



Pontiac Press Photo

QUEEN FOR A YEAR — Jennifer Siegwart (right) is all smiles after being named Waterford Township Junior Miss Saturday night. With the 17-year-old Kettering High School senior is last year's titlist, Gyanne Mansfield. Jennifer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Siegwart of 3258 Wormer, Waterford Township.

Senior at Kettering Is New Junior Miss

Waterford Township's new Junior Miss, Jennifer Siegwart, a petite senior at Kettering High School, fares well in competition against the fair set.

Her latest honor, achieved in Saturday night's Waterford Township Junior Miss Pageant at Mason Junior High School, marked the second time in as many contests she has emerged victorious.

Accidents Take 2 Lives in Area

Boy Falls From Car to Death; Teen Girl Dies

A 4-year-old Waterford Township boy and a 17-year-old Ferndale girl were injured fatally from injuries received in two separate traffic accidents over the weekend.

Killed were Patrick L. Hodges son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hodges of 5170 Hatchery, Waterford Township and Mary A. Werner of Ferndale.

The Hodges boy was pronounced dead at Pontiac General Hospital shortly after he fell from his father's car and was run over by another automobile on Dixie Highway at Fremont in Waterford Township at 5:35 p.m. yesterday.

The victim's father told State Police of the Pontiac post he was turning left from Dixie (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

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Ike's Operation Finished; No Word on Condition

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower had his gallbladder removed by surgery this morning and was back in his room at 10:05 a.m.

There was no immediate word on how successful the surgery was. Maj. James Sonneborn of the Walter Reed Army Hospital public information staff made the announcement to reporters at 10:14 a.m.

"The operation has been completed and Gen. Eisenhower was back in his room at Ward 8 of the hospital at 10:05 a.m. Further information will be forthcoming momentarily," he said.

There was no immediate word on how long the surgery itself lasted. But it had previously been reported that it began promptly at 8 a.m. as scheduled.

Doctors had said prior to the operation that it was expected it would take "about an hour and a half."

After giving the announcement, Sonneborn was asked, "How does he feel?"

Sonneborn said he had no information on that at the moment, but that he expected to get it momentarily.

The announcement was the

first since shortly after the surgery began.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Walter Reed Army Hospital officials announced at 8:05 a.m. that the surgery scheduled for 8 o'clock was already under way.

This began for the 76-year-old five-star general his second surgical experience in 10 years.

A team of surgeons headed by Lt. Gen. Leonard D. Hea-

son, the Army's surgeon general, was at the operating table.

The head nurse with the task of handing instruments to the surgeons was Maj. Hazel Outlaw of the Army Nurse Corps.

Target for the surgery was the pear-shaped gall bladder which Eisenhower's doctors have said contains "multiple" gall stones.

GM Head Sees Bright Picture

Says 1967 Could Be Best in Auto History

DETROIT (AP) — The nation's auto industry may be heading for one of its best years in history in 1967, Frederic G. Donner, chairman of General Motors Corp., said today.

In a year-end statement on the U.S. economic outlook, Donner predicted that total retail sales of motor vehicles "could well exceed our long-term" estimate of 10,350,000 cars and trucks in 1967.

But the chairman of the nation's biggest auto firm added:

"Economic developments in 1967 will be importantly influenced by the magnitude of the resources required for Vietnam and the nature and extent of government actions in the areas of monetary and fiscal policy."

Donner expressed optimism that national defense expenditures could be held within recently announced levels and that there would be no major changes in the areas of monetary and fiscal policy.

"In addition," he said, "we believe that there are current indications that some of the sources of extreme pressure on the economy may now be moderating."

If Donner's prediction holds true, 1967 would rank third in total of vehicles sold.

The GM chief said motor vehicle (cars, trucks, buses, (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1)

Specialists Start to Examine Cancer-Stricken Jack Ruby

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — Medical specialists start examining cancer-stricken Jack Ruby from head to toe today to seek the source of the disease spreading through his body.

"His chances of recovery depend on the location of the primary site," said Dr. Jay Sanford, professor of internal medicine at Southwestern Medical

School. Dr. Sanford heads a team of physicians treating Ruby.

Sheriff Bill Decker, who has custody of Ruby, called a news conference today. He said Dr. Sanford would be present.

Ruby, 35, onetime Dallas night club operator who neither

drank nor smoked, was taken to Parkland Hospital Friday night after being treated for a week by the county health officer for a congested chest. The hospital said he had pneumonia.

The hospital said Sunday that Ruby is receiving supplemental oxygen at intervals.

DISEASE ADVANCED

A malignant tumor was discovered Saturday to have nearly consumed a lymph node in Ruby's neck. Doctors said it signified there were other sites and that the cancer was advanced.

Whatever the results of this week's tests, Dr. Sanford said, "I do not expect he will be able to go to court" as early as February for retrial on a charge of murder in the slaying of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Oswald, identified by the Warren Commission as the assassin of President John F. Kennedy Nov. 22, 1963, was gunned down two days later in the basement of Dallas City Hall while being transferred to the county jail. The shooting was televised nationwide.

Sun to Smile for Awhile

The sunshine which replaced the weekend's snowfall will remain through Wednesday, according to the weatherman's predictions.

Tonight's low temperature will range between 10 to 18. Tomorrow's clear skies will help warm the mercury and temperatures will climb to the 30s.

Lowest thermometer reading in downtown Pontiac prior to 8 a.m. was 15. By 1 p.m. it had warmed to a brisk 28.



JOSEPH R. FARNHAM

GOP Official Seeks Unity

Reelected chairman of the Oakland County Republican party, Joseph R. Farnham said today he will work for "a unified party on the broadest possible base."

Farnham, 40, of 2061 Avon retained his position by a 30-5 vote of the party's executive committee Saturday.

Active in the GOP since 1959, Farnham was first elected chairman in January to complete the term of Dale Feet who resigned.

"As county chairman I will continue to build on our accomplishments in the November election," said Farnham. "We have shown the country a renewed and revitalized Republican party and it was magnified in Oakland County by the tremendous gains made by all candidates."

A graduate of Yale University and the Chrysler Institute, Farnham is assistant chief engineer in the Engine Electrical Department of Chrysler Corp.

MANY ACTIVITIES

He is a member of the company's general office management club and chairman of the Chrysler Legislative Affairs Committee.

