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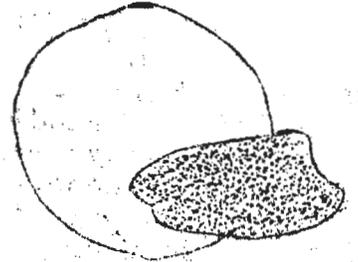
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POTENT TAILS

While wandering through Worcester, I recently spied some interesting writings on the walls of the city. On a small track off Front Street, a three-toed foot scrawled on the side of a building with the words

THE BEAST IS COMING JULY 1.

Meanwhile, along a brick wall on Pleasant Street, JOHNSON FOR PENSION.

I have always regarded anonymous works, such as these, very highly. As Simon and Garfunkle told us, "The words of the prophets are written on subway walls."

That isn't all I noticed in my wanderings. It came to me that all speed demons are basically sensualists, for they speed because of the inexplicable thrill of it. ZOOMM!

Then there was the case of the French electronics wizard who recently picked up Radio Peking on his electric guitar but had to go to jail because the guitar was stolen.

And how about Attorney General Brooke, who announced his candidacy for the U.S. Senate with the words that he would not accept endorsement by the Ku Klux Klan.



1965-66 Girls Varsity Basketball Team

When the Wachusett High Boys Basketball Team pulls off a record of 9-1, often winning by 20 to 30 points, and takes first place in the Central Mass. Conference, the newspapers write articles and the whole school swells with pride. But when the Girls Varsity Team's record becomes 6-0 (as of January 21) no one even knows it. The smallest margin of victory was 6 points, against Clinton, which won the Girls Basketball Central Mass. Conference last year. By combining a practically impenetrable defence and a sharp-shooting offense, the Girls Team has rallied up impressive scores in beating Hudson 74-14, Marlboro 63-9 and the once powerful Auburn 62-5.

If the season continues the pattern it has started, there is no reason why the Girls Varsity Team should not remain undefeated this year, both in League and non-League competition.

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"OUR AMERICA AND HER NEWS"

By Sue Williams

A NEW YEAR OF HOPES

Nineteen sixty-five has gone by with a profusion of events. We have successfully shot men into space, started peace talks with countries like North Viet Nam, suffered the loss of great men, and we look forward to nineteen sixty-six with great hope and expectations.

Peace with our enemy, North Viet Nam, is a long hoped for dream in our country. We know there will always be wars, but although our dreams are in vain, we still live for them.

For the colored people, this year will probably bring a mimeographed copy of last year, but to a greater extent. These people live by their hopes and someday, somehow, these dreams will be answered.

This year there will be the usual strikes and demonstrations, but during the next ten years most of the problems will be practically solved, although some the wrong way.

SHARKS

by Debbie Janes

Many people either ignore sharks or take pleasure in reading gory stories about encounters with these 'wolves of the sea.' Very few people realize that sharks have uses. They are scavengers or 'garbage hounds' and keep the ocean relatively clean by eating the garbage that is dumped overboard and dead or dying marine life.

Fresh shark meat is a common food in the Orient and the meat is also processed for the oils it contains. Poultry food and fertili-

zers are made from the ground flesh. Dried shark fins are bought by the Chinese in large quantities. They contain gelatin and are used to flavor soup.

True, sharks are often a nuisance, to fishermen, and they have earned a bad reputation among skindivers and swimmers, but they have a lot of good to offer, too. They are valuable sources of oil and leather and they help keep the ocean waters clean.

POP QUIZ

The other night, our staff was lounging around trying to figure out this lousy world, when the subject of CAMP came up. CAMP? CAMP? CAMP, as you may or may not know, is stuff which is so far "out" that it is "in". Stuff like Erroll Flynn movies, Betty Crocker, pet snakes, Batman, etc. We had a "pop quiz", which is an examination of your knowledge of CAMP. We have prepared one for you. Take it, pal.

1. Who was Howdy Doody's television sponsor?
2. What was the name of Superman's mountain retreat?
3. What is Batman's real name?
4. Who was the editor of the Daily Planet?
5. Who was Archie's girlfriend?
6. What did the announcer say when Pinky Lee had his heart attack?
7. Who was Flash's girl friend?
8. Who was Shovel's mother?
9. Who was the leader of the Mousketeers?
10. What is the intermediate stage between Cub Scout and Boy Scout?
11. What is the price of Boardwalk?
12. Why do Jesup, Georgia and Mexico, Maine stink?
13. Who are Donald Duck's nephews?
14. Who did Hope Cooke marry?
15. Do ping pong balls melt or burn when held over a match?

ANSWERS ON PAGE 6

Editorial

HOW MUCH POWER...?

With the acclamations about Bill Moyers, President Johnson's chief assistant, an important point comes to mind. How much confidence and authority should be granted to one young man who is merely a friend of our President, not an elected or nominated official.

There is little doubt that Moyers is an extremely capable and helpful man. At 31 he is already Johnson's press secretary and chief confidant. Yet Moyers has answered many problems and made major decisions regarding political situations independent of the President.

Is it democratic, not to mention sensible to grant a man such power? It's true Moyers is capable- but isn't it possible that future executives will bring their close friends into equal power? Shouldn't we refuse to give such men power without either election, as in the case of our representatives, or congressional nomination and approval as is customary with cabinet members? Let's wake up and not let the spoils system come back into government. TD

HEY! FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO OBTAINED GREAT LOADS OF JOLLIES FROM THE CAMP QUIZ ABOVE, SEND TO THE SPRINGDALE NEWS, MANNING STREET, JEFFERSON, MASS., AND GET THE BIG 50 QUESTION OFFICIAL CLOUD CAMP QUIZ.

IT'LL COST YOU A QUARTER, CHUM.

The Staff of the Springdale News wishes to thank the anonymous donor of the book A Struggle With Titans by G.L.Waldbott. This book gives a fine explanation of the forces behind fluoridation.



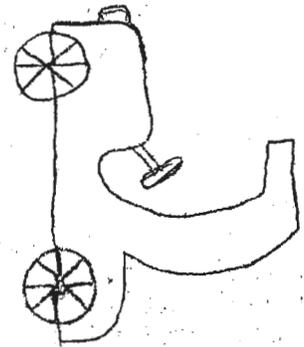
In the monogram on the left are all the letters of the title of this magazine but one. Which letter is missing? see pg/6

**HISTORY
TODAY**

by T. Dresser

Today, mass production is recognized as an unquestionable advantage of the automated world; but interchangeable parts have not always been used in industry. Just before the War of 1812, Eli Whitney, the ingenious New England inventor of the cotton gin, started manufacturing firearms with interchangeable parts. This idea was ridiculed for being difficult to organize, although many well-made rifles were produced. The idea did not sell because it was too expensive and complicated for an age that was still in a primarily agricultural economy.

It was nearly a century later that Henry Ford set up the mass-produced Model T Fords. Previously, a Cadillac dealer had shown the advantage of interchangeable parts by having three brand new cars completely disassembled and put into one big pile of parts. Then he rebuilt them to new cars. Nevertheless, it was Ford's production line which gave Americans the well-built but inexpensive automobile they wanted. By using interchangeable or standardized parts for all cars, and producing a great many of them, Henry Ford was able to outsell the more expensive 'hand made' cars. A new age was born in American industry.



FLUORIDATION

It has never been conclusively proved one way or the other whether fluoride in public water supplies has an ill effect on the population. It is suspected, however, by many competent people, that fluoride can cause a chronic poisoning similar

to lead poisoning and that it might possibly result in osteomalasia and osteoparosis.

The advantage of fluoride in water supplies is that it supposedly will help prevent tooth decay in children. Even this is doubted by some experts.

It seems that it is too great a risk to take when the facts simply are not known. A more sensible solution would be the wider use of fluoride tablets which can be used at home or the application of fluoride to children's teeth by their dentists.

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Ric. Dresser Column

YEAR OF CHANGE

The year 1965 was a year of change in the world of sports.

Baseball fans were treated to a World Series without the Yankees after two tight pennant races. Ford Frick resigned as Commissioner, and was succeeded by William Eckert. The Atlanta Braves played out their schedule in Milwaukee and will move on to greater things in Atlanta in 1966.

It was another boomingly successful year for pro football. With T.V. contracts already inked for next year, and the new team readying itself for league play next season, the future of the N.F.L. appears bright.

Big-time boxing could well have met its death after the series of ridiculous bouts that occurred in the last year. To top off the sorry situation, the sportswriters named Cassius Clay "Fighter of the Year." Significantly, Clay was arrested that very day.

The National Hockey League, though playing to nearly full capacity, has definite plans for expansion in the near future. Bobby Hull is in an excellent position to break the record of 50 goals in one season. Last year, injuries stymied Hull in his attempts at the record.

The new year will be a test for football's expansion, whether boxing can come back, whether hockey can handle new teams, and how well William Eckert can run baseball. It should be an interesting year.

Answers to POP QUIZ on p. 4

1. Wonder Bread
2. The Fortress of Solitude
3. Bruce Wayne
4. Perry White
5. Veronica
6. "Step back, kiddies; Pinky isn't feeling well."
7. Iris
8. Ma Perkins
9. Jimmy Dodd
10. Webele
11. \$400
12. Jesup stinks because of its tanning plant; Mexico stinks because of its pulp mill.
13. Huey, Duey, Luey
14. The Prince of Sikkim
15. They burn.

Ans. to Mongram on pg. 4 the letter "W"

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Midget Division(1/24)

	W	L	T	P
Holden Sand & Gravel	8	3	2	18
Marshall's Drug	7	6	0	14
Sundin Builders	5	5	3	13
Mayo's Pharmacy	3	9	1	7

Bantam Division(1/15)

	W	L	T	P
Sunnyside Motors	5	2	4	14
Lee's Barber Shop	3	3	5	11
Hi-Way Pizzeria	3	4	4	10
Holden Heating	4	6	1	9

