

Area Business Leaders Predict Continued Growth

Three GOP Governors Begin Terms

Auto Strike,
War Seen as
Only Clouds

'Just Society' Is Called For by Rockefeller

N.Y. Leader Formally
Takes Reins of Office
for the Third Time

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Republican Nelson A. Rockefeller formally began his third term as governor of New York today by declaring his devotion to building what he called "a just society."

Today's inaugural ceremony was staged in the Assembly chamber at the state capitol to fulfill tradition.

Actually, Rockefeller had taken his third-term oath at a private ceremony three days earlier in New York City.

At that time, he repeated the declaration he had made repeatedly during his uphill fight for reelection — that he never again would seek his party's presidential nomination.

In offering the "just society" concept, he said:

DREAM OF FREE MEN

"And I sense the purpose — high purpose — because I have full faith in our capacity for creativity — our common resolve with God's help to build together the dream of free men of all ages: a just society."

"This," he continued, "is the dream of a society where:

"Government is courageous, power is benign, learning is abundant, prosperity is general, order is serene, law is honored, compassion is practiced and brotherhood is lived."

He concluded: "It is our splendid task to make this society no dream at all — but the world for our children to live in."

'I Will Try Very Hard' ---Reagan

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)

— Ronald Reagan, one of America's new political stars, became the 33rd governor of California in a colorful post-midnight ceremony today and solemnly vowed, "I'll try very hard."

Standing under the Capitol dome, the 55-year-old Republican placed a hand on a 400-year-old Bible and took the oath that gave him the job of solving mounting fiscal and social problems of the nation's most populous state.

If he is 'successful it could assure a place in the national political picture for Reagan, the former actor who in his first try for public office defeated Democratic Gov. Edmund G. Brown.

His expression serious, his voice quiet, Reagan recalled Benjamin Franklin once said, "If someone could take public office and bring to the public office the teachings and precepts of the Prince of Peace, he would revolutionize the world and men would be remembering him for 1,000 years."

"I don't think anyone could ever take office and be so presumptuous to think he could ever do that or that he could follow those precepts completely," Reagan said. "I can tell you this: I'll try very hard. I think it is needed in today's world."

A BIT OF HUMOR

There was a bit of humor amid the inauguration solemnity.

As he stepped forward to speak after taking the oath, Reagan turned to Sen. George Murphy, R-Calif., and remarked, "George, here we are on the late show again."

Murphy is also a former film star and the late evening movies often play films in which he or Reagan starred.



TAKES OATH — Republican Ronald Reagan today became governor of California as he took the oath of office from California State Supreme Court Justice Marshall F. McComb in Sacramento, Calif. AP Wirephoto

Romney Goals Are Outlined at Inaugural

State Chief Executive
Urges Progress, Hits
Overcentralization

LANSING (AP) — Republican George Romney was inaugurated for a third term as governor of Michigan today and said "the time has come for the state to move ahead into a new generation of progress."

Winner of a landslide reelection victory Nov. 8, Romney outlined goals for the next four years and told an inaugural audience that "Michigan's accomplishments of the past four years have laid a stronger foundation for the achievement of these goals."

In his prepared inaugural address, the 59-year-old Romney — considered by many as the most likely candidate for

"Continued growth" is forecast for 1967 by Pontiac area business leaders.

While 1966 was labeled a success, both the merchant and banker see the new year bringing more prosperity, viewing the local economy as healthy.

Generally, only two factors are cited as possible clouds on the economic horizon. These are the Vietnam war and the possibility of an auto strike.

Kenneth S. Miller, Pontiac Area Chamber of Commerce president, said he "is pleased with the many accomplishments and unequaled prosperity enjoyed by our area's businesses and industries in 1966."

Miller cited the expansion of Hudson's Budget Store to a full-line store, the addition to the Montgomery Ward store, the expansion and relocation of downtown merchants, the expansion at Pontiac Motor Division, the ground breaking for the new courthouse addition, and completion of the administration building for the Michigan College of Osteopathic Medicine, as examples of advances made in the area.

