both traditional and contemporary furnishings and product designs in various categories.

A contemporary lamp by Eric Mulvany won praise from the jury, which commented on its classic, sculptural look in giving it an award. Constructed of two-inch-thick, clear acrylic segments, the lamp is faceted octagonally to provide intriguing, jewel-like light refractions. Neat, clean lines appealed to the judges, as evidenced also by the selection of a contemporary, sculptured dining table designed by Solie and Sonnenlether.

The go-with-anything, all-cotton, woven upholstery fabric, an entry from Kirk Brummel, is a tight jacquard weave of undulating waves that can be used horizontally or "railroaded" to a vertical pattern. It, too, won an award.

A hand-tufted rug of worsted yarn designed by the Walter Dorwin Teague studio and in-

terpreted by Anthony V'Soske won an award for the finesse of its execution. In five colors and textures of loops, shears, embossed and carved, it provides contrast and depth that makes it appear to be layered.

Tie-dyed, durable floor canvas designed by Maya may be installed wall to wall over non-skid lining. Its six-foot widths can be joined by stapling. In rich greens, blues and oranges, the carpet should accommodate traditionalists who fancy a Colonial type flooring as well as the contemporary home decorator.

The barnside vinyl flooring in individual strips, designed by Sylvia Gold Spello, provides the opportunity to create random floor patterns that can resemble real barn-like flooring in a sort of walked-over look.

A smashing, printed marquette curtain fabric from Jack Lenor Larsen's studios is seamless (118 by 118 inches), etched through, and has a companion linen and cotton wallcovering.

Dual-colored slat blinds with one color to accommodate outside building uniformity and any of sixty other colors to match indoor decoration are designed by Maurice Schaller for Levolor Lorentsen.

Other winning entries included a wool, tapestry-like rug with an earth creature pattern. Berber broadloom, a wallpaper of a stag in a woodland glade by Laura Ashley, a natural, slub-finished batik, a ceramic wall tile and a shower.

Among nonwinners were an attractive hand-painted acrylic on sisal and a quilted fabric of vegetables.

Engagement Announced

MISS KATHRYN JOY GLADSON, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Gladson of Chocowinity, who announce her engagement to Stencil Goodwin Lilley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Granville Lilley of Washington. The wedding will take place Feb. 26.

At Wit's End

By Erma Bombeck



When I made out a check this morning, a salesman handed it back to me and said, "You have the wrong date. You're a week behind time."

"I may have the wrong date," I smiled, "but I am no longer a week behind time. Two years ago, I got sick and tired of missing things so I set my calendar back."

"I don't understand," he said. "Every time I'd go on vacation, someone would say, 'You should have been here last week. The weather was fantastic.'"

"Or when I went to buy something, they'd always say, 'Oh, too bad you weren't here last week. Everything in the store was marked down 50 per cent.' And I got a lot of 'Too bad you couldn't come last week when we were home.'"

"So you set your calendar back?" he asked numbly.

"Not only my calendar, but my wristwatch. Do you know how maddening it was to hear, 'You should have been here five

minutes ago. Paul Newman, Burt Reynolds, Robert Redford, Gregory Peck (pick one) was sitting at the very next table!"

"Or to trudge up a mountain-side panting like a racehorse only to be told, 'You missed a fantastic sunset by that much.' Well, I just got sick of missing sunsets."

"Doesn't it drive you crazy operating with two calendars and two watches?"

"Doesn't drive me crazy. It does bother a lot of people though. Drove the three major television networks crazy. I cast my vote a week before the computer could project how I was going to vote."

"That would be a little sticky."

"And it's a great shock for people who say, 'I'll call you the minute you get home,' and you answer, 'You're LATE!'"

"I see what you mean."

"I really love it when you get a bill that says if you've paid this bill last week, please ignore, because I'm just getting the notice to ignore it and my bill isn't due yet for a week. Incidentally, could I have this package wrapped for Friday?"

"Gee, I'm sorry, but our boxes are on order. They won't be in until next week."

"I'm two weeks and ten minutes early. Mind if I wait?"

Anniversary Invitation

The children of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. (Roy) Moore request the honor of your presence at a party in celebration of the 50th anniversary of their marriage Sunday, Jan. 2, beginning at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Maggie Whitehurst, Venters Cross Road, Ayden.

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Voice Of Experience Is Heard

Dr. Louis Round Wilson, UNC-Chapel Hill's elder statesman, recently did what few men do—he turned 100.

He had some comments on the experience, which were sent out by the university's news bureau.

"Becoming 100 years old makes one aware that he's an old man," Wilson commented, "and that he had better be careful about what he does, particularly about what he eats and how much!"

"One should not deal in excesses of any sort and one can't be too athletic."

Dr. Wilson had some advice for those who would like to live to 100.

"Put everything you can into the early years that

are given to you. Do your work then, instead of putting it off."

And his secret of longevity: "Good, wholesome food provided by my father and mother that I couldn't get out of eating—my parents looked after my health. Also, I got plenty of sleep and exercise as a child."

Dr. Wilson has recently published his latest book *Louis Round Wilson's Historical Sketches*. Does he plan more writing?

"I plan not to plan too much," is his answer.

Dr. Louis Round Wilson sounds like a delightful person to us.

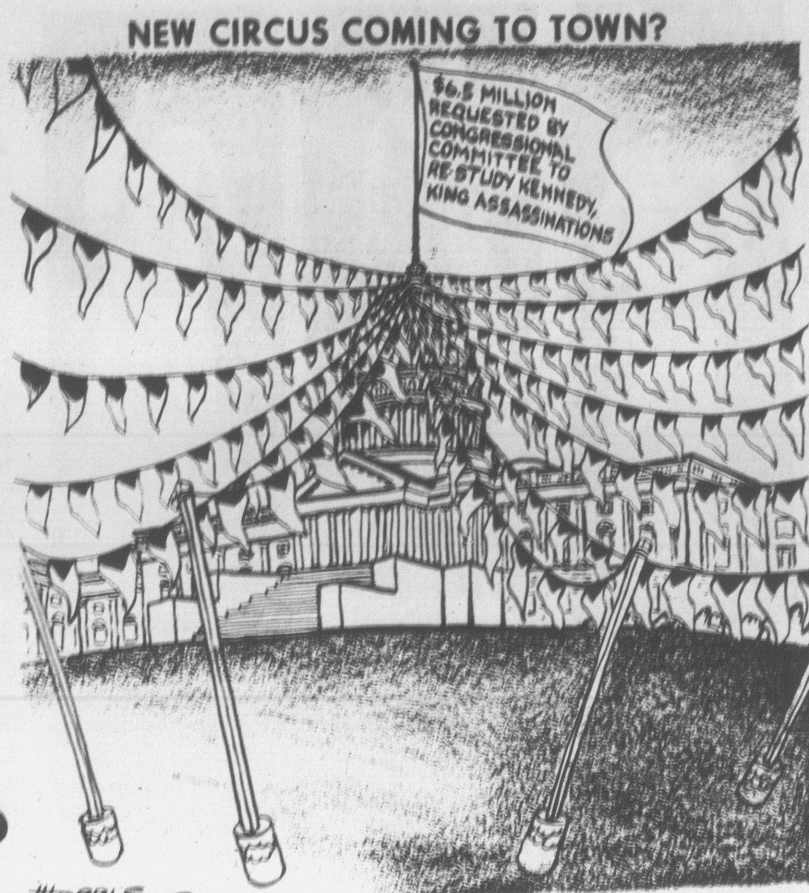
Agriculture Figures Underline Value

Farming is big in North Carolina, but we don't always recognize how big until the annual figures come out.

N. C. Agriculture Commissioner Jim Graham reported that farm income for the year 1976 is expected to be \$3.1 billion.

That represents a wide variety of farm products with tobacco leading the way.

North Carolina farming is big, but with the world needing food products, it is going to grow even larger. Our state should place even more emphasis on its giant farming industry.



Silos Built In Laos

By DENIS D. GRAY
Associated Press Writer
BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — A top Thai foreign policy expert says intelligence reports show that the Soviet Union has built missile silos in the "high mountain area" of Laos. He says the silos could be used to direct missiles against either China or Thailand.

Thanat Khoman gave few details in his television talk Monday, and he did not indicate if any missiles had been installed in the silos. He cited "some intelligence reports" as also showing that the Soviets have "many military facilities in the highlands of Laos."

Thanat is a former foreign minister and head of the Thai national assembly's foreign relations committee.

Pentagon and State Department spokesmen in Washington said they knew nothing about any Soviet missile silos in Laos. They said they would have no comment.

Rumors about Soviet missile facilities in Laos have been circulating in Bangkok since last December, when Communists took over the landlocked Indochinese country that borders both China and Thailand.

The rumors have been impossible to confirm. Some Western analysts here have been skeptical, saying that large-scale Soviet military involvement in Laos could lead to a confrontation with China.

"Laos is the strategic point which could control Southeast Asia," Thanat said Monday. He noted that the Soviet Union and Vietnam have become heavily involved in the development of Laos, that the United States has been pulling back its Asian military line to the Philippines, Japan and the Pacific Islands, and that China has been more concerned about its volatile northern frontier with the Soviet Union than with its southern flank.

Moscow has been pouring aid and advisers into Laos since last December, and Laotian Premier Kaysone Phomvihane has met with Soviet leaders in (Continued on page 5)

THIS AFTERNOON

How Much For A Degree?

By BILL NOBLETT
RALEIGH — The Class of 1974 is doing rather well, according to a survey just completed of graduates from the University of North Carolina system.

The great majority of graduates appear to be satisfied with their present jobs, feel their college training was pertinent to the work they are doing, and underemployment or having to take jobs outside a chosen field — is not as big a problem as some might have thought.

But there are problems pinpointed by the survey:

Women are not making nearly as much money as men, all too many graduates (especially women) are getting degrees in education, and there is sharp variation between the promise of success in a graduate from smaller (especially minority) campuses and those from the three big degree campuses.

Best Jobs

In fact, not surprisingly, those who are doing the best financially are those with degrees in law, medicine, or

engineering from Chapel Hill, N. C. State, or UNC-Greensboro.

The survey directed by Arthur H. Padilla was designed to give some information about the results of higher education — a field largely ignored in the past. Additional studies in the future will be aimed at measuring the values and effectiveness of college.

Most of the graduates (78 per cent) are working, or continuing their education (14.4 per cent), with only 7.5 per cent unemployed or engaged in some other activity.

Nearly three-fourths are working in North Carolina, with graduates of the three doctoral campuses more likely to take jobs out of the state, by a slim margin.

At survey time (fall of 1975, one and one-half years after graduation) most of the graduates with bachelor's degrees were earning between \$8,000 and \$11,000 per year. Even at this level, however, those graduating from Chapel Hill, State, or Greensboro did better — 22 per

cent were making over \$12,000 per year compared to less than 10 per cent of those from the other campuses in that salary category.

Graduates in law were averaging \$13,500 per year, and dentists or medical doctors were making \$13,700. Nearly a fourth of those with bachelor's degrees graduated in education, 30 per cent were in business or social sciences, and over 17 per cent in health or engineering.

Low Salaries

Thus, the survey shows, many of the graduates earned degrees which placed them in low salary categories such as fine arts, foreign language, home economics, communications, and education.

By comparison, nearly three-fourths of the masters graduates in business administration were earning more than \$15,000 per year.

Men at all graduate levels are earning up to 35 per cent more than women.

A variety of reasons — more women in part-time jobs, differences in degrees

won, shorter work hours and work weeks — were given, but the over-all conclusion is the predominance of women entering teaching.

More than eight in every 10 female graduates were employed in service work or government — most of those in elementary or secondary education. Bachelor's graduates from Chapel Hill, State, and Greensboro "tended to be employed proportionately much less in elementary or secondary education than graduates from other campuses," it was noted.

In conclusion, the report notes that, "the heavy emphasis in teacher education needs careful attention and study. A substantial portion of the male-female earnings and employment variances, and part of the differences in levels of satisfaction with jobs between blacks and whites, may hinge crucially on the disproportionate concentration of women and blacks in teacher training programs or on the quality of such programs."

By JAMES J. KILPATRICK

Quiet Time In Scrabble

SCRABBLE, VA. — Here in the mountains, Christmas time is a quiet time. Burke's General Store at Woodville is a few light years removed from Melman-Marcus, and you will find no swarms of shoppers on the State Mill Road. We tend to like it that way.

This is not to minimize the pleasures of Christmas in town. New York is wonderfully exciting at this time of year. So is Chicago. Every great city has its charms — the big churches, candle-gleaming, the theaters, the stores, the Christmas windows, the sense of friendly crowds. Until a few years ago, all our Christmases were Christmases in town.

Christmas in the country is something else. Our churches are not cathedrals; they are God's little houses, but they too are candle-gleaming. We have none of the city's happy, honking, busy noise; but on a clear, cold Christmas Eve

you can hear the church bells far away. Nothing else breaks the black velvet silence — only a hound's cry, only the cracking of frost underfoot.

The crowds that we have, come to think of it, are mostly crowds of animals and birds. Every morning for the past week the quail have come marching to the house. It is not a march, exactly. I have been watching them between sentences. It is more a skittering run. They are like Christmas shoppers in a bargain basement, racing for shirts here and skirts there and a sale on blouses — or on cracked corn — down an aisle of pines.

There is a great accommodation among birds. The blue jays come at the bird feeders like B-17's landing on a carrier deck. They dump quantities of feed on the ground, rev up their engines and take off again. Then the sparrows and juncos and quail fly in to tidy

up the mess. The cardinals tie Christmas ribbons in the air. We have put out suet for the woodpeckers and mocking birds, they spend most of the afternoon munching away, freeloaders at Paddy's Saloon.