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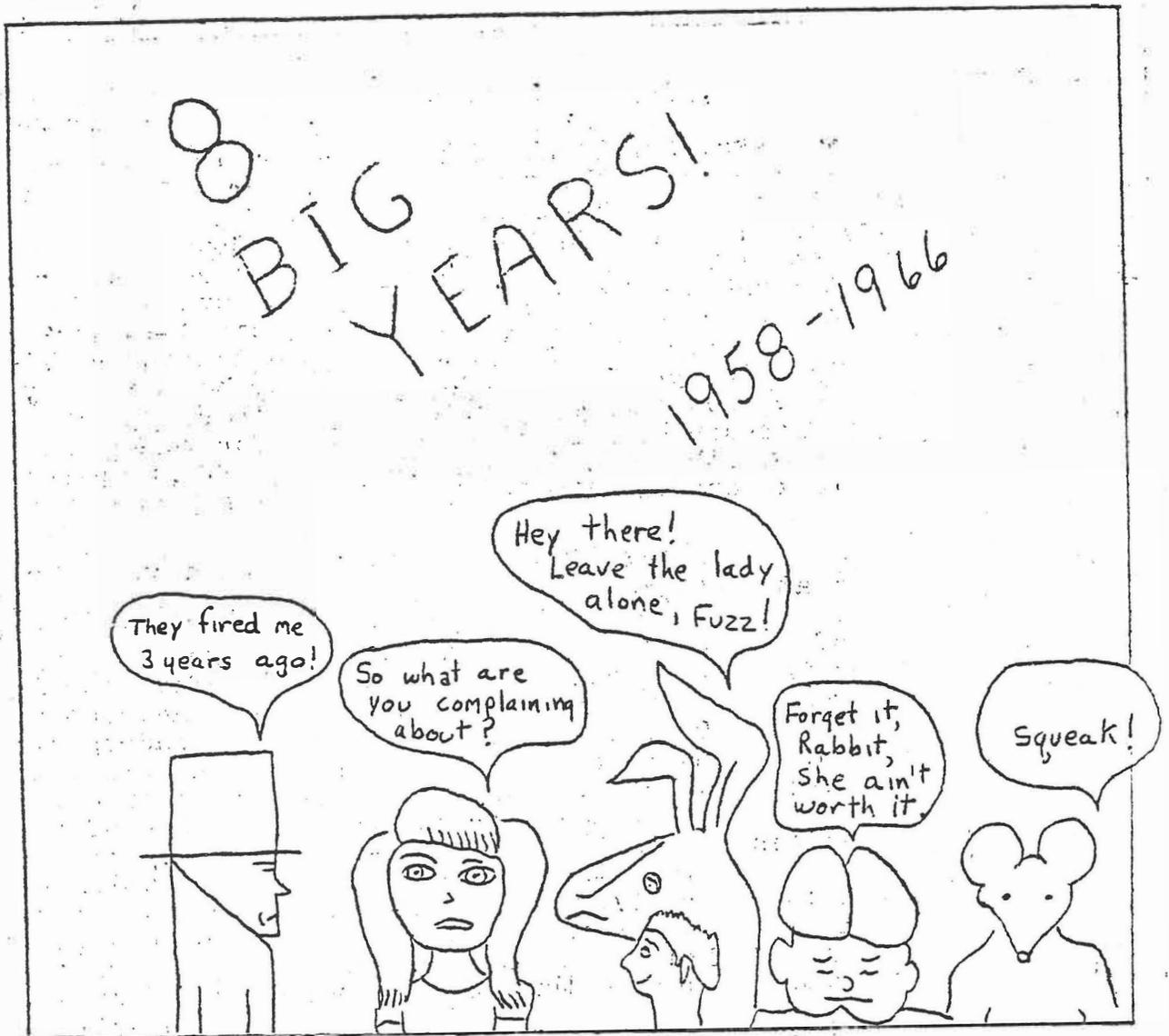
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History Today

Peace Negotiations

T. Dresser

For the last few weeks, President Johnson and several of his chief advisors have been attempting to negotiate for peace terms to end the war in Vietnam. Many people feel that if a fair and firm peace treaty is signed, both this country and South Vietnam will greatly benefit. President Johnson has sent ambassador Averill Harriman throughout the world, seeking the support of neutral nations in a peace effort; Secretary of State Dean Rusk has likewise made many trips to try to bring peace to wartorn Vietnam. Very recently, vice president Hubert Humphrey has actually toured Vietnam to see what the peace situation is there. And finally, President Johnson himself flew to Hawaii for talks with leading ambassadors of other countries. All these efforts point to a growing desire to end the war and seek a lasting peace with the Communists.

The defeat of Lord Cornwallis in 1781 at Yorktown Virginia, led to a series of events terminating in the Paris peace treaty which ended the American Revolution. Like the efforts over Vietnam, leading United States officials crossed the seas in hope of a solution to the war. Benjamin Franklin, one of the leading statesmen and ambassadors of the time; John Jay, later

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; John Adams, future president; and Henry Laurens, American statesman and former president of the Continental Congress, made up the delegation which signed the preliminary peace treaty in Paris in 1782. Previous to the actual treaty, Franklin had sought the support of France in the war, and Laurens that of Holland.

Spain was also approached about the final treaty. Thus, today, as after the American Revolution, ambassadors are going abroad to investigate possibilities of peace not only with the enemy nation but with neutral countries to support a peace treaty. Peace efforts today are quite similar to those of the past.

Girl's Basketball

The Girl's Varsity Basketball Team of Wachusett Regional ended their 1966 season with a 31-24 win over Maynard, bringing their record to 14-0. The undefeated six hope to play in the Inter-League play-offs later this month.

S.P.

: OPERATION TAKE-OVER

The Communists are out to conquer the world. This has been their primary objective since their organization. At first they made their plans public, announcing a forthcoming world revolution. This tactic was soon changed in the face of growing hostilities, and a supposed reversal of intentions was announced. Since then, the Communists have apparently supported world peace. With the split between Russia and China, however, the aggressor has become China. One important point of dissension in the split was China's disagreement with Russia's peace policy. China accused Russia of abandoning the idea of world revolution.

China is now in the process of taking over Asia. She is backing the Viet Cong in Viet Nam, Laos, and Cambodia, supplying arms, ammunition, and advisors. The Chinese are well versed in the arts of war and with them there is no mercy. They do not hesitate to kill their own people and the atrocities committed in China, by Chinese, against Chinese, are unlimited in scope and number.

A popular method being used in Viet Nam and other places in Southeast Asia is a well used tactic. The headman of the village is knocked off and his supporters are used as examples and found mutilated or hung. A new headman is now put in control who has been trained in Russia or China. The next step is to train the young men in the tactics of guerilla warfare and then create an incident which will necessitate the arrival of U.S. troops. Next they need a martyr, so the death of a child or the bombing of a village is blamed on the U.S. troops. Agitation now starts for a war of liberation. The people are given land and many promises in exchange for their young men and their co-operation. Liberation of the rest of the country contributes to the cause. The government needs more men and food. Before the young people realize what is happening, the government is getting everything and it is a Communist controlled state. Long live freedom!

AMERICA: LAND OF THE BATS

Two months ago Batman was known only to readers of Low Camp comic books...and all was well. But now, thanks to ABC-TV, America's gone...and it hurts to say this...Batty.

The Bat Revolution has brought us such terms as the Batlantic Ocean, Batolf Hitler and the Batzis, Battila the Hun, young people known as Barolescents, and a new form of clothing: Battire.

And don't think we're about to forget...or forgive... Robin the Boy Wonder. Holy Ashtray! Holy Koufax! Holy Ravioli!

There is an ancient Gaelic prayer which fits our present dilemma very aptly:



"Dear Lord, deliver us from ghosts and ghoulies and long-legged beasties, And things that go bump in the night."

BOY OR GIRL?

NEVER!



Men's fashion designers now predict that those dudes who wear their hair to their shoulders will be wearing eye makeup, to which those of us satisfied with being men can only say....NEVER.

It's a sorry tale to relate, but America is becoming the nation where women are women ... and men try to be. What would happen if this trend were to infect important people like President Johnson? or Bobby Kennedy? or Earl Warren? Or Governor Volpe, General Westmoreland, Batman, Henry Cabot Lodge, or others?

It all started innocently enough, with men's cologne and after-shave lotion. But now...it appears that all's fairy in love and war.

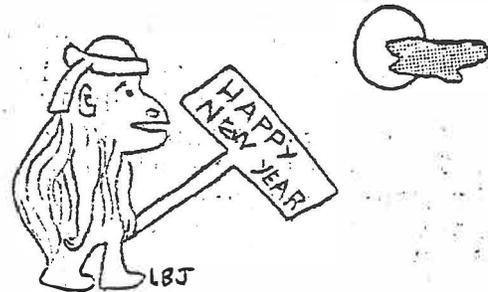
A WORD ABOUT OUR JANUARY COVER

The January 1966 cover picture of the Springdale News, which we have reproduced at right, may have shocked you. We didn't realize its political implications until after we had printed it.

It is not supposed to be President Johnson. The LBJ was the initials of the artist, Lorinda Billings Janes.

Therefore, it is not President Johnson, as a gorilla (Guerilla) turning his back on peace during the Lunar New Year, which some people thought was represented by the moon. And that moon is not the legendary Bomber's Moon.

It was merely our way of saying Happy New Year, and we happened to do it by depicting an ape on a moonlight night.



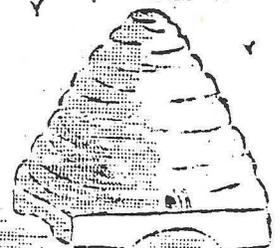
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For some time now, it has been a habit, due almost entirely to the influence of Julian F. Grow, to brand all vandals as scuzz. I disagree. Sure, anyone who breaks a window for kicks is a crumb, but I don't think its right to get on the backs of those whose 'vandalism' consits of painting on streets, walls, and such. For, as Simon and Garfunkle have told us, "The words of the prophets are written on the subway walls." Don't get me wrong. I'm not sticking up for grubs who go around writing obscenities, but I think Julian is wrong when he calls ALL street-writers "feeble minds with aerosol paint cans."

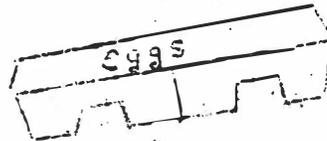
Many street-painting dudes have done jobs which are classics in creativity. Like the two guys who wrote

NO EGGS FOR EDDY

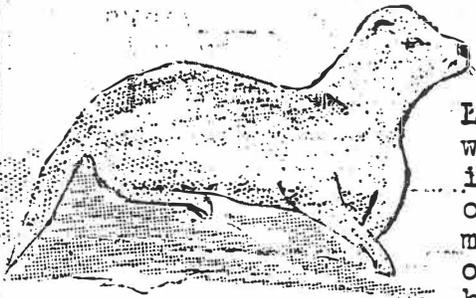
on Quinapoxet Street. But thereby hangs a potent tail.

Okay, here goes. Last year it was a habit of these two studs to race to school against Eddy every morning, and to race home against Eddy every afternoon. Well, one particular morning last May, while Eddy was following these dudes to school, over a back road, when they stopped, got out, and shucked a dozen eggs at Eddy.

Well, Ed's joining the Navy in June. No eggs for him there.



SPEAKING OF ANIMALS



River Otters

by Bob Peabody

On February 12, 1966, I was looking around Laurings Pond (behind Holden Fire Station) when I heard a loud splash. Looking over the ice I saw two otters near a hole in the ice on the opposite side of the pond. One had remained on the bank in plain sight while the other poked its head up curiously from the air hole in the ice. Soon they both disappeared

below the surface and I went over to examine their house.

There wasn't much of a house to see, There was one freshly eaten fish head, however, and a number of droppings which indicated that the otters had been living there for quite a while. These otters had probably traveled over land from a larger lake to inhabit the pond during the winter. In the spring they will probably move on to a larger body of water near-by.

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Ric Dresser Column

Cassius Clay, the highly controversial heavyweight champion who has dominated the press as well as his sport because of his loud self appraisals recently dropped another bombshell. His latest discourse encompassed perhaps even more than Clay realized. His dubious mentality was revealed after he flunked the standard test required for the draft. After a defense of his crown against Liston, a bout with Ernie Terrel, recognized by the World Boxing Association as champion, was scheduled for March 29. Due to a lowering of standards in the draft, Clay was re-classified as 1-A, and it was indicated that he would be inducted into the army in March, thus placing the fight in jeopardy. The enraged Clay stated flatly that he was being drafted because of his affiliation with the Black Muslim sect. He stormed on that his draft status had been changed without a further test, and that, as heavyweight champion, he shouldn't be drafted. Sitting in front of his house surrounded by admiring youngsters, Clay made it definite that he would appeal.

If the bout with Terrell should be cancelled, it would mean a tremendous financial loss to the two fighters, the promoters, and all others directly connected with the fight. Ernie Terrell might well gain acceptance as the champion if Clay is drafted. The massive Terrell has no worries about the draft; his six foot six inch frame is too tall for army specifications.

Clay, however, faces almost certain induction, since there is no real reason for giving him special attention. Many people with sons in the army hate to see a man as fit as Clay in civilian life. This could have been a deciding factor to the draft board that reclassified him. One member admitted that he had been stopped on the street and asked

why Clay was not already in the army.

