Viewpoint

THE POSTAL BILL

THE new postal bill, setting up a government corporation to run the mail service, has been adopted and soon will become the law of the land.

The public is due to get a royal gypping in this bill. Not a single official in the new post office will be an elected official. No matter what the corporation does to users of the mail, complaints will bounce off like raindrops off the roof — when it rains, that is.

Letter mail probably will cost 8 or 10 cents; your newspaper will cost more because second class rates are due to be boosted out of sight.

It will take years to modernize the mail service. The only thing most of us will get out of the new law is a higher cost for postage. The other improvements will come a hundred years from now, if ever. Probably it still will require four days to get a copy of The News-Press to, say, Minnesota.

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Now It's 'Safe Look' for Men

The outcome of the current struggle between the miniskirt partisans and fashion designers determined to foist the midiskirt on them may still be in doubt but, according to one authority on male fashions, the "Peacock Revolution" is moulting.

In case you didn't know, the Peacock Revolution signaled "the emergence of man from his dreariness and drabness of dress to assume his place as the more colorful of the human species," just as in nature it is usually the male whose plumage is brightest

"The colorful, frilly era of men's apparel has been with us for some years now," says Ron Postal, director of the National Council of Men's Fashions. "It served a useful purpose, left its mark on the fashion scene and is now diminishing."

Taking its place, says Postal, is the "Safe Look"—more conservative, solemn-type clothes.

It was inevitable, he says, with the coming to power of a Republican administration. For didn't we have the "uptight" Hoover collar during Depression days, and didn't the Zoot Suit come in with the Democrats?

Of course, Woodrow Wilson, a Democrat, wore a high collar and the thankfully short-lived Zoot Suit didn't appear until near the end of F. D. Roosevelt's second term. But never mind, a theory is a theory is a theory

The trouble with revolutions, fashion or otherwise, is that it's always the little guy who gets stuck with the consequences.

Take the poor sap at the next desk. From the beginning of the Peacock Revolution he steadfastly wore white shirts and narrow ties as a symbol of resistance. Only the other day, outnumbered and outworn, clotheswise, did he break down and invest in a wardrobe of deeply hued, multistriped shirts and napkin-wide ties

Some people just never get with it.

To What Other Lengths . . .?

Rock-throwing has become a popular elective on many campuses, possibly because there is usually a lot of ammunition in the form of the small stones used in landscaping around shrubs and treees.

One university hopes it may have found a preventive—gluing the rocks down At the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, a test plot of stones has been coated with plastic to form a rigid cover

If the experiment proves successful, the whole campus will get plastered

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THE ALMANAC

By United Press International

Today is Tuesday, Aug. 4, the 216th day of 1970 with 149 to follow.

The moon is between its new phase and first quarter.

The morning stars are Mars and Saturn.

The evening stars are Mercury, Venus and Jupiter.

On this date In history:

In 1735 freedom of the press was established when John Zenger, publisher of a New York City newspaper, was acquitted on libel charges.

In 1914 the United States issued a Proclamation of Neutrality in World War I.

In 1949 more than 6,000 persons were killed when an earthquake leveled 50 towns in Ecuador.

