

## Rush Innoculation Shots For Darwin Storm Survivors

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DARWIN, Australia (AP) — Relief officials warned today that "hundreds of lives" might still be lost in cholera or tetanus epidemics in the wake of the cyclone that devastated Darwin.

Forty-five persons were known to have died in the four-hour storm that roared out of the Timor Sea before dawn on Christmas. A police spokesman said he did not expect this figure to increase much. But Maj. Gen. Alan Stretton, director of the Natural Disasters Center, said the possibility of a cholera or tetanus outbreak was a grave problem.

Emergency inoculation centers were set up in Australia's chief northern city.

Water contaminated by ruptured sewerage lines was the chief immediate threat. Thousands caught rain water in pots and pans or crowded into school buildings for emergency rations from the small stocks brought in by relief planes.

Medical authorities warned that all water must be boiled before being drunk.

Latrines were dug.

Tetanus was feared because many of the city's 40,000 people were cut by flying glass and debris as Cyclone Tracy's 120-mile winds tore their homes apart.

Most houses in the city and rural areas immediately around it were wrecked. Gen. Stretton said at least 20,000 persons — more than double the previous estimate — would have to be moved to other cities until Darwin was rebuilt. But a police spokesman said makeshift temporary accommodations were adequate for the moment, and there was no panic.

Officials estimated the damage at more than \$130 million but said it was probably much higher.

Reports of looting were received by the police, and they were issued sidearms during daylight hours for the first time. The police also began issuing shotguns to selected civilians for protection against looters.

An armada of military and civilian planes shuttled in and out of the battered airport, bringing relief supplies and workers and taking away evacuees. The injured and the women and children went first.

Stretton said he hoped to have 3,500 gone by tonight. Several hundred seriously injured were flown out Thursday.

The homeless are being taken to cities all around the continent. They are being temporarily housed in private homes, government hostels, naval barracks and hospitals.



Spirit Prevails

UNDAMPENED CHRISTMAS SPIRIT—Children try to erect their Christmas tree while others start the cleaning up process in what is left of their Darwin, Australia, home Thursday. A Christmas Day cyclone left most of the city's inhabitants homeless and food and fresh water are in critical supply. (AP Wirephoto)

## U.S. Economy Indicators Dip

By G. DAVID WALLACE  
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WASHINGTON (AP) — A record level of new claims for unemployment benefits drove the government's indicators of future trends in the economy down for the fourth consecutive month in November, the Commerce Department said today.

And at the same time, the Commerce Department reported that higher sugar prices helped put the nation's trade balance back to the negative side of the ledger after one month of advance. The United

States imports much of its sugar.

The over-all decline in the Index of Leading Indicators, designed to foreshadow future trends in the economy, was 1.5 per cent in November.

That made the drop 7.3 per cent since July the steepest decline since a 9 per cent drop from December 1948 through April 1949.

The index, which reflects developments in a dozen facets of the economy, indicated that shorter work weeks, higher unemployment, reduced busi-

ness spending for productive expansion and slower activity in the building industry lie ahead.

The number of new claims for unemployment benefits shot up 12 per cent during the month to a total of 450,000, surpassing the record of 438,000 set in April 1958.

It was the sixth straight month of advance for the new claims figure, which comes out in advance of the unemployment statistics released later in the month by the Labor Department.

Of the eight factors in the index for which figures were available in its preliminary report, the Commerce Department said five others besides unemployment claims showed a downward trend in the economy.

They included a shorter average work week, a 3 per cent decline in new orders for durable goods, a 3.4 per cent decline in spending on factories and equipment, lower industrial materials prices and fewer new building permits.

The only increases were in stock prices and the ratio of the selling price of products to the cost of labor involved in making them.

The nation's trade balance dropped to a \$113-million deficit in November, the department said. In October, the balance showed a \$29.4 million surplus, the only surplus in the last seven months.

Over-all, the trade balance shows a \$2.43 billion deficit so far this year, compared to a \$768-million surplus at this time last year.

## Cancer Kills Jack Benny



THE BENNY PAUSE—Comedian Jack Benny was known as a master of comic timing. This was the expression that accompanied his famous "h am-m-m". (AP Wirephoto)

BOB THOMAS  
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BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Jack Benny, the make-believe miser whose deadpan humor broke up audiences from vaudeville days into the age of television, is dead of cancer of the pancreas. He was 80.

His wife of 47 years was at his bedside when he died at his home late Thursday night.

Benny's long-time manager, Irving Fein, said the comedian had been kept under heavy sedation because of severe pain. Dr. Rex Kennamer, Benny's personal physician, said the cancer was inoperable, according to Fein.

Stomach pains troubled Benny recently and discomfort forced him to cut short his last public appearance earlier this month. But tests did not disclose the cancer until it showed up on X rays last Friday, Fein said.

The manager said exploratory surgery was vetoed by doctors because of the entertainer's advanced age.

In addition to Benny's wife, other family members were present when he died. Mrs. Benny, the former Sadie Marks, is popularly known as Mary Livingstone, the name she took when she joined Benny on stage. The couple adopted one daughter, Joan.

Visitor to Benny's bedside on his last day included California Gov. Ronald Reagan, entertainer Frank Sinatra, comedians Bob Hope and Danny Kaye, and his Benny's friend of 50 years, comedian George Burns.

Benny was flown to Los Angeles for tests at Cedars of

Lebanon Hospital after suffering pain before a Dallas benefit Oct. 19. But doctors pronounced him in good health and he was discharged five days later. He intended to tape a television special and take a guest role in a film.

His most recent public appearance was Dec. 8 to accept an award from the Hollywood Women's Press Club.

Benny's career began more than 60 years ago in vaudeville. Decades on radio, television and in motion pictures made him one of the nation's most beloved comics, and he maintained a schedule of personal appearances until recently. But his television appearances of late were kept to occasional

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## Record In Gold

LONDON (AP) — The highest price ever paid for gold on a major bullion market — \$195.00 an ounce — was reached on the London market today as the European gold rush resumed after the Christmas break.

The five big London dealers set the afternoon fixing at the all-time record figure after trading opened at \$194.50 an ounce, also a record. Trading was reported moderate.

In Frankfurt, dealers fixed the metal at \$196.00 an ounce in thin trading.

Dealers in Paris set the price at \$197.72 an ounce — up 50 cents from Thursday's close. The price of gold in the French capital is always higher than in London and Zurich because of exchange control regulations.

Neither Paris or Frankfurt is considered a major bullion market.

Dealers had expected the jump up from pre-Christmas prices, in anticipation of American gold-buying Dec. 31 when U.S. citizens will be able to own gold bullion for the first time in 41 years.

## UNDER ARREST

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Ousted military dictator Thanom Kittikachorn slipped back into Thailand today and the government put him under house arrest.

## French Coal Mine Explosion Kills 36

DOUAI, France (AP) — A coal dust explosion killed 36 miners and injured six others early today in a mine at Lievin in northwestern France, company officials said. At least three miners survived.

The explosion occurred 2,300 feet underground, the officials said.

The miners had just resumed work after a five-day holiday vacation.

It was the worst French mining disaster in 15 years. An official of the nationalized company said "the night watch

crew recorded a very low level of dust. We still can't explain this accident."

Rescue workers reported extremely dusty air in the mine and a constant danger of cave-ins. The wounded miners, almost all suffering from burns, were brought out first and taken to hospitals.

Relatives and friends thronged to the pit head. Vehicles arriving with coffins had difficulty passing through the crowd.

Lievin has a population of 30,000 and is located about 20 miles from the Belgian border.

## 20-Day Delay

A rate increase proposed by Virginia Electric and Power Co. for its wholesale customers has been delayed for 20 days, Greenville Utilities Director Charles Horne reported today.

Horne said the delay from Jan. 2 to Jan. 22, will mean a savings of about \$150,000 for Greenville customers, and about \$416,000 for all VEPCO customers in North Carolina.

VEPCO has proposed a wholesale rate increase of 50 percent, on its base rate, to the Federal Power Commission. The power firm filed notice of intention to put the rate increase in effect Jan. 2 under bond.

Horne said Electricities engineers discovered that certain data concerning wholesale demand had not been filed with the FPC. VEPCO was informed of this by the FPC and the information was refiled Dec. 20 with an effective date for the rate increase to be Jan. 22.

Greenville Utilities Commission was preparing to act on its own retail rate schedule next week to reflect the VEPCO wholesale rate increase which was expected Jan. 2. It is anticipated that changing of the local rate structure will be delayed in view of the wholesale rate increase delay.

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### WANTS WARNING

I almost damaged my car recently on Chicora Street in Grimesland where humps have been installed without warning signs. Driving at even 20 mph, one can damage a car on a hump like this. I think they are good things, but I'd like to know about one before I hit it. Mrs. W. P.

Grimesland Town Clerk Mrs. Hoyle said the warning signs would be discussed at the next town meeting. She reported later that yellow paint for the hump has been purchased, and that a rush order has been made for warning signs facing either direction.

### HAS SICK PUPPY

I bought a dog from Pet Kingdom last Saturday. He is sick and was sick when I bought him. The man at the store refuses to pay for the dog's veterinary bills. A.H.

Pet Kingdom Owner Lynn Sarver told Hotline he has discussed your dog with the veterinarian and that he has a simple intestinal infestation called trichinosis, which can readily be gotten rid of. He said he would replace an animal bought from him which is shown to have a serious debilitating disease, like distemper or hepatitis, but not for worms or other ailments which are minor if treated. He said he has a standing policy of never taking back an animal once it is purchased.

## To Open Bids

Bids will be opened January 14 in Raleigh for construction of a boating access area at the old Port Terminal, East of Greenville.

The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission is constructing the facility on Hardee Creek, to give boaters and fishermen easier access to the creek and the Tar River.

The boating access area will include concrete ramp, timber loading docks and a parking area.

Rivers and Associates Inc. of Greenville is the engineering firm for the project.

## Another WW II Holdout

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — The Indonesian air force is sending a 10-man team including doctors and two Japanese officials to the island of Morotai to bring back a Taiwanese tribesman who fought with the Japanese in World War II and has been living in the jungle ever since.

The air force said 57-year-old Teruo Nakamura was found naked and living wild on 269-square-mile island in the Molucca Archipelago south of the Philippines. An air force team tracked him down in the jungle.

The Japanese government said its records list Nakamura as a Takasago tribesman from Taiwan who was trained as a guerrilla fighter and sent to Morotai in 1944. He was listed as missing on March 5, 1944, during the American invasion of the island.

An air force spokesman said Nakamura was resting in quarters about four miles from a former allied air base. He was expected in Jakarta Sunday.

Nine former Japanese army servicemen, including six Takasagos, were found on Morotai in 1955. Japanese authorities say hundreds of other soldiers may still be hiding out in Southeast Asia because they don't know that World War II is over.

Last March, Lt. Hiroo Onoda, 52, returned home to a hero's welcome after he emerged from the Philippine jungles and surrendered. In January 1972, Sgt. Shoichi Yokoi was found after hiding in the jungles of Guam 28 years.

## Watergate Case May Go To The Jury Monday

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG  
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WASHINGTON (AP) — Closing defense arguments at the Watergate cover-up trial neared completion today and the case appeared certain to go to the jury Monday.

Jacob Stein, lawyer for Kenneth W. Parkinson, was the last of the defense counsel to address the jury and he described his client as a totally nonpolitical man who was misled by officials of Richard M. Nixon's re-election committee.

Scheduled to follow Stein were chief prosecutor James F. Neal and assistant prosecutor Richard Ben-Veniste to deliver the government rebuttal.

Lawyers for the other four defendants — former Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell, ex-White House aides H.R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman and former Asst. Atty. Gen. Robert C. Mardian — already have summed up their cases for the jury.

Stein told the jury that on June 17, 1972, the day of the Watergate break-in at Democratic National Committee headquarters, Parkinson, a prominent Washington attorney, knew none of his codefendants in the cover-up case because he had never been involved in politics.

He described Parkinson as one of the people "taken in" by statements from the Nixon

committee that it had no connection with the break-in.

Parkinson was retained by the committee to defend it against civil suits resulting from the break-in.

U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica had been pushing the defense lawyers to finish their closing arguments on Thursday but then abruptly changed his mind and permitted Stein to interrupt his argument and finish it today.

Stein had protested earlier when Sirica said he wanted him to finish even if it meant going past 6 p.m. Trial sessions on most days have ended at 4:30 p.m. EST.

Under the new schedule, the jury will get the weekend off and hear Sirica's instructions on legal points when they return on Monday. The judge said he expects to devote about two hours to the instructions.

Then the nine women and three men who have listened to 11 weeks of testimony and argument will begin their deliberations in the historic case that drove Richard M. Nixon from the presidency.

The former president had been named an indicted co-conspirator in the case. But he was found too ill to appear as a witness.

President Ford pardoned Nixon, making prosecution of the former president impossible.

## Mild Epidemic Of Flu In U.S.

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — The nation is experiencing a mild flu epidemic and deaths related to influenza are expected to rise slightly in the next two weeks, the Center for Disease Control reported today.

However, said Dr. Charles Hoke, "This should not be a serious year for influenza. We don't have by test year standards a large epidemic. So far the epidemic is mild and sporadic."

Hoke said CDC officials expect deaths related to influenza and pneumonia to increase by "50 or 100 above what we normally expect, which is about 470 deaths in the entire United States."

"From past experience we expect these will be in very elderly or debilitated individuals," he said.

"Almost every winter we have an increase in mortality related to influenza—28 out of the last 40 winters have shown that. This is not an unusual phenomena," he said. "We're not particularly alarmed."

Outbreaks of flu have been confirmed during the past two weeks in northern Michigan and in Hamburg, N.Y., Hoke said. The flu virus also had been isolated in public health laboratories in Florida and Hawaii.

Earlier this month the CDC said outbreaks had been confirmed in north Georgia and west Tennessee.

All the confirmed cases have been of the Type A—Port Chalmers variety, which is the type contained in the flu vaccine, Hoke said.

# In The Armed Services

Airman Gene M. Wilson, son of Mrs. Barbara J. Wilson of Greenville, is stationed at Blytheville AFB, Ark. with a unit of the Strategic Air Command. Wilson graduated from the security policeman course at Lackland AFB, Tex. where he was trained in security and law enforcement. He is a 1974 graduate of J.H. Rose High School.



1Lt. William E. Atkinson (above), son of Mr. and Mrs. Jolly Atkinson of Greenville, was recently promoted to his present rank while serving at Ft. Bragg where he is a member of the Second Battalion of the Fifth Special Forces Group. Atkinson graduated from C.M. Eppes High School and attended N.C. A&T State University.

Machinery Tech. 2.C. Carlton R. Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie R. Williams of Rt. 2, Walstonburg, reenlisted in the Coast Guard for three years during ceremonies held aboard the Coast Guard cutter Point Huron homeported in Little Creek, Va. Williams is a 1970 graduate of Greene Central High School.



Capt. Henry Joyner Jr. (above), son of Mrs. M.B. Joyner of Greenville, recently assumed the position of chaplain for the 38th Transportation Battalion at Ft. Eustis, Va. Joyner was formerly a minister with the Calvary United Methodist Church of Atlanta, Ga., before entering the Army in June. He attended the Army's chaplain school at Ft. Hamilton, N.Y. prior to receiving his assignment to Ft. Eustis. Joyner served in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict.

Airman I.C. Robert J. Hoover, son of Mrs. Bonnie R. Hoover of Ayden, is a member of a unit that received the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award. Hoover is a communications specialist at Pope AFB with the 1943rd Communications Squadron that was cited for meritorious service. He is a 1972 graduate of Ayden-Grifton High School and is married to the former Ginger Byrd of Rt. 2, Grifton.

Sgt. Charlie Barrett Jr., husband of the former Florence Reid of Rt. 2, Greenville, has been assigned to Upper Heyford RAF Station, England, for duty with a unit of the Air Forces in Europe. A 1968 graduate of W.H. Robinson High School, Barrett is a computer operator with the 20th Supply Squadron.

Pvt. John W. Peele, son of Mrs. Isolina Peele of Williamston, graduated from recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. Physical conditioning, discipline and teamwork were emphasized during the recruit training.