Much of the interest in a drab sport will disappear when the Louisville Lip departs for military duty.

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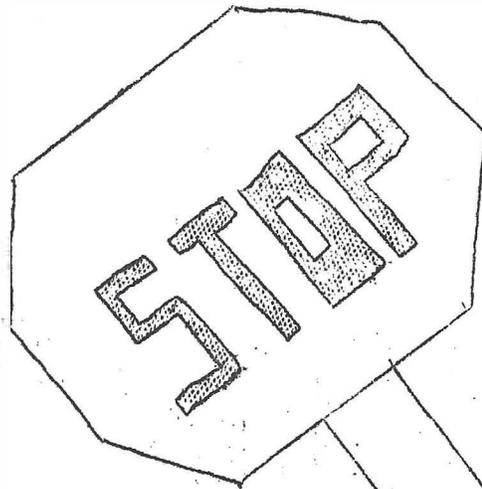
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HISTORY TODAY

In Memoriam...by T.
Dresser

I. Although it is generally learned that George Washington died of natural causes, upon investigation, there is no doubt that his death was hurried by anxious and unknowing doctors who bled him for his cold and laryngitis. Thus his death, just two years after retiring from public office, and at the relatively young age of 67, shocked a young and hero-worshipping nation.

The response, expanded over a great many years, was the memorization of Washington as the name for the nation's capitol, the name of a state, the portrait on the first postage stamp and on the one dollar bill as well as the names for hundreds of people. When Grover Cleveland was president there were some 8 representatives whose first names were George Washington.

II. Only a little more than two years ago, the beloved President Kennedy was assassinated and the response has been similar to that subsequent to Washington's death. Idlewild Airport, Cape Canaveral, the half dollar, numerous schools, even a mountain, have changed their names to immortalize the late president.

Undoubtedly Kennedy's name will be remembered for generations by the names of babies born after his death. Monuments, coins, persons and places will continue to keep alive the name of our late President.

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Horrors, No!

A BULLET FOR BOBBY DYLAN?



Phil Ochs, manager of Bob Dylan, says in Folk Rock: The

Bob Dylan Story, "I don't know if it

will be safe for Bob to go on stage a year from now. I don't think so." Ochs explains that Bob has gotten into the minds of so many screwed-up people that assassination is a distinct possibility.

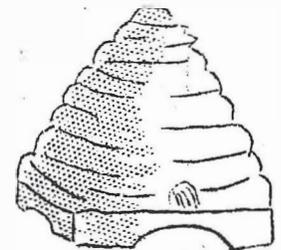
The prospect of the Great Gaunt Father being gunned down on stage is frightening indeed. It would probably make Bob a martyr to the free-wheelin' way of life which he has spawned. But it would also cut short one of the most productive careers of the 1960's.

Surely Dylan's turn to folk-rock has made him many enemies among the folk purists, but we can only hope that there are no folkists so twisted that they would want to kill for good ol' folk music.

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Editorial

SCIENCE PROJECTS: THEY FOSTER DECEPTION

Science projects are supposed to teach students to think for themselves and to apply the scientific method to specific problems. But for the most part, all that students learn to do is to fake entire experiments, complete with results and conclusions, both fixed, in a mad rush to pass in a project.

Projects are usually assigned in the fall and passed in in March. This means that a great deal of time is supposed to go into a project. So it naturally is an important part of the science mark.

The only trouble with this is that a vast majority of students do their projects in the last week before they are due, often in the last night. The first reaction to this is, 'That's their tough luck! But it isn't. With so many fakes around, standards are naturally lower, and many of these last minute jobs get good marks. A good fake can be much more convincing than an average project legitimately done.

This certainly is hard on those who actually do their projects as they should. Why not make projects optional? Then the fakers wouldn't bother to do one, while those that now put in hours of time would receive their due credit, instead of being overshadowed by some clever faker.

Stan Matis

P O T E N T

T A I L S

Now that the snow is off the roads, we can look forward to another big year for our street-painting friends. There is a machine being engineered which promises to elevate their trade to new heights of glory.

It consists of a printing plate, four feet square, which is coated with paint and attached to the underside of an automobile. The plate can be rapidly slammed against the road and brought back up by a hydraulic stamping system, which is located in the trunk of the car and operated by a dude in

the back seat.

The obvious advantage of this mechanism is that the painters can stop at a red light in the center of any city, push a lever, and have their slogan stamped on the street without having anyone notice the operation. We can look forward to further technological advances in this field.

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Rie Dresser Column

THE HOLDOUTS HOLD ON

What was once considered a joke by most observers is proving to be a grim reality for the Los Angeles Dodgers. When Sandy Koufax and Don Drysdale, two of baseball's finest pitchers, demanded an unheard of three year one million dollar contract, Buzzie Bavasi, Dodger general manager started difficult negotiations. At the start of spring training, no progress had been made toward an agreement. Now, four weeks later, the two fire-balling hurlers and the Dodgers have reached an impasse. Koufax and Drysdale refuse to budge from their demands and Bavasi reiterates his original offer calling for \$100,000 for Koufax and \$85,000 for Drysdale. When the two holdouts phoned Dodger owner Walter O'Malley, the salary dispute seemed near its end. However, neither side backed down, and Dodger brass concluded that they would be without the services of the duo that led the Dodgers to a World Championship last year.

Meanwhile, Koufax and Drysdale are not fazed by the stalemate. They have already signed to do a movie, and are making plans for the summer. While an agreement is still feasible, the two pitchers would need time to gradually work themselves into shape.

Walter Alston, the manager, points to fine young prospects at the Dodgers' Vero Beach Training Camp when the upcoming season is discussed. It is obvious, however, that untried youngsters cannot match the superlative total of 49 wins that Koufax and Drysdale amassed last year. Aside from the ballclub's performance on the field the absence of two of baseball's most glamorous stars will have its repercussions in the box office as well. The Dodgers can still field a star-studded cast, but it stands to reason that not as many people will pay to see Joe Moeller pitch as would to see Sandy Koufax pitch.

It could be a trying year for the Dodgers if the two will not come into the fold. For a punchless

team that depends on pitching, speed, and finesse to win ball-games, the loss of baseball's two best pitchers could prove disastrous.

Our America and Her News

Just Thinking Out Loud About That Boston Newspaper Strike.

That Candy Mossler case must have been too much for those guys. It seems the strike began right after this news event. Or they were mighty lazy and decided to skip the Gemini flight.

The papers that didn't strike must be having a heyday. The Crimson, Harvard's newspaper, said at the start of the movement that they would publish extra editions as long as the strike makes an extra demand..

The childish action involved in the strike is certainly inexcusable. Just think, there are a bunch of guys who are making a lot of people unhappy and what do they care? They don't realize that we don't all have lifetime subscriptions to the New York Time!

Think of the paper boys and dealers. They're suffering along with the readers.

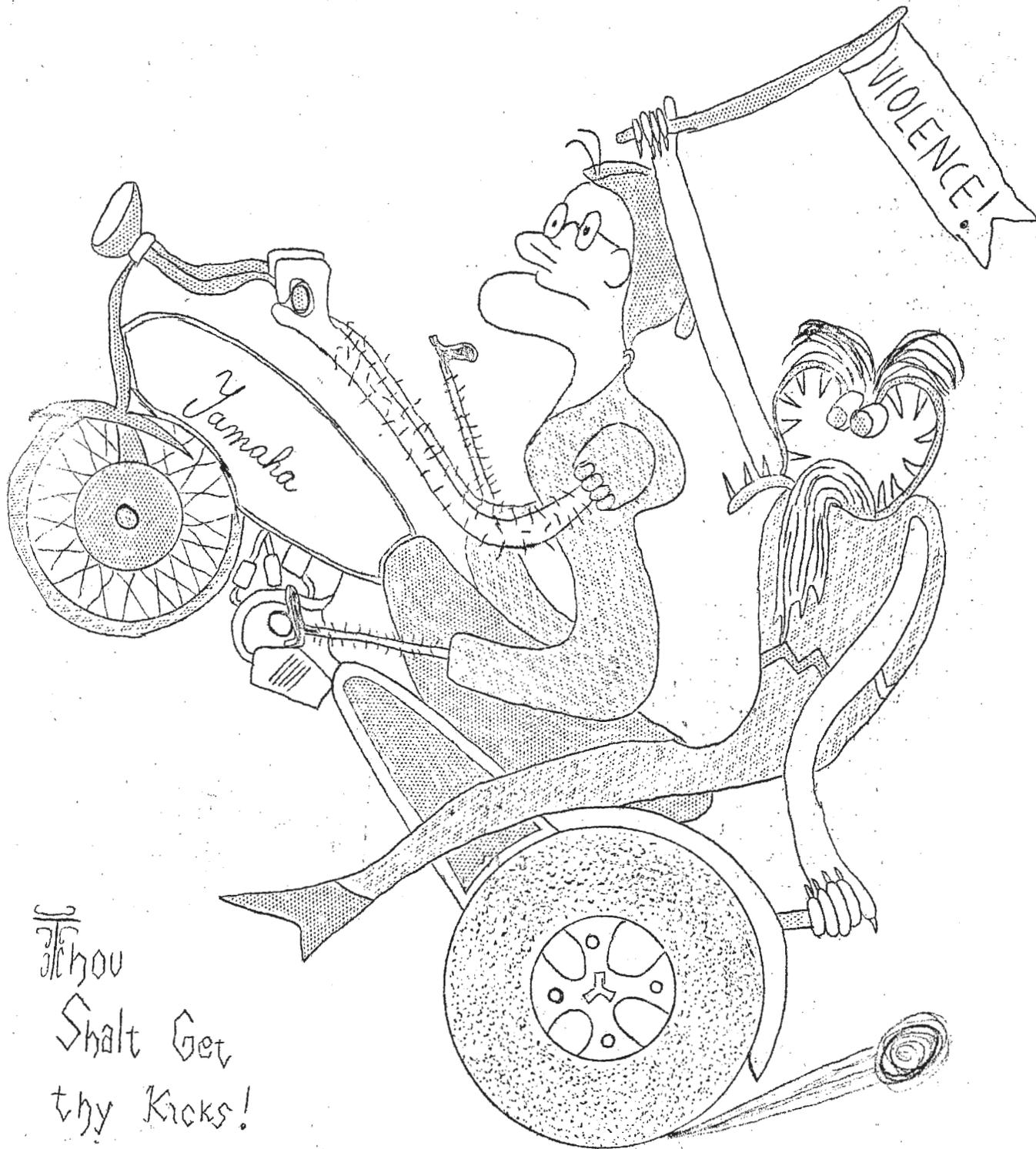
If anyone reading this article is participating in the strike, please start thinking for the second time round.

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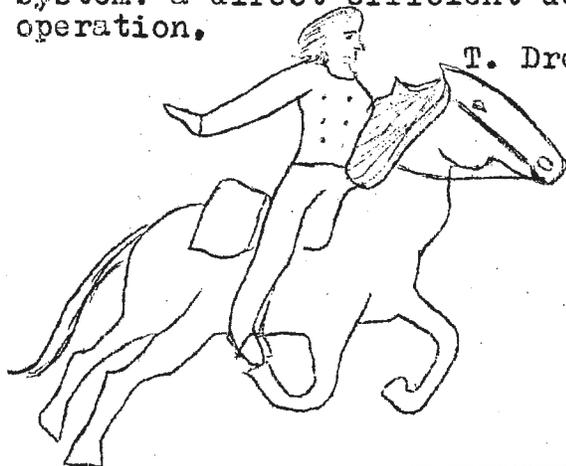
History Today

"The Mail Must Go Through"

The above words, uttered nearly a century ago are still the motto for the mailing system of the United States. Spoken in connection with the hardships of mail delivery in the late 1800's, this slogan has been applicable from the days of "Buffalo Bill" Cody and the Pony Express to the present.