The groundhogs, sensible beasts, are snoozing in their holes, but the other animals have been making the rounds of Christmas parties. We are still knee-deep in rabbits. They have been table-hopping with the chipmunks every night. The foxes are out, and the hounds give tongue in cold pursuit. A few nights ago, driving home late from Washington, we had to stop while a couple of indecisive possums, doing their last-minute shopping, trudged forlornly down the road.

And a curious thing. We had not seen or smelled a skunk in months, but this past Monday night we saw three. One was almost a pure albino — black paws, a black tip on her tail, but otherwise snow white. There's no reason to speak of this skunk in the feminine gender, but she looks like one of those glorious women, swathed in ermine, who step from a limousine at the Plaza door. The Plaza's ladies smell better, of course, but they have the same untouchable air.

So far as human companionship is concerned, it comes down to family and a few close friends. Last Sunday assembled one great grandmother, two grandmothers (us), three sons, three sons' wives, three grand-children, one beloved niece, beloved niece's two children, two sociable collies and one visiting mutt. The biggest hit, giftwise, was a three-year-old's fishing rod that catches little felt fish. My own happiest present came from granddaughter Heather, who after Heaven knows how much patient parental coaching, stood up and spelled Constitution all the way through, and right the first time. Next Christmas she expects to give me a strict construction and after that the Tenth Amendment. Younger brother Douglas, having mastered his own name and Heather's, is coming right (Continued on page 5)

40 Years Ago Today

December 28, 1936

A possible clue to a missing United Airlines plane and its 12 occupants — one of three large transports to vanish in the West this month — sent an automobile searching party to the Sumi Valley, about 50 miles northwest of Burbank, Calif., today.

A rancher's report of a power failure which occurred early Sunday evening at his home was relayed to Union Air Terminal on the chance the missing air liner had crashed into a Sumi power line.

The plane disappeared after reporting it was about to land at Burbank after a flight from San Francisco.

Insurgent bombing planes attacked the northern coastal city of Santander, Spain, yesterday, killing 60 persons in a destructive air raid, the socialist defense council reported today.

In the capital, the socialist command claimed advances on the western line of fortifications along the Manzanares River.

A communique said a socialist force had routed fascists in El Balguero, near the highway southeast of Madrid and in the Tarcena section to the northeast.

—Barbara Mathews

Other Editors Say Don't Stop

(The Shelby Star)

Current thinking in North Carolina, at least among those who seem to have the most interest, is that the state superintendent of public instruction should no longer be elected. Instead, it is proposed, he should be appointed by the state board of education, which would itself be elected by the General Assembly.

We beg to disagree.

It's not that the state superintendent should be elected by the people and continue to be at loggerheads with the board of education, which is appointed by the governor and also includes several ex officio state officials. The idea that neither the superintendent nor the state board would be elected directly by the people is repugnant, however.

Looking to our neighbor South Carolina, this state will quickly realize that election of such boards by the General Assembly means more, not less, politics. It also would eventually mean that the state board of education would be composed almost solely of state legislators or former legislators who have more access to the legislature.

Indeed, the state should adopt the system of educational policy and administration that is already in use in local school districts across the state. The board would be elected by the people, and the board would appoint a state superintendent of education; the board would formulate policy, and the superintendent would carry it out.

Election of members of the state board should be by congressional district, giving an 11-member board broadly representative of the state as a whole. Additionally, a certain number of members should be elected by the state as a whole, to give a statewide view and to protect the state in case another congressional district is created by the 1980 Census.

The point is that the state government should not be too far removed from the voters.

THE INSIDE REPORT

Rebuffing George Meany

By ROWLAND EVANS

WASHINGTON — The

reason the usual seasonal smiles were not on the faces of top officials and staffers at AFL-CIO headquarters when they sat down to their annual Christmas luncheon Tuesday was expressed candidly by one leader. "He didn't give us anything and we don't owe him anything."

"He" is President-elect Carter, and what he did not give the AFL-CIO was Dr. John Dunlop of Harvard as Secretary of Labor. Actually, the aggrieved union officials have no great preference for Dunlop over Carter's choice, Dr. Ray Marshall of the University of Texas. Rather, the President-elect's decision not to select Dunlop was such a chilling rebuff because it placed them far lower on the political influence ladder than they imagined themselves to be.

Rarely has an event so lacking in policy significance been so rich in political in-mundo. Dunlop's rejection

illustrated power realities within the Democratic coalition, the unwritten taboos prevailing there and the split inside organized labor. It also typifies occasional Carter clumsiness, this time making the worst of a difficult situation.

Immediately following the election, no cabinet post seemed easier to fill than Labor. President George Meany and the rest of the AFL-CIO hierarchy wanted Dunlop, who quit as President Ford's Secretary of Labor when he vetoed a union-backed picketing bill. Considering the unprecedented AFL-CIO campaign effort for Carter, labor chieftains in the Phillip Murray Building on 16th Street felt a proprietary interest over this cabinet post.

By mid-November, however, word was being passed that "Dunlop is bad on blacks and women," followed by formal opposition from the Congressional Black Caucus and the National Women's Political Caucus. Like "Red"

charges a generation ago, the accusation in itself convicted Dunlop; some Carter aides promptly began seeking an alternative.

Dunlop had broken what has become a Democratic party taboo: he had questioned details of "affirmative action," which boils down to mandatory hiring quotas of blacks and women for anybody doing business with the federal government.

Dunlop sealed his fate in testifying before a House subcommittee June 19, 1975, when he questioned "the efficacy of using the government procurement process as an equal employment enforcement mechanism." Dunlop's stated doubts about imposing the quota system on federal contractors, rather than failure to enforce the law as charged, is the source of his trouble.

In a straight power test of women blacks against labor, labor might have won. But it was not that simple. Organized labor is no monolith, and left of center unions which this year formed the Labor Clearinghouse Coalition were low on Dunlop. Indeed, opposition from the county, state and municipal workers (AFRCME), the machinists and other AFL-CIO unions in the Coalition was palpable.

But these labor leaders privately regarded the women-black complaints

about Dunlop as demagogic nonsense. Their objections are economic. While a staunch champion of labor unions and collective bargaining, Dunlop tends to be a fiscal conservative. When he effectively argued against wage-price guideposts at the Carter economic briefing in Plains Dec. 1, Dunlop sounded more like Meany's old guard than the Coalition avant garde.

Thus, the women-black veto of Dunlop was a smokescreen for ideological opposition within organized labor. Even so, Dunlop had a chance for survival so long as he received nominal support from president Leonard Woodcock of United Auto Workers (UAW), the Coalition's most influential figure. Not wishing to confront Meany on this issue, Woodcock endorsed Dunlop. But as opposition mounted, word seeped out of the UAW that Woodcock viewed him as entirely expendable.

Despite Carter's press conference statement Tuesday that Marshall was always his first choice, that name was not mentioned to the AFL-CIO even informally until Dec. 8. "If Carter had his mind made up all along, he should have said so and saved us all this damn trouble," one AFL-CIO official told us. Meany's men did not learn of (Continued on page 5)

Strength For Today

A CHANGING CROSS

The cross that stood on Golgotha Hill 2,000 years ago was an ugly and brutal instrument of torture. Who would have thought that centuries later loving hands would have delighted to fashion wood, stone, and precious metals into the form of the cross in order that church steeples and altars might be adorned and that men and women wear or carry with them replicas of the cross which they would prize with great devotion?

It is strange what the cross did. The Pharisees and the

Roman soldiers believed that they had used the cross to torture and kill a young Galilean rebel. If they had possessed eyes capable of catching the glory of the celestial, they would have seen that from that bloody cross would issue spiritual energy which would heal a broken world and lift it to newness of life.

It was a wicked day when they crucified Jesus, but on that day God made even the wickedness of men serve the advancement of his righteous purpose.

—by Elisha Douglass

Safety Marks Indexing Concept

By JOHN CUNIFF

AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — With investors wary and portfolio managers lacking in confidence, and with the government telling pension fund managers to be prudent, the indexing concept came into being within the past two years.

It stressed safety. If a manager of funds invested the money in all the stocks in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index it would mean, quite automatically, that a performance no worse than the index was guaranteed.

While you could never exceed the index either, the new concept drew supporters from all over. It had to do with the times: Investors and managers were settling for

less; some thought it futile to try to beat the market.

Adding to the play-safe mood was word from the legal advisers to portfolio managers. Diversify, they said, and thus reduce risk and keep within the spirit of the new pension law, which insisted that pension managers use prudence in selecting stocks.

But the appeal of every new stock market idea tends to fade, and sometimes it loses its foundation in logic too. We are now a bit more confident, we recognize, among other things, that less risk means fewer profits. And so, risk is in again.

Woodward Kingman, executive vice president of Crocker National Bank, recently expressed the new

attitude. "After considerable study," he said, "we have come to side with those who look upon the index funds as the ultimate 'cop-out' by professional money managers."

Kingman, who is in charge of trust, investment and fiduciary services at the big San Francisco bank, told a meeting of employee benefit plan officials that, in his view, indexing was the peddling of mediocrity.

"Any industry includes people who excel and those who don't. Ours is no different. Some managers can fairly consistently outperform the index," he said, concluding: "It is the responsibility of fiduciaries to use these managers."

For its portfolio, Crocker has taken the approach that it is both prudent and profitable to actively manage funds — to exercise judgment, to assume the risks, to seek a better-than-average return.

Having discarded whatever notions it might have had about settling for mediocrity, Crocker's reasons must be interesting and potentially profitable.

First off, it expects the earnings per share of the S&P 500 Index will more than double to \$20 a share in 1983.

While that date is seven years away, it is a long time since relatively conservative institutions were willing to project a doubling of profits. And a long time too since anyone risked a look seven years into the future.

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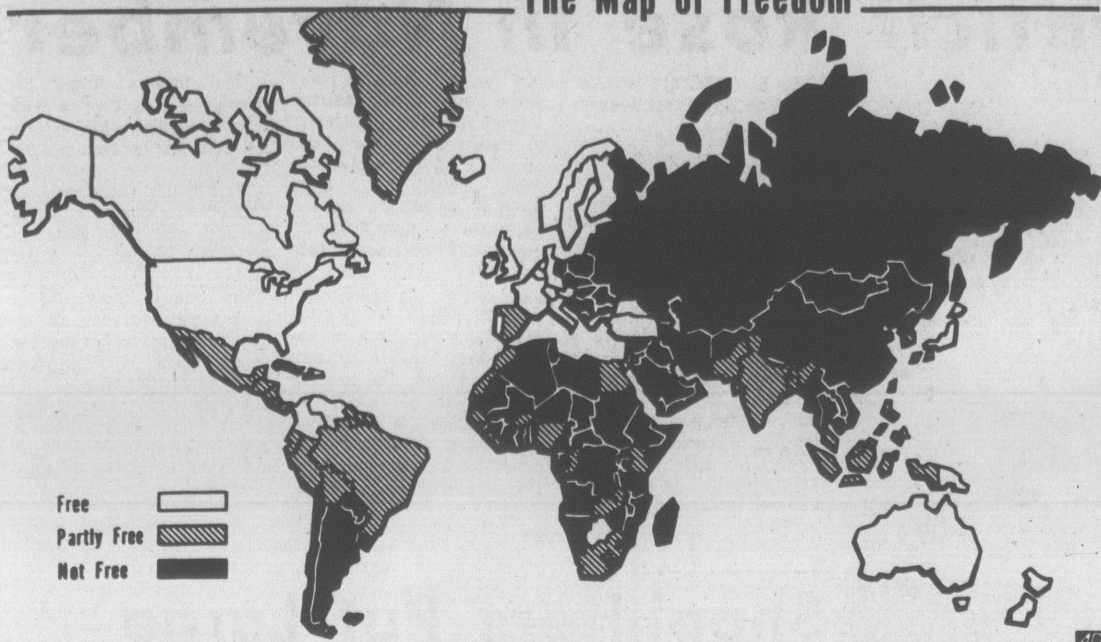
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to Freedom House fewer than 20 per cent of the world's four billion people share the liberties that are enjoyed by those who live in America. (AP Wirephoto Map)

Hua Says Radicals Threatened Civil War, Possible Attacks

By JOHN RODERICK
Associated Press Writer
TOKYO (AP) — Communist party Chairman Hua Kuo-feng says that if the radicals led by Mao Tse-tung's widow had not been suppressed there would have been "a major civil war" and foreign aggression in China, the official news agency Hsinhua reported today.

Hua told a Christmas Day session of the National Agricultural Conference that 1977 would see the total destruction of the radicals and the restoration of order, Hsinhua said in a broadcast monitored here.

The 56-year-old Chinese leader also said there would be a party cleanup next year because Mao's widow, Chiang Ching, and her supporters recruited new party members in violation of the party constitution, improperly promoted cadres and put "bad elements" into top party positions.

Hua branded the "gang of four" — Chiang Ching and Politburo members Wang Hung-wen, Yao Wen-yuan and Chang Chun-chiao — as enemies of the people.

But the chairman said those who supported the radicals "must be treated on the merit of each case" and would be "welcome once they make a clean breast of their part in the conspiracy before the party and the people."

Hua said there must be a climate in China which allows minority criticism.

He said provincial and municipal people's congresses would be held next year. Hua said nothing about a national people's congress session, but one would presumably follow the lower level meetings.

Hsinhua first reported excerpts from Hua's speech Monday and followed today with a broadcast in great detail.

Hua disclosed that besides suffering devastating earthquakes, China had been stricken in 1976 by drought in some areas, too much rain in others, early frost "and other adversities," Hsinhua said.

The July quake in northeast China "inflicted a loss of lives and property that is rarely seen in history," he said, but he did not give any figures. Some unofficial reports from outside observers have said casualties may have been in the tens of thousands.

It was in these trying times, Hua said, that the radicals tried to usurp party and state leadership.