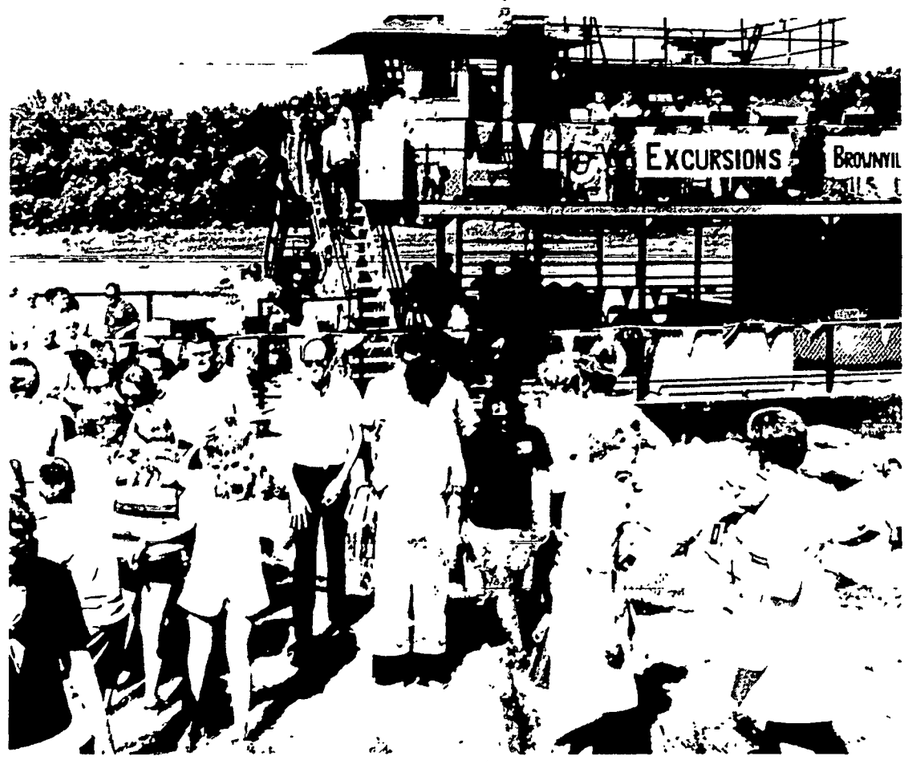
In 1967 America ended its military airlift to the strife-torn Congo.

A thought for the day: Scottish comedian Sir Harry Lauder said, "Oh, it's nice to get up in the morning, but it's nicer to stay in bed."

Now You Know

By United Press International

Ancient anatomists believed that the vessels carrying blood away from the heart contained air and for this reason called them arteries, a name originally meaning windpipes.



Passengers stream off the Belle of Brownville after the excursion boat docks for the first time Sunday afternoon at its new home port. The happy folks had a three hour trip on the Missouri from Aspinwall to Brownville. Belle slipped along at about two and a half miles an hour so as not to arrive at Brownville before the 5 p.m. time for the christening.



Charles Chace, left, of the NEBRASKAland Foundation, talks with J.R. (Red) Childers, pilot of the Belle of Brownville after the excursion boat docked at the home port Sunday afternoon.

Lawrence Youngman, president of the Foundation, is not dodging the camera, but is coming around at the right.

Scrambler

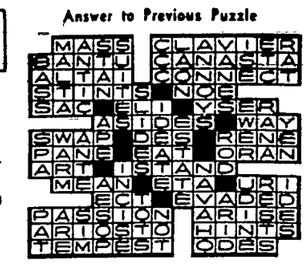
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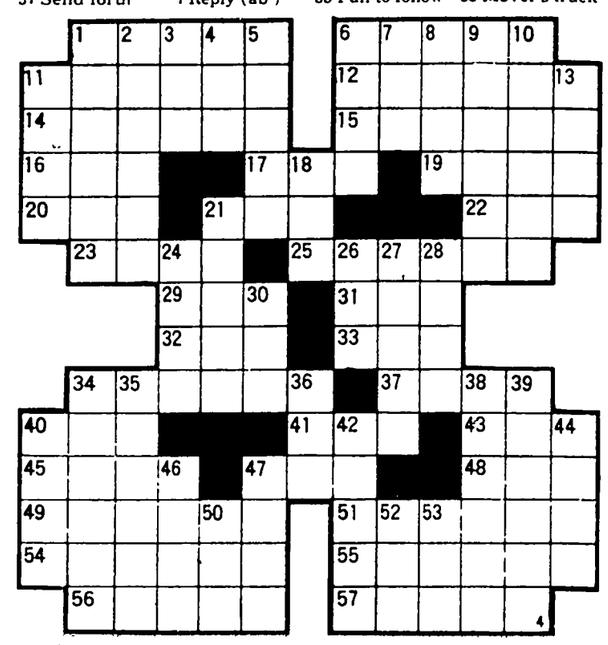
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11 Drunken carousals
12 Habituates
14 Diurnal birds of prey
15 Starlike
16 Before
17 Auricle
19 Anatomical tissue
20 Oriental coin
21 Conclusion
22 Drunkard
23 Pack, as cargo on a ship
25 Kind of baize
29 Fiber knots
31 Disencumber
32 Blood money
33 Guido's high note
34 Quickly
37 Send forth
40 New Guinea port
41 Force
43 Cobra (var.)
45 Scottish alder trees
47 John (Gaelic)
48 Mariner's direction
49 Of greater depth
51 Descendant of one of Jacob's sons (Bib.)
54 Bring into conflict
55 Expunges
56 Singing voice
57 Colors lightly