Other officers named were Mrs. Donald White of Independence Township, vice chairman; Mrs. Edward Downs of Beverly Hills, secretary; and Chas. Ritchie of Bloomfield Township, treasurer.

Utica Okays School Bond, 6-Mill Hike

It was a narrow victory for Utica School District educators Saturday as voters approved a \$15.5-million bond issue by a 2,898 to 2,296 margin.

The margin was larger in the bid to seek six mills for five years for the district's operating budget. The vote was 3,107 to 2,354.

Less than half of the district's 14,000 registered voters turned out.

The bond approval is expected to buy two new junior high schools, six new elementary schools and provide additions and better facilities for present buildings.

A new high school, the Adlai Stevenson, is currently under construction as a result of the district's last bond vote for \$8.5 million two years ago.



"We refer to this as our recreation room, son, not the pool hall."

Flash

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court upheld today the 1964 conviction of James R. Hoffa, Teamsters Union president, on jury tampering charges.



Pontiac Press Photo by Roll Winter

Christmas Decorations Provide A Carnival Atmosphere Of Flashing Lights For Downtown Pontiac

MAKE OVER PAGES

Romney Moves to New Forum

WASHINGTON (AP) — Michigan's George Romney carries his presidential ambitions into a new forum today after what one colleague called "some hard sells and some soft sells" almost at other Republican governors.

The Michigan governor is a center of GOP presidential attention as the Republican Coordinating Committee meets today in the party's almost comeback talk and about the political road ahead.

Two men who could stand in

Romney's presidential path are due at the session, too. One is former Vice President Richard M. Nixon, trailing Romney in postelection polls but rated a likely rival to lead the next GOP ticket.

BARRY COMING
The other is Barry Goldwater, still dissatisfied with Romney's explanation of his refusal to endorse the 1964 Republican ticket the Arizona led.

On the eve of the meeting, the Washington Post reported that students and political leaders listed as temporary officers of a "Youth for Romney" organization knew nothing about the group and had not authorized use of their names.

Formation of 111 Youth for Romney groups had been announced at the Colorado Springs, Colo., conference of the Republican Governors Association.

tion by Merlo K. Gates, an unsuccessful candidate for the state legislature from Wichita, Kan., who identified himself as chairman of the youth group. But the Post quoted five of the 13 asserted temporary officers as saying they didn't know about the group. Several indicated the names had come from a list of sponsors of a national student leadership seminar organized in May 1965.

DEMOCRATS, TOO

"This is just deplorable," said Reuben McCormack, president of the District of Columbia Young Republicans. "A number of these people are Democrats." Pennsylvania's retiring Gov. William W. Scranton described the hard sell-soft sell tactics the Romney forces followed Friday and Saturday at Colorado Springs.

Romney insisted, privately as

well as publicly, that he had not made up his mind about a presidential bid, and wouldn't, for about six months. But one Romney associate said it would be naive to deny that the governor is testing the political climate for a White House bid.

Scranton said Romney had picked up strength at the conference, although no commitments were made. "I think George probably went out stronger than he came in," said Scranton, who made a futile nomination bid of his own at the 1964 GOP National Convention.

2 Are Killed in Traffic on Weekend

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Highway onto Fremont when a car door opened and Patrick fell out onto the pavement.

He was struck by a car driven by Mary A. Monroe, 50, of 905 N. Cass Lake, Waterford Township.

'DIDN'T SEE CHILD'
She said she slowed down when she saw a woman running along the road, waving her arms. The Monroe woman told police she didn't remember hitting anything and that she never saw the child.

The Werner girl died about 7:35 a.m. today at Pontiac General Hospital from injuries received in a two-car collision Saturday night.

Oakland County sheriff's deputies said the victim was a passenger in a car driven by Richard M. Feeney, 18, also of Ferndale.

Feeney's car slammed broadside into a telephone pole after colliding with an automobile driven by Gene J. Clark, 22, of 66 College Drive, Avon Township, deputies said.

The accident occurred about 11:36 p.m. at the intersection of Auburn and Opdyke in Pontiac Township.

Union Elects 13 Delegates

Delegates to the Oakland County AFL-CIO Council were elected yesterday by members of union Local 584 at General Motors Truck & Coach Division.

In addition to the 13 delegates, 14 alternates were also elected to represent the 10,500 members of the local.

The delegates include Andrew Wilson, Andrew Carter, Samuel Walker, John Webb, Gene Hunt, Bert Ennis and Ruby Jones. Others are Ralph Pickrell, Marvin Beyers, George Smith, Charles Goddy, George Lintz, Dick Lance and Joseph Warren.

Accountants Will Hear Broomfield

Congressman William S. Broomfield of Oakland County's 18th District will be the guest speaker Thursday at a meeting of the Oakland County Chapter of the National Association of Accountants.

Open to all area accountants, the 7 p.m. meeting will be held at the Devon Cables restaurant, Telegraph and Long Lake Road in Bloomfield Township.

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EUGENE HICKS

Battle Survivor Retells Events

GI, 20, Wonders Why He Wasn't Scared

SUOI DA, South Vietnam (AP) — Pfc. Eugene Hicks, 20, punched and pulled his machine gun that had jammed for the sixth time in as many minutes and wondered why, in the midst of the noises of the bloody battlefield, he wasn't scared.

"I was sort of elated I was shaping up so well, that my reaction to fire was so good," Hicks recalled, remembering back to Sunday morning when his 30-mm platoon stumbled on a large Viet Cong force, engaged them, and took heavy casualties.

Hicks, from Chicago, Ill., didn't realize until he crawled across the battlefield afterward how bad it had been.

"I just thought the men were lying down there to keep out of the way of our own artillery that had been coming in pretty close and even spraying dirt across my back," Hicks said. "But then I saw the blood, the head wounds, the bodies twisted. Those men weren't alive. Oh, it was Black Sunday."

WOUNDED BEFORE

Like others in the ill-fated Platoon from C Company, 1st Battalion, 16th Regiment, Hicks had been wounded before in Vietnam, the first time in the thigh with mortar fragments on his first day in the field.

"The first time I was in action, and hit, I was so scared. But this time, I don't know why, I reacted good," Hicks said.

Birmingham Area News

City to Consider Traffic Lights

BIRMINGHAM — The need for up-to-date pedestrian signals at three intersections in the city will be considered by the City Commission tonight.

The Michigan Highway Department's district traffic engineer has agreed to conduct a survey of the Hunt, Maple, Oakland-Hunter and Woodward-Lincoln intersections if the commission gives its approval.