'FUTURE BRIGHT'

He explained, "The Pontiac area has prospered along with the whole state in its growing economy. Unemployment was at a minimum and earnings at their highest in 1966."

Miller predicted that "even though things will probably level off to a more stabilized economy, the future looks bright for another good year for this area's businesses and industries."

Wallace B. Schroth, assistant division manager of Consumers Power Co., said; "1966 has been

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Jets Hit N. Viet, DMZ Soon After Truce Ends

SAIGON, South Vietnam (AP) — American jet bombers renewed their attacks on North Vietnam and the demilitarized zone (DMZ) today soon after the end of a blood-spattered, two-day New Year's truce.

A U.S. spokesman said American fliers encountered Communist MIGs during forays over the Red River

Delta, but there were no reports of planes shot down on either side.

U.S. B52 heavy bombers unloaded high explosives in two raids during the day on North Vietnamese positions in the DMZ.

The ground war in South Vietnam also resumed officially when the much-broken truce ended at 7 a.m., and U.S. forces reported light contact with the enemy.

Off the North Vietnamese coast, the U.S. destroyers Ingersoll and Manley duelled for two hours with a shore battery which fired on the Ingersoll from an offshore island near Vinh.

Navy F4 Phantom jet bombers also pounded the Communist battery, but the results were not known. A U.S. spokesman said neither destroyer was damaged.

178 INCIDENTS

The U.S. and South Vietnamese military commands reported a final total of 178 Communist assaults, harassing fire, ambushes and other violent incidents during the 48-hour New Year truce. The total far exceeded the 122 incidents reported during the similar truce over Christmas.

Suspect Sought in City Killing

Woman Seen With
Bar Owner-Victim

A Detroit woman was being sought by Pontiac police today for questioning in the fatal shooting of a Pontiac bar owner.

The victim, David B. Foster, 38, was found dead yesterday at the bottom of the basement stairs in the apartment building where he lived at 473 S. Padcock.

Witnesses told police that they saw Foster and the suspect, Margaret Overton, 39, arguing outside the building shortly before his body was discovered by another tenant.

According to police Miss Overton is a former Pontiac resident, but her address in Detroit is unknown.

Foster, the owner of Foster's Bar at 335 Wessen, was shot once in the chest with a small-caliber gun, police said.

Police were called to the scene about 3:15 a.m. after receiving a report that someone had fallen down the stairs and was injured. Foster was dead when police arrived.

Flash

SAIGON, (AP) — U.S. Air Force jets shot down seven Communist MIGs over North Vietnam today in the largest air battle of the war, U.S. spokesmen reported.

De Gaulle Hits U. S. for Viet Intrusion

PARIS (AP) — President Charles de Gaulle began the new year this weekend with two stinging attacks on American intervention in Vietnam, which he says has brought on an unjust and detestable war that is spoiling the world's chances for peace.

De Gaulle told diplomats at a New Year's reception last night there were signs after the two world wars of a period of peace and international cooperation "if this victory of wisdom had not been, alas, prevented by the conflict that one (nation) has unleashed and that one is cruelly prolonging on Vietnamese territory."

De Gaulle did not mention the United States by name. But in his annual New Year's Eve television address he put all the blame for the war on the United States.

No Multiple Deaths

County's Road Toll Cut

Avoidance of multiple-death accidents which marked previous years is cited by Oakland County Sheriff Frank W. Irons as a key factor in reducing the county's traffic toll for the second straight year.

Unofficial figures drawn from the sheriff's department, local authorities and State Police place the death count for 1966 at 152.

The final figure in 1965 was 161, a reduction of 41 over the previous year, when the county toll set an all-time high.

In contrast to previous years, no single accident in 1966 in Oakland County claimed more than two lives.

Eight two-death accidents are included in the final count.