I. The Pony Express lasted only a year and a half and suffered a loss of some \$200,000 when it was outdated, yet it set a standard of efficiency which has been incorporated into today's postage system. Pony Express riders, averaging 18 years of age, traveled nearly 250 miles a day in delivering urgent letters and messages at \$1.00/ounce from Missouri to California. Braving Indian raids, bad weather and wild animals, these daring men took about 10 days to travel the two-thousand mile route. Unfortunately for them, Western Union Telegraph spread westward and the Express had to fold in 1861 after 16 months of operation.

II. Today's postage system has inherited and improved many of the traits of the early Express riders. The efficient speedy delivery and the low cost (as well as the loss of money by the government!) are similar to the first mailing system. Today's mailmen brave all kinds of weather, animals and customers in delivering their charges. The recent innovation of the zip code system, the facility of mailing and receiving letters and the low cost of the system, make communication by mail the simplest of operations. The Pony Express of a century ago set the trend for today's postage system: a direct efficient delivery operation.



T. Dresser

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With this issue, the Springdale News is instituting a cooperative program with the Conquest News, another amateur publication of Holden, Mass. Under this program, certain articles written for the Conquest News will appear in the Springdale News, and vice versa.

This month, we have two articles received through this program. One is Robert Clark's LAMP POST (page 4), which is a regular feature in the Conquest News. The other is a searching editorial on religious freedom by Dave DeVries (page 3).

We feel that with this program, we can provide a broader and more interesting range of articles for our readers. We welcome your comments on the topic.

Editorial

PRAYER IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
by David DeVries

There are many privileges which school students currently enjoy. But one privilege which was once enjoyed has been struck down by the nation's highest court: that is: Prayer in School.

In 1963, the court made the infamous ruling banning school prayer. This was the culmination of the attempts of two high school students and their families to outlaw the daily practice. One boy was a Protestant and the other an atheist.

Many authorities on religion, and law have made their sentiments known, including California's Episcopal Bishop James A. Pike and college law professor Edward S. Corwin. The latter stated that the court had "It self published a law forbidding the free exercise of religion," while the majority of other citizens thought, "Do the courts have the power to make laws or is it the government which makes the laws and the courts which enforce them?"

The vast majority of citizens were against the court's decision. In a 1962 Gallup Poll, 80 per cent of the parents questioned approved of the daily observance.

Prayer in school was held voluntarily and those who chose not to participate were not forced to. Why should the majority be forced not to hold the exercises when the minorities do not have to participate. The rights of minorities are respected in the Constitution and in the courts. But in this case, the court protects the rights of the few but infringes on the rights of the many.

Recently Governor Volpe signed a bill allowing a short meditation period at the beginning of each school day. This is a major step toward the return of prayer in school and a major stumbling block to those who would want to do away with freedom of religion.

GOOD MORNING

HOW MUCH DID YOUR
UNCLE'S FUNERAL COST?



\$2000.... WE TOOK THE
"CORPSE A-GO-GO" PLAN!



Robert Clark's

LAMP POST

If you would like to take a little walk from downtown Worcester, you can wind up at the pet corner of Liggetts in Lincoln Plaza. You can find a most amusing article that swims, dives, rocks, pulsates, sways, gurgles, and even gyrates. This little guy turns out to be a jellyfish who keeps company to other-wise lonely goldfish. He does everything except talk. Maybe he could even talk if he weren't made of synthetic rubber.

Winter fuel bills are pouring in; the mosquitos are numerous; school final exams are coming; and outdoor do-it-yourself chefs are burning steaks to a crisp. But cheer up. There's always winter.

FROM OUR
SCOTTISH
CORRESPONDENT

Dear Editor,

26/3/66

At the moment we are engaged in the throes of a rather boring General Election, polling day being the 31st of March. Even now the electioneering seems to have gone on too long, and we are only half way through the campaign. Incidentally, this is the first spring General Election since the nineteenth, and the government lost then.

This years election was brought on because of the small majority held by the Labour Government, only 3. I'm surprised they have lasted this long. Mind you, they haven't passed any controversial legislation, such as steel nationalisation or nationalisation of the land.

At the moment the government should gain about 80 seats in the commons, according to opinion polls. But these are not infallible, and the number could be well down.

So far the main issue in the campaign has been the economy, which isn't the most solvent in the world. However there are many side issues, such as roadbuilding, housebuilding, schools, hospitals, and bigger incentives for industry, especially to increase exports.

So much for the election. I went skiing a couple of weeks ago in Glen Shee, east of Aberdeen. Apart for getting soaked to the skin, I learned that skiing isn't as easy as it looks. The apre ski, however, made up for all the bumps and scrapes received on the slopes.

We joined the "grand prix" race for the slopes at about 9 a. m. It's a race among all the Glasgow with it crowd, with their souped up sports cars and minis, who try to kill themselves overtaking buses on hairpin bends etc. There are no freeways in this part of the world, not even many pieces of straight road more than a mile along. However, its great fun but not worth doing every week.

Yours faithfully,
Martin Nichol

Hear about stud in Boston who tried to teach his wife to speak German? He asked her, "Was sagst du?" She replied, "They lost, 6-3"

P O T E N T
T A I L S

Token thoughts of Carl DeSuze,
Ho Chi Minn and the Moody Blues
Dissipate to thoughts of fear
Whenever hairy snakes come near;
Slimy monks who find that tattlers
Seldom take a swing at rattlers,
Seldom make a mock of sin
When near a water moccasin,
And never shake a windshield wiper
Arrogantly at a potent viper.

April 24, 1966

This quasi-poetry serves to
remind us that snakes are again
loose for another year of whatever
snakes do. I spotted one on
April 23, and half a dead one a
week earlier. This month's snake
poetry speaks for itself.

Ain't no purpose in denyin'
Worryin', wishin', or even cryin'
Nature's simple declaration:
Snakes are out of hibernation.

April 24, 1966

Our nation shouldn't think too long,
About such things as the Viet Cong,
Or about the economy taking a fall,
Or quarreling with Chuck DeGaulle,
Our country may crumble from within,
I fear the decay is about to begin,
And buddy, all it really takes
Is a massive revolt of American snakes.

April 27, 1966



A Protest

History or Propaganda?

Most Americans are proud that they live in a free and democratic state. One of the reasons for this pride is the right for the individual to hear both sides of an issue and to decide what he thinks is right.

The problem is that these rights are not always freely used. In history for example, the American viewpoint is given. History is merely a collection

of events and interpretations written and taught as American propaganda. Textbooks, encyclopedias and teachers are full of facts that are often prejudiced or even incorrect. History is, and should be, the study of important events in relation to the people, life and times. George Washington, for example, is described as the Father of our Country, stern, wise and honest. In truth, George Washington never did tell a little lie; he lied like the trooper which he was. He also had his mistresses and his great talents for engineering were climaxed with the building of Fort Necessity; the first swimming pool, because it was always full of water in wet weather.

The school committee is out to kill (or at least stifle) education, especially history. There is a prescribed history to be taught from prescribed texts. In this manner, the American students are properly indoctrinated and future generations will be better able to take their places in the world today.

Debbie Janes

Ric Dresser Column

Last winter, the Pittsburgh Pirates called an unprecedented meeting of all the players to boost team morale for the 1966 season. During the 1965 season, the Pirates finished a strong third after a disastrous start which saw many people predicting first-year manager Harry Walker's ouster. However, during the second half of the season, the team began to jell, and they were the hottest thing in baseball. This year the Pirates feel they have the personell to take everything. The meeting, though not compusory, waw all the players attending, and freely speaking out about the upcoming season. The Pirates evidently feel that is now or never for a National League Pennant. While Pittsburgh is not an old team, a few key players have a numbered amount of years left as stars. Bill Mazeroski, the only remaining member of the pennant-winning 1960 infield, remains a smooth operative at second base, but at 30 is slowing down. Elroy Face, the aging relief specialist, can't go on for ever, and aging batting champion Roberto Clemente is now 32. Vern Law is currently on the disabled list after a great comeback effort last year. Though these players have led Pirate teams for the past few years, some younger players are establishing themselves as stars in their own right.

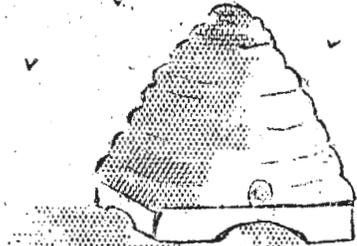
For the Pirates, off to a hot start(9-4 as of April 29), a repeat performance of the latter half of 1965 would be a welcome sight.

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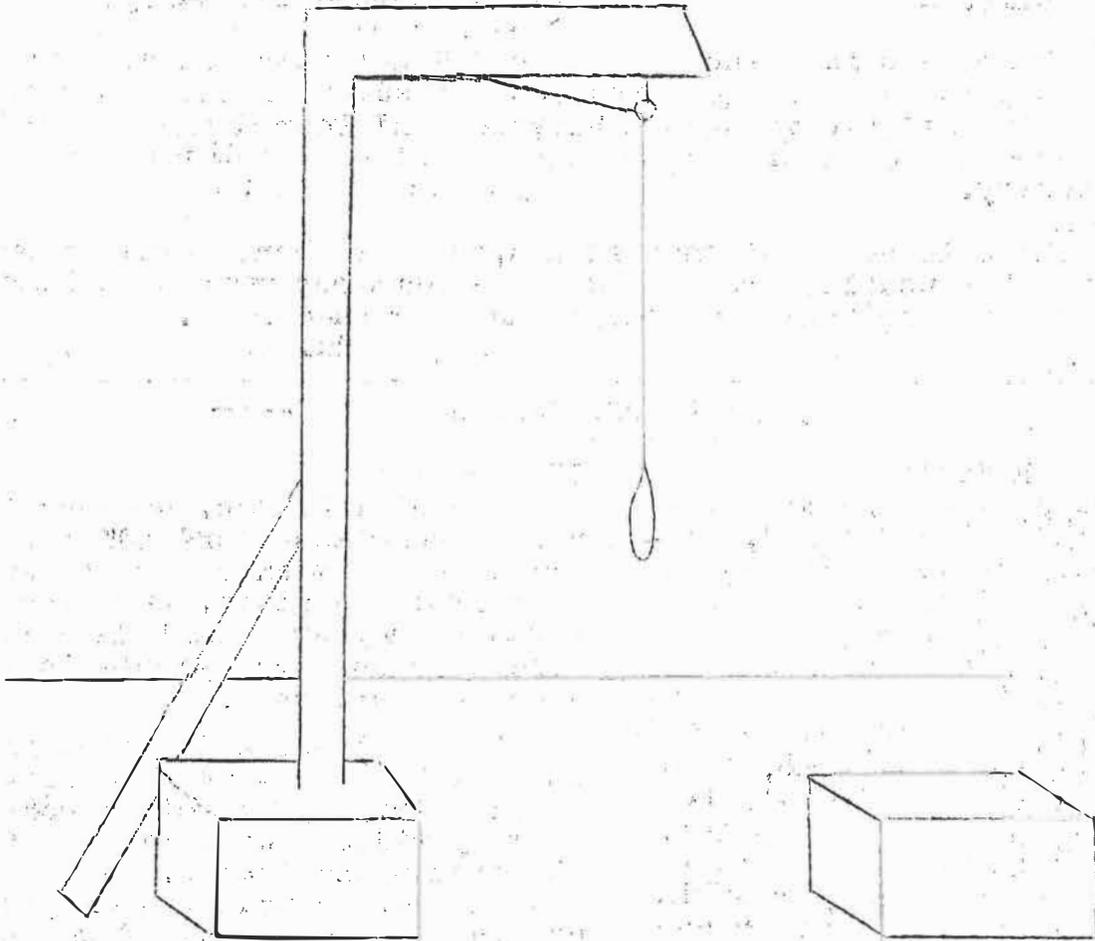
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THE LATEST RAGE

by Tom Dresser

The history of American society has been characterized by fads ranging from ladies' pants to coonskin caps. It is interesting to look back on these items which, at one time, were the most modern articles of the day, and then, almost overnight, died out. Today, with nation-wide advertising by television, newspapers, and billboards, a gadget which starts to sell quite well in one part of the country can be pushed in other places and made into a big racket. Some of the most noticeable rages of the past decade were: Davy Crockett, Hula-hoops, James Bond, Smokey the Bear, the Beatles, and most recently, Batman. Such topics as the last can advertised and sold in such varying industries as T-shirts, hats, coats, book-covers, pencils, and brands for all types of food and candy.