Following completion of the survey, the district engineer will make recommendations plus a request for partial participation in the cost of changing the present signals.

Police records show that two pedestrian accidents have occurred at the Hunter and Maple intersection this year.

Police Chief Ralph Moxley said the signals give pedestrians ample time to reach the median but not enough to cross all eight lanes of traffic.

'INADEQUATE'
The signals are "completely inadequate" and "obsolete," according to Moxley and can be replaced only by pedestrians' with better than normal eyesight.

He said they were probably installed when the bypass was constructed in 1939.

Details of a proposed independent study of the east leg of the road will be presented to the commission by Reid and Cool traffic engineering consultants.

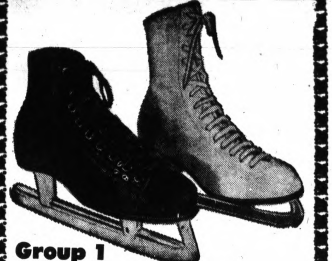
Traffic assignments and geometric layouts of the six routes being considered for the east leg will be made as part of the study and will be reviewed with the Chamber of Commerce study of the east leg of the road will be presented to the administration.

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Possible '67 Record Seen by GM Head

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etc.) sales this year will total about 10.6 million units, second only to the record volume of more than 10.8 million in 1965.

The 1967 model cars went on sale late in September, and Donner said that for October and November "the annual rate of sales... is above the normal trend estimate for 1967 and is strong evidence that the industry's 1967 line of cars and trucks have been well received."

If the economic climate remains favorable, 1967 could be "among the best of the past four high-volume model years when sales ranged from 9 to over 10.8 million units," Donner said.

STRONG ADVANCE

Donner said this year there was "a continuing expansion of the economy as a whole, with most measures of general economic conditions indicating strong advance."

He cited "a new and expanding market opportunity" in the growth of sales in so-called "personal" cars, "as compared with the traditional concept of the family car."

This increase holds "great potential for the long-term growth of the business," Donner said.

Donner said a number of other industries — major appliances, Diesel engines and defense products — "will show very favorable gains in 1966."

ON APPLIANCES

Major appliance manufacturers are expected to report a 10 per cent over-all increase in sales this year, compared with 1965, he said.

He said GM anticipates selling 15 per cent more Diesel engine products and 20 per cent more defense products this year than last.

In the auto industry, "there is no doubt that the volume will continue to benefit from intense competition" in both vehicle safety features and prices, he said.

The Weather

Full U.S. Weather Bureau Report

PONTIAC AND VICINITY—Mostly sunny today with temperatures in the 30s. Fair and cool tonight. Lows 10 to 18. Tomorrow will be partly sunny and a little warmer. Winds light and variable becoming south to southwest 5 to 15 miles this afternoon and tonight. Wednesday's outlook: Fair with a warming trend continuing.

Today in Pontiac		Weekend in Pontiac (L.S. recorded down)	
Lowest temperature preceding 8 a.m.	15°	Lowest temperature	28°
High temperature	35°	High temperature	38°
Wind velocity 5 m.p.h.		Wind velocity	25°
Direction variable		Direction	25°
Sun rises Tuesday at 7:54 a.m.		Weather	Sun: Snow; Mon: Cloudy
Moon rises Tuesday at 9:42 a.m.			

Downwind Temperatures	
Albion	21°
Ann Arbor	28°
East Lansing	28°
Farmington	28°
Flint	28°
Grand Rapids	28°
Iron River	28°
Jackson	28°
Marquette	28°
Midland	28°
Monroe	28°
Mount Pleasant	28°
Port Huron	28°
St. Ignace	28°
Traverse City	28°
Westland	28°
Ypsilanti	28°

One Day Ago in Pontiac	
Highest temperature	50°
Lowest temperature	15°
Mean temperature	45°
Wind velocity	15 m.p.h.
Direction	Variable

Highest and Lowest Temperatures	
This Date in 19 Years	41° in 1949
This Date in 40 Years	41° in 1949



Figure Shows Low Temperature Expected Until Tuesday Morning

Included Precipitation Not Indicated—Consult Local Forecast

AP Wirephoto

NATIONAL WEATHER — Rain is expected tonight on the Carolina and Virginia coasts and in the Pacific Northwest with snow flurries predicted in the northern Rockies. It will be colder in the Great Lakes and milder in the Plains.

Suspect Got Rifle Hour Before Killings

NEW YORK (AP) — Police say Gustave Williams, the 29-year-old former mental patient accused of killing two strollers in a city park near Times Square, purchased his bolt-action rifle only an hour before the shooting Saturday night. They also disclosed Sunday city policemen and an update

that Williams was released late last month from a Queens state hospital which he had voluntarily entered in September. He had been referred to an after-care clinic for follow-up treatment. Williams was shot down in a barrage of 16 shots fired by five police officers who were here Christmas shopping. He was hit four times and remained in critical condition today. Detectives said the 30-caliber rifle and 10 rounds of ammunition were purchased at a surplus arms store about 5 p.m. for the next half-hour, Williams

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About 5:30 p.m., Williams was in Bryant Park, a block to the east, where he sat on a bench for another half hour. Then he allegedly stood up and began shooting, police said.

Laws Attacked

CHICAGO (AP) — Justice Theodore Souris of the Michigan State Supreme Court Saturday night attacked "stop and frisk" laws, saying they invade constitutional rights of the individual and act only against the poor. Such laws give police the right to stop and search people without reasonable cause, he said.

Animal Tests Show LSD 'Dangerous'

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — Mice to animals — including people — on an LSD "trip." His conclusion: LSD can be extremely dangerous when not administered under professional direction. "It would rather distribute cyanide free than LSD," he said. "The drug has beneficial effects in treating patients, but under improper application its dangers are 'directly proportional to the incompetency of the person.'"

DIVERSE COMPLEX
Reactions to LSD are as diverse and complex as the personalities of the users, Marr said, and it's the same with animals.