Capt. Edward A. Greene, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie L. Greene of Ayden, received the Meritorious Service Medal for outstanding duty performance at the Pentagon. Greene serves

with the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. A 1957 graduate of Ayden High School, he received a B.S. degree from Syracuse University and was commissioned in 1964 through Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is married to the former Shirley Churchill of Winterville.

Sgt. David M. Dixon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace B. Mills of Rt. 2, Grimesland, has been assigned to Ramstein AB, Germany. Dixon, a clerk typist, is working with the 1964th Communications Group. He is a 1971 graduate of Frederick Military Academy, Portsmouth, Va.

2Lt. Timothy H. Foley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan W. Foley Jr. of Greenville, participated in "Pot Latch I," a training exercise on Vancouver Island, B.C., with Canadian forces. Foley serves with the First Marine Division at the Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif. A 1972 graduate of N.C. State University, he joined the Marines in 1972.

Sharon Atwell of Greenville was accepted into the Army Student Nurse Program. She has been assigned to the Army Medical Department Student Detachment, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex., with duty station at East Carolina University, where she has been a student for the past two years.

Robert H. Griffin III, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Griffin of Greenville, graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

S. Sgt. Gary L. Melton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis W. Melton of Robersonville, graduated from the Communication Service Noncommissioned Officer Leadership School at Richard-Gebaur AFB, Mo. Melton, who was trained in military management and supervision, is an electronic communication and crypto equipment repair technician at Gentile Air Force Station, Ohio. He is a 1963 graduate of Robersonville High School.

Sgt. Marshall G. Schiller, son of Mrs. Margaret M. Schiller and husband of the former Appie Nichols, both of Greenville, reported for duty at the Naval Air Station, Dallas. Schiller attended Rose High School and joined the Marine Corps in 1969.



Airman Michael D. Stocks (above), son of Mr. and Mrs. Linwood D. Stocks of Rt. 8, Greenville, was assigned to Keesler AFB, Miss. for training as a communications systems operator after completing basic training. He graduated from Rose High School in 1974 and attended East Carolina University.



Spec. 4 Willie A. Baker Jr. (above), son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Baker of Rt. 1, Greenville, is serving in Korea with Headquarters Co. of the 902nd

Engineers Battalion. Baker formerly served with the First Staff and Faculty Co. at Ft. Eustis, Va. A 1969 graduate of W. H. Robinson High School, Baker entered the Army in 1973. He completed basic training at Ft. Jackson, S.C.

Pfc. Gregory L. Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie B. Roberts of Rt. 1, Williamston, graduated from Recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

SFC Earl S. Jackson, a Greenville native, received the Army Meritorious Service Medal upon his retirement recently after 24 years in the Army. Jackson retired at Lyman Ward Military Academy in Camp Hill, Ala., where he was stationed. He will remain as a civilian on the Academy's staff.

## Jesuit Has Dealer Job

LOS ANGELES (AP) — From the chapel to the classroom to the blackjack table, Father Thomas Higgins, a Jesuit priest, carries his message to the people.

Higgins, 42, is assistant chaplain and professor at Loyola Marymount University in suburban Westchester. During the summer months he works as a blackjack dealer in Las Vegas.

In a recent interview at the university, Higgins said: "You can't preach Christ if your experience is entirely different from that of other people."

"If priests were cab drivers or bus drivers or if they took different jobs, they would be much more all kinds of people."

"He has lived in hotels where rooms rent for \$3 for two nights and where, he says: "It seemed like I was the only guy without a tattoo."

"I learned a lot about myself," the priest said. "I want to expand my horizons. I never want to stop growing."

Higgins worked the graveyard shift at the Royal Inn Casino. His customers sometimes would get his good counsel, although they seldom found out that the man behind the red satin tie was a priest.

"Sometimes I tell people: 'You're drunk. Why don't you go home. You're going to drop your whole load,'" Higgins said.

Higgins says that he does not fit the popular image of a Jesuit priest. But that does not seem to bother him.

"The image of priests and nuns are that they are detached and aloof," he said. "If you're detached and aloof, what good are you?"

## Swallowed A Wedding Bell

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP)—Wedding bells brought a lump to the throat of Charlotte lawyer Joe Travis. While eating a piece of cake at the reception he accidentally swallowed a little sugar-coated plastic bell, which stuck in his esophagus.

Travis, 51, had to be treated in a hospital.

He was the uncle of the bridegroom at the wedding and reception last Saturday in Ruby, S.C. When wedding punch failed to dislodge the bell, he was treated at a clinic and then rushed to Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte 60 miles away.

For at least 12 hours the little bell hurt a lot, he says. He was given shots of a tranquilizer to



ARRIVE FOR VACATION—Vice President Nelson Rockefeller smiles and his wife, Happy, waves upon their arrival at Puerto Rico's Air National Guard Base at the start of a Caribbean vacation. They were later joined by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kissinger. (AP Wirephoto)

## Again, No One Heeded Screams

NEW YORK (AP) — A decade ago 38 tenants of a Queens apartment building did nothing about Kitty Genovese's screams as a man stabbed her to death on the sidewalk outside.

On Christmas Day, Sandra Zahler's next-door neighbor heard the 25-year-old model scream several times, followed by a crash and the yelping of a dog.

But the neighbor, Mrs. Madeline Hartmann, said she did not want to interfere in a lovers' quarrel. "It was not my business," she said.

Sandra Zahler's body, partially clad, was found in the apartment Thursday by a friend, George Boguslaw, who had a key. Police were examining a hammer to determine if it was used to bludgeon her to death.

## N&W Railway Plans Revealed

ROANOKE, Va. (AP) — Norfolk & Western Railway expects to spend \$105 million for capital improvements across its 14-state system during 1975, the carrier announced today.

John P. Fishwick, N&W president and chief executive officer, said the figure represents

## Continue Probe Assault By Duo

Police are continuing their investigation of an assault that occurred Monday night at Ken's Furniture Store at 903 Dickinson Ave.

Chief Glenn Cannon said two men entered the store and began a conversation with Mrs. Jane Brown. When Mrs. Brown turned her back to the two, she was struck from behind and knocked to the floor and struck again as she screamed.

The chief noted that two other store employees heard the outcry and when they ran from the basement of the store, the two assailants fled.

Chief Cannon said the two intruders were apparently attempting to take money from the company office.

relax his constricted esophagus. The barium solution he was given to drink for X-rays apparently washed the bell into his stomach. By the next day the bell and the acute pain had gone, and he was left only with a sore throat.

Others at the reception avoided the bells.

## Thad Eure Predicts No Depression Like 1930s

RALEIGH (AP)—Secretary of State Thad Eure says the current economic slump is nothing like the depression in the 1930s and he is convinced the nation will pull out of it.

"I don't think we'll ever have another depression like the one in the '30s," Eure said in an interview Thursday. "Things were so rugged then that I received collar greens, hog jaws and sow belly in payment for fees as an attorney."

"These folks today that are talking depression don't know what the word means," he said. "Why, back in the depression years people were jumping out of high buildings. Things were that tough."

Eure, 75, was principal clerk of the House in the 1933 General Assembly when President Franklin D. Roosevelt ordered banks closed. The action was taken after people made a run on the banks to withdraw their money.

Eure said he was at his home in Hertford county after the banks closed. He didn't have enough money to get back to his legislative job in Raleigh, so he got a screwdriver and hammer and "broke Thad Junior's piggy bank to get money to buy gasoline."

He recalled that when he got married in 1924 he took out a \$1,000 life insurance policy on his wife.

"Things got so tough," he recalled. "that I had to borrow money on the policy to pay the annual premium of about \$21."

Eure said the financial picture of the nation was much different in the 1930s in comparison with today. Prices for food and other items were low then in contrast to the current inflationary spiral.

Eure said he does not see how state revenues "can hold up in view of the economic conditions. Our whole revenue program is tied to the economy. I think we're going to have to cut back on spending."

## Parking Ticket Foe Is Arguing His Own Case

By STRAT DOUTHAT Associated Press Writer HUNTINGTON, W. Va. (AP) — Overtime parking tickets have long presented many motorists with a pesky problem, but in the mountains of Appalachia there has arisen a champion who hopes to change things.

He's H. Ray Evans and he's battling the forces of City Hall. A balding, bespectacled man of 33, Evans doesn't look much like the traditional epic hero. But he does have impressive credentials. He has 48 — count 'em, 48 — parking tickets.

Presented recently with a \$215 bill from the city Finance Department, Evans decided the dun was one Christmas gift he could do without.

Evans spent two hours in municipal court here last week. He told the judge the tickets should be dismissed. He also alleged that the city uses a double standard in its collection procedures, letting out-of-state drivers off the hook while putting the screws to easy-to-reach locals.

Charles Doorill, an attorney for Citizens for Responsive Government, is supporting Evans as a friend of the court. Doorill appeared last week and told the court that city ordinances uniformly discriminate against hometown drivers.

## Accidents Fatal To 5

By The Associated Press The Highway Patrol says five persons were killed in North Carolina traffic accidents Thursday night, including two youths who were hit by a car at Roxboro.

The patrol said Danny Taylor, 16, of Rt. 3, Roxboro, and James Dawkins, 15, of Roxboro, were killed when they were hit by a car that was passing another vehicle in a no-passing zone.

Another pedestrian, 64-year-old Wade Garlin Frye of North Concord, was killed when he stepped into the path of a car at Concord.

Jeff Russell Johnson of Matthews was killed when his car hit a tree in Charlotte and Kenneth Larry McCabe, 24, of Salisbury was killed when his car ran off a rural road near West Spencer and hit a tree.

## Predict Ervin To Resign Early

RALEIGH (AP)—Sen. Sam Ervin Jr., D-N.C., reportedly will resign early to gain more retirement benefits.

This also would allow his successor, Robert Morgan, to be sworn in a few days earlier, and gain seniority over other freshmen.

The News and Observer quotes Ervin as saying he will step down Dec. 31 because senators will lose a 6.4 per cent cost-of-living increase in their retirement benefits after the first of the year.

Ervin's term normally would end on Jan. 2. He is 78 years-old and is retiring after 20 years in the Senate.

## Japan 'Aroused' By Two Tanakas

By JOHN RODERICK Associated Press Writer TOKYO (AP) — A Japan which once took financial hanky panky among its politicians somewhat for granted has suddenly become aroused over the cases of two men, unrelated, named Tanaka.

As a consequence, the Japanese public is being treated to the unusual spectacle of Cabinet ministers being grilled about the sources of their wealth and their ties to big business.

The more prominent of the Tanakas, Kakuei, 56, quit as prime minister early in December in a swirl of suspicion over how he accumulated his large private fortune.

A poor boy who clawed his way to the top, his vision of the future Japan encompassed the virtual renovation of its industrial and population structure.

His plans for moving people and factories from the teeming Pacific coast to more thinly settled inland areas won initial applause which quickly turned sour when they led to land speculation.

An advocate of expansion in an era of reduced growth ushered in by the Arab oil squeeze,

Tanaka's once-high popularity swiftly pummeted. His response was to use money in extraordinary dollops in a vain effort to restore his image.

Though no major wrongdoing has been proven, public pressures forced him to step down in favor of Take Miki, 67.

As a reform-minded politician promising clean government, Miki has indicated he wishes to get at the truth of Tanaka's financial holdings. But the resignation placated some of Tanaka's critics and it is not at all certain that anything further will emerge.

The other Tanaka, Shoji, 71, was sentenced the other day to four years in prison for blackmail, fraud, and breach of trust. A former Liberal-Democratic legislator, he headed the powerful lower house audit committee for years. From that vantage point it was charged he blackmailed businessmen and politicians involved in shady land or financial deals.

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2. 14.3 acres of peanuts in parcels from 7.15 acres to 14.3 acres.
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Above quotas are estimated since the 1975 Notices of Crop Allotments have not been issued by ASCS.

This the 20th day of December, 1974.

**PITT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

BY: B. Alton Gardner, Commissioner

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# Sue Wynns Enjoys Gift Provided Through Faith, Courage, Determination

MURFREESBORO—Sue Wynns knows that the best gifts are not always the ones given by other and wrapped in tinsel and brightly colored paper.

This year, Sue enjoys a gift provided by her own faith, courage, determination, and assistance of her most faithful and almost constant companion — her mother.

After six semesters of college, when most students are preparing to enter their senior year, Sue will be finishing her freshman year at Chowan College.

Her achievement is not as modest as it appears at first glance. Almost four years ago in February, 1971 Sue suffered a near-fatal injury that left her in a coma for nine months. She was a passenger in a car struck from behind by a truck in front of Bettie Senior High School, where Sue was a senior. All four teenagers in the car were injured but none as seriously as Sue, who suffered brain damage. She clung to life by a thread. As the months ticked by and Sue remained in a coma, recovery was ruled hopeless by her doctors. But Sue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wynns of Colerain, her brother and two sisters, relatives and friends turned to God and prayed for a healing miracle. They were joined by many different groups and individuals including strangers who visited, wrote and called the Wynns.

Then, nine months to the day and date of the accident, Sue regained consciousness. For the past seven and a half months she had been tickled daily without reaction. Now, she made a response. "We bombarded her with questions about past and present people and events until we were sure her mentality was intact," said Mrs. Wynns. Sue answered yes or no with a shake of her head. "Thanksgiving was truly a day of thanks for this miracle," Mrs. Wynns noted.

By Christmas she greeted family doctors over the phone with "Merry Christmas." Throughout 1972 she relearned how to eat, talk, write, dress herself — "almost everything" — in Sue's words. With her mother as tutor, she completed her high school studies and received her diploma in June. During the summer she relearned how to make the alphabet letters. Additional progress was made in the fall through twice weekly therapy sessions at a rehabilitation center.

Sue and her mother now turned their thoughts to Sue's college education. Ironically, before the accident she had been accepted by Peace College in Raleigh to prepare for work in the rehabilitation of the handicapped and retarded. But after a delay of one and a half years, Sue started instead at Chowan in January, 1973. She paced herself carefully. For the first three semesters she selected only one course each semester. Then she increases her load to two subjects for two semesters. Presently she is taking three courses which will enable her to finish her freshman year when the fall semester ends prior to the Christmas holidays.



PRIOR TO THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS . . . Sue Wynns completed her freshman year at Chowan College. Although confined to a wheelchair, Sue, with the assistance of her mother, has overcome her handicap.

Sue's selection of subjects is limited to those offered on the first floor of Marks Hall. She is unable to climb the steps to the second and third floors and does not have the time between classes to travel the distance to the new science-engineering facility.

Mrs. Wynns receives help from male students who volunteer to lift the wheelchair up the steps. Once inside Marks Hall, Mrs. Wynns wheels Sue to the classroom door and then helps her on crutches to her seat. Mrs. Wynns uses the time during classes to shop downtown or run errands. "I have to use the time when I can," she remarked of her demanding schedule.

Sue and her mother agree that the Chowan professors have been "most kind and cooperative." Sue said the last thing she wants is pity and noted she doesn't ask for any favors. But she said she is appreciative of the concessions her professors have made. Warren Sexton swapped classrooms with another professor to move his Western Civilization class from the second to the first floor to accommodate Sue. She is hampered by an inability to write with normal speed. To compensate, Sue's professors have allowed her to type the answers to her test questions. Students are allowed to make carbon copies of their notes for Sue. Several professors have tutored her individually. Sue credits a speech course, tutored by Miss Anna Belle Crouch, professor of English, with im-

proving her articulation of certain words.

Sue's relearning has been helped by several other courses. Before the accident, she loved to water ski and swim. Now, under the instruction of Mrs. Janet Collins of the physical education department, she is relearning how to swim. During her first year at Chowan, Sue began to relearn French, which she studied at Bettie, under Eugene Williams. This semester she is taking French, Western Civilization, and sociology as her three academic subjects in addition to swimming.

Sue reserves time each week to visit Whitaker Library where she uses reference books to research papers and carry out classroom assignments. She has also used the microfilm reader. Mrs. Wynns checks out books for her to read at home. Her mother reports that Chowan's librarian, Mrs. Geraldine Harris, has been very considerate and helpful.

The red-headed, 21-year-old Colerain native says she also appreciates the friendliness of her fellow students. "When I'm going down the hall people speak to me whom I don't even know," she reported.