DOWN

1 Gives up
2 Exigent
3 Celebrated (ab.)
4 Scottish sheepfold
5 German city
6 Prevaricator
7 Reply (ab.)
8 Golfer's term
9 Take into custody
10 Enthusiast
11 Observes
13 Lath
18 Put to
21 Pitchers
24 One time
26 Native metal
27 Measures of distance
28 Dutch cheese
30 Cooking utensil
34 Father or mother
35 Fail to follow suit in cards
36 Eggs
38 Be persistent
39 Tries by the tongue
40 Bail, as water from a boat
42 Orifice
44 Driving command (pl.)
46 Bridge
47 One who angers
50 Freudian term
52 Son of Gad (Bib.)
53 Mover's truck

Answer to Previous Puzzle





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The buck Ends here . . . .

By Ivan D.E. Beaumont

"Yes Sir."

If we heard those words once, we heard them hundreds of times during a two-day visit to Company A and other posts at the summer camp at Fort Carson, Colorado.

Mayor A.O. Gigstad, Capt. Lawrence Brown, Don Mason and myself were guests of Capt. Gary Barrett and the other Nebraska City - based guardsmen at the camp south of Colorado Springs.

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Lt. Col. John Ratliff, Lincoln, our congenial guide, host and righthand man, warned we would be on our feet along with the troops. And he was sure right. I looked long and far for a place to get into a prone position out of the hot sun and never found it until nightfall.

We made the two-hour flight from Lincoln to Colorado Springs in a four-engine C-54 Air Guard plane. We were met at their airport by Maj. Gen. Lyle Welch who chartered a helicopter to greet us.

After a bus trip to the field we were met by Sgt. Dale Helser of near Dunbar, who drove us to the Company A campsite. There we met the troops who were returning amid a cloud of dust from a day's training.

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"Roughing It" is the way to describe how Company A guardsmen are spending their two weeks. They participate in military problems each day and spend other time for the never-ending task of maintenance of their handguns and other weapons to huddles by troop and battalion commanders.

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Although the camp was soaked the first of the week by rain, you'd never know it by the end of the week. The clouds of dust fell back into several inches of red powder only to be churned by the tracks of tanks.

If you happened to be standing a bit too close. You got it!

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The only gripes we heard came Friday night when the word was that there would be no passes. We were told that because of fights between blacks and other guardsmen on the post grounds, all guardsmen in the field were restricted.

However, there was entertainment. Company A knocked off the other units in softball during the week and won the battalion championship 26-12 behind the pitching of Sfc. Allan Barrett.

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The Army ain't what it used to be.

I had been told that a certain two-wheeled trailer with a heavy canvas over it was the entertainment center. I was too hot, too dirty and too tired to be entertained. . . . .that is until about 6:30 p.m., when I found out what was in that trailer.

Thanks to Lynn Shallenberger for the cold cans of Budweiser enjoyed by Capt. Gary Barrett, company commander, Majors Glen Cohn, Del Broers and us "civilians."

(Just goes to prove Company A was prepared for a disaster.)

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We tried twice to hold Dennis Golden, son of Mr and Mrs George Golden, but he was pretty busy keeping radio equipment operating and we were unable to get a picture of him and his trophy — the skin of a rattlesnake killed near the campgrounds.

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For ole' sailors like Don Mason and myself, a "head" is a toilet.

And I thought the GI's called them latrines. I dasn't print what Company A guardsmen call 'em. All I can report is that one young man told me that he had to take a bayonet with him to the watchamacallit. . . . . .to whittle the seat a little smoother. A perfect illustration

boasted, "we've got an eight-holer."