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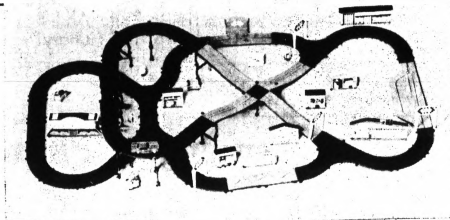


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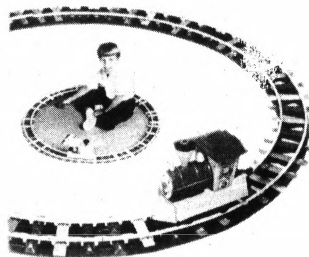
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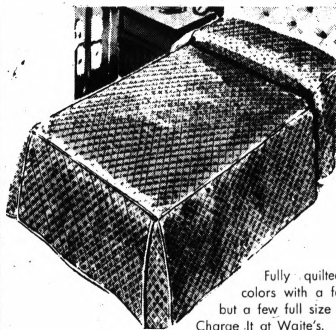
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Gleanings From the Mailbag

Warning to Boozers: Bees Hate Alcohol

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP)— Things a columnist might never know if he didn't open his mail:



BOYLE

It is best to stay away from beehives if you've been drinking. Bees may like honey, but hate alcohol, and are likely to sting anyone who has its odor on his breath.

Ever wonder why you feel poorly on a rainy day? One reason is that your brain may not be getting as much oxygen as usual. Moisture-laden tissues swell and cut down on the flow in blood vessels.

In Peru, as in Spain, it is bad manners—even insulting—to whistle for a taxi. According to a guidebook, it is best, simply to "wave your hand or stand on the curb and hiss as loud as you can."

It is said that in this "age of fat and creates an unhealthy impatience" for children, claims J. I. Rodale, 66, publisher of Prevention, a health magazine. "After

of phobias. But one that you rarely meet with in the average office worker is "kathisophobia—the fear of sitting down."

LOTS OF PRESSURE

Incidentally, science—which seems to be measuring everything these days—has discovered that when the average man does sit down his posterior covers about 100 square inches and exerts a pressure of .92 pounds per square inch.

Quotable notables: "Common sense and good nature will do a lot to make the pilgrimage of life not too difficult."—W. Somerset Maugham.

How much is human life worth? Some 21,000 Americans commit suicide each year, among them hundreds of teenagers. Dr. Stanley Yolles, director of the National Institute of Mental Health, believes this number could be cut 25 per cent in five years by a concerted government drive.

No one is safe from attack these days, not even Santa Claus. The jolly old saint is "too fat and creates an unhealthy impatience" for children, claims J. I. Rodale, 66, publisher of Prevention, a health magazine. "After

all, one can be slim and still be jolly."

POISON BERRIES

Safety hint: If you hang a sprig of mistletoe in your home, be sure to place it out of reach of young fingers. Children have reportedly died as a result of eating mistletoe berries.

Worth remembering: "If a man's after money, he's money mad. If he keeps it, he's a capitalist. If he spends it, he's a playboy. If he doesn't get it, he's a ne'er-do-well. If he doesn't try to get it, he lacks ambition. If he gets it without working for it, he's a parasite. And if he accumulates it after years of toil, people call him a fool who never gets anything out of life."

Folklore: If the first person you encounter on starting a journey is a barefoot woman, the only way to avoid terrible bad luck is to return home and start over again. Killing a spider will bring either poverty or rainfall. Sneezing will cause whatever you were thinking of at the time to come true. A horseshoe in his trunk of samples will help a salesman sell better, and give him a tired arm by nightfall, too.

It was Voltaire who first observed, "Ideas are like beads; men do not have them until they grow up."

U. S. Income Rise Slows in November

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The rate of increase in personal income slowed in November, indicating further that the nation's economy has eased from its breakneck pace of last spring.

The Commerce Department reported yesterday that the November advance of \$3.2 billion at an annual rate pushed personal income to a seasonally adjusted annual figure of \$597.6 billion.

The November gain compared with an increase of \$4.4 billion in October, \$4.6 billion in September, and an average monthly advance of \$1.7 billion during the past year.

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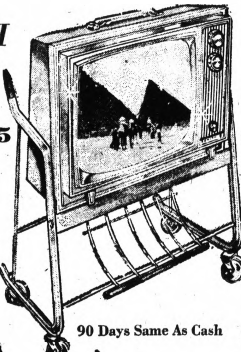
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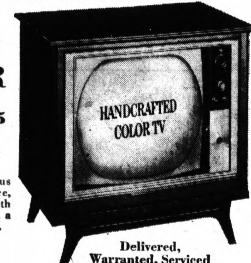
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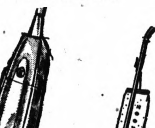
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thing is added to the scene, which is a winter replica of an early 1900 village. Timothy is the son of Robert Parks of Nevada Street, Avon Township.

Pontiac Press Photo

WOMEN'S SECTION

Royal Vows Are Planned for January

BAARN, Netherlands. — The marriage banns were published Saturday for Dutch Princess Margriet, 23, and her commoner fiancé, Pieter Van Vollenhoven, 28.

They were proclaimed bride and bridegroom at a brief civil ceremony in the small town of Baarn, residence of Margriet's parents, Queen Juliana and Prince Bernhard.

The couple will be married Jan. 10 at the Hague.

Today's ceremony was performed by Baarns Burgomaster, Dr. F. J. Van Beek Calkoen. With publication of the banns, Pieter and Margriet intended the register giving their intention to marry.

National flags hung from official buildings throughout the nation and the event was broadcast nationwide by radio and television.

The union, generally approved, has caused no controversy such as the national split over the wedding of Crown Prince Beatrix and German-born Prince Claus last March 10 in Amsterdam.

Margriet was dressed in two-colored velvet ensemble with matching coat and hat. Her bridegroom, a doctor at law, was in an officer's uniform of the Royal Dutch Air Force. He works in the judicial section of the Air Force.

were invited, only to find out that not only were they invited, but my husband had been escorting another man's wife and introducing her as his own.

Tell "HURT" to check to see if her husband didn't take some other "wife."

EXPERIENCED

Personals

The home of Dr. and Mrs. Vernon C. Abbott on Illinois Avenue was the setting on Saturday when Mrs. Abbott's bridge club members entertained their husbands at the annual Christmas dinner-party.

Invited guests were Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Gately, the Marvin Redmonds, the Harold Eulers, Mr. and Mrs. John Windiate, Mrs. Arthur B. Murtha and the Herbert Howorths of Detroit.

Coming from Holly, were the James E. Clarkes and the Elmer Pettengills.