Sue is now preparing for another major step. Her application has been accepted by St. Andrews College, a private senior college in Lenoir County. She plans to transfer the summer of 1975. She said the college's facilities were planned with handicapped students in mind. All classrooms are on the floor level with big doors. The college also has an excellent physical therapy department, Sue explained. At present, St. Andrews has 35 wheelchair students.

The transfer will mark a turning point in Sue's life. She will be going along. Sue's separation from her mother will not be easy. Mrs. Wynns has not only served as Sue's "legs" at Chowan but she has smoothed her course in many ways. But both agree the change is important to Sue's continued development. "She needs her independence," Mrs. Wynns declared. Sue said she is anxious to prove she can make it on her own. She will reside in a dormitory and take care of herself as would any other student. Mother and daughter believe that Sue's recovery is the result of a miracle. They have the faith to believe that Sue's future is also in God's hands.

# Tune Daughter Out And Don't Feel Hurt Or Guilt



By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: My husband had a very bad heart attack a month ago. We live in the country and there wasn't an ambulance available, so I drove him 52 miles to the hospital. Need I tell you what an ordeal that was?

I stayed with my husband for three hours, then the doctor told me he was out of danger so I should go home and get some rest, so I went home.

In the meantime I had phoned my daughter and son to tell them about their father. When my daughter got to the hospital and found that I had gone home, she called and raised the roof, saying I should have stayed at the hospital with her father. Abby, she has brought this up several times since, and it bothers me.

I love my husband dearly and prayed for his recovery night and day, but my daughter keeps trying to make me feel guilty.

Do you think I neglected my husband?

HURT

DEAR HURT: You took the doctor's advice, which I think was very wise. Your daughter can't make you feel guilty without your cooperation. You KNOW you didn't neglect your husband, so tune your daughter out, and don't feel hurt.

DEAR ABBY: I have a big decision to make and I need your help. My wife died 14 months ago. She was 41, and I am 39. We never had any children as she was never strong enough.

Two women came into my life and both are pressing for marriage. One is a fine lady who could give me an easy life. By that I mean a place in society, a beautiful home and a very, very secure income. I would never have to worry about money with this lady. She is a widow who says she is 51, and she looks it—and more. She can't give me a very exciting love life, however, as she is quite dried up and not a beauty by any means.

The other woman has nothing to offer except herself. An exciting love life would be assured with this one. She is very good to look at, and is only 28.

If I knew I would live to a ripe old age, I'd marry the widow, but if I could be sure I would die in 10 to 15 years from now I would marry the younger one.

Please don't leave this decision up to me. One day I think one way and the next day I change my mind. Thank you.

CAN'T DECIDE

DEAR CAN'T: If you think I am going to choose your wife for you, you're mistaken. That's a choice you'll have to make yourself. Nobody knows how long he'll live, but it's wise to live as though there will be a tomorrow—because there usually is.

DEAR ABBY: I hope you won't think I am out of my mind, but I have always had the feeling that they gave me the wrong baby when I left the hospital.

The "baby" is now 15 years old and I can't get this notion out of my head.

I have the baby's little footprint on the certificate of birth, and I know footprints don't change, so I wonder if you would think I was crazy if I asked my daughter to step in some ink and make another footprint to compare to the one of her certificate?

Thank you for not laughing.

WRONG BABY MAYBE

DEAR WRONG: If it will make you feel better, go ahead. But be warned: How will you feel and what will you do if the footprints do NOT match?

DEAR ABBY: I am in a desperate state of mind and am ready to throw in the towel.

I married a widower 14 months ago. He doesn't drink or smoke and is a strict church-goer. (This is my first marriage. I was a schoolteacher.) He has three children from 12 to 19. The older one is at college, and the two at home are really good kids and I love them.

My problem is my husband. He promised me that after we were married, I could do the house over any way I liked it. Now he says we can't afford it. I know we can. He has \$44,000 in the bank. (He showed me his bankbook before we were married.)

He still has all his wife's hospital equipment in the house, and there is a lot of it because she was an invalid for many years. It is so depressing for me to have to see it and dust it every day. I had to cry and plead before he gave his first wife's clothes away. He still has pictures of her all over the house, but I don't say anything. After all, she is the children's mother.

How long should I give him to get rid of the old reminders of her and let me buy a new bedroom set? He promised.

LIVING WITH MEMORIES

DEAR LIVING: Give him until the 4th of July. And if he doesn't make good his promise—fireworks!

CONFIDENTIAL TO RON IN SARASOTA, FLA.: You're wrong. There is something worse than a reformed drunk. It's one who hasn't reformed yet.

# Flower Sales Reveal Trends

By VIVIAN BROWN

AP Newsfeatures Writer

Some people can predict the mood of the public by watching the stock market averages. But former actor Jon Peterson, 38, uses a different gauge — the sales trend of the artificial flowers he designs. When people are dispirited they look for more gaiety in the things that surround them, he has observed. Then, too, the hand-made flowers become more popular as real flowers become higher-priced.

"A big demand for yellows, oranges, tiger lilies and brilliant oversized poppies indicates people want to be cheered," he says. "During bad times people always choose happy colors like yellow, and they use more flowers in their homes."

For example, in Michigan where they usually favor blue or lime colored flowers, and in New York where the taste normally runs to earth colors, yellow and other bright-colored flowers are making inroads. In the south yellow and orange are popular.

Peterson has been making flowers for 14 years and now has a staff of 50 helpers, mostly handicapped who work on one of three shifts which start at 5 a.m. Some mutes work in their homes. The enterprise has be-

come so popular, he continues to expand the North Hollywood factory.

In addition to flower arrangements made for individuals, he designs decorative arrangements for department stores, hotels and movie productions and these, too, are more in demand. He designed a 12-foot floral madonna for the film, "Day of the Locusts," and the largest item he has made — a 45-foot orange tree — went to Florida.

In these last few years people have become so flower-conscious that they now coordinate a frankly fake flower look with their furnishings. In bedrooms he makes floral arrangements that match the bed sheets. He might design gingham and bandanna flowers for little girls' rooms. There are flowers of orange burlap and he has made black roses and black poppies with white centers for the starkly furnished modern homes of young people.

Paper mache vegetables and fruits — realistic squashes, oranges, lemons, bananas, tomatoes and peppers — are popular in kitchens and dining rooms and may be set up in yellow, red or green enameled colanders, pewter dishes and baskets. A casserole of white papier mache onions would be difficult to tell from the real

thing. Some mushrooms are baked to the right ceramic appearance, and some little designs are made of real bread dough.

Some people select their own containers, he says. Lucille Ball chose a butter churn when she ordered daisies for dress designer Edith Head, he says. Jack Cassidy's blue bachelorette buttons are in a big basket in his den. Lighter blues fade fast, Patterson says, so they are not so popular.

His own favorite flower is the daisy, and his "very good friend" June Allyson shares his enthusiasm for the flower. She has his pink and white daisies "all over her house" and he has made pink silk roses for her bedroom and a perennial Easter basket — papier mache eggs that are hard to distinguish from the real thing.

One of the newer looks combines artificial and real flowers — baby's breath, eucalyptus and ferns, he comments. He uses real branches of forsythia and apple, gluing little yellow and pink silk flowers to them, "which should last forever."

After a time working in some movies and a time working with dress designers, Peterson found a job in a flower shop when he was out of work. Later he started his own flower business buying flowers of Japanese and Czechoslovakian origin and dying them painstakingly by hand with a paint brush. Six years ago he acquired a company with its unique collection of dyes, veiners (used in veining flowers), molds and presses, many from France and no longer manufactured. He surmises his enterprise may be the last in the United States making silk flowers by hand from start to finish.

He can make thousands of different types of roses. As petals are applied, the size and shape are controlled.

"Artificial flowers can be easily refreshed. Silk and paper mache need only an occasional light dusting, polyethylene flowers may be swished in lukewarm water and detergent (not soap), rinsed and dried," he advises.

Of his 56 colors (there are 12 whites), red is a big seller especially during the holiday period. In addition to long-stemmed roses, his Christmas arrangements this year will emphasize Old World charm to help provide the secure atmosphere people are seeking in their homes. The arrangements include fruits and greens in colorful baskets for use on doors and table centerpiece. Little plumed birds and whimsical Santas top many of the arrangements.

"People can make their own flowers if they desire, and some interesting ones may be made with aluminum foil," he advises.

# More New Mothers Are Returning To Work Early

By JURATE KAZICKAS

Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Millington F. McCloy, an executive of a personnel-search firm, worked late on a Friday, had her baby on Saturday, and was on the phone from her hospital bed with her clients on Monday. About two months later, she was back in her Park Avenue office and little Daniel was at home with a baby-sitter.

Whether they're dedicated to career, forced by economic necessity, or compelled by sheer restlessness, more and more new mothers are returning to work within weeks of their baby's arrival, leaving the joys and duties of child care to someone else.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, in March 1974, there were 7,977,000 mothers with children under the age of 3. Of that group, 32.4 per cent of the mothers were in the labor force, up from 30.2 per cent in 1973 and 21.8 per cent in 1964.

Despite continuing debate about a mother's role and importance in successful infant rearing and many company policies allowing up to one year maternity leave, these women have willingly and in some cases eagerly opted to push pencils instead of baby carriages.

Though private, professional baby-sitters are expensive, the mothers say it's worth the \$80 or more a week to keep up with their careers as well as to ease any lingering anxieties about their baby's welfare.

Some mothers working in lower-paying jobs have no choice but to place their children in day care centers. However, there are hardly enough such facilities available.

As an assistant vice-president of Handy Associates, Mrs. Millington "Millie" McCloy was well able to afford a \$30 a day nurse for Daniel, now 5 months old. She said she wouldn't be comfortable in the role of a full-time mother and housewife.

"I have always been very committed to my career and it simply would not have been to

my advantage to drop out and care for a baby," said Mrs. McCloy. "I've always been able to keep a lot of balls in the air. Even though one has to make sacrifices, I was determined to combine both worlds."

But sometimes, mothering during office hours has presented some unique problems.

Even though she was back at work on a regular schedule, Mrs. McCloy wanted her baby to have mother's milk. It was too difficult to go all the way home at lunchtime. So while her male counterparts socialized with martinis Mrs. McCloy excused herself, collected the milk from her breasts in a glass, and asked the astonished waiters for a dish of ice so the milk would keep until she could take it home to Daniel.

# Household Hints

Medium to heavy gauge saucepans with tightly fitting covers are better than thin walled ones because they permit quick cooking with a minimum of liquid. Such cooking also helps retain nutrients.

Rock salt effectively removes ice from masonry steps but it can damage concrete ones. A propane torch will do the job without damaging the concrete. Run the flame over the ice until it is loose, then sweep it away without chopping.

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# Ayden News

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Jacobson and son are spending the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Gooding and family.

Mrs. Sammy A. Pierce and sons have arrived to California to join Mr. Pierce, who is a member of the armed service.

Miss Deborah Hart of Wilmington is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hart.

Mrs. Lillian Hart is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ray Firth and family in Charlotte.

Ben McLawhorn is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ola R. McLawhorn.

L. L. Kitrell of Dunn spent part of last week with his mother, Mrs. Blanche Kitrell.

Mrs. Mary Tripp Mayo had as her Saturday night Christmas dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tripp Jr., Trudy and Paula, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Tripp, Horace and Stevie, Mr. and Mrs. Mac Tripp and family, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Tripp of Greenville, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Woolard and Tim of Virginia Beach, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Curtiss Barfield, Monty and Cindy of Plymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ridgeway are visiting Dr. and Mrs. W. H.

Gooding.

Mrs. Mary T. Mayo is spending Christmas in Virginia Beach, Va., and Jacksonville, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Burney Tyndall of Marietta, Ga., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kite.

Pierce Surrrell is spending the holidays in a Caribbean cruise.

Miss Jackie Allen, a student at Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, is home for the holidays.

Mrs. Mary Alice Johnson is spending the holiday season with Mr. and Mrs. Allan Johnson Jr. and family in Greensboro and Mrs. Frank Sherrill and family in Eden.

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# Good Economic News For N.C.

In this time of bad economic news, there was some good news from the governor's office.

Gov. Holshouser reported that average annual salaries for new industrial plants jobs was up 16 percent in 1974 over 1973. Capital investment by industry in North Carolina was ahead by 20 percent.

Average salary for new industrial jobs in the state increased by \$1,001 to \$7,084. Capital investment for the year was \$872 million, compared to \$727 million in 1973.

Holshouser reported that 85 new plants were located in the state during 1974 and this created 9,936 new jobs with an investment of \$345 million. Expansion of existing facilities created another 8,842 jobs and the investment was \$526 million.

Total payroll for new jobs is about \$133 million.

"We feel these figures accurately reflect our efforts to recruit higher paying, more diversified industry into North Carolina," the governor said. "During the past few years nearly 10 percent of all new industrial plants announced in the nation were for North Carolina. While there may be a slowdown in industrial development next year, we intend to

get that same share or more."

The new industries and expansions were heavy in metal working, textiles, and chemical and allied products.

All the figures reflect a full year which has suddenly gone economically sour as the year's end approaches, and the governor's announcement doesn't clear whether any of the announced new plants have been delayed because of the recession.

Still the figures do show that North Carolina is moving to the right direction in seeking new industries. The emphasis is now on attracting higher paying industries and having them located in the less urban areas of our state. Since North Carolina is a state of dispersed population, there is a good labor supply available in almost any section of the state that an industry might choose as a location.

In good times or bad, North Carolina should continue a policy of seeking high paying industries, and wherever possible, locating them in non-urban areas. In that way, we can maintain the unique quality of life that makes our state such a superior place in which to live.



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"Well, Mr. President, we've whipped inflation. Now . . . ?"

By ART BUCHWALD

## Stories You Won't See

WASHINGTON—If 1975 is anything like 1974, we can expect to see many wild newspaper stories. I can't tell you what they will be, but I can predict that these are the stories that you will not be reading in your papers next year.

TEHRAN, Iran—The oil-producing countries meeting here today announced that they were lowering the price of oil by \$4 a barrel. The Shah of Iran told newspapermen, "We made a mistake when we raised the price of oil as it hurt the economies of most of the countries we deal with. To make it up to them, we plan to

roll back prices to 1970. The goodwill of the world is more important to the oil countries than the few extra dollars that are at stake. We hope everyone will forget how in a weak moment we let greed get the best of us."

WASHINGTON—President Ford announced today he was going to take strong measures to turn around the economic slump in this country. He told reporters, "I've made up my mind and I've decided to take a stand. Government controls are the only answer to the problems we face. Appealing to the good sense of the American

THIS AFTERNOON

# Early Screening Push Set

By BILL NOBLITT

RALEIGH—Some remarkable success stories, coupled with the conviction of a host of people involved in treating learning disability and mental retardation cases, are adding impetus to a move to early childhood screening in North Carolina.

Human Resources Secretary David T. Flaherty says this step will be his major legislative proposal in the 1975 session of the General Assembly, and his staff is hard at work building the case for an \$8.9 million beginning on the program.

Linked directly to the statewide public kindergarten program, the aim is to provide in-depth testing and screening of all children before they enter the public schools at age five.

The principal is simple: if physical or mental disorders are detected soon enough, treatment can often be simple and inexpensive and the child will develop normally.

**Leads To Trouble**  
If ignored or not recognized, later treatment

can prove difficult and expensive. In the meantime, the child is generally placed in the wrong slot in school, does poorly, and is often slated for a life of trouble.

Two major steps in providing this program have already taken place:

—A statewide census of children with problems has been conducted and figures are being compiled to provide a factual basis for knowing how many potential problems there are, and the nature of them;

—An Office for Children has been set up in Human Resources pulling together under one roof all the services for children.

Additionally, Flaherty said he and his staff have established strong working relationships with the key state officials in the Department of Public Instruction.

Full screening would not take place until 1978, the year in which public kindergartens will be available to all children in the state.

Census figures show some 500,000 children (under age

five) in the state, and the annual kindergarten enrollment will probably run around 85,000.

Figures also show that for roughly half of the kindergarten enrollees (43,000) this is their first exposure to a trained person who can spot emotional, physical sensory, mental, or other developmental factors which might hamper ability to learn.

In fact, about half the five-year-olds do not see a pediatrician or other doctor at all from the time of birth until they enter school.