Years ago fads such as these did not catch on as quickly because of the lack of communication and advertising. But such articles as ladies' bloomers, the bicycle, and Poor Richard's Almanac are good examples of rages which caught on and spread throughout the country.

There is no doubt that such sprees are beneficial to our economy and they usually provide later generations with some humor—imagine wearing a coonskin cap and swinging a Hula-hoop.

LIFE ON CAMPUS

I. The Tenth Victim

Borrowing the idea from the movie, "the Tenth Victim", students now make up hunter and victim lists. Then the hunter must simulate the murder of the victim. If he does so, he gets one point; if he does a remarkably good or clever job, he gets two points; if he himself gets 'killed', he loses one point. The first hunter to get ten victims has a party thrown in his honor. Some of the ingenious methods of 'killing': rubber bands stretched across doorways to simulate high-voltage wires; an explosive in an earphone to be detonated by a sound made by someone at the other end, etc. Some condemn this weird game as childish and completely ridiculous. However, as in the movie, which was set in the 21st century where war was outlawed, the game of "Tenth Victim" can be a 'safety outlet for aggression.'

II. Fashion

A long time ago, someone invented sunglasses and now they are in use not only for protection from the glare, but also because they are "in." This was fine, because some people look good in sunglasses.

But in 1966, along came glasses that have abstract checkerboard, striped, and other completely ridiculous patterns on the frames and lenses. These items have, as usual, been grabbed up by gullible women, of which there are many. They seem to think these glasses are good-looking. They could not be further from the truth. These glasses represent the peak in women's craze to drive men away.

So, come on girls, wake up. A face covered by checkerboards or stripes isn't too attractive.

Predicts World War III

JEAN DIXON

by
Dave DeVries

Jean Dixon, the well known foreteller of the future, predicts that the Vietnam conflict and our civil rights legislation will, in the 1980's, involve us in another major war - this time with Red China and the African nations.

A new book on the life of Mrs. Dixon by Ruth Montgomery reveals that Soviet Russia will join the Allies in the defeat of China, that germ warfare will be used, and that there will be no use of atomic weapons. It can be further learned from this book, A Gift of Prophecy, that, because of the war, the people of the United States will seek a return to God and religion to counter today's trend of immorality.

On other subjects, Mrs. Dixon predicted that there would be three presidents in the 1960's. So far we have had two. Mrs. Dixon also notes that there will be a general victory at the polls for the Republican Party in 1968.

Jean Dixon, who has been foretelling the future since the 1930's, has been correct over 90 per cent of the time. She foretold the deaths of both Roosevelt and Kennedy and also predicted the identity of the latter's assassin. Mrs. Dixon, who is very religious, refuses to accept money for her predictions. She believes that her unusual power is "a gift of God."

PLATTER PARADE
Cousin Jay Jay

Hey, dig this! Recently, Billboard (the biggest music trade magazine) featured a front-page story on WORC, right here in Worcester, as being the first all-request radio station in America. Record companies look to Worcester as a "breakout" spot for untried material. "Michael", by the Highwaymen was a prime example of a regional breakout becoming a national hit.

Number one for three weeks straight is the Mama's & Papa's "Monday, Monday".... "Soul" sounds of Negro singers continue to hit big, the prime example is that of Percy Sledge's "When A Man Loves A Woman".... Great new "big-band" sound is evident is Dusty Springfield's "You Don't Have To Say"..... Groups continue to have wierd names; a few examples: "The Cyrkle", "6 7/8", "Shadows of Knight", "Syndicate of Sound", and, of course, "Lovin' Spoonful".

WBZ's Jefferson Kaye, for the information of anyone who didn't know, replaced WKBW's (in Buffalo) Joey Renolds, who was originally with 'BZ, too. Jefferson does a daily 7:30-11:30 pm show, with his usual brand of so-called humor....

- don't read this till you've read the WEIRDNESS TEST on page 5
4. How could he live for 21 years after 1945?...you're weird.
 5. If you think Playboy is obscene, you're weird.
 6. If you're a male and wouldn't marry, you're weird; if you're a girl and would marry, you're weird.
 7. Reading Shakespeare is weird.
 8. A Suzuki is a Japanese motorcycle, If you didn't know it, you're weird.
 9. This question was cleverly concealed to test our popularity. It is irrelevant to the test.
 10. If you're cowardly, you're weird.

IT'S A SQUARE WORLD

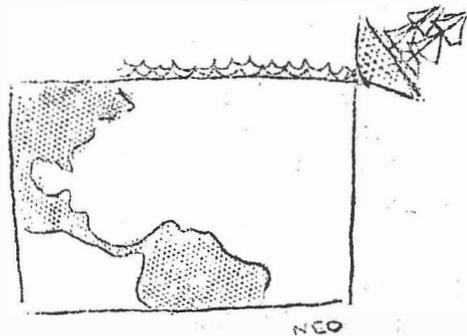
by Charles J. J. Holz

Well, Jeanne Dixon is up to her usual bit of sorcery. (She's the one who predicted Kennedy's death back in '52) She predicted that at midnight, Friday the 13th of May, martians would land and kidnap e-

very male between 18 and 20 years old.

Here at Penn State, this was taken as a good chance to escape the draft. So, when they didn't show up, it touched off a riot that engulfed the campus.....

This month's All-American Town award goes to Shady Gap, Pennsylvania. It so happens that a hermit, who had been one for some 20 odd years and used to take potshots at drivers on the Pennsylvania Turnpike, abducted a seventeen year old girl last week. Just today, with the woods full of people hunting him, he killed an FBI agent and slipped away again. The people of Shady Gap regard the hunt as foolish, since they consider the hermit more or less a sacred cow.



When the Redevelopment Committee approved in a plan to fill in the swamps near Newark, New Jersey in order to rid the area of smelly incinerators and trash dumps, about a hundred people demonstrated against the idea as being "contrary to the conservation of our natural resources"...since when is the smell of burning rubber a natural resource?...The demonstrators probably came from Secaucus, the only town completely surrounded by the dumps and swamps. Maybe they were afraid they'd get buried themselves. It's pretty hard to distinguish the town from the dumps.

GOOP MOURNING #1

I'M SO GLAD I WAS WITH MY CHILD WHEN HE DIED!



WHY, WOULDN'T THEY LET YOU WATCH THE VIDEOTAPE REPLAY?



POTENT TAILS

In this age of subverts, perverts, monoverts, polyverts, reverts, orthoverts, agroverts, psuedoverts, quasiverts, provverbs, adverbs and nouns, we sometimes forget that abnormality, like sanity, is relative, puds.

We hear a lot about folk heroes of the past, but let's take a moment and consider who will be looked back on as folk heroes of the Sixties. Hell's Angels, the Sniper of Shady Gap, and Richard White, the incredible "Phantom of the North Shore."

Dick White, presently in jail on a multitude of charges, last year eludee virtually every police force in the Lowell area during his bizarre times. He was known to drive down curvy roads at 90 mph. with no lights while pursuing police cars had trouble holding the road at 45. He was finally captured in Chicago.

Think about it, Puds.

are you weird? by
S MATHS

We live in a wierd age. Weird happenings, weird items, weird people...so we decided to make up a test which would enable the average person to find out whether he is weird.

Anyone who takes the following test can return it to the Springdale News, by hook or crook, and we will, for no charge, check the test and mail you the results, so that you will know if you are really weird.

This is being done as a public servide to find out how many weird people are out running around.

WEIRDNESS TEST

1. Would you cheer for the N.Y.Mets if everyone else was a Braves fan?
2. Do you prefer Bach to the Rolling Stones?
3. Do you enjoy throwing eggs?
4. Do you think Adolf Hitler is still alive?
5. Do you think Playboy Magazine is obscene?

Is Nationalist China a lost caune? The Taiwan government lost control on the mainland because of corruption, brutality, ineptitude, and ignorance. The United States still supports this government. As of 1962, economic assistance was about \$1, 250,000,000 and military aid, twice as much. This money has been badly used and little effort has been made to channel the money,, supplies, and personal property. The government enterprises are in many stages of inefficient operations. The government is still using the Kuomintang party system of economic priviledges, settle - ment or non-settlement of debts, and many secret police organizations.

We are helping to support a dictatorship. The press is controlled, police surveillance is everywhere, martial law is used to kill opposition and there are more than a thousand people in political jails or "rehabilitation centers." the army is carefully watched and no 'new man' can get higher than a major.

The people are beginning to show signs of restlessness. Slums are growing and the country is falling into political stagnation. Those in power refuse to think about change but the free people have not forgotten.

6. If we were to explore Venus and find out that all Venetian girls are beautiful, would you marry outside your race?
7. Do you read Shakespeare for enjoyment?
8. Do you know what a SUZUKI is?
9. Do you always read this magazine?
10. Are you too much of a coward to make a parachute jump?

ANSWERS:

1. If you're afraid to stand out from the crowd, you're weird.
 2. If you prefer Bach, you're weird.
 3. If you don't get a bang out of chucking eggs, you're weird.
- continued on page three, pal.

Ric Dresser Column

When the once-invincible New York Yankees settled soundly in the cellar of the American League, the front office felt a drastic change should be made. So they looked to the easiest one to pin the blame on, and severed relations with manager Johnny Keane. There is no question that the Yankees' descent from the top was inevitable. Under Yogi Berra, the Yankees squeezed by Chicago to take the pennant in 1964. After Keane's Cardinals beat the Yankees in the World Series, Berra was fired and Keane left St. Louis to take the vacated post. The crumbling Yankee dynasty came to a close as the injury-riddled superstars finished sixth under Keane. This year, the feeble Yankee bats have been silenced by opposing pitchers, and aging key players have been inconsistent. Under such circumstances, no man could be expected to win a pennant.

Upon Keane's unfortunate departure, Ralph Houk, who had won three pennants for New York from 1961 to 1963 before becoming general manager, was reinstated. The optimistic Houk promptly predicted a pennant this season for the Yanks. With the present personnel, this seems to be little more than a vote of confidence to the team. A first division finish would be considered good for the Bombers.

This, then, is the bizarre conclusion to the aftermath of the 1964 World Series. Both Keane and Berra, the opposing managers, left their teams after the series, and since that series, both clubs have plummeted dismally into the second division.