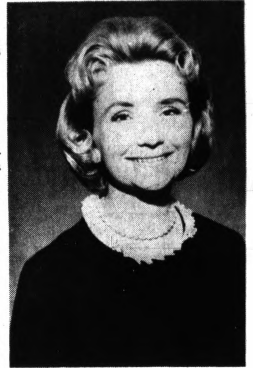
Mr. and Mrs. John S. Coppin entertained at dinner Saturday in their home on Echo Road. Among the guests were David Jones of London, England; Dr. and Mrs. David Steiner, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Fredericks, the William Mitchells, the Kenneth Manuels, the Henry Johnsons and the Alexander Wrigleys of Grosse Pointe.



AP Wirephoto

Movie star, James Mason, 57, follows Japanese actress Yasuko Yama, 24, as they arrive from Switzerland at London's airport. Both denied rumors they intend to marry. "We simply like each other," Mason said.

Spring vows are planned by Mary Susan Coleman, daughter of the M. F. Colemans of Wards Point and Edward H. Broadwell, son of the H. W. Broadwells of Bloomfield Village. She is an alumna of Alma College. Her fiancé is a graduate student at Wayne State University.



MARY S. COLEMAN

Custom Tailored Gifts for Recognizable Types

By PATRICIA MCCORMACK United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) — Christmas gifts for people who don't have all the mannerly traits necessary for membership in the human race:

Two weeks in an echo canyon. This is suitable for loudmouths. It will give them a chance to hear themselves the way others do. The resulting trauma to their ears might teach them to speak softly in the future.

Keep-cool pills. One three times a day should help hot tempered drivers who go into slow and fast burns during trying situations on the highway.

Widely distributed, these pills could help restore courtesy to the highways and might even reduce accidents.

Ear plugs. These should be designed to stay in place a week of more. Give them to people who like to eavesdrop.

They're good gifts, too, for the odd types who like to listen in when the other party's on the "party line."

MEMORY PILLS

A treatment to make some adults remember what it was like to be young.

First in line for this gift would be teachers who pile on homework to be done over a holiday weekend. Good also for big folks who go "tsk tsk" when viewing the hair-dos, clothes, or dances of teen-agers.

A portable radio that doesn't work when around washers and dryers. Other people at the laundromat will appreciate it if someone gives such a radio to the women who contribute to the noise pollution by playing their portables — several at

once — at full blast while waiting for their clothes to come clean.

A gift of silence to replace the gift of gab when in supermarkets. This should go to the women who lock their carts in the middle of an aisle during busy times at supermarkets.

If they have the gift of silence they can't stand there and catch up on President Johnson, the draft, the high cost of living, their congressman, taxes and the woman next door.

Human muzzles. These are for dogs in the habit of howling through the night. Also good for little children who like to broadcast tales of happenings that should be kept within the sacred privacy of the home.

Foam rubber soles to be worn over the regular one on shoes. These are good, in sufficient supply, for the people who have late dance parties in the apartment above yours.

Just leave a basket full of padded soles on the doorstep. Tell them if the padded soles don't work, next time it should be a padded cell.

Defrost pills. These ought to help warm the hearts of those who, confronted by a beggar's cup while Christmas shopping, say — "I pay my taxes. Let Uncle Sam help that 'beggar' or 'cripple'."

Home Again

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Crider have returned to their home in Bloomfield Village after a vacation at Durado Beach, Puerto Rico. Their daughter, Terry, is expected home this weekend from the Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School.

This Group Wants Gala for Officer

By ELIZABETH L. POST Dear Mrs. Post: Recently a new superintendent of schools was elected for our city. He will not assume his position until some time in January. In the meantime we have an interim superintendent of schools.

The local PTA Council president wishes to have a reception for the new superintendent and his wife soon. Some of us feel that this is premature and it should not be held until he definitely assumes the office. I'd greatly appreciate a reply as this affects me personally.

Thelma Dear Thelma: I'm all for having the celebration as the PTA president wishes. It is the fact that the man has won the election which is cause for celebration, not the act of assuming his duties.

So the sooner the better and congratulations to your new superintendent!

***** "Etiquette Tips for Teen-agers" by Elizabeth L. Post, is now available to readers of The "Press." This brand new, sixteen page booklet will answer many questions for teen-agers and their parents. To get a copy, send twenty-five cents in coin to cover booklet and shipping expenses to Elizabeth L. Post, in care of The Pontiac Press.



AP Wirephoto

Eugene Paul Getty, son of multimillionaire oil magnate, J. Paul Getty, and his bride, Dutch-born actress Talitha Pol, wear smiles during their civil wedding ceremony Saturday at Rome's City Hall.

Check Legal Rights

Is Prize Worth the Fight?

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been separated for three months. We have five children under six years old, and I am seven months pregnant now.

There is this tramp in town who has been spoiling my husband. She bought him about \$300 worth of new clothes, a new rifle, a fishing rod and reel, plus she keeps him in liquor and cigarettes, and has furnished him with a car and gas. He hasn't even been working because she gives him spending money.

He is 23, and she is 26. His mother is all for it. She says he is lucky to have a woman who is so good to him, and besides, now that he isn't working he has time to see her. I can't compete with this woman, Abby. I still love my husband, no matter what, and want him back. Please help me.

CAN'T COMPETE

DEAR CAN'T: You are fighting a losing battle over what appears to be a doubtful

"prize." You can't force a man to live with you, but the law can make him support you and your children. The apple (your husband) didn't fall far from the tree (his mother), and yours acts as though he was bruised in the fall.

***** DEAR ABBY: I may be old-fashioned, but I think it's in very poor taste to give money for Christmas. My mother-in-law sends my child a check every Christmas, and I get furious with her. I have been so tempted to send it back or to send HER a check in the same amount.

I feel if she can't take the time (of which she has plenty) to shop for her grandchild, she can just keep her money. My child would be more impressed with a candy bar sent by a maid than with grandma's check. Should I tell her to forget it?

NO NAME, PLEASE

DEAR NO NAME: No. You could explain to your child that the check is his to be saved or spent for something he wants. I think it's preferable to giving a child a gift he neither likes nor can use, but feels he must keep (or worst yet, wear) because it's grandma's Christmas gift.

One thing about money, the color is always right, and you don't have to worry about "fit." It fits into any pocketbook.

***** DEAR ABBY: In reference to "HURT," whose husband went to an office party after telling her that no wives were invited, but she later learned that wives HAD BEEN invited. For a long time I believed those stories about office parties, retirement parties, picnics, and outings where no wives

Calendar

TODAY

Soroptimist Club of Pontiac, 6:30 p.m., Elks Temple. Annual Christmas dinner party.