**Not Trained**  
But even when the child enters kindergarten, the public school personnel are not trained to spot all possible problems, or work out plans for handling them.

That takes a team of specialized people, including physicians, and psychologists.

When should the screening take place?

The earlier the better, experts say, and cite cases of children being "rescued" from mental retardation centers when it was found

that they were not retarded, but had been accidentally placed there. There are recently some remarkable cases of even severely retarded children learning to care for themselves, even to read and write, when work started early enough.

Coupled with screening would be early intervention steps to bring various governmental aid programs into focus to deal with problem children.

At this point, the philosophy is generally to keep as many children as possible in the normal classroom setting, while providing specialists to work with particular cases for an hour or so daily outside the classroom.

Flaherty said plans call for a screening system to be phased in over a period of years using standardized tests and observation by experts to predict the problem, and to outline a treatment course.

Results of the program would be shared freely with the child's parents, pediatrician, and kindergarten teacher.

The INSIDE REPORT

# South Vietnam Countdown

By ROWLAND EVANS and ROBERT NOVAK

WASHINGTON—A new office set up in the Pentagon to monitor U.S. aid to Vietnam may represent the last best hope of preventing this tragic outcome of the Vietnam saga: a Communist triumph over South Vietnam's forces achieved neither by military nor political power but by choking off help from Washington.

The office was created at the urging of Sen. John Stennis of Mississippi, noting with dismay the military deterioration in Vietnam caused by declining U.S. aid and rising Communist aid from Moscow and Peking. By maintaining a stiff watch to eliminate waste and to control the use of U.S. arms, the new office is intended to provide precisely documented proof to

Congress of the need for arms.

If it does not check the congressional trend toward abandoning the Saigon government and letting Hanoi have its head, the present deterioration may soon prove fatal.

That's what bothered Stennis, the immensely prestigious chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, when he wrote a private letter to President Ford Sept. 17. With typical understatement, Stennis warned that U.S. military aid for Saigon was in "considerable difficulty." His proposal: appointment of a single "top administrator" with full control over the orphaned aid program.

That office has now been set up in the Pentagon, headed by Erich von Marbod, a civilian expert on military aid with wide experience in

national security. He reports directly to Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger.

Von Marbod's unit is keeping track of American military aid with strictest accounting integrity, in accordance with Stennis's thesis: if Congress does not know intimate details of the military aid program, its life-or-death impact on Saigon's ability to do battle and its comparison to Hanoi's outside help, there will not be the slightest chance of emergency U.S. aid when it is needed early next year.

The immediate backdrop of Stennis's plea to the President was a better than 50 per cent reduction in the Vietnam military aid package voted by Congress for the present fiscal year from \$1.5 billion to \$700 million. The result is that, despite steady economic improvement in South Vietnam, there are tragic arms shortages for South Vietnam. Simultaneously, North Vietnam is being fattened by ever-rising military aid from both Moscow and Peking.

One example typifies the stark picture: with their supply of mortar and artillery shells dangerously low, South Vietnamese field

commanders must now limit artillery fire in defense of outposts under Communist attack to only two rounds.

That alone helps explain the sudden increase of North Vietnamese attacks on military outposts in the heavily populated, rice-rich Mekong River delta. It also explains the sharp increase in South Vietnamese casualties, now running close to 500 killed each week, and the fact that the all-important cadres of young officers and non-commissioned officers are being depleted.

On the Communist side, stockpiles of ammunition, tanks and the military basics are now estimated by American intelligence agents to have reached record levels—enough to fight for a full 18 months at the exorbitant pace of the 1972 spring offensive. No general enemy offensive is expected now and probably not until next winter. Nevertheless, the disparity of stockpiles is chilling.

The Communists have now completed a new 400-mile all-weather road from the demilitarized zone down to the southern edge of the central highlands, a new petroleum pipeline to roughly

## Public Forum

To the editor:

My first reaction to my monthly utility ransom note of \$70.00 as compared to the \$39.00 bill of last month was to write an irate letter; this of course was after I pulled at my hair, felt my blood pressure reach the point of no return, and spewed a few choice four letter words. After trying to compose myself before taking pen in hand, I picked up the paper, when what do my already red smoldering eyes behold—"Veeco Wins Permission . . . Begin Interim Rate Hike". This bit of front page news can only be compared to sticking bamboo shoots up someone's fingernails while already dancing on hot coals. Someone please explain to me how poor and middle-income people are supposed to live, much less stay warm, with these outrageous rate increases! Before anyone starts to explain, there are three words my ears refuse to register anymore—inflation, recession, and energy crisis—Bull! I've done my share of turning down the thermostat, not using the stove, and stumbling around in the dark. I'm sure the stock holders of all the major conglomerates, including the Utility Company, are enjoying pleasant dividends while rocking back and forth saying, "Well, things will get better. The economy is looking up".

This may well be true for the few who do not have to worry about where the money comes from, because it comes from you and me, and you better believe we pay through the nose.

A devastating depression right now might sound like a romantic comradeship kind of thing to some, but not to me.

I honestly hope everyone that finds themselves in the same sinking boat will write, protest and demand investigation, instead of sitting back on their derrieres waiting for someone else to do so. The health and well being of so many lie in the hands of so few. It is my right and your right to express and to be heard.

Merry Christmas, Veeco.

Mary Catherine Anthony

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## Strength For Today

FINDING WHAT ONE LOOKS FOR

Like the school teacher and his arrows, we can often find what we look for in life if we look hard enough, even though what we are looking for has never been seen by anyone else. Scientists often operate on this principle, but it applies also to those of us in more humble areas of life. Some people are finding careers where none were thought to exist before. Some find a loved one; some find contentment. "Seek and ye shall find," said Jesus of Nazareth.

—by Elisha Douglas

Many years ago a retired school teacher found hundreds of Indian arrowheads over a considerable period of time in a farm area of south central Pennsylvania where none was ever found before. During the springtime he followed farmers as they were plowing or harrowing their fields and was able to spot arrowheads, which had been used by Indians hunting or making war in the area hundreds of years ago.

## Play-Acting In Divorce Cases

By ELIAS ANTAR

Associated Press Writer PARIS (AP) — Getting a divorce in France can be an elaborately orchestrated farce in which petitioner, lawyers and even the judge collaborate to circumvent a civil code instituted by Napoleon 171 years ago.

Under the code, the judge is required to formally pronounce one of the parties guilty before granting a divorce. The concept of guilty and innocent in the breakup of a marriage was a concession to the Roman Catholic Church and was meant to discourage divorce.

But nowadays it often leads only to sordid play-acting by all concerned in a divorce case. The law is widely felt to have become outmoded, just like the legislation on abortion which is now being modernized.

The government is drafting more liberal legislation permitting divorce by mutual consent and for other reasons long accepted in the United States and other Western countries. There has been no outcry from conservative forces yet, but the project may run into heavy flak when it reaches the National Assembly in the spring.

Meanwhile, if Mr. and Mrs. DuPont have lost the old spark and fully agree they want to break up, they have to go through something like this to get a divorce:

—One party must send insulting letters, even if he or she has no pronounced ill-feeling. "This often arouses bitter hostility where there was none at the start," says a prominent Paris lawyer who handles divorce suits.

—When enough letters pile up in the file, the "aggrieved" party asks for a divorce. The two appear before a judge, who under the law must make an effort to conciliate them. Instead, the "guilty" party exhibits more fake signs of abuse.

—The perfunctory attempt at conciliation over with, the judge conducts a formal hearing and grants the divorce. His decision on property disposal is often illegally arranged by the couple in advance of the court

action.

The law stipulates that the judge must automatically pronounce one party guilty and grant the divorce if there is evidence of adultery or a criminal conviction. In what the law books call "cases of excesses, cruelty and insults," the outcome is at the discretion of the judge, but if a divorce is decreed one partner must still be found guilty.

The latest available Justice Ministry statistics show there were 41,860 divorces in 1970. In 47.5 per cent the husband was found guilty, in 26.7 per cent the wife and in the remaining cases both spouses were at fault. Officials said the figures have been about the same since then.

# Sharp Rise In Crime

By MARGARET GENTRY

Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON (AP) — New FBI figures show that the national crime rate rose 16 per cent in the first nine months of 1974, the largest increase for the period in six years.

The crime rate in smaller cities showed the largest increase.

The figures released today reflect an 8 per cent increase in the violent crimes of murder, rape, robbery and assault. The property crimes of burglary, larceny and vehicle theft jumped 17 per cent.

The new report, based on statistics supplied by local and state law enforcement agencies across the country, indicated that the upward surge that began in the last three months of 1973 has continued.

Atty. Gen. William B. Saxbe said the continuing crime increase "requires an intensification of our efforts to identify the causes, improve crime prevention and insure swift protection."

Crime rose only 1 per cent during the same period a year ago.

Then the spiral began, with the 5 per cent increase recorded for the last quarter of 1973 and a 15 per cent increase in the first quarter of 1974. The six-month figures for this year also showed a 16 per cent increase, as do the nine-month figures.

In keeping with the recent pattern, the new report showed that the largest increase for any of the seven crime categories measured by the FBI was 20 per cent for larceny. Murder had the lowest rate of increase, rising 2 per cent. No category reflected a decline.

Broken down by population, cities of more than 1 million showed the smallest increase, 8 per cent. Cities of less than 10,000 reported the largest overall increase, 24 per cent.

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## 40 Years Ago Today

December 27, 1934

A movement begun here several months ago for the improvement of the Tar River received a temporary setback today with an unfavorable report from government engineers who conducted an investigation into the proposal.

The report said the cost of a deeper channel, either in Greenville or Tarboro, would exceed resulting benefits.

S.F. Dickinson, head of the traffic department for the East Carolina Association, said the fight would be carried on for improvement of the river.

Dickinson recommended that the matter be taken before the Board of Engineers of Rivers and Harbors, a permanent body in Washington which examines surveys of this kind.

Initial plans for the improvement campaign said the river improvement would save a half million dollars annually through decreased freight rates. A deeper channel would mean direct boat service from Greenville to Norfolk, and a steamboat line has already said it would place boats in service as soon as the improvements were complete.

—Susan Price



**BOWING TO HIS AUDIENCE**—Jack Benny, one of whose comic roles was that of a torturer of the violin, was in fact an accomplished musician. His performances with symphony orchestras in

many countries raised millions of dollars for charity. Here he performs with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra in his home town of Waukegan, Ill., in Sept. 1964. (AP Wirephoto)

## Jack Benny Is Dead

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guest roles and an infrequent special.

Benny's humor as a fuss-budget was built with a cast that included his wife, black comedian Eddie "Rochester" Anderson and singer Dennis Day.

His tightwad image fostered a classic scenario — Benny befuddled by a bandit's demand for "Your money or your life." His anguished reply: "I'm thinking! I'm thinking!"

On stage Benny became the nation's leading booster of his hometown, Waukegan, Ill., where he was born Benny Kubelsky, Feb. 14, 1894. He as the son of Orthodox Jewish immigrants from Russia who owned a saloon.

Piercing off-tune squeaks from his violin became one of Benny's radio and television fixtures. But serious perform-

ances on the instrument provided his first source of income. He quit school in the ninth grade to take an \$8-a-week job playing in the pit of a local theater.

Several years ago his hometown named the Jack Benny Junior High School in his honor.

He hit the road in 1911 in a touring act billed as "Salisbury and Benny — From Grand Opera to Ragtime." He once said that girls began paying attention to him then, and "that, I guess, is what hooked me for show business."

He made his first stab at comedy while serving in the Navy in 1918. He played Izzy There, the admiral's "disorderly."

"Everybody else was hamming it up, so I guess my (flat-toned) delivery sounded funny

by contrast," Benny reminisced.

His vaudeville career blossomed in the '20s. Later he turned to radio, stage and television.

Often he would enhance his tightwad image by paying a visit to his money in a basement vault guarded by a creaky-voiced old man who would inquire how a long-dead president was getting along in office.

Benny was regarded as the master of comic timing — the pregnant pause, a blank look or a simple drawn out "hm-m-m-m."

Comedian Steve Allen once commented that Benny was "to humor what Artur Rubinstein is to music. His 'laugh-at-me' posture made him 'straight man for the whole world.'"

Despite his smash success on radio and television, his films received only modest attention. Among them were "Love thy Neighbor," and "Charley's Aunt."

Funeral services have been scheduled for noon Sunday at Hillside Memorial Cemetery in suburban Culver City.

## A Big Catch To Island's Dream

By JOHN LEONARD

**PORT STANLEY, Falkland Islands (AP)** — There is a belief among the 1,900 inhabitants that oil lies under or around this British crown colony in the Atlantic off Argentina. They want someone to come look for it.

The Falkland Islands Legislative Council voted 6-2 this month to ask the British to allow an international oil consortium to make a search.

But the problem is that Argentina has renewed its claim to the Falklands, which lie about 350 miles off southern Argentina.

The crown-appointed governor, Ernest G. Lewis, and the chief secretary, A. Monk, both urged the Legislative Council to use caution and to consider the difficulties of sovereignty and boundaries issues.

The issue became urgent when Ashland Oil Canada Ltd., a subsidiary of Ashland Oil Inc. of the United States, applied for concessions from Britain on behalf of a consortium in November.

The request, as about 20 others in the past several years, has been set aside for consideration in London.

Many inhabitants feel the British government is simply dragging its feet in order to

avoid a confrontation with Argentina over the sovereignty issue.

But wool and mutton are the Falkland's only products and international prices for them are low. Many here see oil royalties — or income from exploration operations — as the only solution to hard times.

The consortium is made up of Ashland Oil Canada, Asamera Oil Corp. Ltd., Coral Petroleum Inc. of Houston, Tex., Sunlight Oil Canada Ltd., Tanks Oil and Gas Ltd., and Chimo Management Services, Ltd.

A spokesman, Bruce Wilson, said here after the council meeting that a seismic study would first be necessary, costing about \$2 million and lasting 18 months. Results would be shared with the British government, he said.

The Falklands, now largely supplied by Argentine coastal vessels, were taken over by Great Britain in 1833. Since then a dispute over sovereignty has simmered and boiled, alternately.

United Nations says the two countries should solve the dispute between themselves. In the past year, since oil-boom rumors flooded Buenos Aires government offices, Argentina has stepped up its claims.

## Subdivision Again Had Las Luminarias

By Larry Zicherman

Brentwood Subdivision's second annual "Fiesta de Las Luminarias" was observed Christmas Eve in memory of the late Ken Beatty.

Sand-filled white bags, each containing a candle, were placed 10 feet apart along the curb on all of Brentwood's streets. At 6 p.m. Tuesday night, residents lit the candles.

The idea for the observance was picked up by Beatty while visiting his daughter in Coral Springs, Fla., for Christmas, 1972. Mrs. Beatty said that her

husband thought it would be good for Brentwood, not only for its beauty, but also because it represents neighborhood unity.

"We're really pleased at our neighborhood's community spirit," said Curtis Howell, Brentwood Community Club President. "We have had excellent cooperation and participation from our 80 families."

Brentwood residents also joined in caroling around the neighborhood. Many Greenville residents drove through the subdivision throughout the evening, viewing the spectacle.

## Halt Called On Farm Drainage

**MOREHEAD CITY, N.C. (AP)** — Open Grounds Farm, an Italian-owned mass-production project, has been ordered to stop developing drainage canals that lead into navigable waters.

The Army Corps of Engineers also has told Open Grounds and another huge farming operation also being developed in eastern North Carolina that environmental assessments will be required.

Because Open Grounds and the other farm, First Colony Farms, are in marshy areas, extensive drainage canals are needed to reduce ground water. Environmentalists have said they fear the drainage systems, and the stripping of the land of trees and native growth, will lead to ecological damage.

Open Grounds Farm consists

of 45,000 acres in Carteret County. First Colony is being developed by New Jersey industrialist Malcolm McLean on 380,000 acres in Washington, Tyrrell, Hyde and Dare counties.

First Colony has decided to comply voluntarily with the federal law for developing such drainage channels, Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899. It also will voluntarily submit an environmental assessment.

The farms are cattle, hogs and grain operations.

A third mass production farm, the 7,500-acre Japanese-owned Shima-American Farm in Washington County, has not yet connected its drainage canals into navigable waters. It is not now being required to submit drainage permits.