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With the much larger staff, we hope to add a new and original dimension to our content. The arrangement and general appearance of the paper should also improve under the new management.

Although this is the last issue of the Springdale News with this title, we are not suspending publication by any means. Rather, we are taking a major step toward the production of a truly appealing magazine.

NOVEMBER 1966

by Gary Hopfmann

This coming November should provide us with some interesting election races.

Mrs. George Wallace, wife of Alabama's segregationist governor, will be running for her husband's job, opposed by Republican Congressman James B. Martin. In the 1962 elections Martin ran against U.S. Senator Lister Hill and lost by only 5,000 out of 400,000 votes. He will be tough competition for Lurleen Wallace.

Alabama's Democratic Senator John J. Sparkman faces Goldwaterite John Grenier, who was responsible for Goldwater's huge southern support at the '64 Republican convention. My prediction is that Martin will be elected Governor and Sparkman, Senator.

Another interesting race is shaping up in California, where incumbent Democratic Governor Edmond (Pat) Brown faces long time conservative journalist and movie star Ronald Reagan. Reagan will pull this out of the bag.

Here at home, G.O.P. Governor John Volpe will most likely be opposed for re-election by Edward McCormack, the former state Attorney General and nephew of Speaker of the House, John McCormack. Volpe introduced a sales tax this year and that will probably have a bearing on his re-election. Massachusetts' next Governor will be elected to a four year term - new this year. In the Bay State Senatorial race it will be G.O.P. Attorney General Ed Brooke vs. Boston Democratic Mayor John Collins. Brooke, who out-pollled all G.O.P. office-seekers in the state in 1964, is a sure bet.

In Texas John Tower, the state's first Republican senator, will be opposed for re-election by two Democratic candidates: Governor John Connally, and Johnson-backed Texas Attorney General Waggoner Carr. Most likely, the Democratic vote will split between Connally and Carr and Tower will win re-election.

THIS I CALL COURAGE

According to Webster, courage means bravey; that is, just what our men in Viet Nam have. Through booby-trapped rice paddies, exploding ground mines and over the scorched earth, the olive clad figures crawl.

Country boys and city dwellers

alike are fighting together for a common cause...freedom; freedom from Communism and the hate that is in it.

Courage means bravey all right, especially in war-torn Viet Nam.

-Sue Williams



EDITORIAL PAGE-A Local ViewpointSchool Parking Ban

Shortly after the appointment of Mr Irving Agard as the new superintendent of the Wachusett School District was announced, Mr Agard made the statement that student parking at the school would, he hoped, be banned.

If this resolution is passed by the school committee, it will immediately pose an acute bussing problem. As it is now, most busses are loaded to capacity. If this regulation is passed, more students will be required to take busses. Therefore, more busses will be needed, bus routes will have to be reorganized, bus schedules revised and more late busses needed.

If Mr Agard and his proposal win out, it will not serve to alleviate any problems that are said to exist. Instead, students will be forced to ride busses to school and then home only to get their cars and do what they would have done a half hour earlier had they been allowed to park at school.

The administration hopes that this move will help raise students' grades and encourage more to participate in extracurricular activities. So far this proposal has encouraged students to speak out against the parking ban. In the recent junior class elections, both the President and V.P. won election on a platform that included allowing students the privilege of driving to school.

We feel that Mr Agard's imminent ruling will create needless problems and unnecessary burdens for both students and taxpayers. We feel that the status quo should be preserved.

-Dave DeVries.

ED.-Opinions expressed in these and other articles are those of the writer and not necessarily those of the management.

-A National PerspectiveDeGaulle: Egotist or Nationalist?

To many people in America today, President deGaulle of France seems to be highly self-centered, arrogant, and completely indignant of the US, despite all the aid we have given his country.

But let us deal with fact rather than opinion. In the period after WW II until deGaulle's ascent to power, there were over 20 changes in government. Today France is one of, if not the, most stable governments in all of Europe. Secondly, under deGaulle France is more stable economically than ever before. Also, deGaulle has given the French a sense of importance. France must be considered as a top power. She has achieved success in both nuclear and space fields.

Admittedly, deGaulle's attitude is not partial to America. But considering that deGaulle himself was snubbed at Yalta, his snubbery of the US seems less of an attack on America than a play for French nationalism.

-Charles Holz

PLATTER PARADE
Cousin Jay Jay

Latest r & b discovery is the trebling raspy voice of Otis Redding. Popular in the Negro field for several years, he hit it big recently with his own version of "Satisfaction"...Supremes had 9 straight #1 songs (a new record) before "Love Is An Itching" made only #11..Cab Calloway's version of "History" was his first hit since his million seller in 1939 "Jumpin' Jive"...Number one in Buffalo is "Dirty Water", a song about Boston.

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History Today

Is there Still Freedom of the Press?

by T. Dresser

It all began back in 1733 when one Peter Zenger, a German immigrant, criticized British government in the colonies. His articles, printed in the 'New York Weekly Journal' charged the British with corrupt and unfair administration. After the defendant was thrown in jail, the case came to trial, and a momentous victory of 'not-guilty' assured the right of freedom of the press.

Yet it appears that that freedom of the press, permitted over 200 years ago, is in question today. The case of Miss Annette Buchanan, editor of the newspaper of the University of Oregon, involves the right of a newspaper to withhold the names of people interviewed. Interviews with several students who allegedly smoked marijuana were printed in the newspaper; but when the editor was asked to identify the smokers, she refused, and thereby lies the case: is she required to divulge the names of those persons? She has faced the Circuit Court Judge and the grand jury, yet she still refuses to comply with the judge's wishes. The case of the prosecution rests on the illegal use of marijuana--but must freedom of the press be denied to prevent smoking of an old weed?

P O T E N T

Now that we T A I L S
are printing
the last is-
sue of the Springdale News, it be-
fits us to feel a nostalgic twang,
like opera singers watching the
destruction of the Old Met. But I
don't and neither does anybody
else.



Memories of the Springdale News:

The day s staff meeting turned into a frenzied mob scene, and a girl threw a pine cone through our office window...The thousands of times we were going to change the name...The time they called us Communists ...Trying to write a serious article with an Animals album blaring in the background...the lady in New York who wrote and told us we were printing the worst mess of nothing she had ever seen...Printing the April edition with five hours left in April...Trying for ten months to get a picture of Feep printed...Catching hell from Julian Grow... The big deal over a pumpkin in somebody's mail box...Calling 12 people for a telephone poll and claiming to have called 200...The night we harassed telephone operators in Philadelphia, Mississippi and a dozen other towns...Being warned of our impertinence in questioning the selection of a school play...Our empty pay envelopes.

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★ IT'S A SQUARE WORLD ★

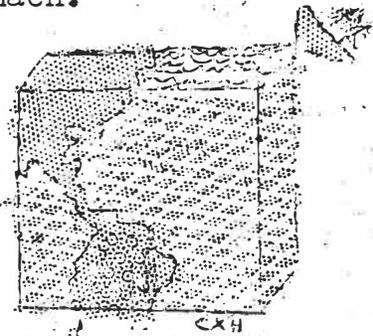
By Charles X. Holz

With the world in such bad shape (it may become physically square if the violence keeps up), there are many who look for some form of escapism. For some, the obvious answer is television. Where else can you find something as far from reality as that.

ABC has Batman, accompanied by Robin, the Boy Wonder, who are continually becoming involved in fake fist fights with large words such as Pow, Zowie, etc. appearing on the screen. This, coupled with a chortling villain known as the Penguin, who bears a grotesque resemblance to FDR and the spurts of Robin (i.e. holy bathtub, holy ulcer, etc.) make the show a little hard on the stomach.

CBS has that gem of drama, Lost In Space. Conveniently broadcast opposite Batman, it does its unwittingly best to be more nauseating. In last week's episode, the robot (who has more lines than any one else) was out in the cosmic wilds trying to kill itself because it felt left out of "family" affairs, but the 12-year-old kid (who has all the action scenes) not only saved the robot, but killed a villainous mechanical mass of metal, in addition.

Then, there are also some who laugh the hardest at a half-hour series on NBC, until they find out it's Chat and Dave with a report on their messed-up world.



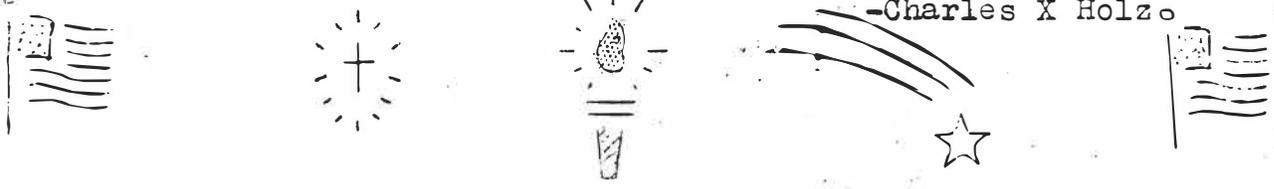
Music

★ DRAMA ON THE DISC ★

One of the biggest hit records of the month is the spoken-word "Day of Decision" by Johnny Sea, a five minute and thirty three second "High-Noon" sort of drama. With only a roll of drums and the gentle strum of a guitar, Sea's deep voice intones: "Old Glory has never fallen so close to the earth...we stare at our shoes when they play the national anthem...patriotism has been condemned... somewhere along the way we've lost it..." Then the background music becomes Oriental and sinister: "Our enemies...their new idea is don't attack America, wear it down gradually..and did you know? It's working!" Then a background chorus of "Onward Christian Soldiers": "Democracy is held together by Fourth of July patriotism!" and finally: "Make this test; raise your eyes to the nearest flag, and sing as loud as you can that old, out-worn, antiquated freedom hymn you learned so long ago: From purple mountains majesties, above the fruited plain, America, America - now if you feel a little mist in your eye, thank God for you, Mister, you're still an American!"

Written by Allen Peltier, a Nashville, Tenn. broadcaster, and produced by Warner Bros. records, it has sold nearly half a million copies in a little over a month. Peltier explains the success as "due to the concern of the people over the God*Is-Dead talk." In any case, it appears that the Top charts will have an entry a little different from the rock of the Beatles or the Supremes.

-Charles X Holz



Ric Dresser Column

A few years ago Jim Gentile and Dick Stuart were two of the most feared homerun hitters in the American League. Recently, events have occurred which would seem to signal the ends of both of their careers. Since their glory days as sluggers supreme in the junior circuit, the careers of Gentile and Stuart have followed basically the same pattern.

After a few solid seasons with the Pittsburgh Pirates, Dick Stuart's temperament and fielding deficiencies caught up with him. The Pirates dealt him to the Red Sox, for whom he did precisely what was expected of him: he hit homeruns. Unpopular with fans, manager, and teammates alike, he was traded to the New York Mets, the last team he was associated with, by way of Philadelphia,

Jim Gentile came up the hard way through the minor leagues. A strong man with great natural ability, his uncontrollable temper held him back. In deep fits of frustration, Jim took to punching water coolers and other available objects. He finally realized the effects of his anger when he seriously injured himself slamming a light fixture. When Gentile finally made it with Baltimore, he became a star. For a few sensational seasons there was no greater home run threat than Gentile. Like Stuart, he was a poor fielder and had a bad temper. Gentile was traded to Kansas City and finally wound up with the Houston Astros in the National League.

The flamboyant Dick Stuart was injured early this season. When the Mets gave Dick his unconditional release, he was

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struggling along at .218 and had lost his first base job to Ed Kranepool.