TUESDAY

McDowell Male Chorus, 8:15 p.m., Pontiac Central High School. Annual Christmas concert. Open to public at small admission charge.

Pontiac PTA Council, noon, Joslyn Avenue Presbyterian Church. Christmas luncheon.

Anna Gordon Union, Women's Christian Temperance Union, noon, First Baptist Church. Co-operative luncheon and Christmas party.

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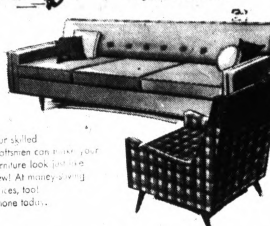
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Widow Asks--Can She Pay More Rent?

By MARY FEELEY
Consultant in Money Management

Maybe what they say is true—that the woman who has the most respect for a man's business sense is a widow. When it comes her turn to manage money, even though it's only her own modest finances, she often feels inadequate to meet the challenge.

It's a lot easier to spend another \$25 or \$30 a month if you have somebody to argue with about it! Mrs. V.P.H., of Auburn, Ala. has to decide for herself, now, whether she's making the right move in raising her own rent. She writes:

Dear Miss Feeley:

I am a widow living alone, and am wondering if I can afford a more expensive apartment than I now have.

My take-home pay is \$240.99 a month, and I get a small insurance check of approximately \$67 monthly, making a total income of about \$308. The kind of apartment I would like—with two bedrooms—would rent for \$70 or \$80 a month, not including utilities. I pay \$45 a month now for a one-bedroom apartment.

My hospital insurance and car and household insurance amount to around \$20 a month. I am seldom charged medical fees, since I am the widow of a physician. However, this does not apply to medicines and drugs. I have \$10,000 in savings and loan and I will get Social Security as well as some retirement income.

Do you think I can afford to take on the added expense of a larger apartment?

Mrs. V.P.H., Auburn, Ala.

Dear Mrs. H.:

I am assuming you want this larger apartment with a second bedroom in order to have friends and relatives visit. And I say go ahead and rent it, even at the cost of another \$30 more a month.

Money is for living as well as saving. And if you put aside that difference of \$30 in rent, say, for five years, you'd have \$1,800 in savings not including interest. So which would be the better buy from where you sit—a couple of thousand dollars or five years of companionship?

At a cocktail party Sunday in their home on Lakewood Drive, Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Lorenz announced the engagement of their daughter, Carol Ann, to Erick Roger Fox, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Fox of Florence Avenue. A Sept. 30 wedding in 1967 is being planned.

Only you can really answer that one.

As long as you have some savings—\$10,000 worth earning interest—and can count on a Social Security check and some retirement funds, I can see

some justification for taking the risk.

Dear Miss Feeley:

I am one of those lone older women, aged 73—the last of my family and not even a cousin left as far as I know. My problem seems to be that I am entitled to no benefits of any kind.

Or am I?

I do not receive Social Security benefits, since I taught piano privately years ago before Social Security was ever heard of. I do not have Medicare because I cannot spare the money to pay for it.

I don't want charity. But if I am entitled to any benefits at all—the Age 72 Special Payment of \$35 a month—I would apply for them. Am I?

M.L., St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Dear M.L.:

You're not, and I am sorry, too. You're not eligible, since a citizen living outside the 50 states cannot collect these benefits. However, you are eligible for Medicare—and there's nothing to pay for.

This health insurance is free. But you'll have to wait until October, 1967, to sign up for Medicare protection since you missed out on the last opportunity to register—which was in July, 1966.

Dear Mary Feeley:

I am a 64-year-old widow, getting \$90 a month Social Security. I receive about \$1,000 a year interest on my savings account. I have no other income.

I have been told that a widow doesn't have to file an income tax report. Right?

Mrs. R.O.K., Brooklyn

Dear Mrs. O.K.:

Wrong. Everyone under 65 years of age, whether single, widowed, or married, who resides in the U.S. and had a gross income of \$600 or more during the year must file a federal income tax return.

Your Social Security benefits aren't considered income. But the interest from your savings account is.

(You can write to Mary Feeley in care of The Pontiac Press.)



Geraldine Chaplin who will place part of Princess Mounia Golovine in "I Killed Rasputin," tries on wig at hairdresser's shop in Paris. Film will costar British actor, Peter MacEnery, and will be directed by Robert Hossein.

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Polly's Pointers

Advice on Planting

DEAR POLLY—I want to tell Helen a simple way to grow a potato plant. Put the sweet potato in a jar or vase of water with the end of the potato that was pulled off the vine down in the water. Keep the jar filled so that about half the potato is in the water. Before too long, it will sprout and grow a vine.—Mrs. H. J.

DEAR GIRLS—Do not expect this to happen overnight as it took mine about two weeks to really root and start sprouting at the top. Ella finds they are prettier if evenly formed, straight potatoes are used and then set in a narrow glass so that when vines start to grow they are all out of the container, where you want them. Pinch off some of the tips if you want the plant to grow thicker.—POLLY

DEAR POLLY—When my yard man saw sweet potatoes growing in glasses on my window sill, he suggested that I cut potatoes in half and put them in a large pan of warm water and forget them for awhile. Then, when they were full of roots, to transfer them to the pretty glasses. I do wish Helen could see my window sill full of vines. They are beautiful.

I am now starting some to take to shut-in friends. My help or also told me that this works with carrots, white potatoes and, if one can stand the odor, turnips, too.—M.C.

DEAR POLLY—I have two

Eyes Like Gems

Eyes right for glittering occasions will be laden with diamond-like snow and trimmed in fur, predicts one cosmetics manufacturer.

The special treatment is via "flowing velvet" cake eye-color and eyeliner. Both have a lustrous quality.

It's quite a step from the days when a femme got her twinkle from stars in the eyes, isn't it?

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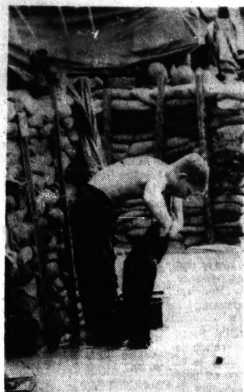
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Entertainers Leave to Visit Troops During Holidays



WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE—American troops attempting to battle the Vietcong in the Mekong River Delta area for the first time have entered a wet world where water is king. They must move along the water-



ways (left) using sampans to haul equipment in the canal, and when they get back to base camp, they may find it flooded (right). This makes laundering relatively simple.