## Abducted Boy Home Again; Was Beaten

**NAPLES, Fla. (AP)** — A \$10,000 reward for information about his whereabouts. "Our prayers and those of the tens of thousands that have let us know they were praying for Chris have been answered," Carrier said.

The hunter, Roy Jones of Bradenton, told police he found the boy beside a dirt road, took him to his hunting camp, fed him and notified police.

Police said the boy gave them a description of a man who he said took him from Coral Gables in a car.

A doctor said some wounds looked like cigarette burns.

Chris disappeared last Friday after stepping off a school bus near his home. His father, attorney Hugh Carrier, offered a

\$10,000 reward for information about his whereabouts.

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## Evans-Novak..

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the same point and are steadily increasing anti-aircraft, tank and transport capacity. Saigon's stringent hold-down on firing ammunition, its cancellation of 75 new F-5E fighter aircraft, its lack of enough fuel to fly the A-37 in direct troop support and its 50 per cent cut in the strength of infantry battalions—all for lack of equipment and funds—show the dangerous contrast.

It is now assumed inside the White House that without more aid from the U.S., Saigon's military position will go into possibly irreversible decline. So, despite any faint sign that the Communists are making political headway among the rice farmers and townspeople of South Vietnam, Hanoi could be on the verge of victory sought for a generation.

Considering the infusion of new, anti-Vietnam liberal Democrats in the 94th Congress, the strategy instituted by Stennis has at best a questionable future. Yet, it is just possible that when the contrast between Communist aid to Hanoi and American aid to Saigon is dramatized along with the strict, new standards imposed on Saigon by the Pentagon's Vietnam office, even a highly liberal Congress may understand reality.

## Settlement For Injuries

**HOUSTON (AP)** — James Alexander, 18, who was permanently injured in a traffic accident, will receive more than \$100,000 a year for the rest of his life from an out-of-court settlement of a lawsuit, his lawyer says.

Alexander, then a 16-year-old high school dropout, was employed as a plumber's helper when he was hurt in a two-car collision Aug. 27, 1972. Four others died, and he lost the use of his legs and arms.

Now a long-term trust fund will be set up at a local bank by a group of insurance companies.

Joe Jamail, Alexander's lawyer, said after the settlement was reached Thursday that he had negotiated with Continental Insurance Co. and affiliated firms. He would not name the insured driver.

He said the agreement includes an undisclosed cash settlement and enables Alexander to designate a recipient for \$1 million when the trust ends.

## Union Meeting Begins Tonight

Union meeting will be held at Oak Grove Holiness Church beginning tonight and continuing through Sunday night.

Services tonight and Saturday will begin at 7:30 p.m. Bishop Erwin will preach both nights.

Bishop Norman of St. Peter Holiness Church will preach Sunday at 11 a.m. and Bishop Chauncey will preach at 3 p.m. Elder Brown of Kinston will preach Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

Dinner will be served Sunday at 2 p.m. and Elder Jesse Keys will be in charge of the weekend activities.

## 'Angels' Remind The Forgetful

**CHARLOTTE (AP)**—Student guardian angels have been putting this notice under the windshield wipers of some cars in Charlotte:

"Hi, I am your guardian angel from Myers Park High School. Your N.C. motor vehicle inspection has expired. If you are caught it will cost you \$16. This service rendered by Myers Park High driver education class."

## Report Three Hurt In Wreck

Colette Theresa Clemons of 100 Fireside Dr. and two passengers in the car she was driving were reported injured following investigation of an 11:05 p.m. collision on Fifth Street, 66 feet East of the Memorial Drive intersection Tuesday night.

Officers said the Clemons car collided with a utility pole, causing an estimated \$300 damage to the car and \$100 damage to the pole. No charges were reported.

## Holy Year Keynote Is To Be Reconciliation And Spirit Of Renewal

By GEORGE CORNELL

AP Religion Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — A door is opened, a barrier breached. The intent was for antagonisms to be overcome and the separated to come together in friendship, with each other and with their God.

That was the underlying theme and hope of a special 1975 Holy Year, launched by Roman Catholicism on Christmas Eve this week in Rome, with the opening in St. Peter's Basilica of a walled-up door.

"I am the door," Jesus said, laying the basis for the ceremonial gesture. "If any one enters by me, he will be saved."

Opening of the special church door, kept sealed since the last observance of a Holy Year Jubilee a quarter-century ago, symbolizes full accessibility to humanity of Christ's pardon and grace.

Catholicism is putting year-long emphasis on that bestowal of forgiveness and restoration of broken relationships, an objective that also has implications for other Christians and for Judaism.

"Renewal and reconciliation" is the keynote set by Pope Paul

VI.

In the extensive preparations for the year, varied suggestions have come from many quarters for steps by the church and others to heal conflicts and renew ties, both spiritually and tangibly.

Numerous Protestant and Catholic scholars have urged special efforts toward overcoming cleavages between denominations and rebuilding of unity.

To further that cause, the Rev. Avery Dulles, a noted Jesuit theologian of the Catholic University of America, suggests that the Church lift its condemnations of those who reject certain of its doctrines about the Virgin Mary.

Referring to Catholic dogmas of Mary's immaculate conception (birth without sin) and bodily assumption into heaven, he questioned whether these beliefs are so central that failure to assent to them was an adequate basis for excluding persons from the faith.

He says removing the anathemas about them would contribute to reconciliation with other Christians — one of the aims of the Holy Year.

Protestants do not accept the two dogmas, defined by Catholicism in 1854 and 1950.

Pointing up links with Judaism, the Vatican has issued a booklet on the origins of the "holy year" in the ancient Jewish Year of Jubilee, prepared by Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, of the American Jewish Committee.

In the ancient Jewish observance, set forth in the Book of Leviticus, debts were forgiven, land restored to its original owners and slaves freed.

Citing these acts of clemency, Pope Paul has appealed to governments to consider granting

amnesty to prisoners, particularly political prisoners "who may have been caught up in political and social upheavals too immense for them to be held fully responsible."

## Buchwald . . .

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first time it's been done to me. I guess my weakness is that I trust everyone I talk to. I should be more careful, but diplomacy really isn't my forte and if I had to do it all over again, I would have stayed at Harvard."

**WASHINGTON**—George Meany of the AFL-CIO said at a dinner last night that one of the reasons for high prices was exorbitant labor demands that were preventing businesses from making a profit. "It is time," he said, "the unions worked harder and longer and stopped saying, 'Gimme, gimme, gimme.'"

**NEW YORK**—Walter Cronkite, last night on the CBS News, did his show twice. Cronkite explained on the air that after he finished the first time and said, "And that's the way it is," he realized it wasn't that way at all so he decided to do it again.

## Gentry Col. . .

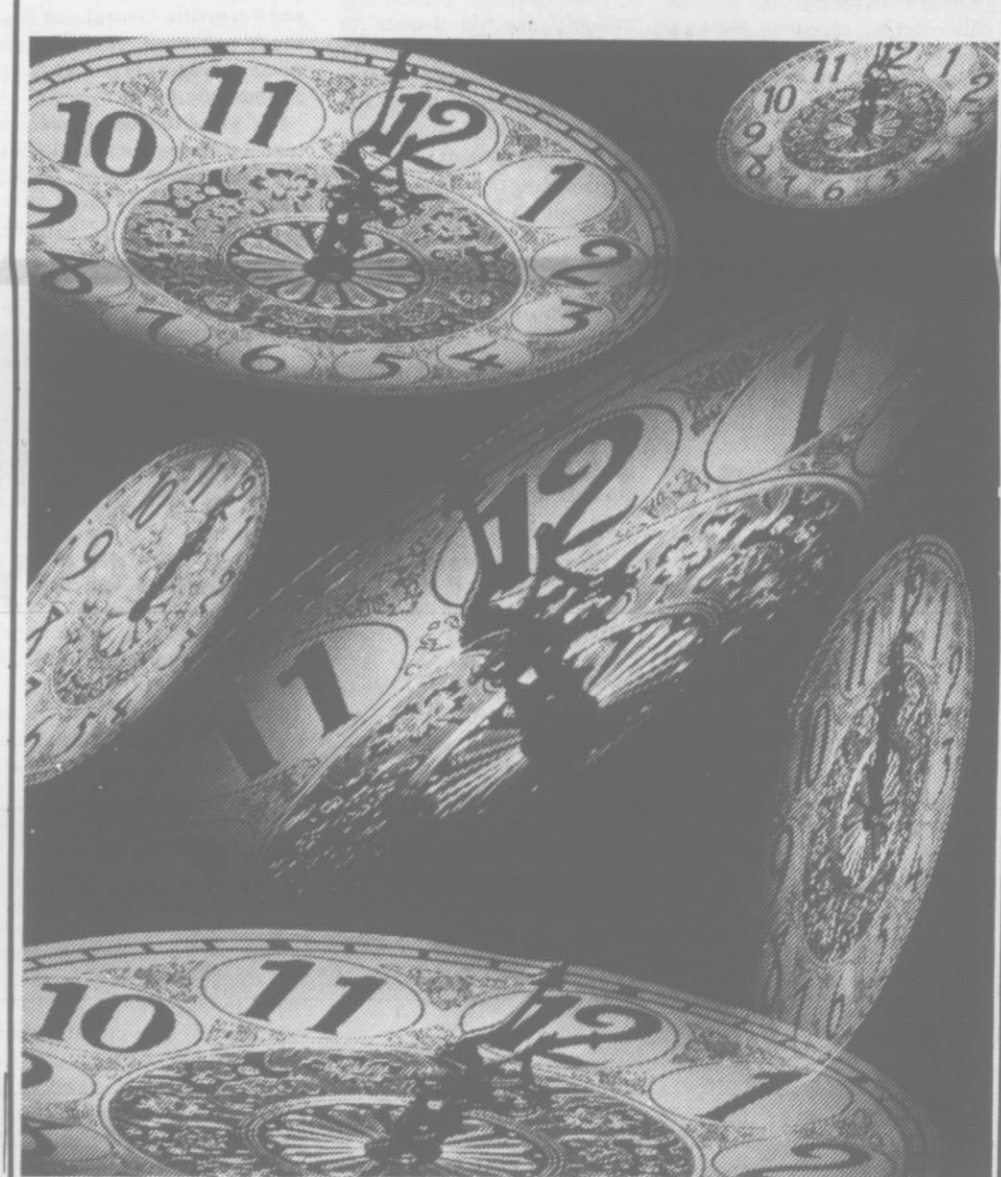
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There was a slight decrease in the murder rate in the largest cities and in some medium sized cities.

By region, crime increased 20 per cent in the South, 15 per cent in North Central states, 14 per cent in Western states and 13 per cent in the Northeast.

Taken together, cities of more than 25,000 reported a 14 per cent increase. In suburbs, crime was up 21 per cent and in rural areas, 20 per cent.

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## CELEBRATION TIME

Why celebrate the end of one year and the beginning of the next? It seems a strange custom, yet there is a good reason for it.

Few, if any of us, have come even close to perfection in the year just ending. So we look ahead toward 365 brand-new days, blank pages in the next chapter of our lives.

What will we do with them? On the eve of a New Year, most of us certainly have the desire to try harder, to be better people.

But even while we are saying, "Off with the old and on with the new," we are also clinging to the good in the days gone by. As we renew old friendships, we thank God for those friends, for the faith he has given us, for life itself. And, in the midst of revelry, we start the year the best way of all. We go to church.

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# Battles In The Trenches Will Be Fierce Sunday

By BRENT KALLESTAD  
AP Sports Writer  
BLOOMINGTON, Minn. (AP) — The National Football Conference championship game between Los Angeles and Minnesota is certain to be won 'up front' where most contests are usually settled.

However, in Sunday's NFC title fray, the trench warfare promises to be spectacular. Perhaps the most crucial matchup will involve the left side of the Rams' defense against Minnesota's offensive right side.

The Vikings perennial all-pro offensive tackle, Ron Yary, will be assigned L.A.'s defensive end Jack Youngblood, and the Rams' Merlin Olsen will work against Minnesota's Ed White.

There are also several key matchups when Minnesota is on offense.

Former University of Minnesota stars Carl Eller of the Vikings and John Williams of Los Angeles are head-up, while a pair of former Notre Dame greats, Alan Page and L.A.'s Joe Scibelli, will bang heads.

Minnesota's Doug Sutherland will be against Tom Mack and the veteran stars of each club, the Vikings' Jim Marshall and the Rams' Charlie Cowan, also match wits. Marshall has been in the league 15 years and Cowan 14.

The largest difference between the two could exist at quarterback where Minnesota's Fran Tarkenton is experienced. Rams quarterback James Harris has played only one playoff game—last week.

"I'm certainly pleased we have a quarterback with the experience Francis has," said Grant. "However, Harris is far from being a rookie and we can attest to his passing ability."

Harris hit 10 straight passes to lead the Rams to a 20-17 come-from-behind victory over the Vikings Nov. 24.

"I think the most important thing in being a good quarterback is being on a good team," Harris said. "Experience makes an athlete better, but the key is being in the right place at the right time."



TAR HEELS LOSE IN FINALE — University of North Carolina forward Walter Davis (24) tries to drive around Real Madrid's Walter Szczerbiak during the final game of the tenth Spanish International Basketball Tournament in Madrid Thursday. Real Madrid won, 112-101. (AP Wirephoto)

# Robersonville Picking Up After Late Start

By CHIP LAMBETH  
Reflector Sports Writer  
(One of a series)  
ROBERSONVILLE — Robersonville's long football season ran over into basketball time and when it finally came time for the Eagles to go inside, they were behind the rest of the Eastern Plains conference teams. But they were starting to come around just before the holiday break.

The Eagles have had a hard time making the transition from football to basketball. After the final grid game, the basketball players, several of whom played football, had a short four days of practice before they opened their season. And to make things worse, four of the first six Robersonville games were on the road.

Things are looking better, however. "I can see improvement," said coach Clarence Atkinson. "We are big and strong. We will have a decent club."

The Eagles, although they were just beginning to get moving before the Christmas break, were shooting below average. "We're shooting way below normal. It's in the low 30's. We're not being able to hit shots. Our shot selection is not that bad," Atkinson said.

The Eagles use a 2-1-2 offense and a stack-type offense. They use a man-to-man defense on a 2-1-2 and can run a 1-3-1 defense. Atkinson feels that it is the small errors that add up. "We're not making bad passes but we let up."

One strong point in the Eagle offense is their use of four guards. Ricky Spruill and Carl Whitley alternate with Willie Andrews and Arthur Burns. Atkinson feels that by being able to switch his guards frequently will help wear some teams down and give the Eagles a slight edge.

The rest of the starting five is made up of Noah Clark, Tony Purvis and Jimmy Stalls. Stalls and Clark are the two big men on the front line at 6-4 and 6-1 respectively.

Purvis, Atkinson says, should be a good outside shooter. "He should be the best outside shooter on the team." Stalls is shooting and rebounding well but his inside shots are not falling as Atkinson would hope they would.

Atkinson has been pressing his guards in the man-to-man and "in a pinch" the Eagles fall into a 1-3-1. The Eagles have been rebounding well with their best rebounding game being against Elm City.

The Eagles don't have much depth except at the guards. Sammy Boyd has been the so-called sixth man playing mostly center behind Stalls. "Outside the guards, we're hurting," said the coach.

Atkinson has his eyes on a J.V. player, Tim Highsmith who is 6-3. He may be pulled up to the varsity if he is needed.

The Eagles have a good sprinkling of quickness. The four guards are quick Atkinson said and the others will come around.

Atkinson said he expected a

battle for the top spot of the conference. He picked Elm City, North Edgecombe and South Edgecombe as the teams to beat. But he did not count the Eagles out.

"We had four days of practice and then had to play three games in two weeks each. We are having to make adjustments on the floor. It's hard to get organized."

"We have a group that has not experienced a loser. We can finish with a respectable record. We're looking to a decent season."

# Hustling Pacers Beat Kentucky

By The Associated Press  
The Indiana Pacers "hustled" to a victory, according to Coach Bobby Leonard.

"Hustle ... that's the difference," Leonard said. "When I say 'hustle,' I look at 17 steals. That's our ball game," said Leonard. "We have to pick up that loose stuff."

Kentucky Coach Hubie Brown had to agree.