"Should their scheme have succeeded," he said, "that would have led to a great retrogression and split in our party and country and touched off a major civil war. They would

have directly capitulated to (U.S.) imperialism and (Soviet) social-imperialism, relying on the aggressor's bayonet to prop up their throne and there would have been both internal strife and foreign aggression."

Referring to the arrest on charges of treason of the four radicals in October, he said "the issue was settled without firing a single shot or shedding a drop of blood."

Higher Insurance Dividend To Be Paid Veterans Of WWII

By JERRY T. BAULCH
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — Veterans who kept their GI insurance will be paid higher dividends again in 1977, with the average World War II veteran receiving a dividend of \$104, the Veterans Administration says.

The VA said today that veterans of World War I, World War II and the Korean conflict will receive a record \$403.4 million in insurance dividends next year. Vietnam era veterans receive no dividends.

VA Administrator Richard L. Roudebush said the \$403.4 million in payments will be an increase of \$26.6 million over the dividend paid in 1976 and will mark the 10th year in a row that payments to World War I and World War II veterans have increased.

Korean war veterans began receiving dividends in 1975 and also have received dividend increases each year since.

Roudebush said \$368.1 million of the total dividend will go to 3.5 million World War II veterans who maintained their GI insurance policies. The payments will average \$104 for those vets, an increase from the 1976 average payment of \$95.

The average payment for the 114,300 surviving World War I policy-holders will increase from \$183 this year to \$202 next year. Their payments will total \$23.1 million.

About 550,000 Korea veterans who kept their GI policies in force will receive \$12.2 million in dividend payments, Roudebush said. This is an average payment of \$22, compared with \$18 this year.

There are no dividends for Vietnam era veterans because government-sponsored policies

for those vets expired shortly after their discharges unless they were converted to regular civilian policies.

Dividend payments to World War I, World War II and Korea veterans will be made on the anniversary dates of the individual policies. Roudebush said

the first checks will be mailed next week, that payments are made automatically and veterans do not need to apply for them.

Dividends represent a refund to policy-holders of cash not needed to pay the cost of the insurance. They include excess

interest and any savings because fewer policy claims were paid than had been expected.

The VA said dividends on most VA insurance policies have increased in recent years because the funds have been earning higher interest.

Goldsboro Sees Revenue In Annexing Of Air Base

GOLDSBORO, N.C. (AP) — The proposed annexation of Seymour Johnson Air Force Base could generate as much as \$230,000 a year in new revenue for this eastern North Carolina city, officials say.

If annexed into the city limits, the 3,216-acre base would deliver a windfall of state and local taxes.

City Manager Kenneth Kyle believes final approval of the annexation proposal would come as early as Jan. 24, depending on the feelings expressed at a public hearing scheduled Jan. 17.

The Board of Aldermen passed a resolution of intent to annex the base on Dec. 6 after receiving an Air Force declaration not to oppose annexation.

If completed, the annexation would mark the first time in North Carolina that a military base has been annexed by a city. A feud between Fayetteville and Spring Lake over proposed annexation of nearby Ft. Bragg will not be resolved for at least another six months.

Goldsboro's population would jump by 8,821 if Seymour Johnson is annexed.

New revenue would flow from gasoline taxes, electricity franchise taxes, beer and wine excise taxes and taxes on the base property not used for military purposes.

"Overall, annexation would be very beneficial financially for the city," Kyle said.

However, he said Goldsboro would not realize any revenue from such a move for up to a year while city officials work out tax formulas with the state Department of Revenue.

The move would cost the city relatively little, Kyle said — slightly more than \$2,000 to cover the adjustment of boundary lines and the cost of street markers, maintenance and lighting.

Sen. Taft Will Resign Early

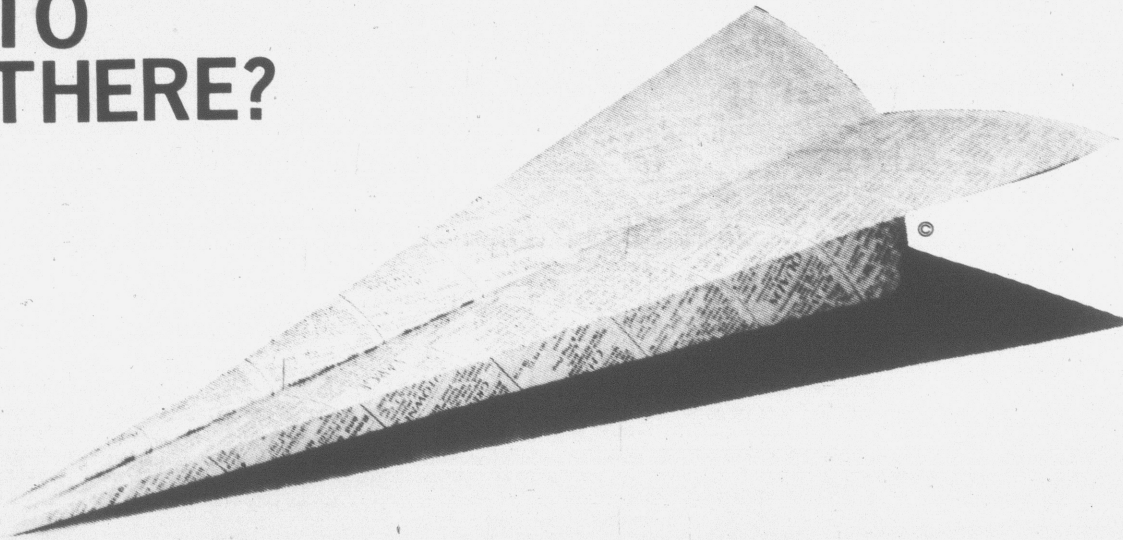
CINCINNATI (AP) — U.S. Sen. Robert Taft Jr., R-Ohio, says he is leaving the Senate early in hopes an early appointment of Democrat Howard Metzenbaum will give Ohio a possible advantage in committee appointments.

Taft, who was defeated by Metzenbaum after serving one term, said he intends to leave the Senate at the close of business today rather than wait until Jan. 3 when his term would

end. He said he has asked Ohio Gov. James A. Rhodes to appoint Metzenbaum immediately, although Senate Democrats have indicated seniority will not be the only criteria for preferred committee appointments.

Taft, said he will rejoin the Cincinnati law firm of Taft, Stettinius and Hollister. His father, the late Sen. Robert A. Taft, was a founder of the firm.

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Wrote About Southern Talk

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — Hey, you nawtheners, jever set with some southern kumpny and discover you couldn't understand them? Well you orta pull up a cheer and read this 'cause it may cyst you.

North Carolina native Steve Mitchell, now a columnist for the Palm Beach (Florida) Post, has written a book designed to acquaint Yankees with peculiarities of Southern speech.

"How to Speak Southern," published by Bantam at \$1.25, is a compendium of strange Dixie expressions and pronunciations.

"I started jotting them down three years ago," Mitchell said in a telephone interview with the Greensboro Record. "I did three columns and the response was amazing. Readers started sending in sayings and words they had heard. Then last spring it became evident Cartr was going to be the Democratic nominee. I said, 'Hell, this is a natural for a book.'"

Here are some samples:
Burns — Not deadbeats or welfare cheats, but things that explode when dropped from airplanes.

Aint — Not bad grammar but a lovable female relative.

War — The stuff that connects one telephone pole to another.

Kumpny — What comes a-visiting during the holidays.

Jever — Contraction of "Did you ever?"

Cheer — Not what you do at

football games, but what you sit on while you're doing it.

Libel — Not what you can get sued for but merely an expression of uncertain intent, as in "I'm libel to mow the grass today."

Dayum — A curse.

Cyst — Helping folks.

Fur piece — Not something you buy your wife but a long way.

Kilpatrick...

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along. It may take 40 years, but we will raise a speller yet.

Our pre-Christmas dinner adjourned about 4 o'clock and by six the mob had departed and it was suddenly silent again. The fires had burned low in the two stone fireplaces. The lamplight picked up scraps of Christmas wrapping, red and green and gold, a small felt fish forgotten on the floor.

If you had stepped outside just then, into the cold clean night, you would have smelled snow flurries on the way. And if you had looked overhead, you would have seen a million stars hanging like Christmas lights in the bare limbs of the chestnut oak. Under such a sky, beholding such a pure bright star, this reverence began. Here in the mountains, trembling in the cold, one clings to the fleeting moment, unwilling to let it go.

Gray Col...

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Moscow twice this year. Estimates of Soviet personnel in Laos range from several hundred to several thousand.

Vietnam, which has close ties with the Soviet Union, maintains troops in the southern part of Laos.

Evans Novak...

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Dunlop's fate until hours before their Christmas luncheon.

Carter operatives who claim that naming Dr. James Schlesinger as energy czar mollifies the AFL-CIO are sadly mistaken. Meany and AFL-CIO secretary-treasurer Lane Kirkland (who pushed Schlesinger for Secretary of Defense, not energy chief) heatedly rejected that suggestion during Tuesday's luncheon.

A top Carterite told us, "Jimmy thinks very highly of Dunlop" and may later appoint him to a high post. That suggests the President-elect rebuffed the AFL-CIO not out of high principle but through mishandling a power conflict. He must hope now that the gentlemen on 16th Street forgive and forget rather than take the admonitions of Samuel Gompers too literally.

Stock And Market Reports

RALEIGH (AP) (NCDA)—Feeder Pigs: Monday: Siler City 881 head, 40-50 lbs No. 1s and 2s 57.50, No. 3s 49.25 per cwt.; 50-60 lbs No. 1s and 2s 52.75, No. 3s 49.25; 60-70 lbs No. 1s and 2s 50.00, No. 3s 47.50.

RALEIGH (AP) (NCDA)—N.C. Eggs: Monday—Market unchanged. Weighted average prices for small lot sales of consumer-grade A white cartoned eggs delivered to nearby retail stores 87.70 cents per dozen for large; 82.36 for medium, and 68.30 for small.

RALEIGH (AP) (NCDA)—Eastern N.C. Sweet Potatoes: Monday—(Sales f-o-b shipping point basis)—Market unchanged. Demand good. Fifty-pound cartons, U.S. No. 1s, washed and waxed, cured Jewel type 5.50-6.00, few lower.

RALEIGH (AP) (NCDA)—Eastern N.C. Pecans: Monday—(Sales f-o-b shipping point basis)—Market unchanged. Trading light. Quality good. Per pound — Natives 50-60 cents; Stuarts 85-90 cents.

RALEIGH (AP) (NCDA)—State Farmers Market: Monday—(Wholesale prices quoted for — Apples, bushel baskets 5.00-6.00; traypack carton 8.50-11.50; Cabbage, 50-lb bags 4.00-6.00; Collards, bushel hampers 3.50; Corn, 5 dozen ears 5.50-6.00; Cucumbers, bushel baskets 9.00; Oranges, cartons 3.25-4.50; Grapefruits, cartons 3.50-4.75; Greens, bushel hampers 3.00-3.50; Lettuce, cartons 5.75-6.00; Peppers, bushel hampers 7.50-8.00; Irish Potatoes, 50-lb bags 3.00-4.00; Sweet Potatoes, bushel baskets 5.00-5.50.

RALEIGH (AP) (NCDA)—Charlotte Cotton: Not available.

RALEIGH (AP) (NCDA)—Grain: Monday—No. 2 yellow shelled corn higher at 2.34-2.45, mostly 2.42-2.45 in the east and mostly 2.50-2.55 in the Piedmont. No. yellow soybeans sharply higher at 6.60-6.91, mostly 6.81-6.88.

RALEIGH (AP) (NCDA)—The trend on the North Carolina hog market was steady today. Wilson 39.00-40.00; High Falls 36.00-37.00; Rocky Mount 39.00-39.50; Kinston 38.50-39.50; Clinton, Fayetteville, Dunn, Plink Hill, Pine Level, Chadbourn, Ayden, Laurinburg and Benson closed; Tarboro and Bethel 37.00-37.50; Salisbury 35.00.

RALEIGH (AP) (NCDA)—The trend on the North Carolina f.o.b. dock broiler market was steady today with supplies fully adequate, demand light, weights desirable to heavy.

The North Carolina dock weighted average price is 34.43 cents per pound this week for small purchases of sized plant grade broilers picked up at processing plant. Estimated slaughter today 1,292,000. The North Carolina hen market was steady today, with supplies light, demand light. Prices paid per pound for hens over seven pounds at farm: too few reporting.

NEW YORK (AP)—The stock market gained more ground today, flirting once again with the 1,000 level in the Dow Jones industrial average.

Trading was active. The closely watched Dow, made up of 30 blue chips, touched 1,000 briefly about 40 minutes after the opening. By 11:30 a.m. it stood at 998.67, up 2.58 for the day.

Gainers outpaced losers by about a 5-2 margin among New York Stock Exchange-listed issues.

The Dow has made a dozen previous runs past 1,000 this year, failing each time to hold above that round-number landmark.

It last closed above 1,000 at 1,013.13 on Sept. 27.

Brokers say the latest run-up from 924 on Nov. 10—has been fueled partly by hopes that the economy is picking up steam again after a sluggish showing since last summer.

The Meeting Place

TUESDAY
8:00 p.m. — Within Council Degree of Peconics meets at Rotary Club.
9:00 p.m. — Pitt County Alcoholics Anonymous meets at AA Bldg., on Farmville Hwy.
WEDNESDAY
9:30 a.m. — Duplicate bridge at Planters Bank.
1:30 p.m. — Duplicate bridge at Planters Bank.
6:30 p.m. — Kiwanis Club meets at 6:30 p.m. — REAL Crisis Intervention meets.
8:00 p.m. — Open meeting of Pitt County Al-Anon Group meets at AA Bldg., on Farmville Hwy. Telephone 752-7606 or 752-5284.
8:00 p.m. — Pitt County Ala Teen Group meets at AA Bldg., Farmville Hwy. Telephone 756-2501 or 752-5284.