GIs in Mekong Delta

A New Kind of War

BEN LUC, Vietnam (AP)—got bogged in swamps and had to be pulled out by their buddies.

Moving through the paddy fields was slow work. The hard dikes were good footpaths, but too dangerous. Snipers 1,000 yards across the flat rice fields could pick them off.

The three whirring bullets indicated that the snipers were trying. Elsewhere in Vietnam, standard operating procedure is to pour in artillery and air strikes on snipers. In the delta, however, the test units have been ordered not to do this. Too many innocent people live in the villages. To bring heavy fire down upon them might kill scores.

A few more staccato sniper shots rang out. The forward American elements ran into the village, dodging around the large, earthenware water pots, running through the thatched-roof houses looking for the snipers, lifting off well lids.

No men could be found in the village of 50 or so houses. But there were plenty of women and children. None had been hurt in the small arms assault.

One mother with a baby in her arms and three young daughters at her feet looked impassively at an American soldier guarding her. Other soldiers searched her humble home.

LAUGHING GIRL. A few houses along, a girl giggled at the soldiers.

The U.S. soldiers shook their heads in quiet amazement at the scene—shot at one minute, then laughed at. What kind of war was this?

Some of the soldiers dunked their heads in the water pots to wash off the mud.

Then they began the trek home across the rice fields to the river. They had no casualties, but they were still happy to leave.

According to the South Vietnamese premier, Nguyen Cao Ky, American troops will deploy into the delta in force later in December, and gradually build up their strength next year.

STANDING BY WATER—An American soldier of the 25th Infantry Division is reflected in the water of a rice paddy while standing on a dike.

NEW YORK (AP)—As Christmas draws near a different sort of buildup is taking place in Vietnam. It's an entertainment escalation, and the "old soldiers" heading for the combat zone include Bob Hope, Martha Raye, Frances Langford, Anita Bryant and Johnny Grant.

Hope, who ought to rate as many hash marks as a 30-year sergeant, is making his 15th Christmas tour. "You should have seen me at Appomattox," he said. "I was a smash there."

Phyllis Diller, making her first trip to Vietnam as a member of the Hope entourage, said she is helping Lady Bird Johnson's "Keep America Beautiful" campaign by leaving the country. She is taking along a half-million pieces of bubble gum, which ought to set a few jaws to wagging.

The USO shows lined up for Vietnam over the holidays include the Bob Hope show, Martha Raye, Frances Langford, and the Clara Ward Singers, a Gospel group.

BRINGING GIRLS

Disc jockey Johnny Grant, making his 29th overseas tour, is taking along actresses Tippi Hedren and Diane McBain to cheer up servicemen from Saigon to Da Nang. "The soldiers call me the GI Santa Claus who brings them pretty girls," Grant said.

Martha Raye has been in Vietnam for months, and will be there well into the new year.

Besides entertaining and visiting the GIs, she has helped out as a battlefield nurse.

Singer-comedienne Frances Langford left for the Far East last month. She was a member of the first Hope tour in World War II—and many since then—and will team up again with Hope over there.

Other troupes—including two college groups—will entertain American servicemen in Europe, the Pacific, Caribbean, Alaska, and Greenland.

MILITARY SECRET

Hope leaves Hollywood about Dec. 16 for two weeks, but his exact itinerary overseas is a military secret. The American high command in Vietnam figures the Communists wouldn't pass up an opportunity to ambush the entertainers if they knew their schedule.

Others on the Hope safari are singer Anita Bryant, Les Brown and his band, and the Korean Kittens, a song and dance group. Jerry Colonna is being kept home this year by illness.

"I always look forward to making the tour—that comes from an appreciation of the GIs and the job they're doing and knowing it helps their morale," said Miss Bryant, making her seventh trip—and third visit to Vietnam—with Hope.

As for missing the holidays at home, the singer said: "I've never spent Christmas

at home in the seven years we've been married, but it's no sacrifice compared to what our fighting men are doing."

She and her husband, Bob Green, put up a tree in their Miami home and celebrated an early Christmas of sorts with their children, Bobby Jr., 3, and Gloria Lynn, 2. "When we come back," she said, "we'll open our gifts on New Year's Eve."

Despite any personal qualms some entertainers may have about American involvement in Vietnam, there have been no difficulties recruiting performers for the tours.

"We offer the performers the motivation that a lot of young Americans are over there and they need help, regardless of any personal feelings about the war," said Col. Jerome Coray, director of shows for the USO.

GETTING BIGGER

Said Hope: "It's getting bigger and rougher, but if we don't do anything, our children will pay for it and we'll lose this beautiful Shangri-la we have in America."

"Of course, I object to war," said Tippi Hedren, "but I stand behind my country on whatever they feel is right."

One performer who wants to entertain American prisoners in North Vietnam is Negro comedian Dick Gregory. He left New York for Hanoi on Dec. 5 to try to make the arrangements; he stopped at London when

American planes bombed the outskirts of the North Vietnam capital. He then returned to the United States to resume private negotiations to visit Hanoi. The U.S. forbids travel to North Vietnam.

Coray said Grant is doing "what we call a 'visitation,'" which means the stars mingle with the military personnel, visit hospitals, sign autographs, then relay personal messages to the folks at home.

SPENT MONEY Raymond Burr, who pioneered the technique, spent \$1,500 of his own money on his return calling the families of servicemen he met.

Other stars also combine visitations with performing. "We spend as much time talking to the boys as entertaining," Miss Bryant said.

Coray said the visitations had

proved so popular that after the first of the year five entertainers a month will be going over, including sports stars.

Other shows going overseas for holiday visits to service personnel include:

George Jessel, who is taking a troupe to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and the Panama Canal Zone.

The Hank Snow Show, the Wellingtons and a group from Fresno State College, who will tour Japan, Korea and other Pacific bases.

Don Allen and his Sand Pipers, the Bitter End Singers, the Spotlighters, and Jazzorama, going to Europe.

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U.S. Violence Resurrects European Fears

THE PONTIAC PRESS, MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1966

By DAVE BURGIN

Newspaper Enterprise Assn. PARIS (NEA) — The visitor to Europe finds almost everywhere a conviction that the United States has become a nation of almost casual violence.