# Reese Going To Kansas

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Carl Reese, for the past year assistant head coach and defensive co-ordinator at Virginia, was named linebacker coach at the University of Kansas today.

Reese is the first assistant named by Kansas' new head coach, Bud Moore, who was appointed to the post Dec. 17.

Prior to going to Virginia, Reese served on the staff at Eastern Carolina. He started his coaching career in 1966 as a graduate assistant at Missouri under Dan Devine, recent coach of the Green Bay Packers and now coach at Notre Dame.

Reese was at Northern Michigan for two years and at Southern Illinois before going to Eastern Carolina in 1970. He played his college football at Missouri, where he was a standout fullback. Reese, 31, is a native of Springfield, Mo.

"They out-hustled us, out-quickened us, went to the basket strong and hit their shots," Brown said.

The hustle paid off as Indiana downed Kentucky 122-111 in an American Basketball Association game Thursday.

In other ABA games, the New York Nets crushed Virginia 130-85, San Diego clipped Memphis 112-108, St. Louis nipped San Antonio 119-118 and Denver stopped Utah 107-102.

Billy Keller and George McGinnis combined for 64 points to lead the Pacers. Keller, a 5-foot-10 guard, scored a season-high 33 points, while the 6-foot-8 McGinnis, the league's top scorer, added 31 points.

Nets 130, Squires 85  
New York sank 74 per cent of its shots in the first period, exploding to an early lead, then increased the advantage to roll to their largest winning margin in downing Virginia.

Spirits 119, Spurs 118  
Rookie Marvin Barnes scored 34 points and hauled down 18 rebounds to lead the Spirits of St. Louis past San Antonio.

Conquistadors 112, Sounds 108  
Jimmy O'Brien's two free throws broke a 108-108 deadlock and gave the San Diego Conquistadors their victory over the Memphis Sounds.

Nuggets 107, Stars 102  
Two clutch baskets in the final three minutes by Mike Green gave Denver a victory over Utah and negated a 36-point performance by the Stars' sensational teenager, Moses Malone.

# Invitational Opens Tonight

Pitt County's first high school invitational basketball tournament gets underway tonight at the Rose High Gym with the first game beginning at 7 p.m.

The teams participating in the tournament are North Pitt and D. H. Conley which will be battling in the opening game, and Farmville Central and Rose which will meet in the second game beginning at approximately 9 p.m.

It is hoped the tournament will become a permanent addition to the high sports scene in Pitt County in years to come.

The finals will be Saturday night with the consolation game beginning at 7 p.m. and the championship game at approximately 9 p.m.

Admission is \$1.50 per person.

# Tournaments On Slate For ACC

By The Associated Press  
Tournament action gets underway tonight for four Atlantic Coast Conference basketball teams, while two others launch the first round of a two-night doubleheader.

The nation's top-ranked North Carolina State is host to the doubleheader, which tonight has the Wolfpack meeting Kent State after a Duke-Pittsburgh opener.

Saturday night's round will send N. C. State against Pittsburgh and Duke against Kent State.

Maryland, 6-0 and ranked fifth, is host to its own invitational and opens the tournament tonight against Georgia Tech. The nightcap matches No. 3 UCLA and St. Bonaventure.

Barring an upset, it will be Maryland-UCLA in the title game Saturday night.

Clemson carries a 3-4 record to its third tournament of the young season, meeting Auburn in the first game of the Pillsbury Classic at Minneapolis. Navy meets Minnesota in the other game.

Wake Forest, with a 3-2 mark, is in the Far West Classic in Portland, Ore., where it plays its first game against Washington State. Game time is 10 p.m. EST. Oregon State plays Iowa in the second game.

Virginia is in the Milwaukee Classic and plays Wisconsin after an opener between Georgia and 14th ranked Marquette. Virginia goes into its game with a 3-1 record.

Meanwhile, North Carolina, No. 8 in the latest Associated Press poll, plays Utah at Greensboro Saturday night after failing in its bid for a second International Christmas Tournament title in Madrid.

Real Madrid, semipro team which holds the European Cup championship, defeated the Tar

Heels, 112-101, in the title game Thursday, giving the host team its eighth championship in the 11 years of the tournament.

North Carolina won the title in its only other appearance, in 1971.

Freshman Phil Ford led the Tar Heels with 21 points and Walter Davis and Mitch Kupchak added 19 each. Kupchak also pulled down 17 rebounds to lead that department.

But Real Madrid got 65 points from two players and led from start to finish. Americans Walter Szczerbiak had 35 points and Wayne Brabender had 30 to lead the winner.

Real Madrid led by as many as 18 points in the first period, finishing the half with a 50-37 margin. North Carolina then fell behind by as many as 23 points in the second period before closing the gap to the final margin.

# Lakers Hold Off Cleveland, 99-89

By BOB GREENE  
AP Sports Writer

Leave it to Cleveland Coach Bill Fitch: he knows why his team lost ... and without looking at the game films.

"We played a poor game of basketball there for 12 minutes," Fitch said Thursday night. "At the same time, they (the Los Angeles Lakers) were playing their best 12 minutes of basketball."

The Lakers jumped off to a 20-point advantage at halftime, then beat back several Cleveland rallies to capture the National Basketball Association game 99-89.

In other NBA games Thursday, the Detroit Pistons edged the New York Knicks 84-83; Chicago squeezed past Philadelphia 92-91, Houston clobbered Atlanta 114-86 and Golden State stopped Portland 112-101.

With high-scoring guards Gail Goodrich and Lucius Allen riddling the net with regularity, the Lakers exploded to a 54-34 halftime lead. The Cavaliers, meantime, were being held in check by a tough Los Angeles

defense and a frigid shooting touch, sinking only 29.5 per cent of their shots from the floor.

Goodrich, who scored 16 points in the first half, and Allen, who had 14 by intermission, finished the game with 28 points apiece.

Center Jim Chones paced the Cavaliers with 28 points.

Cleveland slashed its deficit to 10 points by the end of the third period, then pulled to within five points on Smith's 15-foot jumper with 8:16 remaining. However, the Cavs could come no closer.

ALL-STAR FAMILY  
LARAMIE, Wyo. (UPI) — Mark Seymour, an offensive guard on Wyoming's football team, is a brother of former stars John (Army), Jim (Notre Dame) and Paul (Michigan).

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# Sports Briefs

Second baseman Felix Millan of the New York Mets struck out only 14 times during the 1974 season.

Frank McGuire is in his 11th season as University of South Carolina basketball coach.

Arkansas won its first Southwest Conference football title in 1933.

Bonefish, a trotter, and Alert Bret, a pacer, have been voted harness racing's top 2-year-olds for 1974.

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# Joe And His Meanies Will Be Snake Hunting Sunday

By BRUCE LOWITT  
AP Sports Writer  
OAKLAND (AP) — Joe Greene and the rest of the Pittsburgh Steelers' meanies arrive here tonight with only one thought in mind: Snakehunting

season opens Sunday. "The Snake," of course, is the nickname owned by Oakland quarterback Ken Stabler, who tossed four touchdown passes last Saturday in the Raiders' incredible 28-26 victory that

dethroned the National Football League's champions, the Miami Dolphins.

That was the first round of the playoffs. Now it's the American Conference championship that's at stake. And, as might be expected, the Steelers figure the best way to get it is to get to Stabler as hard and as often as possible.

It's expected by Stabler. "That isn't something unusual. In fact, it's old news," he said as he prepared for the third Pittsburgh-Oakland playoff showdown in three years, but the first for the conference crown.

In a pair first-round games, the Steelers won 13-7 in 1972 on the so-called "immaculate reception" by Franco Harris, then the Raiders cruised to a 33-14 romp a year ago. "The quarterback is always the principal target of the defense," Stabler continued. "The Steelers keyed on me during our playoff game last year and they did the same in September," when Stabler passed for one touchdown and ran for one in a 17-0 victory.

Greene thinks the Steelers have something new—mainly a high-powered offense. He believes the Pittsburgh defense, which led the league with 52 quarterback sacks, isn't the only thing the Raiders have to worry about.

"We're all in this together," he said. "Now I'm proud to include our offense. Baby, they've arrived!"

They certainly arrived last Sunday, routing Buffalo 32-14. And the man who got them there was quarterback Terry Bradshaw. He decimated the Bills by hitting seven of nine passes in a decisive 26-point second period and directed the Steelers' attack that rolled up an impressive 438 yards.

A sudden wintry thrust, the first Christmas Day storm in more than 50 years, dumped five inches of snow on El Paso, providing snow drifts and freezing temperatures for the arrival Thursday of both squads.

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# Heels, Bulldogs Wage War

By MIKE COCHRAN  
Associated Press Writer  
EL PASO, Tex. (AP) — North Carolina and Mississippi State waged psychological warfare, eyed the weather and debated quarterbacking pros and cons as they tuned up today for Saturday's Sun Bowl battle.

"We probably depend more heavily on the quarterback than they do," suggested Mississippi State Coach Bob Tyler. "If they contain our quarterback they've about contained our offense."

Tyler neglected to mention that seldom has a Bulldog opponent harnessed quarterback Rocky Felker, voted the Southeastern Conference's most valuable player.

Felker guided Mississippi State to an 8-3 season while leading the SEC in total offense and the Bulldogs into their first Bowl contest since 1963.

Tyler also said that if his Bulldogs muzzle North Carolina quarterback Chris Kucec, the versatile Tar Heel offense can strike in other ways.

Most likely, Bill Dooley's forces would attack with their unique tailback duo of Mike Voight and James "Boom Boom" Betterson. Both of them rushed more than 1,000 yards.

The two alternate in Mississippi State's "I" formation, and "I don't consider one a starter ahead of the other. They're both first-string tailbacks," said Dooley.

Dooley discounted that game and the team's past bowl experience as a factor this time around and added with a grin: "I'm one alum who wouldn't get upset at all if Mississippi State didn't play well Saturday."

Dooley and two of his assistants played at Mississippi State and all three are former members of the Bulldog coaching staff.

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Both coaches expressed concern about the weather, the possibility of additional snowfall and its effect on both practice sessions and the game itself.

However, Tyler noted somewhat philosophically, "You got to make the best of whatever it is."

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 18. Devon river  
 19. Japanese statesman  
 21. Slime  
 22. Ophidian  
 23. Pine Tree  
 24. Cribbage marker  
 25. Goose genus

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 27. Leaderless  
 29. Eflin  
 30. Artificial language  
 31. Conger  
 32. Affectation  
 33. Consumed  
 34. German spa  
 35. Writing on parchment  
 37. Conclusion  
 39. Honeyed words  
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 43. Patrol  
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 45. Chemist's pear-shaped vessel

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## GOREN BRIDGE

**BY CHARLES H. GOREN AND AMAR SHARIF**  
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Both vulnerable. North deals.

**NORTH**  
 ♠ 6 4 3  
 ♥ Void  
 ♦ 10 9 8 5 4 2  
 ♣ 10 9 6 3

**WEST**  
 ♠ Void  
 ♥ K Q J 10  
 ♦ 7 6 4 3 2  
 ♣ Q J

**EAST**  
 ♠ Q 10 8 7  
 ♥ A 9 8 5  
 ♦ 7 6 3  
 ♣ 8 4

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ A K J 9 5 2  
 ♥ Void  
 ♦ A K  
 ♣ A J 7 5 2

The bidding:  
 North East South West  
 Pass Pass 2 ♠ 4 ♠  
 4 ♠ Pass 5 ♠ 5 ♥  
 5 ♠ Pass 6 ♠ Pass  
 Pass  
 Opening lead: King of ♥.

unusual practice. Then East doubled to tip off his trump holding.

West led the king of hearts, and declarer could hardly have fancied his chances. After some thought, he proceeded to ruff the opening lead in dummy and undertruff in his hand—a trump reduction play at the very first trick! From here on, declarer played as if the opponents cards were made of glass.

He finessed the nine of spades, cashed the ace-king of diamonds and the ace of clubs, and exited with a club. West won and had nothing left but hearts. Declarer ruffed the heart return with dummy's six and undertruffed in his hand with the five—a second trump reduction play.

The rest of the play presented no problems. All of dummy's minor suit cards were high, and declarer was down to the same trump length as East. He played winning diamonds from dummy, discarding clubs from his own hand. Whenever East ruffed, it was a simple matter to overruff with the jack and cash the ace-king of trumps, drawing East's last two trumps. The rest of the clubs were good.

We have only one thing to add—at seventeen, we would not have made the hand. Indeed, we would be proud to claim it as our own today—or tomorrow!

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**GENERAL TENDENCIES:** Today's full moon finds the early part of the day good for handling routines. But in the afternoon problems could develop, leaving you several unfinished tasks. This is not a good evening for entertainment or romance.

**ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)** You are able to get support from an ally in the morning, but be sure not to disturb others later in the day. Be gentle with kin.

**TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)** Get busy at improving your surroundings. Later find the right philosophy of life to live by and be happy. Don't be pessimistic.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 21)** Plan the recreations you want to have in the days ahead. Associates assist you getting ahead. Don't waste precious time.

**MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21)** Study personal plans very carefully in the morning. Improve your appearance before visiting. Take exercise you need.

**LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21)** Take steps to build more friendly relations with others. Show associates that you are very cooperative now. Relax at home tonight.

**VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22)** Work on your talents with greater vim and vigor, and get better results than in the past. Make sure to pay all important bills.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)** Morning is best time to get your obligation out of the way. Try to impress others with the fact that you are a fine citizen.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)** Get busy with work you have to do, then start an upswing toward greater success and happiness. Show more consideration for mate.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)** Cement better relations with an associate early in the day. Improving state of health is wise. Engage in favorite hobby.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20)** Get together with an associate who is emotional and needs encouragement. Think along very logical lines. Be wise.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19)** Morning is best time for sports and fun since you have a great deal of work to do later on. Show more devotion to mate.

**PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20)** Handle home duties early in the day so you will have time for recreation in the afternoon. Make long-range plans for the future.

**IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY...** he or she could be indifferent toward getting ahead in the world, but upon reaching maturity will want to make rapid strides to achieve success. Teach to consider the feelings of others or your progeny could become too absorbed in self.

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**FRIDAY**  
 7:00 Truth Or  
 7:30 Tell Truth  
 8:00 Planet Apes  
 9:00 Movie  
 11:00 Final Report  
 11:30 Movie

**SATURDAY**  
 8:00 Speed Buggy  
 8:25 News  
 8:30 Scooby Doo  
 8:56 News  
 9:00 Movie  
 9:26 News  
 9:30 Partridge  
 9:56 News  
 10:00 Dinosaurs  
 10:26 News  
 10:30 Shazam  
 10:56 News  
 11:00 Globetrotters

**WITN—Ch. 7**

**FRIDAY**  
 7:00 Holly Spa  
 7:30 Nash Music  
 8:00 Sanford  
 8:30 Chico & Man  
 9:00 Rock Files  
 10:00 Police Woman  
 11:00 News  
 11:30 Tonight  
 1:00 Mid Spec  
 2:30 News  
 2:30 Movie

**SATURDAY**  
 7:00 Across Fence  
 7:30 Tree Club  
 8:00 Addams Fam  
 8:30 Chop Bunch  
 9:00 Emergency  
 9:00 Movie

**WCTI—Ch. 12**

**FRIDAY**  
 7:00 Griffith  
 7:30 Pyramid  
 8:00 Kung Fu  
 9:00 Dollar Man  
 10:00 Stalker  
 11:00 News  
 11:30 World

**SATURDAY**  
 7:00 Take Five  
 7:45 Teletext  
 8:00 News  
 8:30 Bunny  
 9:00 Phoebe  
 9:30 Gilligan  
 10:00 Devlin

**WUNK—Ch. 25**

**FRIDAY**  
 7:00 Now  
 7:30 NC Week  
 8:00 Wash. Week  
 8:30 Black Perspec  
 9:00 Rights, Real  
 11:00 News

**SATURDAY**  
 9:00 Sesame St.  
 10:00 Elec Co.  
 10:30 Walsh's  
 11:00 Carras  
 11:30 Zoom  
 12:00 Mister Rogers

The world of bridge is studded with many examples of brilliant card-play. To be sure, most of them were found at the table, but we have always had a sneaking suspicion that at least the odd one here and there was found during later post-mortems. This hand reportedly was played during the 1974 Indonesian bridge Championships by Oscar Irawan of Surabaya—a 17-year-old, no less.