U.S. Trade Deficit Rose In November

By R. GREGORY NOKES
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A big increase in oil imports helped push the United States' trade deficit to \$906 million in November, the largest monthly trade imbalance in the nation's history, the Commerce Department reported today.

The nation has suffered a trade deficit in 10 months of this year. The previous record monthly deficit was \$888 million in August 1974. The Commerce Department said that for the first 11 months of 1976, the total U.S. trade deficit was \$13.1 billion, which would be a

new deficit record for any single year if it continues through December. Increases in imports of petroleum, foods and a variety of manufactured goods, coupled with a large drop in agricultural exports, accounted for much of the increase in November's trade deficit.

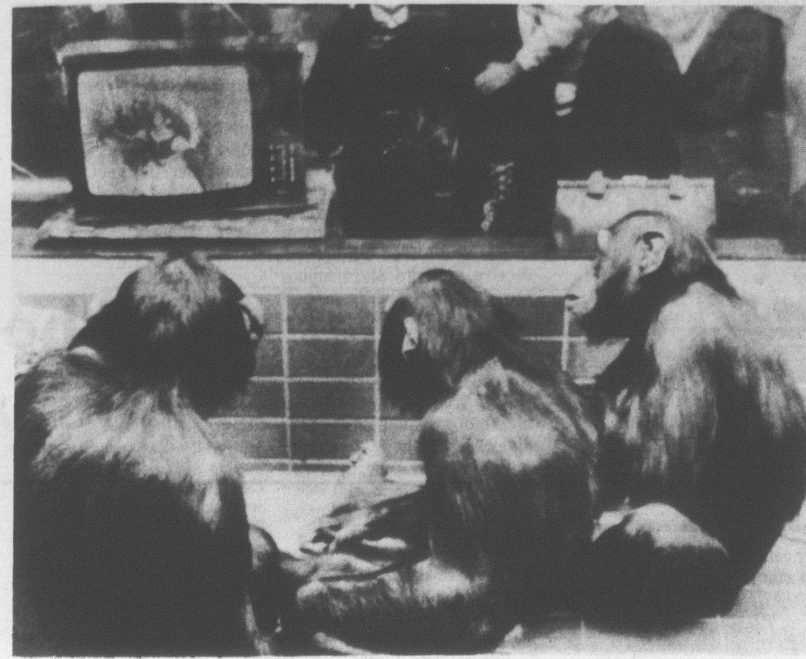
Oil imports increased more than \$75 million, bringing the total value of petroleum imports for the month to more than \$3 billion. The increase was attributed to importers' attempts to bring in as much oil as possible before the hike in prices by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Total imports during the month rose 1 per cent to more than \$10.5 billion, while exports fell 1 per cent to about \$9.6 billion.

Imports this year have increased at a rate of about 24 per cent over 1975, while exports have jumped only 6 per cent.

The United States had a trade surplus last year, and officials predicted earlier that the nation would enjoy another trade surplus this year.

A trade deficit over a long period of time can contribute to a weakening in the value of the U.S. dollar in relation to other currencies.



SWITCHING ROLES — Normally providing entertainment, these three chimpanzees switch roles as they watch their new television set at the Munich (West Germany) Zoo. The set, donated

by a local merchant as a gift, gave the chimps a break from routine of providing entertainment to visitors. (AP Wirephoto)

Shoplifters Put Large Bite Into Record Sales

By REESE HART
Associated Press Writer

RALEIGH (AP) — Spurred by heavy Christmas sales, North Carolina's retail stores did a record business of \$23 billion this year, the executive vice president of the N. C. Merchants Association said Monday.

The final 1976 receipts will show an increase of about \$500 million over 1975, Thompson Greenwood said in a telephone interview.

Christmas sales were up about 15 per cent over the previous year, he said, adding "It shows there is a lot of confidence in our economy. It also shows confidence in the new national and state administrations. Gov.-elect Jim Hunt has said there is not going to

be any new taxes."

The cold weather stimulated Christmas shopping, Greenwood said, "and brought out the shoppers."

"I've been in all parts of the state and talked with merchants and they say sales have been real good," he said. "They feel very confident about the coming year. There are still some good bargains out there because merchants don't want to be caught with inventories in January and February like they did two years ago during the recession. It was really bad then."

Greenwood estimated that shoplifters put the bite on Tar Heel merchants for \$230 million during 1976.

"On a conservative figure of 1 per cent of 23 billion dollars, you come up with 230 million," Greenwood said. "When you figure 4 per cent of the sales tax on the stolen merchandise, the state lost between eight million and 10 million dollars to shoplifting."

He said it was difficult to estimate how much the shoplifting loss was during the Christmas season, but it was heavy.

"The Christmas sales might be the biggest we've ever had, but we don't know how much of it was inflation," Greenwood said.

He called for legislative action to enact a stronger shoplifting law, saying, "We need a law that has teeth in it."

Liars' Club Champ Voted

BURLINGTON, Wis. (AP) — "During a recent cold snap I saw a night crawler steal the fur coat off a caterpillar and crawl back in his hole."

That far-out fib won the title of "World's Champion Liar" for Sidney Boyum of Madison, Wis., in the annual Burlington Liars' Club national competition.

Several other fabrications were cited for honorable mention, including this from Mel Hart of Waynesburg, Pa., about camping in a tent under a mosquito net:

"Hearing a commotion one night, I was agitated as I watched several mosquitos back up a firefly and use it as an acetylene torch to cut a hole in the netting, letting in about 4,000 mosquitos an hour."

And, then there was the usual fish story, this one from Norbert Werbie of Kenosha, Wis., about a forest fire:

"It created so much smoke that by the time the fish swam through the river in the forest the fishermen at the other end were catching smoked fish."

Obituaries

Cherry

Mr. Oscar Mance Cherry, died Sunday in Washington, D. C. He was the husband of Mrs. Cora Cherry. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at Flanagan and Hardee Funeral Home.

Phillips

AYDEN — Mr. Johnnie Albert (Pete) Phillips of Richmond, Va., formerly of Ayden, died Monday. He was the husband of Mrs. Margaret Phillips. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at Norcott and Company Funeral Home, Ayden.

Shields

Funeral services for Mr. West Shields, Sr. of 604-B Hudson St. who died December 20 will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at Mount Calvary F.W.B. Church. Burial will be in the Brown Hill Cemetery.

Surviving are two sons, Rev. West Shields, Jr. of the home and William J. Shields of Sebring, Fla.; one brother, Lester Shields of Hobgood; three sisters, Mrs. Cora Burnett of Greenville, Mrs. Josephine Cherry and Mrs. Nannie Baker of Palmyra; seven grandchildren; three great grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and nine step-great grandchildren.

Thailand Sentences 2 For Smuggling Heroin

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — A Thai court today sentenced one American to life imprisonment and another to 33 years for attempting to smuggle a massive amount of heroin to the United States last year, police said.

The two, James Smedley, 51, a long-time Thailand resident who received the life sentence, and Jasper Myrick, 24, a U.S. Army enlisted man from Montgomery, Ala., were charged with attempted drugs trafficking and drugs possession.

Myrick was arrested in October 1975 after a U.S. military customs inspection found 100 pounds of almost pure heroin stashed in hidden compartments of furniture about to be shipped to his next duty post in the United States. Smedley was arrested a few days later.

The drug haul was estimated to be worth \$21 million in American street sales.

Police said Myrick received a lighter sentence because his confession was viewed favorably by the court. The two can appeal the verdict.

Authorities said at the time of the arrests the two were part of a well-organized drug ring that had been operating between Thailand and the United States since the late 1960s, often using American servicemen stationed in Thailand as carriers of drugs to the United States.

Last June, nine persons allegedly connected with the U.S.-Thailand drug ring were convicted in Raleigh, N.C., of various drug charges. One of the alleged kingpins in the ring was given a 25-year sentence.

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Social Services Remain Closed

The Pitt County Social Services offices on Johnson Street will remain closed at least through Wednesday. The offices have been closed Monday and today due to maintenance repairs.

An announcement of opening date will be made as soon as necessary maintenance work is completed.

Andrus Quitting Chairmanship

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Idaho Gov. Cecil D. Andrus, interior secretary-designate, probably will resign Jan. 4 as chairman of the National Governors' Conference, an aide said.

Joe Nagel said Monday that he is trying to set up a conference telephone call that day with the other eight members of the Governors' Conference executive committee.

The plan is for Andrus to resign during the phone call, Nagel said, and for the governors to name his successor at the same time. Reubin Askew, Florida's Democratic governor, is regarded as the favorite to succeed Andrus.

Andrus is to resign as governor sometime in mid-January.

Cleaver Trial Is Again Put Off

OAKLAND (AP) — The long-delayed trial of former Black Panther party leader Eldridge Cleaver has been postponed again to give his new attorneys time to familiarize themselves with the case.

Judge Alan Lindsay of Alameda County Superior Court on Monday reset the trial date from Jan. 24 to May 9. He told Cleaver that he would deny any further postponements "barring any major catastrophes."

The trial on charges of assault and attempted murder arising from a 1968 shootout between Oakland police and Black Panthers has been delayed several times while Cleaver, 41, changed attorneys.

Cleaver, Panther minister of information at the time, jumped bail shortly after the incident and fled into exile abroad. He voluntarily returned to the United States last fall, saying his once militant political philosophy had changed. He is free on \$100,000 bail.

N.C. Ski Slopes In Good Condition

By The Associated Press
Here's a report of the latest conditions on ski slopes in North Carolina and Tennessee from the Southeastern Ski Area Association and resort owners as of 9 a.m. today:

APPALACHIAN: excellent conditions, 32-38 inch base, man-made powder surface, two lifts and one tow operating, one advanced, two intermediate and one beginners slope open.

BEECH MOUNTAIN: good to excellent conditions, 36-48 inch base, groomed and packed surface, four lifts and one tow operating, two advanced, two intermediate, and two beginners slopes open and one beginner trail open.

CATALOOCHEE: good conditions, 15-35 inch base; groomed powder surface, two lifts and two tows operating, one intermediate and three beginners slopes open.

MILL RIDGE: very good conditions, 18-48 inch base, packed powder surface, one lift and one tow operating, one advanced, one intermediate and one beginners slope open.

SEVEN DEVILS: good to excellent conditions, 24-60 inch base, packed powder surface, two lifts and one tow operating, one advanced, one intermediate and one beginners slope open.

SUGAR MOUNTAIN: excellent conditions, 12-60 inch base, groomed powder surface, three lifts operating, one advanced, two intermediate and two beginners slopes open.

WOLF LAUREL: good conditions, 15-45 inch base, groomed powder surface, one lift and one tow operating, one advanced, one intermediate and one beginners slope open.

Invents Device For Reducing Water Waste

NORTH SMITHFIELD, R.I. (AP) — Nicholas Ludovici has spent the past year looking in the backs of toilets. And now he thinks he's found what he's been looking for.

Ludovici has filed for a patent on a device that can be put in the back of toilets and which he claims can save two gallons of water every time a toilet is flushed — a saving of about 40 per cent.

The impact of such a saving could amount to billions of gallons of water each year and could dramatically lessen pressure on the country's water resources, he said Monday.

Ludovici, 50, said the device is made of a rubberized compound and forms a protective collar around the outlet of the toilet, creating a small dam that prevents some of the water from disappearing.

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CITIZEN PARTICIPATION WORKSHOP OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Wednesday, December 29, 1976

The Village of Simpson is again calling for widespread public support in identifying community needs. This process was initiated in order to guide efforts in the public sector along a path that will make our community a better place to live.

The Community Development grant application now being prepared will be a direct result of citizen input. Dilapidated houses could be removed, streets paved, drainage provided and other projects undertaken. The Community Development Program needs your citizen participation.

Interested citizens wishing to express preferences as to program activities or desiring technical information relating to the Community Development Program, may either write to Mr. Wayne Harris at the Mid-East Commission, Post Office Box 1218, Washington, North Carolina 27889 or telephone — 946-8043.

Please plan to attend the Community Development Workshop on Wednesday, December 29, 1976 at 7:00 p.m., in the Simpson Fire Station and give us your ideas as to the direction your Community Development Program should take.

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TUESDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 28, 1976

Pirates Return To Action In Doubleheader

By WOODY PEELE
Reflector Sports Editor

East Carolina University's basketball team returns to the hardwood Wednesday night following a week and a half off for the Christmas holidays.

But their welcome back to basketball isn't likely to come from Santa Claus.

Instead, the Pirates will be in Raleigh to participate in the Duke-State Doubleheader, Wednesday night at 7 p.m., the Bucs will take on the surprising Duke Blue Devils in Reynolds p.m., the Pirates face the N. C. State Wolfpack.

The Pirates come back to work following an embarrassing defeat at the hands of The Citadel in a Southern Conference game, 70-62. And it wasn't so much what The Citadel did to the Pirates as what the Pirates did to themselves.

"We were taking our Christmas vacation early," Coach Dave Patton said. "We didn't play well, but we still had the chance to win it if we could have made our free throws. It's just the worst I've ever seen." Usually a good shooting team from the free throw line, the Pirates made just four of 13 during the game.

"We didn't really deserve to win," Patton added. "Our young guys have just got to realize that they have to go out and play hard in every game."

Patton is hoping that young Pirates did learn from the defeat, and mainly learn that they must play hard in every game.

"The only one who played decent was Larry Hunt," the coach said. "He's played every game for us. And you can look at the roster and see that he's the only senior, and that's the reason he's played like he has."

Patton said he had hoped before the start of the season that the Pirates might be 6-1 going into this week's games, but such is not to be. Instead, they are 4-3.

And they'll be going into the toughest two-night stand of the year. "We have no time to reflect on our mistakes," Patton said.