The reduction also came in the

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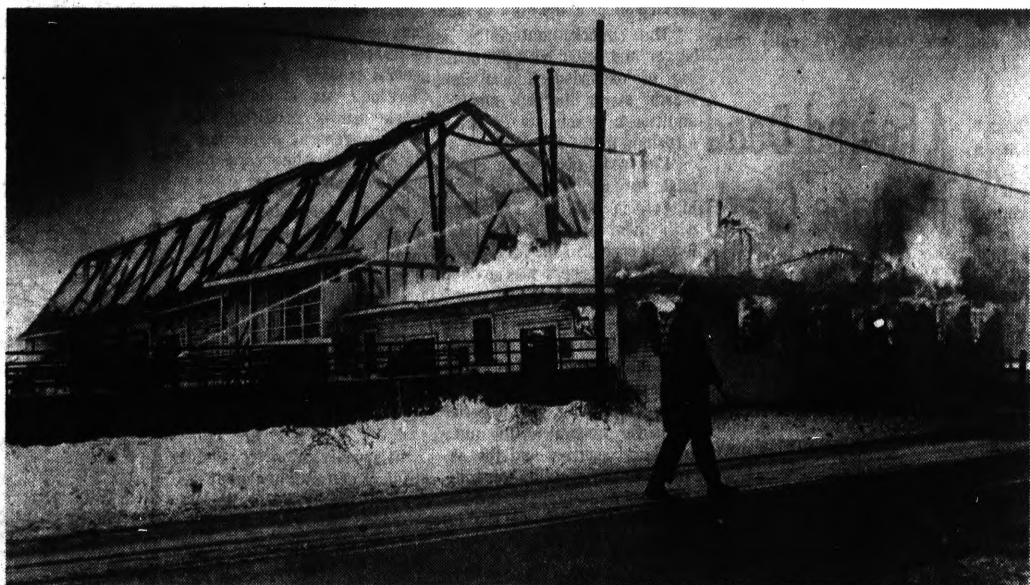
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STABLE BLAZE — Some 60 horses were rescued from the Klenzner Riding Academy barn at 6525 Willow, West Bloomfield Township, after it caught on fire Saturday afternoon. The West Bloomfield Township Fire Department was aided by tankers from

six other nearby departments as they fought to control the blaze which wiped out the main barn and one of its two wings. A valuation on the barn, formerly the old Livernois Stables, and its contents has not yet been made, firemen said.



Pontiac Press Photo by Edward R. Noble

HOW DOES IT FEEL? — For many celebrants, the first New Year's resolution is a tiny whisper inside that says, "I'll never do it again." Gently probing his still-pounding temples is this party-goer. His gay hat still dangles streamers, but his expression belies his apparel. With courage and a "pinch" of aspirin, he'll be ready for work tomorrow . . . will you?

Mild Weather May Linger

Mild New Year's weather, accompanied by occasional drizzle and flurries, was expected to continue today.

The weekend was marked by warming temperatures plus precipitation, which when it froze about 10 p.m. last night made driving hazardous in some areas.

Cloudy, occasional periods

of light snow or drizzle and not much change in temperature is the outlook for today, tonight and tomorrow.

Temperatures are expected to cool by Wednesday.

A high of 32 to 37 was forecast for today with a low of 27 to 32 tonight. Winds are west southwest at 8 to 16 miles.

Looking Forward to '67 and Curing of City Ills

Executive Director
National Urban League

It is traditional at the start of a new year to look ahead at what the next twelve months will bring and commit ourselves to making it a better year than the last.

The central problem facing the nation in 1967 will be to solve the increasing decay and the bitterness in our cities.

The inhuman conditions of ghetto life and the resulting frustration among young people who see themselves boxed in by a hostile, prejudiced society are symptoms of the disintegration of urban life.

Unless these problems are resolutely attacked, our cities are doomed to yearly bouts of civil disturbances.