The bidding deserves some comment. It would seem that East should have raised his partner's preempt. Instead, he passed and it was the preemptor who took a second bid—a highly

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# Honor Pupils In Pitt County Schools Announced

The honor roll and principal's list for the Pitt County Schools have been released by the individual principals.

The honor students for the second marking period include:

**Ayden-Grifton High**  
**Honor Roll**—Michelle Anderson, Robin Avery, Teressa Blount, Linda Brown, Frieda Burch, Teresa Lynn Harrison, Karen Grace Haseley, Meneta Phillips, Lou Ann Baldree, Janet Burney, Tony Carraway, Betsy Gaskins, Gary Harrison, Ellen Connor, Yvonne Connor and Debra Wiley.

**Principal's List**—Patience

Bosley, Teresa Cox, Edna Denton, Ruth Gaskins, Linda Lou Harris, Debbie Maureen Koonce, Kim Littleton, Sandra Sue Pait, Reatha Phillips, Diane Taylor, Rex Anne Thorne, Dennis Tucker, Robbie Watson, Johnny Williams Jr., Sandra Worthington, Angela Nobles; Al Butts, Chuck Byerly, Dolly Burney, Donna Cooley, Gylla Corbett, Butch Davis, Vertha Dixon, Gina Fleming, Cindy Haddock, Bettie Harris, Teresa Jones, Dawn Holland, Sharon Hart, Hope Mullen, Tammy Powers, Danny Taylor, Marietta Williams and Paula Wor-

thington; Wesley E. Beddard, Susan Branscome, Norman Brown, Tammy Cannon, Janet Carson, Patricia Garris, April Hicks, Chris Howes, Dennis McLawhorn, Linda McLawhorn, Tammy Moore, Stephen Nobles, Celena Petty, Chris Riggs, Shirley Scheetz, Marge Schutte, Jo Ann Sutton, Jackie Wood; Kitty Barnes, Mitzi Corbett, Albert Crandall, Alice Denson, Kathy Edwards, Gloria Ellison, Nancy Gordon, Earl Harris, Randall Hart, Jane Hines, Maritha Kilpatrick, Mark King, Linda Lolley, Pamela Gail Mullen, Louis Randall Nelson, Harold Norris, Bertha Phillips, Joan Pierce, Dorothy Vines and Marcy Sudor.

**Grifton School**  
**Honor Roll**—Russell Tyndall, Tina Lyerly, Nyoki Poythress, Robin Cahoon, Julia Baldrer, Alex Warren, Susan Howes, Peggy Stocks, Greg Thaxton and Corky Teachey.

**Principal's List**—Roy Adams, Diane Latham, Jay Mahoney, Jennifer Weatherman, Joy Cannon, Michelle Harker, Allan Sumrell, Sherry Pate, Jennifer Rose, Dean Sauls; Toby Cahoon, Patsy Potter, Tracey Adams, Billie Brown, Lynn Harris, Patrick Dixon, Theresa Lynn Heath, Kenneth Langston, Jennifer Tyndall, Sandra Weatherman, Cindy Christopher, Steve Rose, David Morris, and Mary Dixon.

**Farmville Middle**  
**Honor Roll**—Shirley McArthur, Kim Cotton, Susan Lawrence and Carol Brady;

**Principal's List**—David Newton, Terry Johnson, Robby Jones, Jeff Joyner, Shirley Atkinson, Lynn Chappalear, Cathy Dixon, Peggy Dwyer,

Jonsi Erwin, Bess Patton, Melinda Williams, Eddie Wooten; Melody Moore, Karen Moyer, Warner Rackley, Debra Rogers, Lisa Satterthwaite, Velevia Smith, Carol Allen, Melanie Bell, Bryan Sickels, Charles Watson, Donita Williams, Lula Wooten, William Wooten, Laura Carr and Chris Connell.

**H.B. Sugg School**  
**Honor Roll**—Sylvia Allen, Angela Cash, Sonny Fisher, Gina Kaye Gray, David Hobgood, Melanie Kue, Kimberly Sue Owens, Melissa Owens, Michael Owens, Jennifer Lynn Walston, Rhonda Walston, Lydia Worthington; Annie Fulton, Karen Liverman, Angela Lynn Pollard, Julia Smith, Timothy Tugwell, David Cherry, Barbara Hardison, Tami King, Joni Tyson, Lewis Yelverton.

**Principal's List**—Timothy Avery, Timothy Barrett, James David Carr, Bobby Carraway, Vickie Ellis, Karen Hathaway, Valerie Huggins, Kimberly Lynn Wooten, Christopher Little, Ann Ross, Lynn Rouse, Martha Satterthwaite, Joel Shackelford, Vanessa Shackelford, Mary Stoddard, Jay Tyson, Lisa Wilson, Alan Wooten; Ricky Crawford, Johnny Dilda, Audrey Hope Ford, Charlene Foreman, Stuart Gordon, Hattie Joyner, Martha McNair, Donna Mzingo, Bennie Pittman, Sharon Powell, Patricia Roebuck, Angela Sugg, Elaine Tripp, Sandy Tripp, Teresa Webb, Michael Worthington;

**Roger Brooks, Brenda Bullock, Melba Corbett, Linda Dupree, Jerry Gorham, Greg Hardison, Brent Hathaway, Alexander Joyner, Kenneth**

Joyner, Roger Joyner, Charlene Lang, Pebbles May, Arlene Mercer, Tammy Mills, Jeff Moore, James Newsome, Todd Oakley, Keith Parker, Linda Potter, Edward Rogers, Mike Tugwell, Milly Tyson and Lynn Webb.

**G.R. Whitfield School**  
**Honor Roll**—Judy Boyd, Adriann Howard, Jackie Payton, Gena Buck, Valarie Gatlin, Gwen Nichols, Suzanne Wilson, Robbie Mayo, Lori Tripp, Ben Wilson;

**Principal's List**—Lynn Kite, Mark Dixon, Kisha Moore, Greg Hayes, Kay Heath.

**Farmville Central High School**  
**Honor Roll**—Richard Albritton, Donna Andrews, Kenny Patterson, Kathy Suggs, Joseph Hillard;

**Principal's List**—Elaine Craft, Lois Crawford, Teresa Dail, Willie Horne, Jessica Johnston, Beverly Jean Joyner, Debbie Reid Meeks, Jimmy Matthews, Brenda Lynn Moore, Jerry Mzingo, Donna Rigsby, Amelia Ross, Bynum Satterwhite, Bobby Vick, Sheri Von Schrititz; Wendy Ellis, Tammy Everett, Betty June Andrews, Suzanne Patterson, Elizabeth Turnage, Evangeline Turnage;

**Martha Bennett, James Cox, Charles Davis, Diane Evans, Kim Pippin, Iren Staton, Kim Tugwell;**

**Jerry Michael Barbour, Donald Gary Hardison, Robert Leonard Hunt, Barbara Tripp, Elvie Willoughby, Donna Worthington.**

**Ayden Grammar**  
**Honor Roll**—Denise Branch, James Nobles, Randy Fussell, Rhonda McLawhorn, Angela Best, Mark Anderson, Alan Tenpenny, Kim Miller, Danielle Elks, Patricia Tenpenny, Barbara Wright;

**Principal's List**—Lisa Smith, Robin McLawhorn, Pam Miller, Tracie Allen, Jenny Garris, Christie Register, Cathy Sutton, Liz Braxton, Sherry Williams, Sherry Worthington, Lisa Dobbs, Kenny Jones, David Babcock, Allen Dennis, John Norris, Scott Daughtry, Barry Sutton, Greg Evans, Angela Artis, Teresa Artis;

**Sherri Artis, Phillis Garris, Susan McLawhorn, Sharon Stocks, Daniel Hart, Mike McDermott, Penny Butler, Donna Cannon, Dee Ann Fussell, Regina Hardee, Sharon Holland, Margaret Joyner, Pat**

McDermott, Lisa Steen, Susan Tripp, Bobbie Jo Whitaker; Kim Stancil, Elsie Wright, Susan Riggs, Danielle Sullivan, Jackie McLawhorn, Janice Newell, Jani Pat Worthington, Dale Butler, Melinda Lamb, Peggy Jones, West Paul, Shelton Cannon, Connie Smith; Cindy Avery, Tammy Bowen, Jeffrey Fussell, Robin McLawhorn, Vicki Garris, Terri Smith, Sallie Braxton, Ella Taft and Betty Wooten.

**D.H. Conley High School**  
**Honor Roll**—Joel Dunn, Jackie Willoughby, Linda Hines, Donna Kay Haddock, Milton Frizzelle, Mary Elizabeth Elks, John Sayce, Antoniette Redmond, Michael Nobles, Dawn Branch, Connie Lee Garris, Eddie McLawhorn, Teresa Hines, Donna Lambert, Donna Meeks, Mark Berg, Jasper Junior Whitehurst, Cathy Stokes, Treva Woodley, Dale Bailey and Clarissa Mobley;

**Principal's List**—Beverly Patrick, Linwood Holloman, Tony Smart, Darlene Bass, Nancy Haddock, Clifton James Smith, Melvin Williams, Martha Jean Eubanks, Debra Holloman, Benjamin Payton; Joey Taylor, JoAnn Hines, Dennis House, Sandra Haddock, Betty Pearl Tyson, Deborah Lynn Tolar, Curtis Clemons, Gary Moore, Alice King, Valerie Ann Mitchell, Kelly Johnston, Sarah Musselwhite, Geneva Mobley, Thelma Moore, Steven Applewhite, Michael Clendenen, Deborah Jones, William Langley, Patricia Green and Donnie Cox;

**Randall Hibbard, Susan May, Bonitta Lynn Best, Clinton Eugene Cox, Wayne Worthington, Timothy Stocks, Rosa Smith, Vickie Humbles, David Hines, Samuel Pierce, Terri Reese, Denneth Avery;**

**Betty Gurganus, Nathan Boyd, Gary Coward, Alice Hines, Linda L. Hudson, Jimmy T. Smith, Becky Allen, Juanita Cash, Wanda Mills and Ernie Nichols.**

**Falkland Elementary**  
**Principal's List**—Wade Corbett, Sarah Newton, Brenda Little, Rosa Wooten, Lora Manning, Denise Frizzelle, Linda Kay Hardy, Anita Jo House, Melody Ann Parker, Lynette Bullock and Lisa Cobb.

**North Pitt High School**  
**Honor Roll**—Melody James, Maxine Stancil, Wendy Futrell, Nora Crawford, Paul James, Deborah Wynne, Joyce Whisenant, Tracy Coggins;

**Principal's List**—Lewis Ayers, Sherida Stancil, Neta Bowers, Susan Braxton, Willie Briley, Sue Coggins, Fred Glisson, Rita Glisson, Malissa Grimes, Kathy Harris, Joel Harrison, Vickie House, Teresa Kirkman, Teresa Ann Knight, Kim Manning, Linda Sue Mayo, Garry Nobles, Mary Lou Rollins, Brenda Smith, Shirley Taylor, Bruce Tripp, Edward Tyer, Sam Tyson, Patricia Evans, Alice Frank, Linda Fillingame, Ronald Gay;

**Edna Barnhill, Mary Butler, Maggie Harris, Geneva Holder, Patricia Morris, Linda Powers, Jimmie Sue Spain, Shirley Lynette Carney, Glennett Ward, Catherine Whitchard;**

**Charles Briley, Chris Coltrain, William Corbett, Nancy Fuchs, Wanda Grimes, Bentley Jones, Connie Jones, Teresa Moore, Johnny Nelson, Nickie Nichols, Hunter Edwards, Robert Holder, Mabel James, Boyce Johnson, Sandra Barnes, Crystal Allen, Jo Ann Eastwood, Keith Leggett, Cecilia Ann Riddick.**

**Chicod Elementary**  
**Honor Roll**—Jackie Phillips, Jeffrey Cayton, Kim Haddock, Todd Rouse, Jenny Williams, Phillip Evans, Michelle Kittrell, Lynn Page, Michael Gurkins; Stacie Haddock, Monica Fornes, Eleanor Avery, Jolinda Rouse, Amy Manning, Melissa Bailey, Cindy Hardee.

**Principal's List**—Holden Rouse, Carlton Wooten, Marvin Woods, Karen Lloyd, Angela

Buck, Sherry Coward, Joy Anderson, Allen Manning, Hardee, Marshall Stewart, William Paramore, Timmy Maria Jones, Douglas Roberson, Smith, Milton Keeter, Timothy Tina Dennis, Machele Elks, Chris Stancil, Tracy Paramore, Jo Lynn Hardee, Jay Smith, Denise Wall and Missy Porter, Keith Mills, Patty Whitford.

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"I was being nice: I told my chick the ol' man was 'real heavy!'"



**TIMELY DECORATION**—Helen Kamen, secretary to Alfred L. Atherton, an assistant secretary of state, stands beside a decoration on Atherton's office door at the State Department. Atherton heads the bureau which handles the affairs of the Middle East. (AP Wirephoto)

## Rebels Want Opium Crop

**VIENTIANE, Laos (AP)**—The coalition government sent a delegation of Communists and rightists today to negotiate with rebel soldiers holding the border town of Ban Houei Sai in northwest Laos.

The rebel soldiers seized the town Tuesday. They demanded, among other things, repeal of a 1971 law banning the cultivation for sale of opium, the area's chief cash crop.

Ban Houei Sai is in the heart of one of the world's most productive opium areas, known as the Golden Triangle because it includes parts of Laos, Thailand and Burma.

At least 15 American civilians are in Ban Houei Sai, apparently under house arrest. One of them is Jack Huxtable, a U.S. Agency for International Development officer, who reported to the U.S. Embassy by radio-telephone that all the Americans were safe and well.

The rebels were formerly members of Gen. Vang Pao's army of tribesmen, which the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency financed.

## Appeal On Art Museum

**RALEIGH (AP)**—An appeal has been filed with the State Court of Appeals in an effort to have the new state art museum built in the downtown Raleigh area instead of west of Raleigh.

James M. Kimzey, representing persons opposed to the proposed museum site, said Thursday the appeal was filed last Friday. He also said a petition was filed to bypass the Court of Appeals and have the case heard immediately by the State Supreme Court.

Superior Court Judge James H. Pou Bailey dismissed the lawsuit following a hearing in September on the grounds of sovereign immunity. Under this doctrine, the government and its agencies cannot be sued without their consent. In an attempt to get around that doctrine, the plaintiffs had aimed their suit at the individual members of the art museum Building Commission and their architects.

Kimzey said the case "definitely will be heard by the Court of Appeals, if not by the Supreme Court."

## Free Telephone Calls If You Are In Trouble

**CHARLOTTE (AP)**—Bell Telephone calls are 20 cents from pay stations in North Carolina, but if you are in trouble you can call free.

It's part of a nationwide Bell System program aimed at crime reduction and helping stranded motorists.

It's called Dial Tone First. It has been installed in telephone booths in Charlotte, Raleigh, Greensboro and surrounding areas. Bell plans to complete it in the state by 1979.

You hear a dial tone as soon as you lift the receiver. You can dial 0 to reach the operator or 411 to reach directory assistance. In emergencies, the operator will call the police or other needed authority.

However, if more than three digits are dialed, you will be asked to insert 20 cents to reach your party.