As far as Duke is concerned, Patton feels that the Blue Devils are playing closer to their potential than any other ACC team with the exception of North Carolina.

"Tate Armstrong can do so many things. He's so confident and self-assured that the others play better, too. He'll get his points. What we have to do is see that the others don't."

Patton feels that the only reason Duke hasn't broken into the top 20 so far is that the voters don't want to have five teams from one conference in the poll. North Carolina, Wake Forest, Clemson Maryland are already ranked from the ACC.

As to State, Patton feels that the Wolfpack is second only to Maryland in talent. "They are a lot like us. They are breaking in new players, and they just haven't gotten it all together yet."

East Carolina has two players in double figures, both of them hitting 11.0 points a contest, Hunt and freshman guard Jim Ramsey.

Next comes another freshman, forward Herb Gray at 9.7. Hunt is also the leading rebounder with a 13.0 mark per game.

Armstrong is not only the leading scorer on the Duke team, but his 21.9 average leads the ACC. Jim Spanarkel is hitting at a 15.9 clip, followed by Mike Gminski at 12.4, and Mark Crow at 12.0.

Gminski is the leading rebounder with an 11.0 average.

Following this week's games, the Pirates return home on January 4, entertaining New Hampshire.

Four Cardinals Chosen NFL All-Pro

By HAL BOCK
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The St. Louis Cardinals, eliminated from the National Football League playoffs before they even started, did better on The Associated Press NFL All-Pro team announced today.

Although they missed the playoffs on the final day of the season, four Cardinals were named to the All-Pro squad, giving St. Louis the largest representation of any NFL team.

A nationwide panel of 84 sports writers and broadcasters picked tackle Dan Dierdorf, center Tom Banks, cornerback Roger Wehrli and place-kicker Jim Bakken for the All-Pro honor.

Two players, linebacker Jack Ham of the Pittsburgh Steelers and quarterback Bert Jones of the Baltimore Colts, were run-away winners at their positions. Ham received 63 of the 84 votes and Jones was named on 51 ballots.

Joining Jones in the All-Pro offensive backfield were Buffalo's O.J. Simpson, who won his fourth rushing championship in the last five years, and Walter Payton of the Chicago Bears, who lost the rushing crown to Simpson on the final day of the regular season.

Chosen on the offensive line besides Banks and Dierdorf were guards Joe DeLamielleure of Buffalo and John Hannah of New England and tackle Ron Yary of Minnesota.

The three receivers selected were tight end Dave Casper of Oakland and flankers Drew Pearson of Dallas and Cliff Branch of Oakland.

Another Oakland player, Ray Guy, was picked as the punter.

Los Angeles dominated the first team defense, placing end Jack Youngblood, linebacker

Isiah Robertson and cornerback Monte Jackson.

The middle linebacker pivoting for Ham and Robertson is another Steeler, Jack Lambert. Up front with Youngblood are tackles Wally Chambers of Chicago and Jerry Sherk of Cleveland and end John Dutton of Baltimore.

In the secondary with Jackson and Wehrli are Dallas free safety Cliff Harris and strong safety Tom Casanova of Cincinnati. The kick return specialist is Rick Upchurch of Denver.

Oakland's Ken Stabler, statistical leader among the NFL's passers, was named quarterback of the second team. His second-team pass catchers are wide receivers Roger Carr of Baltimore and Isaac Curtis of Cincinnati and tight end Russ Francis of New England. The second team running backs are Chuck Foreman of Minnesota and Lydell Mitchell of Baltimore.

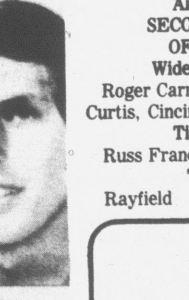
The second team offensive line is composed of Rayfield Wright of Dallas and George Kunz of Baltimore at the tackles and Conrad Dobler of St. Louis and Gene Upshaw of Oakland at the guards with Miami's Jim Langer at center.

On defense, the second team line has Pittsburgh's Joe Greene and Alan Page of Minnesota at the tackles with Tommy Hart of San Francisco and Harvey Martin of Dallas at the ends. The linebackers are Ted Hendricks of Oakland, Bill Bergey of Philadelphia and Robert Brazile of Houston. New England's Mike Haynes and Ken Riley of Cincinnati were selected at the corners with Pittsburgh teammates Mike Wagner and Glen Edwards of Pittsburgh (strong).

Efren Herrera on placements is the kicker, John James of

Atlanta the punter and Ed Brown of Washington the kick returner.

ALL-PRO FIRST TEAM OFFENSE

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White Is Top Rookie

By BRUCE LOWITT
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Sammie White of the Minnesota Vikings, who led the National Conference in touchdown catches and receiving yardage, was named The Associated Press' National Football League Offensive Rookie of the Year today.

The selection of the 5-foot-11, 190-pounder from Grambling, Minnesota's No. 2 draft choice (behind Oklahoma State defensive tackle James White), was overwhelming. Sammy, who hauled in 10 TD passes during the regular season, got the vote from 49 of the 84 sports writers and broadcasters, three from each NFL team.

Los Angeles quarterback Pat Haden, the Rhodes scholar from Southern Cal by way of the defunct World Football League, was second in the balloting with 10 votes. Pittsburgh quarterback Mike Kruczek from Boston College was next with seven. Others receiving votes included running backs Clark Gaines of the New York Jets and Archie Griffin of Cincinnati, and quarterback Jim Zorn of Seattle.

Sammie White more than took over where John Gilliam left off. Gilliam played out his contract with the Vikings in 1975 and signed with Atlanta. In his last year in Minnesota, Gilliam had 50 receptions for a team-high 777 yards. In his first year in Minnesota, White had 51 receptions for a conference-high 906 yards and was selected to the NFC Pro Bowl squad.

His biggest games of the season came against Los Angeles, Miami and Detroit. Against the Rams he had nine catches for 139 yards and a touchdown. At Miami he had nine receptions for 120 yards and three TDs. And against the Lions he had seven catches for a club-record 210 yards and two TDs.

None of this seems to have surprised the Vikings. "Wide receiver comes down to athletic ability — running, jumping and catching," said veteran quarterback Fran Tarkenton, who almost always looked in White's direction when he needed a big play. "We thought all along that Sammie had the talent and the ability, and he has proven it."

And Coach Bud Grant, a man known to be tight with a compliment, said, "Some players get a quick start and then their performance levels off. Sammie's big thing is that he has continued to improve. He is an intelligent receiver, durable, has excellent hands, good speed and good instinct and, probably most important, he likes to play."

White, of course, doesn't deny he deserves the honor and attention he is getting. But he says it's not all his own doing.

"I was confident all along I could make the team and be the big-play man," he said. "I've always had confidence in my ability. Fran has been like a father to me. He's done so much to help me."

Tar Heels Defeat Oral Roberts

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The ninth-ranked North Carolina Tar Heels got double-figure scoring from all five starters, including 26 points from Phil Ford, to defeat Oral Roberts 100-84 Monday night in the first round of the Far West Classic

ORAL ROBERTS (84): Roberts 21 4-7 46, Scott 10 0-2, Dahms 9 1-3 19, Dugger 3 0-0 6, Worrell 3 0-0 6, Dublyn 0 0-0 0, Tucker 1 0-0 2, Van Horn 0 0-0 0, Holtgrewe 0 0-0 0, Rolle 0 1-4 1, Spencer 10 0-2, Hollinden 0 0-0 0, Hurdle 0 0-0 0. Totals 39 4-14 84.

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Halftime—North Carolina 48, Oral Roberts 44. Fouled out—Worrell, Davis. Total fouls—North Carolina 24, Oral Roberts 23. A—NA.

college basketball tournament.

North Carolina was to meet the winner of the later Monday game between Oregon and Bowling Green, in Wednesday's semifinals. Oral Roberts will also play Wednesday against the loser of that game in the consolation bracket.

Game scoring honors, however, went to Oral Roberts' free-shooting Anthony Roberts who took 38 shots from the

floor and made 21 of them for a total of 46 points. The only other Titan in double figures was freshman center Chuck Dahms with 19.

Mike O'Koren had 20 points and Walter Davis 18 for North Carolina. Tommy LaGarde had 16 points and John Keuster chipped in with 12. Ford, LaGarde and Davis all were members of the 1976 U.S. Olympic basketball team which

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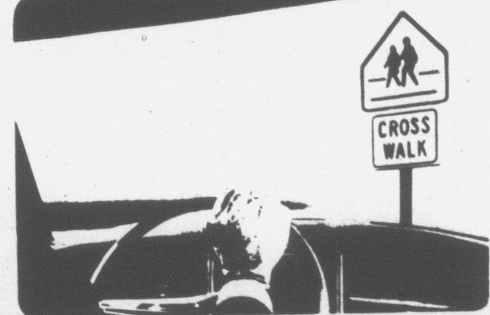
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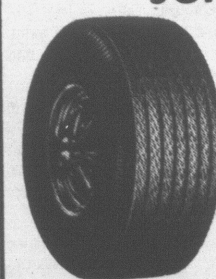
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Irish Look To Next Year Following Gator Victory

By HERSHEL NISSENSEN
AP Sports Writer

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Notre Dame's football team closed out the 1976 season by thinking about 1977.

And despite all of Coach Dan Devine's attempts to play it cool whenever next year was mentioned, his players found it difficult to keep from looking ahead to their planned run at the national championship.

"It was good to finish with a win," Devine said following Monday night's 20-9 Gator Bowl victory over Penn State, "and

it makes for a good start for next season."

Making for an even better start is the return of 23 regulars, 20 of whom started against Penn State plus three others who were injured along the way.

"It was a great win and it starts us off for next year," said linebacker Steve Heinke, who helped key a stingy defense that doesn't lose a single starter.

Defensive end Ross Browner, winner of the Outland Trophy as the nation's top lineman,

called the game a "morale booster for next year. One of the reasons we came to a bowl this year was to get our young people prepared for next year; to be around a bowl atmosphere. We'll be a young team again, but we'll have a lot of maturity."

The only players Notre Dame must replace are quarterback Rick Slagter and split end Dan Kelleher.

"This game will probably project our future for next year," said tight end Ken McAfee, who caught five of Sla-

ger's 10 completions for 76 yards.

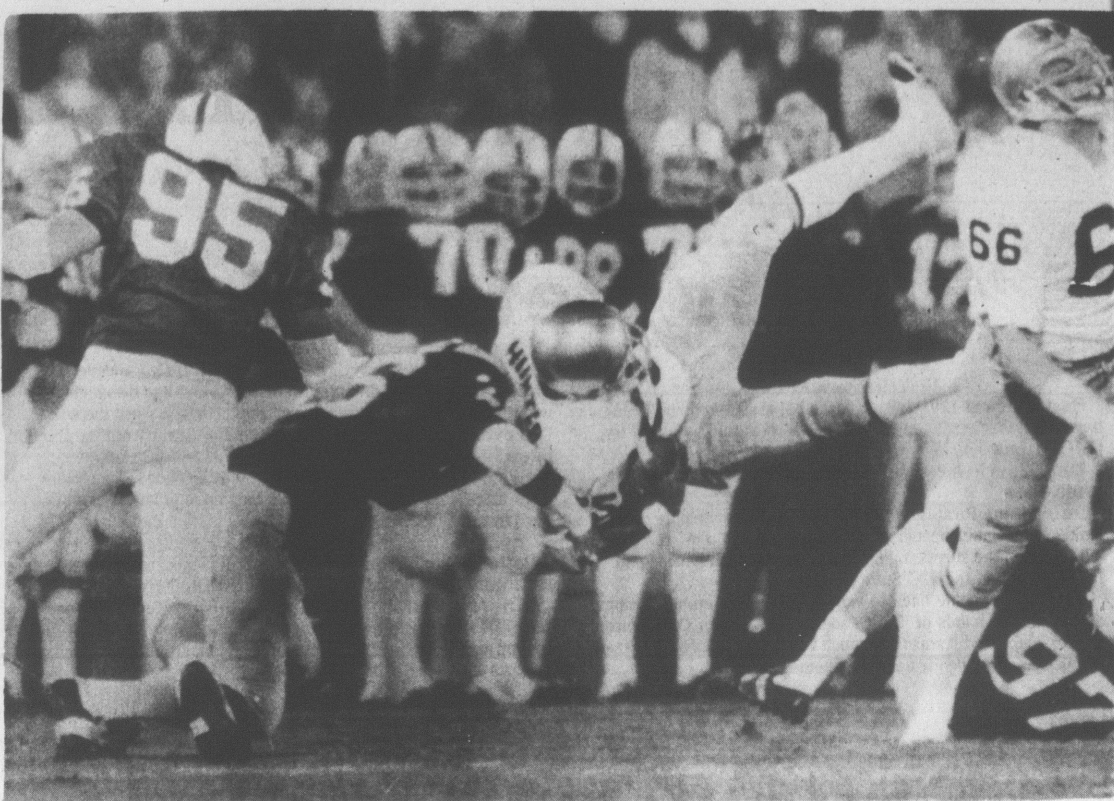
"I think Michigan and Notre Dame will be the top two teams going into next season," said Coach Joe Paterno of Penn State, which also must be considered a contender with 15 starters returning.

Notre Dame, ranked 15th, wound up with a 9-3 record. Penn State, tied for 20th in the final regular season college football poll, finished 7-5, the most losses since a 5-5 mark in Paterno's initial campaign as head coach a decade ago.

The Nittany Lions took a 3-0 lead on Tony Capozzoli's 26-yard field goal midway through the opening period. It capped a drive from the Penn State 35 to the Notre Dame 10, but that was the only time in the first half the losers advanced beyond their own 32.

Al Hunter, who rushed for 102 yards in 26 carries, scored twice on one-yard runs and Dave Reeve booted a pair of 23-yard field goals as Notre Dame, helped by costly Penn State penalties, piled up a 20-3 halftime bulge and then turned things over to its big-play defense.