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Thanks to Major Broers, we "civilians" got passes and went to town, cauffered by Sergeant Helser under orders from Captain Barrett. We had dinner at the Embers, a favorite of General Welch for lamb chops, and wrapped up the evening in the Piccadilly Room at the Antlers Plaza. Mayor Gigstad has a better memory so ask him about the jokes by the entertainers.

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Senator Keyes of Papillion is considering filing as an independent for Congress in the Second District in opposition to Hlavacek and McCollister, both of Omaha. The senator said on the flight that he feels he can do the voters a better service in Congress and his friends have urged him to file.

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Sen. Florence Reynolds, Fourteenth District, Omaha, was my flight companion on the way home. She's a gracious woman and a good politician.

She retired as a school teacher in Omaha after 49 years and was elected to a four-year term in the legislature. She will be on the November ballot although she trailed the leader, Duke Snider, by 54 votes. "He's a nice young man, but he's got a lot to learn."

Miss Reynolds was orphaned when she was a child and was reared by two sisters, the oldest 18 years of age. A determined person, she wanted to get into the medical field, but in 1916 there were no jobs for young college girls. So she switched to music and taught others for those years.

She said the legislature will miss Sen. Rick Budd of Nebraska City. "He was so helpful to me," she said.

And so ends the interview at 8,000 feet over Nebraska.

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The Nebraska City group was particularly interested in Company A and thanks to the courtesies of General Welch and his staff, we thoroughly enjoyed the visit. They gave us the "run of the mill" in the camp and everywhere we intruded we were treated with military courtesy.

We particularly enjoyed the flight home. . . . .we flew above the storm that later brought a needed shower to this area.

How Time Flies

FORTY YEARS AGO
— 1930 —

Dr. D. D. Stonecypher, president of the Rotary club attended the conference at Kearney. . . . .Farms in the George Bossung estate, both 160 acres, brought $17,000 and $14,000 from a son and daughter. . . . .Mr and Mrs E.C. Ernstene spent six weeks in the Rockies. . . . .Said the Kick: At funerals the women go into the house to comfort the bereaved and count the cards on the floral offerings, while the men stand around in the front yard and smoke and whittle.

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO
— 1945 —

President Truman hoped that the next Big Three conference could be held in Washington. . . . .The publisher and two staff members of the Corpus Christi Caller-Times, sentenced to three-day jail terms for contempt of court, were free on writs of habeas corpus. They were cited for news stories and editorial concerning a forcible entry. . . . .Figures obtained from the Otoe county selective service board revealed that 220 men and women had been discharged from World War II service.

TEN YEARS AGO
— 1960 —

Pictured was an upset schoolbus which was taking 27 Girl Scouts from Camp Catron on a swimming excursion to Steinhart Park. The bus slipped off a muddy road, crashed through a guard rail and came to rest against a tree. No one was injured. . . . .River Days celebration including talent, horse and water ski show opened. . . . . A poultry researcher in Davis, California, reported that controlled lighting for his laying flocks had brought a 45.8 per cent rise in cash income from egg production.

Woolworth has record sales

NEW YORK (Special) — F.W. Woolworth Co. reported today that sales reached a record high for the first six months of 1970.

Consolidated sales of the general merchandise chain amounted to $1,081,588,000, an increase of $132,241,000 or 14 per cent over the first half of 1969.

Estimated net income for the period, including a 52.7 per cent share of the income of F.W. Woolworth and Company, Limited, England, an unconsolidated subsidiary, totaled $19,524,000 or 61 cents per share, compared to $20,716,000 or 65 cents per share for the first six months of last year.

Pleads not guilty to robbery charge

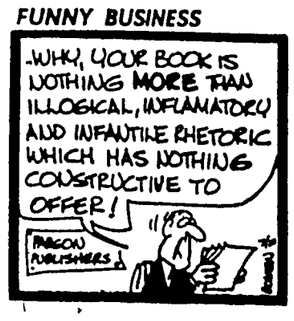
PAPILLION (UPI)—Jack Leroy Holoubek, 35, of Millard, pleaded not guilty at his arraignment today on bank robbery charges here.

He was remanded to the Douglas County jail in lieu of $40,000.