I hope that 1967 will see a more realistic attitude toward these problems. The traditional method of offering token prizes like swimming pools or crash programs after a riot has occurred is unrealistic.

LOCAL LEADERS

I hope that painful message has finally become apparent to local leaders and that all of our cities take immediate steps to alleviate the horrors of slum life.

The wide interest stirred by the Senate hearings on the "crisis of the cities" leads me to hope that all elements of our society will cooperate in attacking the despair which entraps millions of ghetto dwellers.

An encouraging sign is the greater interest in urban problems by private industry, foundations and other non-governmental groups.

Most important on the list of urban problems is housing. Millions live in deteriorating

homes, damaging to the health and oppressive to the spirit.

MAIN OBSTACLE

While there are signs that government and private industry will explore new ways to co-operate in building and rehabilitating low-income housing, racial discrimination remains the main stumbling block to decent housing for Negro citizens.

Ghettos exist because Negroes are rarely allowed to move into other neighborhoods. Unfortunately, the Civil Rights Act of 1966 which would have limited discrimination in housing, was killed, but the President still has the power to issue an executive order which would accomplish similar results.

I hope that 1967 will see such an executive order, for if steps are not taken to end housing discrimination, our cities are doomed and will perpetuate Negro ghettos ringed by a "white noose" of suburbs.



AP Wirephoto

WINS CUSTODY — Valerie Swindle poses with her 4-year-old daughter, Sharon, after she was awarded custody of the child in Paragould, Ark., last weekend. She has been involved in a transatlantic custody battle with her ex-husband, Gerald. Mrs. Swindle is a native of England.

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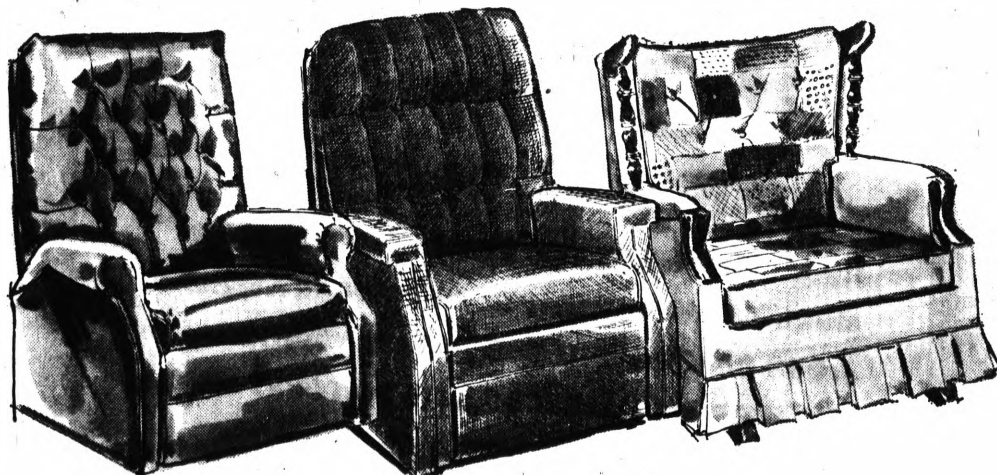
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'2-Form' Hepatitis Challenged by Doctor

By Science Service
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Admitting that the incubation and route of infection of the supposed two forms of the

disease may differ, Dr. Robert Freyman believes they are basically the same infectious disease — most likely of virus origin. "This logic is based on the deduction," he explained, "that after all, serum hepatitis was originally caused by a needle or syringe containing the germ-carrying blood or plasma of a patient with infectious hepatitis. "Once the illness is developed, no difference can be found in the two." During nearly 40 years of practice, he said, he has never seen a direct contact case of hepatitis developing within a family in any reasonable space of time unless there was a common source of infection. This is further documented by the fact that no recorded cases exist among doctors, nurses or other medical personnel ever developing the infection by close association with hepatitis patients, except by becoming the victim of an infected syringe or needle, transfusion contact or germ-carrying food, he said.

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