Gentile was playing regularly until a recent incident at the Astrodome. After disputing a third strike, Jim crashed his bat at the plate, breaking it in half, then tossed it toward the umpire. After being fined and suspended by the league president, Gentile was released by the Astros.

While Gentile and Stuart were both boisterous unpopular players baseball will miss their kind. They added color to the game with their long home runs and mediocre fielding. The two big first basemen fought their way through baseball, and left their mark wherever they played.

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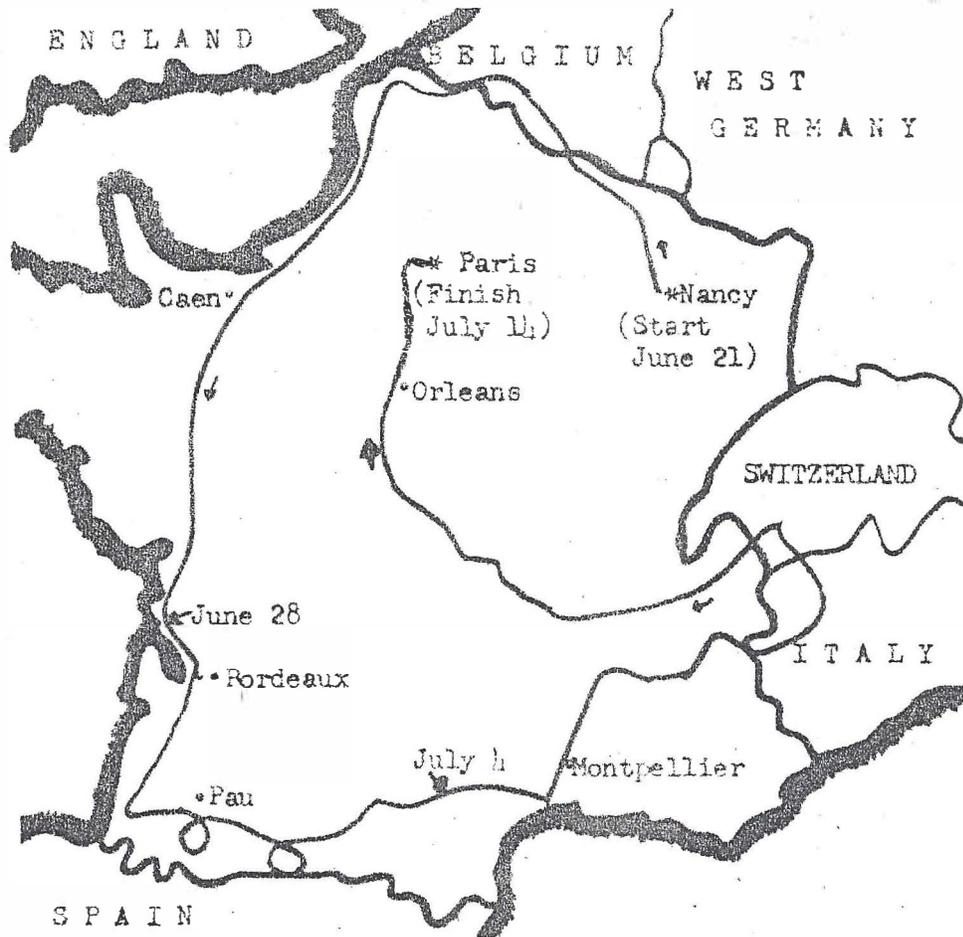
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MEDICARE AND SOCIAL SECURITY:

A STEP TOWARD SOCIALISM

"Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country."

-J.F. Kennedy

In the above statement, we see the true meaning of Americanism, that which made men fight to make this republic great. Today the people want Medicare, Dentacare, and Social Security, etc. Is this following the above statement? The citizen of today thinks he is

FLYING DEATH TRAPS

Recently a major American airline announced the purchase of several new jetliners that will each carry well over 400 hundred passengers. It is hoped that this goliath of an airplane will help to make travel by air more economical.

After reading the newspaper account of this story, one cannot help but think of the recent series of jetliner crashes around the world. Just a few months ago, a Canadian liner crashed at Tokyo Airport and a day later, a BOAC jet literally "went to pieces" over famed Mt. Fiji.

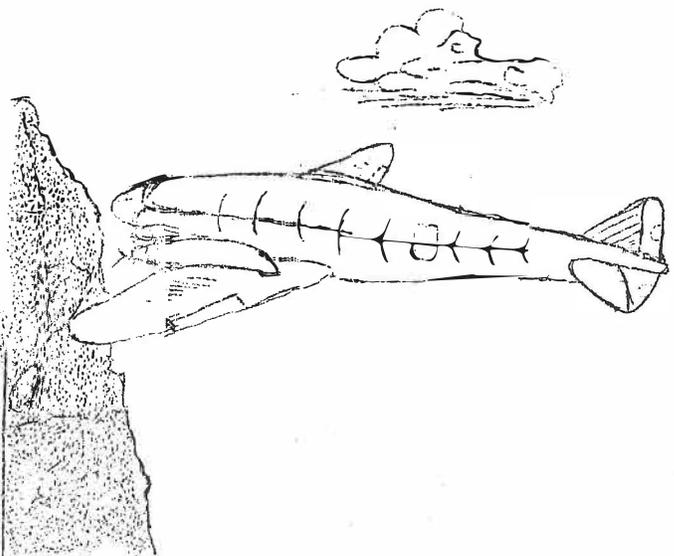
It was discovered that there was a hair-line crack near the tail section and when a strong gust of wind hit it, it broke loose. This accident caused the airlines to inspect their craft of that type with a fine tooth comb. And a surprisingly large number were found to have this fatal crack.

In each jet crash, the majority of the passengers "never live to tell about it." In the BOAC crash, close to ninety passengers were members of the Thermo-King Corporation in Minnesota. This left a large gap in their personnel. If one of these new 400-passenger planes crashed, the results would be disastrous.

gaining something, while actually he is just giving money to the government and it is being re-distributed in such forms as Social Security and Medicare. Every year, the state of Massachusetts will pay 4.13% of the nation's bills arising from Medicare and Social Security. Yet the state will receive only slightly over 2.5% in benefits to its people through these programs.

	Pays	Receives
Massachusetts	4.1%	2.5%
Colorado	2.1%	3.4%
Rhode Island	1.2%	.7%
West Virginia	1.6%	2.8%

By Medicare and other bills like it, the people of the nation have given more power to the state. Our federal government is no longer that "of the people, by the people, and for the people." Instead it owns the people, rules the people, and taxes them. What has happened to our great republic?



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Our America and Her News

C H E A T I N G . . . A W A Y O F L I F E ?

Today, cheating has become a way of life. If you don't cheat at least once a week in school, you're out. . . way out. Students take turns making the crib cards, or they pass notes inside ball-point pens during tests. On Contact, a popular radio disoussion show, Bob Kennedy, the host, interviewed a guest on the topic of cheating on the college campus. The guest said that the ways in which college students cheat are innumerable. They hide answers in gum wrappers, on the lapels of clothing, and in other strange places. It's incredible.

We must do something about this problem- but what? There are no easy solutions. It is like a complex equation, but there are just too many variables. To start off, why do students cheat?

A few years ago, students cheated just to pass tests. Today they cheat to get marks above 80%. And why, you ask? PRESSURE. The pressure comes from parents, teachers, principals, and even the students themselves. Everyone is yelling, "Get better marks or else!" Children in the first and second grades have been told that if they don't do well on a certain test, they will no make college. Imagine, college at least ten years away!!

Some people blame the teachers. They say if the teachers would get up and walk around the room during tests, it would be more difficult to cheat. Others place the blame on the parents, who are the models for the children. They say the parents have not set a good example for their children. But most people, seeing none else to blame, criticize the students. The children were brought up well, people say; it is their own fault and no one else's.

Many suggestions have been made as to how we can curb this wide-spread cheating epidemic. Honor systems have been taken apart so most people are utterly confused. I think honor systems are ineffective, because students cheat even with the teacher in the room. Can you imagine how many duplicate answer sheets would be passed in if the honor system were used? I have been left in a room with three or four "trustworthy" students and no teacher. The cheating was incredible! However under ideal conditions, the honor system does work occasionally.

Whatever causes cheating and whoever is to blame, it is clear that it shall be difficult to find a good solution to this problem.

Sue Williams

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So reads a sign in Grants of Worcester. Blankets in July? Well you know what they said to Ben Franklin. And it wasn't "Go fly a kite!"

Just around the corner is the City Hall clock with the front face still on Eastern Standard Time. Maybe if the college men on the city council had a fundamental course in telling time, they might spot the error. At least their watches would always be on time, even if the finishing of the Expressway isn't.

Not wanting to end our trip so soon we traveled out to the corner of Shrewsbury and Main Streets in Holden, a su-

History Today

CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

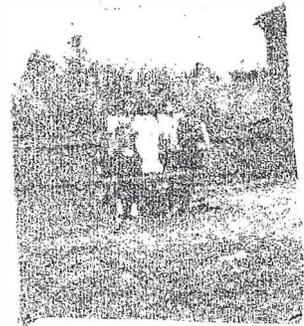
Although Benjamin Franklin made some warnings about using up our forests and killing off our wildlife, it was not until the beginning of the 20th century that any forceful measures were taken to prevent extinction of wild animals and useless loss of our timberlands. The first national park, Yellowstone, was dedicated in 1872, however, it was President Theodore Roosevelt who really initiated a program conserving our natural resources and setting up the National Park Service. The realization that the American bison were dying out, that our forests and minerals were being recklessly wasted and that Americans were losing their heritage, hurried Roosevelt's program.

per market with the name of its owner, Ralph McCracken. There is nothing wrong with this, except that this particular market was formerly called King's. If the trend continues, we may find ourselves with The Evening Stoddard or even the United States of Johnson.

This month's public service notice goes to Batman. He is warned not to push the Bat converter when he is in the Batmobile, for fear that it will convert back to its true make and model, a hard-topped VW sedan. Holy Sardines!! Finally we come to the hep, hairy, hopped, hopeless, hordes of teenagers. They are said to be the "pace setters." But doesn't the pace set them?

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L E T O U R D E F R A N C E

by George Dresser



On the morning of June twenty-first, a parade consisting of press cars, officials' cars, team autos, a dozen of De Gaulle's motorcycle policemen, and 130 bicycle racers, proceeded from the French city of Nancy to its suburb of Champigneulle. At noon, the famous race started. Twenty-two days and 2,641 miles later, on July 14, the winner will cross the finish line in Paris.




This race, the Tour de France, has been an annual event for fifty-three years. The 130 contestants are members of 13 ten-man teams, each commercially sponsored. The sponsors range from automobile manufacturers, a Spanish fruit juice company, and a Japanese washing machine business. Other products manufactured by the sponsors are nylon, potato chips, kitchen utensils, delicatessen products, and aspirin.



After the parade in Nancy, the cyclists started on the first leg of the race, a 129-mile spin to Charleville. Each day's race is a separate unit with a winner and a loser. The grand winner is the rider who has the lowest total after all 20 races (there are two days set aside for resting) are completed. The distances covered each day vary from 80 to 135 miles, depending on the terrain. In late June and early July, the Pyrenees and the Alps cut the distances to a minimum.

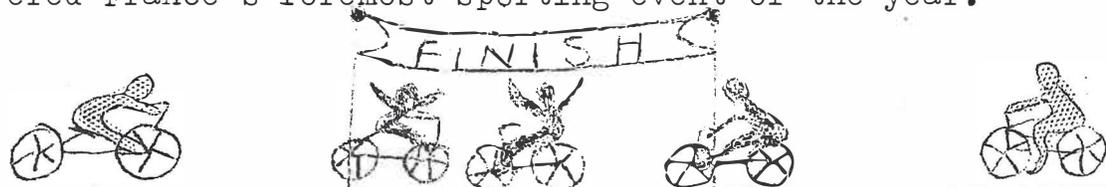



The grueling muscle work is expected to take its toll. Of the 130 starters, less than 80 are likely to finish.