## FIRE DEATHS

**ANGIER, N. C. (AP)** — Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Farrell, each about 45, burned to death in a fire in their home early today.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE**  
 Having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of Lubie T. Williams, late of Pitt County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to present them to the undersigned Administratrix within six (6) months from date of the first publication of this notice or same will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate please make immediate payment. This 4th day of December, 1974.  
 Eitel Lee Williams  
 Rt. 1, Box 588  
 Winterville, N.C.  
 Administratrix of the Estate of Lubie T. Williams, deceased.  
 Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, 1974

**NOTICE**  
 North Carolina  
 Pitt County  
 Notice is hereby given that North Carolina National Bank, as Executor under the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Webb, deceased, has sold and conveyed to Sarah S. Jenkins, North Carolina, that certain business known as Willard and Webb, Greenville, North Carolina, and that the Estate of Thomas Webb will no longer be liable or responsible for any indebtedness contracted by said firm.  
 This 9th day of December, 1974.  
 North Carolina National Bank, Executor under the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Webb, deceased.  
 GAYLARD AND SINGLETON  
 Attorneys  
 Dec. 13, 20, 27, 1974; Jan. 3, 1975

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
 Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of Trust executed and delivered by James Robert Bishop and wife, Tula Edwards Bishop, to M.E. Cavendish, Trustee, of the Bank of Winterville, Winterville, North Carolina, dated January 3, 1973, of record in Book 0, 41, Page 556, of the Pitt County Registry, default having been made in the payment of the said indebtedness secured thereby and other provisions of said instrument violated and to which reference is made by said Deed of Trust, the undersigned Trustee will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door in Greenville, North Carolina, on Wednesday, January 15, 1975

all the following described lot or parcel of real estate, located in Belvoir Township, Pitt County, North Carolina, and being a portion of the same as shown upon plat of record in Map Book No. 21, at page 13, in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Pitt County, to which plain reference is hereby directed for a more complete and accurate description said plat showing Section One, Homestead, Homestead Mobile Home Estates.  
 This property will be sold subject to outstanding taxes and assessments. Highest bidder required to deposit ten (10) percent of the sale price. Sale remains open ten (10) full days for confirmation.  
 This is the 17th day of December, 1974.  
 M. E. CAVENDISH, Trustee  
 JAMES, HITE, CAVENDISH & BLOUNT, Attorneys  
 Greenville, North Carolina  
 Dec. 20, 27, 1974; Jan. 3, 10, 1975

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
 North Carolina  
 County of Pitt  
 Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust, executed by HORACE LEE CAROLINE, ATTEST: REBECCA SAWYER SPEIGHT, to MARK W. OWENS, Jr., Trustee, dated the 13th day of July, 1972, and recorded in Book E-41, at page 84 of the Pitt County Registry, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured thereby and the holder of the indebtedness hereby secured having demanded foreclosure thereof for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, the undersigned trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash  
 AT THE COURTHOUSE DOOR IN GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, AT 10:00 A.M. ON THE 21ST DAY OF JANUARY, 1975, the land conveyed in said deed of trust, the same lying and being in Farmville Township, Pitt County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:  
 Being all of Lot No. 11, Block "A" of Beckon Grove Acres, according to map made by McDavid Associates and recorded in Map Book 10, Page 107 of the Pitt County Public Registry, to which plain reference is hereby made for further description.  
 The above property is to be sold subject to all prior deeds of trust, mortgages, liens, judgments, unpaid taxes and assessments, if any.  
 This 20th day of December, 1974.  
 MARK W. OWENS, JR., TRUSTEE  
 Owens, Haigwood & Hahn  
 Attorneys at Law  
 Greenville, N.C. 27534  
 Dec. 27, 1974; Jan. 3, 10 and 17, 1975



**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF RESALE IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION BEFORE THE CLERK**  
FILE NO. 74 SP 237  
North Carolina  
Pitt County  
DeLyle M. EVANS, Administrator of the Estate of Reith L. Kittrell  
Petitioner  
VS.  
MRS. W. F. (BEULAH) JONES and husband WILLIAM F. JONES, et al  
Defendants  
By authority of an order dated the 11th day of October, 1974, of H. L. Lewis, Jr., Clerk of the Superior Court, Pitt County, North Carolina, the undersigned Commissioner did offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, at the courthouse door in Greenville, North Carolina, on the 15th day of November, 1974, the following described real estate. As there were no bidders present at the sale, the undersigned Commissioner will again offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, at the courthouse door in Greenville, North Carolina, at 12:30 P.M. on the 6th day of January, 1975, the following described real estate:  
Situate in the Town of Winterville on the east side of Main Highway leading from Greenville to Kinston and bounded on the North by Roy T. Cox, and on the South by The Standard Oil Company's filling station (presently, Exxon), being 84 feet fronting Main Highway, and running eastwardly with Roy T. Cox line 150 feet, thence southwardly 144 feet to Standard Oil Co. lot, thence westwardly 129 feet to Main Highway, thence Northwardly 84 feet to Roy T. Cox line.  
Being the same property conveyed to Reith L. Kittrell from Mary E. Barber by deed dated March 8, 1931, and recorded in Book K-18, Page 118 of the Pitt County Registry. Known as 104 Mill St.  
The highest bidder at the sale shall be required to make a cash deposit of ten per cent (10 per cent) of the successful bid pending confirmation or rejection thereof by the Court.  
This 6th day of December, 1974.  
DELYLE M. EVANS,  
Commissioner  
Attorney at Law  
303 S. Lee Street  
Ayden, N.C. 28513  
Telephone 746-3443  
Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, 1974

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**Farm Equipment**  
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**ROLL BALANCES**—room size rugs and remnants at fantastic savings. All first quality carpet at Larry's Carpetland, 3010 East 10th Street.  
**FILL DIRT**, top soil and sand for sale. Large loads. Call 746-3461.  
**EARTH SHOES**, Good shape. Sizes 7, ladies' sling heel style. Call 758-0247 after 5 p.m.  
**FIREPLACE** wood for sale. Call 756-3155 or 756-2635.  
**CLEAN WHEAT** straw for sale. \$1.00 per bale. 752-7921.  
**CUSTOM-MADE** fireplace screen to fit any fireplace up to 64" wide and 34" high. Only \$39.95. Home Furnishings, 701 Dickinson Avenue, Greenville.  
**WHEAT STRAW** for sale. Phone 758-4638.  
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**BEAUTIFUL** frosted proof ingots—12 sets. 5 in each set, including leak-wood display case. \$700 or best offer. Call 756-5409.  
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**FOR SALE.** Used color TV's, \$65 and up. Cox TV Center, 203 Evans Street, 752-3111.  
**APPROXIMATELY** 50 cement blocks — 1/2 price. Call after 6 p.m. 756-0697.  
**SM STEREO** phonograph with 8-track tape recorder, \$50; Kodak XL55 movie camera and projector, \$205; boy's high speed bicycle, \$127; slide projector, \$15. Call 758-5927.  
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Following are selected 11 a.m. stock market quotations

|                               |        |            |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|------------|--------|
| Burroughs                     | 74     | LockHdAir  | 25 1/4 |
| United Telecommunications Pld | 16 1/2 | Loews      | 34 3/4 |
| Hubbell                       | 27 1/8 | MarCo      | 14 1/2 |
| Jeff Pilot                    | 28 1/2 | MeadCo     | 13 1/2 |
| Tri South                     | 2 1/2  | MinnMM     | 12 1/2 |
| Wicks                         | 7 1/2  | MobilCo    | 12 1/2 |
| Wachovia Realty               | 2 1/2  | Morisan    | 35 3/4 |
| Ecker & Sons                  | 3 1/4  | NaDistrill | 22 1/2 |
| Central Soya                  | 5 1/2  | OilCorp    | 14 1/2 |
| Hardes                        | 3 1/4  | Penney     | 36 3/4 |
| Integon                       | 3 1/4  | PeppiCo    | 39 1/2 |
| Firstrest                     | 15     | PhlIMor    | 47 1/2 |
| Hatteras Income               | 15     | PhillPet   | 43 1/2 |

OVER THE COUNTERS

|                           |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Veeco                     | 6 1/4  |
| Combined Insurance        | 18 1/2 |
| Franklin Life             | 18 1/2 |
| NCNB                      | 7 3/4  |
| Piedmont Air              | 1 1/2  |
| Little Mint               | 15     |
| Comer Homes               | 15.13  |
| Guardian Care             | 15.2   |
| Planters Bank             | 15.17  |
| Daniel International Corp | 11 1/4 |

**NEW YORK (AP)** — The stock market took a downward turn today, yielding to a steady flow of adverse economic news.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, which had posted moderate gains in each of the two previous sessions, was down 1.80 at 602.94 at 11:30 a.m. today.

Losers held a slight lead over gainers in relatively light trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

As trading began, the government reported that its index of leading economic indicators declined .15 per cent in November for its fourth consecutive monthly drop.

The index is designed to point up broad future trends in the economy, and thus would be one of the first places an investor searching for signs of a bottoming out of the recession would look.

The Commerce Department also reported that the nation's trade balance moved back into deficit in November with imports exceeding exports by \$113 million. Lofty sugar prices were cited as a major factor.

And New York's First National City Bank held its prime lending rate unchanged at 10 per cent for the coming week, in a further indication that the downtrend in interest rates of the past few months had stalled.

Texaco was the most active issue on the Big Board, up 1/4 at 20 1/2.

Getty Oil rose 1/2 to 155 on top of a 5-point gain Thursday, when the company said tests had confirmed a hydrocarbon discovery of potential significance near Mobile, Ala.

The NYSE's 11 a.m. composite common-stock index was off .06y at 35.45.

On the American Stock Exchange, the market-value index dropped .17 to 59.34.

Syntex, the Amex volume leader, rose 1/2 to 39 1/2.

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**Katz designed a brushless DC—direct current—motor for use in lunar astronauts' backpacks.** The lack of a brush to pass current into the motor's windings resulted in a simpler, more reliable device.

As a result, he said, he has now found a way to increase the speed and longevity of AC—alternating current—motors, commonly used to run household appliances, among other things.

**Air Transport Growth Slips**

**GENEVA (AP)** — The world air transport industry, hit by soaring fuel prices and personnel costs, registered record declines in growth rates for both scheduled passenger and cargo traffic in 1974, the International Air Transport Association reported today.

Director General Knut Hammarstrand predicted that scheduled passenger traffic would be up only 3 per cent. The average growth for the decade until 1973 had been 13 per cent.

Cargo traffic probably increased 6 per cent he said, compared with a previous growth rate of 20 per cent. Charter traffic by IATA carriers was probably down 13 per cent.

**Gas And Oil In Alabama Find**

**HOUSTON (AP)** — Initial tests on an 18,000-foot Alabama well would indicate a significant discovery, a Getty Oil Co. spokesman says.

The well in the Hatter's Pond area 20 miles north of Mobile flowed at a rate of 3.4 million cubic feet of gas and 1,286 barrels of liquid hydrocarbons a day, George H. Truran, Getty vice president, reported late Thursday.

"However, additional drilling will be necessary to delineate the extent of the reservoir," Truran said.

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## Obituaries

**Andrews**  
**Mr. Joseph K. Andrews** of Rt. 1, Hobgood, died at his home Wednesday. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 1 p.m. at Poplar Hill Baptist Church near Hassell. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

**Best**  
**Funeral services** for Mr. David Best Sr. will be conducted Saturday at 3 p.m. at the Conetoe Chapel Church with the Rev. T. R. Vines officiating. Burial will follow in the Conetoe Cemetery.

**Boyd**  
**Mr. Alpha Beamon Boyd** of Greenville died Wednesday in Goldsboro. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 3:30 p.m. at Flanagan and Parker Funeral Chapel. Burial will be in Brown Hill Cemetery.

**Connor**  
**Mrs. Annie Connor** of Hookerton died Tuesday night in Lenoir Memorial Hospital in Kinston. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 1:30 p.m. at Shady Grove Free Will Baptist Church with the Rev. R.E. Pridden officiating. Burial will be in the Oak Hill Memorial Gardens in Kinston.

**Hiery**  
**BARNEY, Ga.** — Funeral services for Mrs. J.G. Hiery, who died Friday, were held Sunday. She was the mother of Mrs. Paul Murray of Greenville.

**Hines**  
**Mrs. Martha L. Hines** died Thursday in Philadelphia, Pa. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at Phillips Brothers Mortuary.

**Jackson**  
**Mr. Junie H. Jackson** of Winterville died Tuesday in Pitt Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 1 p.m. at Good Hope Free Will Baptist Church by Bishop W.H. Mitchell. Burial will follow in the Brown Hill Cemetery.

**Marckson**  
**Mr. Jackson was a native** of Pitt County and spent most of his life in the Winterville community.

**Pittman**  
**Mr. Leroy Pittman** of Bethel died Thursday in Pitt Memorial Hospital. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at Flanagan and Parker Funeral Home.

**Prewett**  
**Mrs. Nancy Napier Prewett**, 55, died Thursday at Pitt Memorial Hospital. A funeral service will be conducted Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at St. James United Methodist Church by the Rev. Roderick Randolph. Burial will be in Pinewood Memorial Park. The body will be taken from the Wilkerson Funeral Home to the Church at the funeral home.

**Robinson**  
**Mr. Jesse Robinson** of Rt. 4, Greenville, died Monday enroute to Edgecombe General Hospital in Tarboro. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. at Savannah Primitive Baptist Church with Elder Warren Cooper officiating. Burial will follow in the Bethel Cemetery.

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**By DENNIS MONTGOMERY**  
 Associated Press Writer  
**CENTRALIA, Ill. (AP)** — A cost-price squeeze is threatening to take a healthy bite out of a record corn crop predicted by the government for 1975, agricultural experts say.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has forecast that good weather could stimulate a 6.7 billion bushel crop.

But the president of the National Corn Growers Association says a larger supply of corn will mean a lower price for farmers — who may divert acreage to other crops like soybeans. He thinks the government projection is about 600 million bushels too high.

A University of Illinois expert agrees.

A 6.1 billion bushel crop would still surpass the current record of 5.64 billion bushels set in 1973. In 1974 the crop was a disappointing 4.62 billion bush-

**el.**  
 "We look for the real possibility for the price of corn to decline to the cost of production level or maybe even below it in the next 12 months with average weather," said Walter Goepfinger of Boone, Iowa, the NCGA president.

He said inflation and the demand for products required to meet the official projection are driving up production costs.

"We are going to see a price-cost squeeze here," he said. "We are going to see, probably, a reduction in the price of corn and an increase in the price of operation still further."

Corn has sold at about \$3 a bushel recently, and by planting time the price could fall more than 50 cents, Goepfinger said. He compared that with a production cost of \$2.47 a bushel on land that will produce an average yield, about 125 bushels an acre.

**"I think that's right. I think that obviously it is going to be much closer than it has been in the last two years,"** said Dr. Royce Hinton, a University of Illinois specialist in farm management.

Hinton said corn could fall to \$2 with a very large crop, and farmers will have to decide whether to plant enough corn to meet the government projection or divert the acreage to soybeans.

Hinton said much of the new corn acreage would be marginally productive, shaving the profit margin very thin. In addition, soybeans can yield farmers a better price for their cost because fertilizer is cheaper and seed can come from the previous crop.

Corn fertilizer prices doubled in the past year and other costs also rose — for seed, land, farm machinery, fuel and other items.

**but he added: "It's going to be considered. I think there are many better choices ... We'll talk about all the options."**

Because of the energy meeting, Ford said he would forego skiing today. He had been on the slopes five days in a row.

The President will meet Saturday with his chief economic advisers as a prelude to preparation of his January State of the Union message to Congress.

Nessen said the message would "zero in" on energy and economic problems and would deal with little else. The press secretary said it would be delivered to Congress within a week after Congress convenes Jan. 14.

**Charged With Five Murders**

**MARTINSVILLE, Va. (AP)** — Five charges of murder and one of rape were filed against a 34-year-old laborer today in the "cold-blooded execution" of four children and the strangulation of their mother.

Henry County Sheriff C. P. Witt said the charges were placed against Eddie Lee "Shanghai" Thomas, who had been under questioning since late Thursday.

Thomas lived only one-quarter mile from the home of James Vernon Aliff, who returned home from work Thursday afternoon and found the body of his wife, Sally, on the floor beside her bed. A medical examiner said she had been strangled.

The bodies of the four Aliff children, each shot in the head, were found about an hour and 45 minutes later in a wooded gulley near the home.

Witt told a news conference today that Thomas and Aliff were both employed at the same factory, and that Thomas had denied involvement in the slayings. Thomas is being held under \$100,000 bond.

**New Notes By Bank Of England**

**LONDON (AP)** — The Bank of England said Friday it will issue a new 10-pound note early in 1975.

A slightly altered 1-pound note will be issued later in the year.

The new notes will complete a series of changes to help cut production costs, to make way for the 20-pound note and to introduce new techniques to combat forgers.

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**PLANT LAYOFFS GREENWOOD, S.C. (AP)** — Officials of the Monsanto Co. textile plant here said yesterday about 550 employees will be laid off work beginning January 6.

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