Linebackers Doug Becker, Heimkreiter and Bob Golic led the way with 13, 12 and 11 tackles, respectively. Strong safety Jim Browner, Ross' younger brother, knocked down three passes, intercepted one pass in his own end zone and recovered a fumble at the Penn State 23 to set up Reeve's first field goal.



HUNTER STOPPED — Notre Dame's Al Hunter is upended by Penn State's Neil Hutton during first half action in the Gator Bowl Monday night. Penn State's

Tom DePaso (95) looks on. Hunter led the Irish to a 20-9 win over the Nittany Lions. (AP Wirephoto)

Michigan Again First In AP Basketball Poll

By BARRY WILNER
AP Sports Writer

It's holiday tournament time for the nation's collegiate basketball teams and the Michigan Wolverines plan to keep on feasting.

The Wolverines once again captured the top spot in The Associated Press collegiate basketball poll, a place they have held from the outset of the season. Michigan received 29 of 39 first-place votes from sportswriters and broadcasters throughout the nation. The Wolverines collected 730 points in the poll on the strength of the 5-0 record they carry into the Providence Tournament tonight. They slaughtered Central Michigan 104-63 in their lone game last week.

Runnerup in the balloting was Notre Dame, which gathered 650 points and six No. 1 selections. The Fighting Irish, 7-0, drubbed Vermont 89-48 in their only action last week to remain ahead of 12-0 San Francisco, which was third in the voting. The Dons, who got 607 points and a pair of No. 1 votes, may have trouble keeping their perfect record intact as they begin play in the tough Rainbow Classic in Hawaii tonight.

Alabama, 8-0, and Cincinnati, 7-0, swapped positions in the poll, with the Crimson Tide taking over the fourth spot after downing Georgetown and South Carolina to win the Carolina Classic. Alabama earned 478 points while idle Cincinnati re-

ceived 460 and a first-place vote.

Kentucky moved up one place to sixth despite not playing last week. The Wildcats face Notre Dame on Thursday.

Wake Forest, which grabbed one first-place vote, moved from ninth to seventh, followed by No. 8 UCLA, and two of the Deacons' Atlantic Coast Conference rivals, ninth-rated North Carolina and No. 10 Clemson.

No. 11 Nevada-Las Vegas will stay home for the holidays. The Rebels will host the Las Vegas Tourney.

No. 12 Marquette, which has dropped from No. 2 in the poll after two 0-1 weeks in a row, also remains at home to play in the Milwaukee Classic, which includes Clemson in its field.

Rounding out the Top 20 are No. 13 Arizona, 14th-ranked Louisville, which faces a strong field that includes No. 20 Auburn in the Louisville Classic. No. 15 Minnesota, which jumped from 20th after upsetting Marquette, 16th-rated Maryland, which entertains No. 18 Syracuse in its holiday tournament. No. 17 Arkansas, and 19th-ranked Utah.

The AP Top Twenty

By The Associated Press

The Top Twenty teams in The Associated Press college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, this season's records and total points. Points based on 20-18-16-14-12-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1.

1. Michigan (29) 5-0 730

2. Notre Dame (6)	7-0	650
3. San Fran (2)	12-0	607
4. Alabama	8-0	478
5. Cincinnati (1)	7-0	460
6. Kentucky	6-1	337
7. Wake Forest (1)	7-0	293
8. UCLA	7-1	285
9. N. Carolina	5-1	219
10. Clemson	8-0	203
11. Nev-LV	8-1	172
12. Marquette	4-2	129
13. Arizona	8-1	108
14. Louisville	5-2	106
15. Minnesota	7-0	98
16. Maryland	7-1	70
17. Arkansas	8-0	56
18. Syracuse	7-1	32
19. Utah	6-3	26
20. Auburn	5-0	17

Helping Hawks

ATLANTA (AP) — Ted Turner, owner of the Atlanta Braves, has tentatively scheduled a Wednesday news conference to announce partial purchase of the financially troubled Atlanta Hawks of the National Basketball Association.

"It's just too complex, too screwy even to talk about now. I don't want to go into it today," said Turner, who also indicated he would announce plans to keep the team in Atlanta.

The flamboyant 37-year-old owner of television stations in Charlotte, N.C., and Atlanta, bought the Braves a year ago and began promotions that boosted game attendance about 400,000 over the previous season.

He reportedly had planned to take over the Hawks and move the team to Charlotte.

"Right now, the city (Atlanta) is about 'sports' out with four teams, but if we can hang on until it gets bigger, we'll be all right," Turner said.

The Hawks, last in the Central Division with a 12-23 record, have been failing at the gate, and majority owner Tom Cousins has been attempting to sell the club.

A source said the sale price of the franchise is \$480,000 with the new owner assuming all of the Hawks' debts.

College Basketball

Marquette Tops Clemson

By KEN RAPPOPORT

AP Sports Writer

Beating the Clemson Tigers was just like chopping wood for the Marquette Warriors.

More precisely, it was like cutting down a "Tree."

"I really felt if I could stop 'Tree' Rollins, we'd win," said Marquette's Jerome Whitehead after the 12th-ranked Warriors trimmed the 10th-rated Tigers 67-49 in the Milwaukee Classic Monday night.

Clemson's seven-foot center, who had helped the Atlantic Coast Conference team average 104 points a game, was neutralized by Whitehead. The Marquette center kept the "Tree" in foul trouble most of the night and held him to an insignificant two points and four rebounds.

With less than four minutes gone in the game, Whitehead took Rollins inside for a stuff shot. Whitehead missed, but drew Rollins' second foul. Rollins committed his third foul with 11:45 left in the first half and was forced to sit down until intermission.

The victory snapped a rare two-game losing streak at home for Marquette and sent the Warriors into tonight's finals against Wisconsin, an earlier 74-66 victor over Boston College.

In other tournament action involving the nation's ranked teams, No. 9 North Carolina walloped Oral Roberts 100-84 and Oregon defeated Bowling Green 66-54 in the opener of the Far West Classic in Portland,

Ore. Utah, No. 16, whipped Idaho 102-66 and Nevada-Reno outscored Pepperdine 78-68 in the Wolfpack Classic at Reno, Nev. Thirteenth-rated Arizona turned back Stanford 90-82 in a non-tourney game.

Elsewhere, Brigham Young beat St. Joseph's, Pa., 68-56 and Oklahoma City stopped Ohio 97-73 in first-round action of the All-College tournament in Oklahoma; Missouri hammered Iowa State 81-67 and Kansas State rolled over Oklahoma State 74-56 in the Big Eight Tourney at Kansas City; Manhattan nipped LIU 60-56 and Georgetown turned back Fairfield 79-69 in New York's Holiday Festival; Villanova edged Hofstra 64-62 and LSU crushed Montana State 101-81 in the Louisiana Classic; Detroit defeated Centenary 79-74 and Kent State topped St. Peter's of New Jersey 76-69 in the Motor City Classic in Detroit and South Alabama beat Samford 81-67 and Texas Tech edged Southern Mississippi 75-74 in the Senior Bowl in Mobile, Ala.

Houston tripped Illinois 69-66 in an opening-round game of the Rainbow Classic in Hawaii. In the Lutheran Brotherhood Classic in Minneapolis, Augsburg beat Texas Lutheran 67-60; Wittenberg trimmed St. Paul Concordia 91-40; Capital beat Carthage 80-76 and Lenoir Rhyne routed Nebraska Concordia 128-80.

While Whitehead was doing the defensive job required on Rollins, Butch Lee carried the offense for Marquette with 17 points. The Warriors held high-powered Clemson, the nation's second-highest scoring team, to but one field goal in the first nine minutes of the second half and took a commanding 42-26 lead with 11:31 left.

Joe Chmelich's 19 points led a balanced attack as Wisconsin defeated Boston College. Phil Ford led five North Carolina players in double figures with 26 points as the Tar Heels overpowered Oral Roberts.

Greg Ballard scored 19 points and grabbed 16 rebounds to lead Oregon's victory in the second game of the Far West Classic.

Greg Deane and Buster Mathanay scored 17 points each and grabbed a dozen rebounds apiece to lead Utah past Idaho. Edgar Jones scored 20 of his 29 points in the second half to pace Nevada-Reno past Pepperdine.

Herman Harris scored 24 points, 14 of them in a crucial second half, as Arizona defeated Stanford.

Five players scored in double figures, led by Larry Cheeseman's 14 points, as Brigham Young beat St. Joseph's. Ernie Hill pumped in 25 points as Oklahoma City defeated Ohio.

Scott Sims scored 26 points to lead top-seeded Missouri to an easy victory over Iowa State in the Big Eight tourney. Kansas State won the other first-round game behind a 21-point performance by Darryl Winston.

Manhattan defeated LIU behind Ricky Marsh's 17 points. Derrick Johnson scored 20 points and John Duren keyed a game-breaking, 10-2 spurt late in the second half as Georgetown trimmed Fairfield. Du-rand Macklin collected 22 points and 15 rebounds to lead LSU's rout of Montana State. Larry Herron's 14 points paced Villanova over Hofstra.

Burrell McGhee's 16 points powered Kent State over St. Peter's and John Long's 19 points helped Detroit defeat Centenary. Grant Dukes pumped in 27 points to trigger Texas Tech past Southern Mississippi and John Mallard's 26 led South Alabama past Samford.

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BEAR GRASS GIRLS — First row: Vickie Holliday, Darlene Rogerson, Joette Rogers, Patti Malone and Lou Rawls. Second row: Patricia Taylor, Martha

Rogerson, Angela Coltrain, Debra Jo Peaks, Jandra Crawford and Stephanie Andrews. (Reflector photo)

Bear Grass Girls In Losing Spell After Fine Season Start

By WOODY PEELE

Reflector Sports Editor

BEAR GRASS — Things got off to a good start for the Bear Grass girls, who won their first three starts, but things haven't gone quite as well since then.

After the fine start, the Lady Bears dropped five of their next six and went into the holiday break with a 4-5 record.

Several of the losses were quite close, however, and Coach Churchill Briley feels that there is a possibility that the Bears can put it all together before the end of the season.

"We really are lacking in the talent department," the coach said. "We have good experience, but our girls this year just haven't got quite the talent it really takes."

"Not that they don't try hard. They do. And they get a lot out of what they put into it. But you either have it, or you don't and realistically, we don't."

Two starters return from last

year's team, junior Patricia Taylor and senior Lou Rawls. They were the backbone of last year's team and are again this year. Joining them in the first five are junior Debra Jo Peaks, junior Jandra Crawford and senior Darlene Rogerson.

"I think we have a future in front of us," Briley said. "We can be better with work. We've been up and down, and we need to get some consistency before we can be a real good team."

The Lady Bears are short on height. "This gives us rebounding problems at both ends of the court," the coach said, "and it's a big factor. When your tallest player is 5-6, it can be a problem."

Shooting, however, is pretty good. "We rely on Taylor, Rawls and Rogerson. We have been able to get the ball inside some, but we rely on outside shooting mostly. Taylor is the type player who can do it all, inside and out."

Ball-handling, however, is one of the weaker skills of the team. "We've been hurt in the press. We need for Taylor to bring the ball down for us. She's our best."

Defensively, the Bears have been "fair." They've usually gone with a match-up zone. "We don't want to get into a running game with anyone," Briley added.

Depth is also a weak point. "We don't have much. We use two people mainly, Vickie Holliday and Lydia Hoell."

In the Beaufort-Hyde-Martin loop, Briley looks for Belhaven, Jamesville and Pantego to be the strongest. "Belhaven may be the best. They have the best talent at least."

The future of the Bear pro-

gram may be stronger. There is a good junior high program helping to feed the varsity and this promises better things ahead.

"We may still surprise someone before this year is over," Briley said. "We just lost to Belhaven (last year's champ) by one point, so we know we can do it."

"These girls try hard, and it is just a matter of achievement. They enjoy playing, and, like everyone, they want to win," he said.

And he hopes that the desire of the Bears can make up for the overall ability that they haven't quite reached.

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A 'Dream Year' For New Star

28 By JAY SHARBUTT

AP Television Writer
LOS ANGELES (AP) — This has been a good year for Judith Cohen. We pause now as everyone says, "Who?" They'll learn who if they tune in the Jan. 19 premiere of CBS' new comedy, "A Year at the Top."

The Norman Lear series concerns an aged quartet of vaudevillians who give their souls to the devil in return for a year of youth, a year of success as a music group in today's pop music world.

Miss Cohen, a Baltimore, Md., native with but four years of professional performing logged, was signed this year to play the mod version of one of the old troupers, played by Vivian Blaine.

"It's kind of wonderful," the young singer-actress said in a soft, husky voice. "It's like a dream that this could really happen. But it can. It truly can."

Things commenced happening this year, she said, when CBS casting director Pat Kirkland watched her work as a singer at a new talent club called Reno Sweeney's in the hamlet called New York.

She said Kirkland urged Lear to consider her for a part. She originally was to be considered for the role of Bernadette Peters' roommate in CBS' "All's Fair." But when Lear came to Gotham, she was leaving for a gig in Florida. She said the rest happened this way:

He asked her when she'd be

working again at the New York club. She told him. He said he'd try to be there opening night. He was. A week later, he signed her for a guest shot on "Good Times," she said.

After that came one of the lead roles in "A Year at the Top."

All of which is quite a leap forward for the red-haired Miss Cohen, who put in a year at Towson College in Maryland, then dropped out to study acting and to act and sing in Fun City.

She began as a professional when she auditioned for a part in an off-Broadway improvisa-

tional play, "The Proposition." "It was the first thing I'd ever tried out for, and I was very lucky," she said. Meaning she got the job her first time out.