But, for the winners, it is well worth the effort. While each day's winner gets \$400, the grand winner gets \$4,000. Total prize money is \$100,000.



The race is being watched by an estimated 4,000,000 people, most of whom will only catch a fleeting glimpse of the cyclists as they move past, probably at an average of 25 miles per hour. But the spectators don't care; a momentary sighting suffices for what is often considered France's foremost sporting event of the year.



Photograph Collection on View

The Worcester Art Museum currently has a display of some 26 photographs taken by the late Dr. Roger Kinnicutt. For forty years, Dr. Kinnicutt photographed scenes in Petersham and his native Worcester. His extensive collection consists of nature studies, architectural views of the city and portraits. The museum is open daily, 10-5.

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SPRINGDALE NEWS

by Gary Harrington and Paul Chevalier

Fire

The Armstrongs have had a fire in the past that spread to the Truesdells field. If it had of caught onto their barn, there wouldn't of been much hope of saving it. It happened when the maid was burning papers.

Remodeling

The Truesdells are having their downstairs of their house remodeled. They have had it painted and plastered and papered. Their house is looking very nice.

Vacations

The Forsbergs of North Street went to the White Mountains. They left on July 26 and comin back July 2. They were swimming.

The Churchills are going to Washington early in July.

The Cummings are spending the summer in Stiles Reservoir in Spencer.

Spelling-Bee

Mary Lou Welch came in first place in the Jefferson School spelling bee. She was only ten when she did it.

Go-Kart

Ricky Spaulding, age 6, is driving around in his father's go-kart.

Hicory, Dicory, Dock
There are mice behind
Their clock

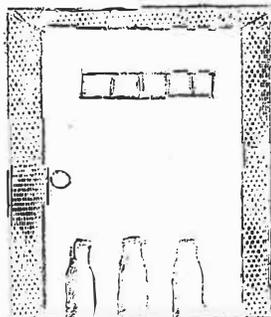
At Dressers there are
mice behind the clock in
their skatehouse.

Navy

James E. Welsh IV will
join the Navy on July 9
He will go to boot camp
and then on active duty.

OLIVE
DRAB

by
Dave
DeVries



It was a very cold and drizzily day in the Back Bay as Joan Wilson walked down the narrow littered street. As Joan tried to avoid the shallow puddles, she thought about the recent stranglings and gangland slayings that had plagued the city. Across the street she noticed a ruddy faced man watching her as she made her way to her apartment. Joan took the stairs to her apartment two at a time, sensing the man's piercing look. She opened the front door and disappeared from sight inside the musty decrepit tenement. She sprinted up to her third floor room and slammed the door behind her, gasping for breath, her heart in her throat. After a few moments of rest, Joan took all the empty tonic bottles from beneath the kitchen sink and placed them in front of the door and windows. The room was hot and stuffy so Joan decided to open a window and let in some fresh air.

Suddenly a man knocked on the door, saying he was from the telephone company. Joan thought back and remembered the man staring at her in the street. She did not answer the door. Planning to call for help, she grasped the telephone, only to find it dead. The man pounded on the door with more determination. Joan's heart beat wildly as she yelled, "Go away or I'll call the police." As the man tried to force the door, Joan ran desperately into the kitchen, looking for a weapon. In her mad haste, she lost her footing in the clutterment of bottles in front of the window and was catapulted out by her own momentum.

Slowly a crowd gathered around her lifeless body heaped on the concrete walk next to a drab olive-green telephone truck.

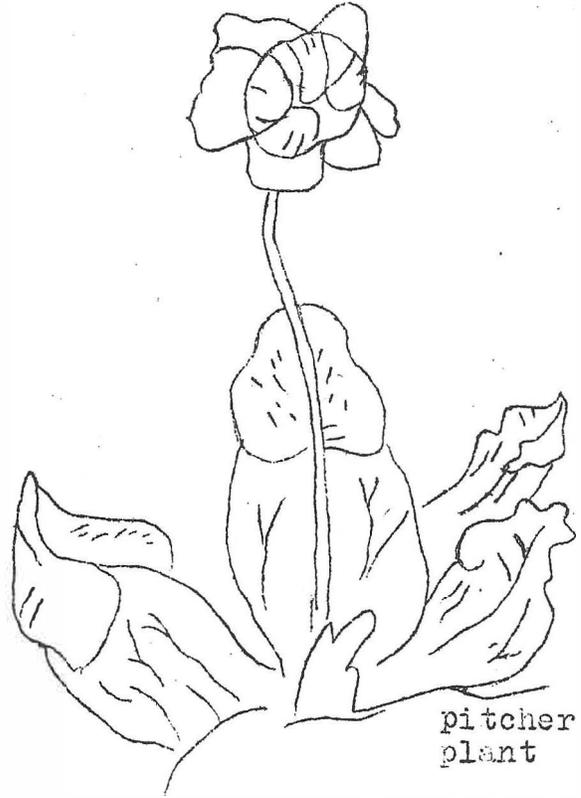
In the Berkshire Mountains

C R A N B E R R Y B O G

by Debbie Janes

Cranberry Bog is situated in the picturesque Berkshire Mountains in West Hawley. To reach the bog, it is necessary to walk a considerable distance through the woods beneath hemlocks, and along a stream. Ferns of different kinds: New York, Cinnamon, Royal, and Hay-scented, line the path. Trillium and goldthread grow among various club mosses, and blueflag and water alum grow in and around the stream. The stream is dammed by beavers. The dams help to keep the bog moist, and, in a drought, to postpone the time when the bog will dry out.

As one approaches the bog, the ground becomes soft and muddy, and there is a change in vegetation. One finds that the trees have abruptly disappeared and there is a large open space with shrubby plants and moss. The bog is a depression in the mountainside which was once a glacial lake covering a much larger area. The lake has dwindled to a couple of shallow ponds in the middle of the bog with yellow water lilies floating on the surface. The bog consists of mainly sphagnum moss which is deep and very moist. There are also fragrant sweet gale, low bush blue-berries, bog bean, Labrador Tea, bog laurel and cranberries growing profusely. Among the more interesting plants are the Sundew, small insect-eating plants which sparkle in the sun with their sticky tips, and pitcher plants with large nodding flowers and water-filled traps.

pitcher
plant

The ground is very soft, and when one jumps in one spot, the surrounding area heaves as though it were jello. This is called a quaking bog. There are also sink holes where the moss forms only a thin surface, and it is possible to sink three or four (or possibly more) feet into the thick wet moss. Beaver, muskrat, red-winged blackbirds and frogs inhabit the area. Other animals such as bears, deer, foxes and bobcats visit the area for water.

Though a bog may exist today, it will eventually dry out and be reclaimed by the waiting and surrounding forest with a new type of flora and a new environment.

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IT'S A SQUARE WORLD

By Charles Z. Holz

Hey gang, whatever you do, don't take any vacation excursions to Columbia. They have worms, normal relatives of our earthworms, that are some five to six feet long, with a circumference of twelve to fifteen inches. If that's what their worms are like, just imagine the queen snakes.

Jim Gearhart, a WFIL (Philadelphia) P.J. who was fed up with the Phillies baseball team losing, decided to take things into his own hands. He dreamed up an all-time lineup of American and National leaguers (from Ty Cobb and Babe Ruth to Willie Mays and Sandy Koufax) and, with the help of a computer, played a world series. The games were taken well by his audience; they had a regular sports announcer do the games. The idea has developed to the point where a television concern may use animation and old film footage to put these "all-star" games on the air. Maybe the news programs will get the same idea and bring us "ideal" news.

Envision Walter Cronkite spurring forth these beauties: "Income taxes have been totally eliminated in the United States."; "Worcester Expressway completed."; "Ho Chi Minh dies of a heart attack."; and even "Feep wins landslide election for president."

T I J U A N A ? OSI, SI, SENORI

by CHRIS KOPPEL

Just a three hour drive from Los Angeles and across the border is the well-known city of Tijuana B.C. Mexico. Known for its quick marriages and divorces, Tijuana is a crowded and dirty city. Most people seen there are American tourists.

One may take a cab from the border to the downtown area. The cost is usually \$1.50 - \$2.00 depending on how much you'd care to bargain with the cab driver. The downtown area is a fast moving blur of color.

Sidewalk vendors follow you down the street begging you to purchase anything from a genuine Tijuana sombrero to a Swiss wristwatch. In the many stores and shops, you can buy anything from a painting on black velvet to a bottle of Chanel Number 5.

French perfumes may be obtained inexpensively in Tijuana because there is no duty charge.

Located in the downtown area is the Jai Alai Palace where one may bet on the players catching and tossing the ball, using cestas, basket-like objects strapped on their wrists. Also downtown, for the gambler, there are both horse and dog races.

For the aficionado of the corrida de toros (bullfight), Tijuana has two bullrings. Well-known matadors from Spain and Mexico come here to display their skill and courage. Bullfights are held every Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Although dirty and crowded, Tijuana is a fascinating place that everyone should see for himself at least once.

Minute Meditation

Don't worry about the idiocies of the younger generation. You were like that and look how well you turned out.

--Robert Quillen



Miracle Workers in Houston

Now that the Houston Astros have ironed out all the problems that go with completing an ultra-modern sports complex, attention turns to the fortunes of the team.

Last winter, owner Roy Hofheinz stunned the baseball world by firing both G.M. Paul Richards and manager Lum Harris. Both men were highly capable and popular with the fans. Richards is considered a genius in the development of players.

Most people had predicted another ninth place finish for the Astros, as low as you can go in the N.L. with the Mets in the league. However, the fiery Judge Hofheinz picked the right man as the successor to Harris. Grady Hatton has virtually masterminded the Astros to their comparatively lofty standing of fifth place (as of 7/1). Paul Richards' youth program is beginning to produce dividends. The Astros are fielding a young, fleet-footed team that relies primarily on speed for its attack. Their only bona-fide slugger is Dave Nicholson, a case in point of Hatton's managerial skills. Prior to being traded to Houston, Nicholson's sole claim to fame was that he holds the American League strike-out record. Hatton convinced the hulking outfielder to cut down on his swing. The results were amazing as Nicholson maintained a .300 plus batting average while supplying consistent homerun and RBI strength.

While the Astros will not win any pennants this year, they have a young, potentially strong team that can now hold its own in the power-laden National League. The dismissal of Richards may have been a mistake, since the present status of Houston may be attributed to him.

Liver and onions...A dog that walks away when you're trying to get him to come up and be patted so you can show people how friendly the stupid mutt is... weather that rains when you want to go on a hike...staplers that don't... "As You Like It"... clothes that weren't designed for whoever's wearing them...guys who are conceited enough to think that girls don't have any other reason (like fun, or keeping the sun out of your eyes, for instance,) for wearing crazy sunglasses except just for getting guys...kids sassing their parents... Rivers white with soapsuds...ever increasing junkpiles of abandoned cars... traffic jams.. weed -killers that kill birds as well as weeds...the fact that it's so heart - warming to find someone who'll show you a bit of what used to be common courtesy...war...mis-leading titles of articles on magazine covers...vandalism...the way people don't do things they think they'd enjoy doing because it's not "in"...the way kids have to decide earlier and earlier what they're going to do...insincerity.

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