It is an opinion spurred by the recent mass killings in Chicago and Texas and shared by the man-in-the-street and such influential European newspapers as the Times of London and Le Monde of Paris.

There is still the vivid memory of President Kennedy's assassination and the televised murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, three summers of ghetto rioting, racial violence, the South and starting statistics on the U.S. crime climb. Old and fearful European views of everyday America, once based on unrealistic movie exports about Indian wars and

gangland battles, have been resurrected.

"The violence in your country must be incredible," said a Frenchman here. Then, inevitably, he asked, "Why?"

READS STORY He had been reading a story in a Paris newspaper about a 15-year-old boy in Roscoe, Tex., who shot and killed a night watchman.

"I been thinking why I did it," the boy was quoted by a juvenile officer. "I wanted to have fun like those guys in Chicago and Austin who had fun — killing people."

Editorially, major European newspapers have tried to answer "why?" for their dumbfounded readership.

In London, the Times wrote:

'Christmas Company' Digs In at Phoenix Hotel

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — The "Christmas Company" — 54 Vietnam veterans straight from the battlefields — have dug in at a plush hotel in Phoenix for a week of relaxation and forgetting.

The relaxing came easy. The forgetting was difficult.

"When a good buddy gets hit, you want to cry. But you can't, you've got work to do," said Army Spec. 5 Ives Mosley, 21, of Reidsville, Ga.

He looked up at the 10-foot Christmas tree he and some of the other men were decorating and the former medic with the 101st Airborne Division shook his head.

LONG WAY AWAY "The war seems a long time ago, a long way away," said Mosley, who left Vietnam about a week ago.

"I've seen enough action for a lifetime, for a dozen lifetimes," said Pfc. Michael Passaro, 19, of Ozone Park, N.Y.

"In Vietnam you got so that you don't have any feelings. A buddy gets hit, but you've got to watch out for your own skin," said Passaro, who was with the Army's 1st Cavalry, Airmobile Division.

Passaro's right hand was bandaged with a wound he had received trying to take a knife away from a berserk buddy. The back of his left hand carried the scar of a bullet wound that won him a Purple Heart.

SHIELD EYES Looking from windows of the Camelback Inn, Mosley, Passaro and their buddies shielded their eyes as the bright Arizona sun reflected from leaves of a palm tree and the glistening swimming pool beneath it.

A golf course provided a deep green background for the riding stables. It seemed unreal to the men, who only a week ago were plodding through Vietnam rice fields.

Pretty girls served drinks and hors d'oeuvres. Some of the men tried to get into the swing of things by decorating the Christmas tree.

Some succeeded, but others smiled for a while and wandered away. For them there was still too much to remember — and forget.

SQUAD LEADER Marine Sgt. Gregory Dixon, 21, of Philadelphia was in Vietnam for 10 months with the 1st Marine Division. He was a squad leader in Operation Hastings, and saw his men cut down by Vietcong bullets.

"It was Feb. 14 — Valentine's Day — when we lost our company commander and about 30 other men," remembers Army Staff Sgt. James R. Gerolds, 38, of Anna, Ill., a veteran of 5th Infantry Division action.

Army Spec. 5 John Bryant, 24, of Atlanta, Ga., testing the thick piling of the lobby's carpet as

grandparents experienced Indian raids. "And now 'the Indians have been replaced by casual gunmen.'"

BACKS OPINION The Times backed American opinion for an unrestricted gun market, saying: "The private citizen can still argue that he needs to be armed for protection."

A Washington correspondent for Le Monde, discussing U.S. proposals to limit the sale of firearms, wrote that "Death in the United States is a form of commerce and cult."

"None has any complacent illusions as to the effect of a good law on the level of delinquency. But this (delinquency) in the United States is only one aspect of criminality."

What such a law could do, he said, is to make it more difficult to practice "the sport of killing" in America.

TEXAS SINGLED OUT Singling out Texas, one newspaper said that the violence has spread from the "traditional crime centers, Chicago and New York" to all parts of the United States.

It noted, in editorial comment on Charles Whitman's rampage in Austin, that Lee Oswald and Richard Speck were "both children of Dallas, of this Texas where sadder dangers lurk."

Consensus in Europe is that the United States, for all its sophistication in other areas, is emotionally immature, "still growing up."

Said a London newspaperman: "Perhaps Europeans are too quick to criticize when we want for so many improvements ourselves."

REPEATED VIOLENCE "Nevertheless, we read repeatedly of American violence. And everyday we meet more and more American tourists."

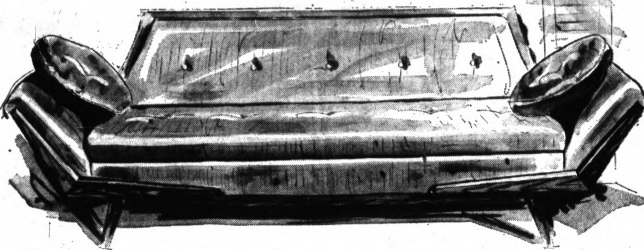
"Now there is a genuine fear in Europe that next America will export this kind of violence. We have crime here, most certainly, but not in so tragic and so violent proportions," he said.

Tragic, too, was the comment of a touring American coed, ironically sitting alone at night at a sidewalk cafe in a Paris park: "I'm afraid to go back home."



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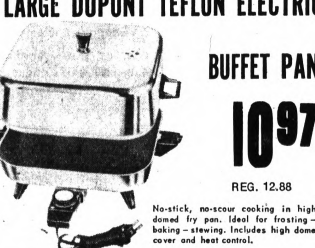
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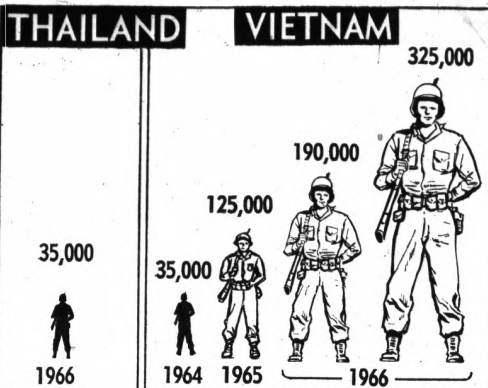
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U.S. helicopters based at Nakhon Phanom have aided Thai forces in several battles near the Sakon Nakhon, one of several areas in the northeast provinces of increasing Communist guerrilla activity during the past year.



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