Nine months later, she landed a part in another off-Broadway show called "42 Seconds From Broadway." It expired immediately. How'd she feel about that setback?

"To be honest, I'd never done Equity (plays requiring union actors, union pay) or anything like that before," she said. "So it was an incredible working experience for me. I loved it. "If something ends abruptly

like that, you don't give up. So I just went on."

While seeking other acting jobs, she also launched her singing career, backed by a quartet consisting of piano, bass, drums and cello. She drew favorable reviews for her work at Reno Sweeney's.

To sing in clubs, one usually needs music arrangements. Which cost some bucks. But Judith Cohen, a self-described Lucky Lady, was lucky even in this regard.

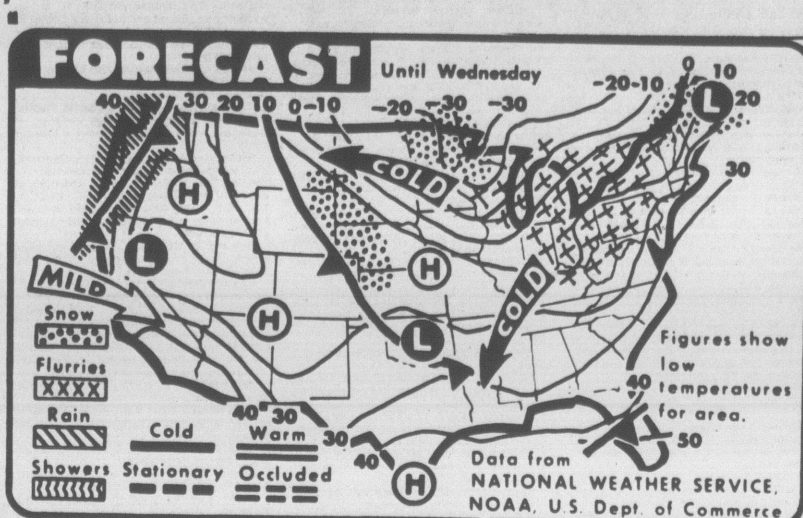
"Oh, I didn't have to pay for any arrangements," she laughed. "My musicians just believed in me. And whatever we made, we divided."



A NEW TALENT — Judith Cohen, a singer-actress from Baltimore, Md., with but four years of professional performing logged, was signed this year to

play the leading role in CBS' new comedy, "A Year at the Top," which premieres on Jan. 19. (AP Wirephoto)

How's The Weather?



WEATHER FORECAST — Snow is expected today for the northern and central Plains and snow flurries are expected from the Great Lakes to the Northeast. Rain is forecast in the Northwest.

Most of the country will be cold but, milder weather is forecast for the Pacific states. (AP Wirephoto)

By The Associated Press
A low pressure area moving swiftly eastward through the Ohio River Valley produced a strong southeasterly flow of relatively mild weather across the Tar Heel state today.

While partly cloudy skies with mild temperatures prevailed early in the day, a cold front due in the afternoon returned the mention of snow to the National Weather Service forecast in the mountains.

Sunny skies and cool temperatures dominated the Tar Heel weather scene Monday, with afternoon highs mostly in the 40s.

Asheville, Charlotte and Wilmington were the warmest in the state with highs of 51 degrees. The coolest city in the state was Elizabeth City with a high of 39 degrees.

Cloudiness increased somewhat across the state Monday night and temperatures began to drop into the 30s. During the night temperatures climbed back into the 40s with readings along the south coast and on the Outer Banks climbing into the 50s.

Recreational weather outlook: partly cloudy, windy and mild today with afternoon highs ranging from the 40s in the northern mountains to the 60s over the eastern sections of the state. Small craft advisories were in effect for the North Carolina coastal waters and for the sounds.

As the cold front moves through the state winds will be shifting to the northwest and colder air will bring a chance of snow flurries in the northern mountains tonight and on Wednesday. Across the state

Wednesday it will be mostly sunny with afternoon highs in the 30s in the mountains ranging to the low 50s along the coast.

Tide Tables

Morehead City			
34 deg. 43' latitude, 76 deg. 42' longitude			
Dec. 29			
AM	Low	High	PM
2:31	8:37	2:30	8:45
Moon — First Quarter			
Tidal time differences in minutes between Morehead City and:			
	High	Low	
Shell Pt.,arkers is.	+70 Min.	+110 Min.	
Beaufort (Pivers is.)	+3 Min.	+4 Min.	
Atlantic Beach	+44 Min.	+52 Min.	
Booke Inlet	+96 Min.	+92 Min.	
New River Inlet	+93 Min.	+90 Min.	
Cape Lookout	+46 Min.	+48 Min.	
Hatteras Inlet	+101 Min.	+94 Min.	
Ocracoke Inlet	+100 Min.	+96 Min.	
N—Noon M—Midnight			

FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1976

Your Daily HOROSCOPE

from the CARROLL RIGHTER INSTITUTE

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Charm others into seeing things your way and avoid taking anything for granted or letting errors in statements or writing pass by unnoticed during the daytime. Tonight you will be able to express a vital and well-placed concern in whatever is of special interest to you.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) You can put through fine ideas today, but you have to use tact in writing and speaking. Study plans well so they work out satisfactorily.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) If you think cleverly and quietly you can easily gain benefits that have been impossible before. Come to a better understanding with a business associate. Avoid a troublemaker.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Listen carefully to what a good friend has to say. Put more effort into that personal aim you want to attain. Take care you do not argue at any social functions you attend.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) If you are clever you can handle an unfavorable condition connected with a matter vital to you. Be sure not to jeopardize your good name in any way. Add to present prestige instead.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Study thoroughly a new venture you are interested in for possible flaws. If you make new contacts be sure you understand them well.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) If you consider well what others expect of you, you can handle obligations most intelligently now. You are being tested by a loved one, so be careful not to fail. Take no chances where this important relationship is concerned.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Meet with an associate and talk over mutual affairs intelligently. Be alert to any new deals offered you. Don't get caught in a trap.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You have much work to do but need to be very careful or you could make some big mistakes that could be costly. Listen to suggestions of co-workers and they will cooperate more.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) If you plan your recreation early, it turns out very satisfactorily later. A loved one could say something sarcastic, but ignore it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 20 to Jan. 20) Study your home and see where to make improvements, have more order around you. Then get busy with business affairs.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Think out how you can handle your regular duties more wisely and efficiently. Go over any statements and see that they are correct.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Go over financial affairs to check for errors made by you or others. Plan needed home repairs. Have a more courageous outlook on life.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he or she will be very impulsive so be sure to give good training and advice that will teach your progeny to think and plan before acting. Then this can become a most successful life. Do not neglect religious training. In fact, the religious life could prove a fine outlet here, especially.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to YOU!

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GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN
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Both vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♦ 7
♥ J 10
♦ AKQJ 106
♦ AKQ2
WEST
♦ 10842 ♦ AKQJ
♥ A954 ♥ Q873
♦ 542 ♦ 97
♦ 75 ♦ J93
SOUTH
♦ 9653
♥ K62
♦ 83
♦ 10864

The bidding:
East South West North
1 ♦ Pass 2 ♦ Dble.
Pass 3 ♦ Pass 4 NT
Pass 5 ♦ Pass Pass
Opening lead: Two of ♦.

The third tip in the new Bols Bridge Tips competition is by veteran British internationalist and bridge writer, Tony Friday. He writes that military men give much thought to camouflage. When a general is planning a battle, he will pretend to be strong in the part of a line where he is weak. Similarly, he will also try to appear vulnerable in an area where he is strong.

Defenders at bridge have many opportunities to do the same. When you are strong in a suit, your aim should be to conceal that fact. There is a good chance that declarer will misplace your strength in another—perhaps vital—suit.

When this hand was played in an international match between England and Ireland, North showed his strength with a takeout double and then a jump to four no trump, asking for

aces. Had his partner shown one ace, North was going to gamble that it was the ace of hearts and go for slam, reckoning that any heart loser partner might have would go away on the diamonds.

West led his fourth-best spade, and had East won routinely with the jack, declarer would have been hard pressed not to make his contract. Since East would be showing the four top spades, West would have to hold an outside card for his raise to two spades, and that had to be the ace of hearts.

East, though, was not the kind of defender who makes life easy for declarer. He won the first trick with the ace of spades and, realizing that his side would have to score tricks in hearts quickly to defeat the contract, he shifted to a low heart.

Declarer now placed West with the king of spades and, possibly, the queen of hearts. One thing looked certain—East was "marked" with the ace of hearts for his opening bid. So he rose with the king of hearts and quickly lost two heart tricks and his contract.

"When you are defending," concludes Friday, "practice the art of camouflage." That might be no easier than trying to camouflage the good taste of Bols liqueur, but the results could be as sweet.

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Nitrous Oxide Helps To Make The Visits Easy

RALEIGH (AP) — It hasn't made going to the dentist fun, but a colorless, odorless gas is reducing the fear of climbing into the dental chair for many people.

It's nitrous oxide, and proponents say it helps a patient relax and makes it easier for the dentist to work. Others remain leery of the gas, however, saying it produces unusual sensations.

The gas isn't new. It was discovered in 1772. But its use in dental work, along with a local anesthetic such as novocain, is relatively a relatively modern application.

"It's the nicest trip you'll ever take," said Pattie Swift, chief admitting officer at Rex Hospital here. "My teeth used to be in terrible condition because of my horror of dentists. Now I'd just as soon go to the dentist as to my hairdresser — except for the bill."

The gas can give patients a feeling of euphoria, sense of well being, tingling sensations, headiness or drowsiness and deep or humorous thoughts.

"With nitrous, the patient re-

mains conscious, is able to respond to commands and his protective reflexes are intact," said Dr. Ernest W. Small, professor and chairman of oral surgery in the School of Dentistry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. "This means he can cough or swallow if necessary, for example, which he can't do under a general anesthesia."

Small said the gas does not eliminate pain, but changes slightly the patient's threshold of pain. For that reason, another anesthesia must be used with it.

"The primary objective is as a sedative — a means of calming the fearful or anxious patient. This becomes particularly important with the exceptionally fearful patient or the heart patient who needs to avoid undue stress."

One local member of the N.C. Dental Examiners said, however, that he doesn't use the gas. "It scared me quite a bit... And I had some bizarre reactions from patients."

Dr. William Wynne is a Raleigh dentist who does use nitrous oxide. "Some try it and

don't like it. And, of course, they don't have to use it. But I'd say 90 per cent of them want it routinely," he said.

Doctors warn, however, that the gas should not be used by severe psychotics, women in the first trimester of pregnancy and patients with severe, advanced cardiac problems.

Vow To Expand Hotel Walkout

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — A federal mediator has called a negotiating session for hotel managers and striking employees, but the union has pledged to expand the strike every day until a contract is signed.

By Monday, the strike had spread to seven large resort hotels, and nonunion help struggled to provide normal service for thousands of tourists.

Mediator Leland Dean scheduled the bargaining session —

the first since the walkout began Saturday — for today. But Herbert Shiffman, president of Hotel, Motel and Restaurant Employees Union Local 355, said that would not keep the strike by maids, waiters, bellhops and other employees from spreading.

Despite the strike, which forced most guests to serve their own meals and make their own beds, there were few reports of cancellations from airlines and travel agencies.

Managers would not say how many guests were being inconvenienced, but most of the hotels are close to capacity for the holidays.

The struck hotels have been offering guests free drinks, entertainment and food.

By Monday, the strike had hit the Fontainebleau, Eden Roc, Carillon, Deauville, Doral Beach, Doral Country Club and Shelborne. Three other large hostels have settled contracts with the union.

The employees' old contract expired in September. At issue are guaranteed tips from prepaid conventions and other groups, higher wages, increased hospitalization insurance and legal aid benefits for union members.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS
1. Trolley
4. Headgear
7. Eats
11. Alligator pear
13. Dill seed
14. Uniform
15. --- of Man
16. Arrow poison
17. Pod of whales
19. Goddess of healing
20. Confine
21. Commission

DOWN
23. Had being
24. Bulrush
25. Consider
27. Hydraulic pump
28. Coastal
30. Small swallow
33. In the manner of
34. Negative particle
35. Rajah's wife
36. Dad
38. Deplorable
40. Account entry
41. Whatnot
42. Hotbed
43. Join
44. Color

SOLUTION OF YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE
DOWN
1. South American
2. Oat genus
3. Astronaut's OK
4. Hindu cymbals
5. Aphorisms
6. Ethical
7. Capuchin monkey
8. Open
9. Clay rock
10. Cubic meter
11. Suggestion
12. Iron or brass
13. Vergil's goatherd
14. Incessant
15. Ingredient
16. Foggy
17. Inflated
18. Russian stockades
19. Having a flat
20. Rabbit fur
21. Lassoes
22. More guarded
23. Accoutment
24. Heaped
25. Equipment
26. Norse county
27. Fancy marble

Quiet Students Have A Haven

MADISON Wis. (AP) — University of Wisconsin students who prefer coffee to beer, folk music to rock, and quiet conversation to ear-splitting noise, have a haven at the "Friday Night Social Club" in a dormitory lounge.

After deciding "there should be more to socializing than sitting around drinking beer," Bill Gerlach, an adviser for 750 dorm residents at the university, came up with the weekly coffee shop event.

Using the basement lounge in a men's residence building, he offers folk music, poetry, soft drinks, coffee and tea, plus a chance to meet other students. A 25-cent donation is asked.

"It was slow starting, but word of mouth has been very good," Gerlach said, with 80 to 100 students abandoning disco music or bars to drop in on a typical Friday night.

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CLOWNING ON THE SLOPES — Colorado Gov. Dick Lamm lifts up daughter Heather, 6, as they ski at Vail Sunday afternoon. The Governor and some of his family skied here to help publicize that the ski conditions aren't as bad as some say. He spent the better part of the afternoon skiing while President Ford, who is in Vail, watched the pro football playoff games at home. (AP Wirephoto)

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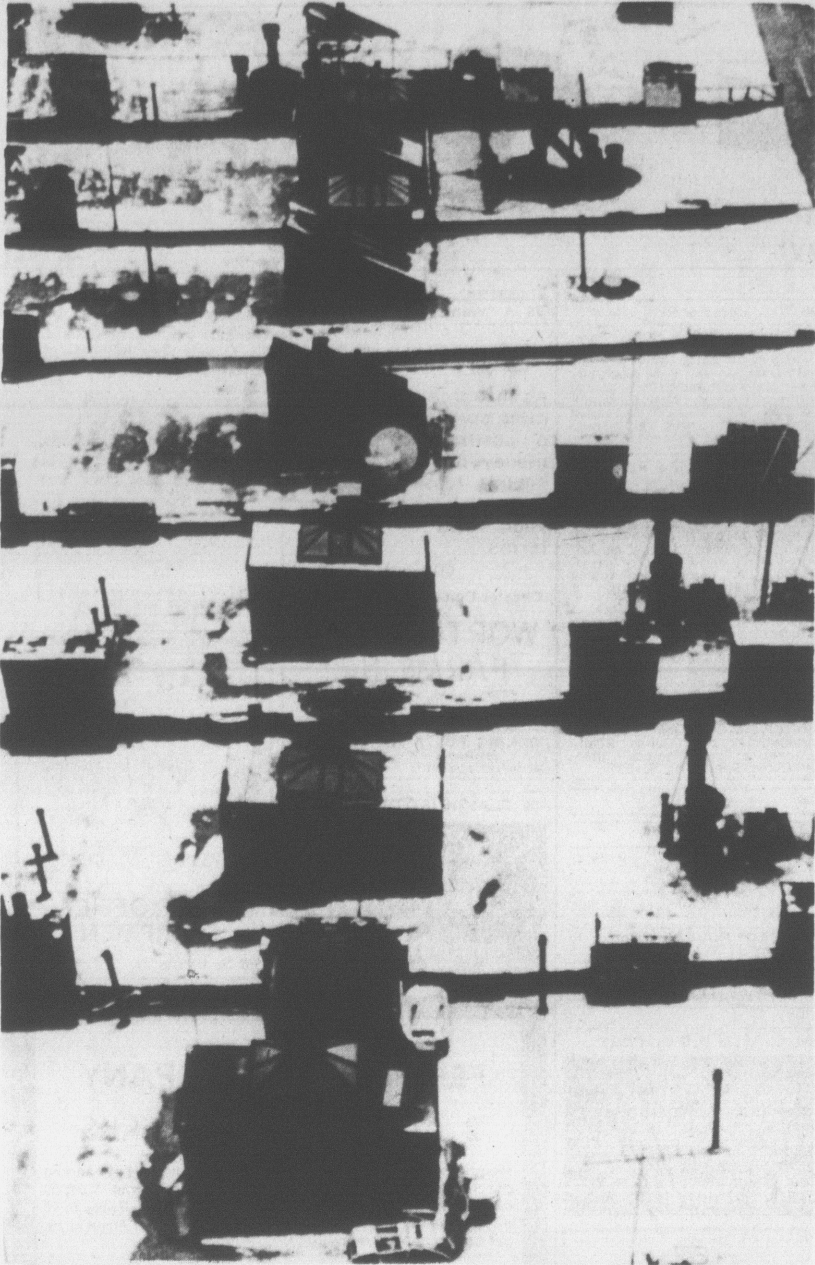
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ROOFTOP PATTERN — Snow on New York City tenement roofs creates this pattern over the weekend after New Yorkers got a last-minute White Christmas. Three to five inches of snow

accumulated in the Metropolitan area. This photo was taken from the Roosevelt Island tramway. (AP Wirephoto)

Blanket Amnesty Said Unlikely

By HOWARD BENEDICT
Associated Press Writer
VAIL, Colo. (AP) — President Ford says he does not really plan to reconsider granting blanket amnesty to Vietnam-era draft evaders and deserters, even though he promised the widow of Michigan Sen. Philip Hart he would

look into the possibility. The issue was raised by Jane Hart when Ford made a condolence telephone call to her after the death of her husband. Hart, often known as "the conscience of the Senate" and a leader of the chamber's liberal forces, died Sunday of cancer. He was 64.

"I called to offer my condolences," Ford said Monday. "I said was there anything I could do and she said she wanted to ask if I would extend amnesty across the board and I said I'd look into it," Ford told reporters as he started out for a day of skiing.

Mrs. Hart was strongly against the Vietnam war and was arrested during a pray-in protest at the Pentagon. For a time she refused to pay taxes as part of her protest.

She said Monday that when Ford asked her if there was anything he could do she asked the favor on behalf of "Vietnam protesters, deserters and draft dodgers" because it was "the last thing Phil, in his last weeks, wished he could have gotten through."

But after her request became known, Ford was asked by a reporter if he was serious about reconsidering the amnesty question. Ford replied: "Oh, no. I just said at the request of her (Mrs. Hart) that I would look into it."

"You were just being polite then?" Ford was asked.

"The words speak for themselves," the President answered.

Ford always has opposed any blanket amnesty, and he indicated that his opinion is unchanged. Despite Ford's statement that he would not consider the question, aides who are with Ford on the holiday skiing vacation here said a review of the amnesty issue will be made anyway before Ford leaves office Jan. 20.

They said several individuals had asked for such a review, but that Ford is not likely to change his previously stated stand: "No blanket pardon, no blanket amnesty, no blanket clemency."

Ford could just leave office on Jan. 20 without making any statement on the amnesty question. But one aide indicated that because the question was raised publicly by Mrs. Hart, Ford probably will make public his final decision after the re-

view of the amnesty issue.

President-elect Carter has promised he will issue a blanket pardon during the first week of his presidency to all draft resisters, but would only consider such action for deserters on a case-by-case basis.

Shortly after taking office in

1974, Ford set up a program to grant selective pardons. They were granted either outright or in return for alternative service to about 14,000 deserters and resisters, denied to about 7,000 others. Another 92,000 who were considered eligible did not apply.

Trooper Is Reinstated

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — The Christmas holidays caused the legal paperwork to be delayed slightly, but a North Carolina Highway Patrolman fired for his role in a roadblock shootout was reinstated Monday on a judge's order.

Trooper D.H. Matthews of Franklinton was assigned to an office job at the patrol station in Henderson after Wake County Superior Court Judge James H. Pou Bailey ordered his reinstatement last Thursday.

Bailey's order came one day after Matthews and Trooper Robert P. Williams were fired by Transportation Secretary G. Perry Greene.

Their firings and the demotions of two patrol sergeants, a lieutenant and a major were ordered upon completion of an investigation into the Nov. 15 shootout on Interstate-85 where Virginia State Trooper Garland Fisher died in a hail of bullets.

Car Ran Into Pole Guy Wire

A 2:50 p.m. collision yesterday resulted in an estimated \$300 damage to a car driven by Henry Joseph Bunton of Route 1, Ayden, according to Greenville Police Department investigators.

Officers said the Bunton car collided with a utility pole guy wire at the intersection of Hooker Road and Dickinson Avenue. No charges were made and no damage was listed to the guy wire.

Reduce Waste

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government paid out almost \$215 million in food stamps to people who were ineligible for the aid they got during the first six months of 1976, the Agriculture Department says.

The report, released Monday, indicated that about nine cents of each dollar spent on the food stamp program is paid erroneously. The program costs taxpayers about \$5.7 billion annually, with \$5.3 billion paying for food and \$400 million paying for the administration of the program.

The department's Food and Nutrition Section said that its survey found that 745,000 of the nation's 18.5 million food stamp users were ineligible. Another 1.8 million people got too many stamps for their income level.

The payments to the ineligible group amounted to \$109.3 million. The overpayments to those who were eligible for some assistance amounted to \$105.4 million.

The figures represented a reduction in the waste and error rate for the last half of 1975, and USDA Food Stamp Director Nancy Snyder found that encouraging.

"These statistics mean that the states are doing a better job of reviewing their case loads, finding the difficulties, and correcting them," she said.

During the last half of 1975, errors cost \$225 million, compared with \$215 million in the first half of 1976. The percentage of ineligible recipients was 8.9 per cent instead of 7.6 per cent. And the percentage receiving overpayments was 19.4 per cent instead of this year's 18 per cent.

At the same time, the percentage of recipients who did not receive enough stamps rose from 6.5 per cent to 7.1 per cent, indicating that the states, which administer the eligibility laws, were tending to err on the side of frugality rather than liberality.

Tanker's Oil Leakage Is Dammed By Work Crew

MARCUS HOOK, Pa. (AP) — A work crew has contained an oil slick from a Liberian tanker that ran aground during a docking maneuver at a refinery here, spilling at least 134,000 gallons of crude oil into the Delaware River.

The slick was at least three miles long and extended two miles north of the refinery, about 15 miles down river from Philadelphia, and one mile

south, a Coast Guard spokesman said Monday night. He added, "We won't know the extent of the spill until daylight. You can't get an over-all picture at night."

The Coast Guard said the 771-foot tanker Olympic Games apparently lost power and struck a sand bar, rupturing its hull, while turning to dock at the BP, Inc., refinery.

At the time, the 19-million-gallon capacity vessel was car-

rying 17 million gallons of Arabian light crude oil, according to a spokesman for Standard Oil of Ohio, which owns BP, Inc., and chartered the oil tanker.

The Coast Guard said the oil appeared to be leaking from the vessel's port wing tank, below the water line.

After divers examined the damaged hull Monday night, Samuel Baker, the Standard Oil spokesman, said repairs probably would be made today. Joe Douglas, manager of Coastal Services, Inc., hired to clean up the spill, said the oil around the ship was contained shortly before 11 p.m.

Douglas said a 2,000-foot boom, supported in the water by plastic flotation devices, was installed by a 20-man crew to surround the leaking ship and prevent the oil from spreading.

BP workers began unloading the ship's remaining cargo late Monday, and the oil walled in by the boom was skimmed off and pumped into a tanker truck.

The ship is owned by the Red Bank Shipping Co. of Panama and registered in Monrovia, Liberia.

A Coast Guard spokesman said the oil spill was the largest in the Delaware River since the Corinthos collided with the Edgar M. Queeny in January 1975 at the BP refinery dock. Some 315,000 gallons of oil poured into the river after that wreck and subsequent explosion.

Lebanon Town Is Under Siege

By ALY MAHMOUD
Associated Press Writer
BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — More than 25,000 well-armed Palestinian guerrillas have moved into southern Lebanon and guerrilla units have laid siege to a Christian village near the Israeli border, Christian militia leaders said today.

Phalange militia commander Bashir Gemayel threatened to send his forces south to protect Christian enclaves in the area, a move that could rekindle the fighting halted by an Arab League cease-fire two months ago. The Phalange militia is the largest on the Christian side.

The newspaper Al Ahrar, organ of the Christian National Liberal party, said about 100 guerrillas were killed or wounded in a clash with Christians at the besieged village of Kowkabeh. But Palestinian sources denied that there was any battle. There was no independent confirmation of the report.

Christian sources said the Palestinians have shipped 62 truckloads of weapons, the bulk of their heavy arms, to the southern province of Arkoub, once a prime staging area for guerrillas raids across the border into Israel.

"The Palestinians have shifted their sparks to the powder keg of south Lebanon," the Phalange party complained in

a statement. "They are smuggling their weapons to squirm from the clutches of the Arab (League) deterrent forces."

A Syrian-dominated Arab League peacekeeping force has occupied all but southernmost Lebanon, halting nearly all the fighting between right-wing Christians and an alliance of Palestinians and left-wing Lebanese Moslems.

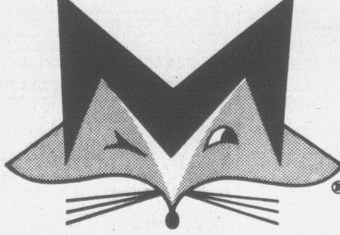
Israel has warned that it will not tolerate the presence of Syrian troops or Palestinian guerrillas near its northern frontier.



OLDEST SCOUTMASTER — Sidney Loman, almost 97, displays the plaque honoring him in San Diego. After more than 50 years, Loman is regarded as the oldest Scoutmaster in the United States. He still leads his Boy Scout troop despite age and amputation of both legs from gangrene. (AP Wirephoto)

GOOD SUBSTITUTE

FORSYTH, Mo. (UPI) — Turkey farmers in the Forsyth area claim poult, which feed primarily on grasshoppers, are an effective substitute for pesticide, according to the Missouri Department of Conservation.



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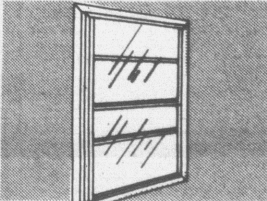
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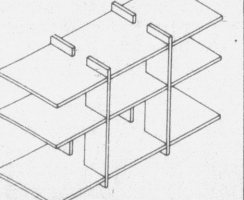
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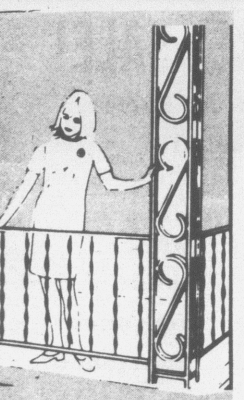
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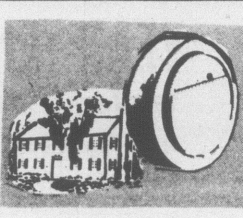
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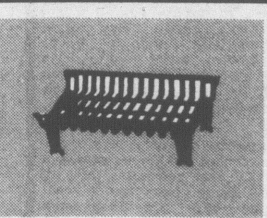
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