He is accused in the robbery Thursday of the Springfield State Bank.

From $25,000 to $50,000 was taken in the holdup by two men wearing ski masks. A second suspect is being sought.

FUNNY BUSINESS — By Roger Bollen





Reporter's notebook

THANKS TO THE GAMMA THETA UPSILON SOCIETY AT Peru State college for the gift of two of the late Louise W. Mears' books, "They Come and Go" and the reprint of the "Hills of Peru —Nebraska Lore."

The two books were presented to The News-Press this week by Evart M. Whitten, a recent Peru graduate. He explained the society has been selling the books to raise funds for a scholarship.

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NO one became seasick on the Missouri river Sunday while they were passengers on the Belle of Brownville on the final lap from Aspinwall to Brownville, where the Belle will be an excursion boat with great expectations by the Brownville Development Corporation.

But a few may have become sunburned Sunday afternoon because it was hot and muggy even on the Missouri as the Belle slipped along at a slow speed so as not to arrive home before the scheduled 5 p.m. docking time.

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THE 150 people who were guests of the corporation came from Lincoln, Omaha, Ralston, Falls City, Rock Port, Fairfax, Auburn, Nebraska City and other points.

Representing Nebraska City were Mayor Al Gigstad, who found two other veterinarians aboard the craft, and this reporter and wife. We were transported from Brownville to Aspinwall landing in Auburn school buses, walked through welcome mud (needed rain drenched the area the night before) to the gangplank, boarded the Belle and shortly thereafter cast off and departed for Brownville about eight miles upstream.

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RED Childers of Auburn, who piloted the excursion boat on much of the 2,200-mile journey from Houston, was at the helm for the final lap to Brownville. He negotiated the well-marked Missouri river channel upstream without difficulty, of course.

The visitors had two interesting sights on their trip Sunday: The mouth of the Nemaha, which most had never seen before although they said they had fished the river many times; and the Cooper nuclear station being built south of Brownville on the river. Still on a barge is the nuclear reactor which one of these days will be dropped into the vessel jutting up from the construction site.

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BARGAIN IN VEHICLES

Ranking members of congress get favors

By FRANK ELEAZER
and ROY McGHEE

WASHINGTON — (UPI) —At least 19 House and Senate members have taken advantage of a Ford Motor Co. offer to lease luxury Lincoln Continental sedans for $750 a year.

Ford says it makes the cars available at the low price so its products can be in the hands of prestigious drivers. The lawmakers involved say they see nothing wrong with the practice.

But the chairmen of the House and Senate ethics committees have indicated they plan to look into the matter. Rep. Emanuel Celler, D-N.Y., chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, called the practice "audacious" and said it should stop immediately.

Among committees whose top members currently enjoy the favorable lease arrangement with Ford are those responsible for auto safety, highway, consumer and tax matters that frequently are of interest to the auto industry.

Other Models Available

In addition to those lawmakers to whom her Continentals are supplied at the start of each model year, four chairmen or ranking members have elected to take another Ford luxury car, the Thunderbird, also at $750 a year, or a Mercury for $600.

Three chairmen or ranking members of Senate committees, and one subcommittee chairman, drive leased Chryslers under arrangements that are similar although, they say, somewhat more expensive.

Ford spokesman George Trainor told UPI 12-month Continental leases comparable to those made available to the top committee area for an average of about $290 a month or about $3,480 a year.

Ford said the bargain offer to committee chairmen and top minority members dates back 10 or 12 years and is in line with Ford Policy of placing its cars in the hands of prestigious drivers, including sports and entertainment figures.

GM Also Leases

Officially-elected House and Senate leaders are among those driving $1,000-a-year Cadillacs leased by General Motors Corp. Others include cabinet officers. GM said it also leases two smaller Candillacs to the government and, at $100 a year, six lesser GM automobiles, the latter reportedly for use by the Secret Service.

Ford said its offer was open only to committee chairmen and senior GOP members, that in no case was it initiated by Ford, and that the cars were made available only upon request. Members with cars tended to confirm this, saying they heard of the offer indirectly and made inquiry about it. Many of those eligible, but without cars, told UPI they had not been told of it.

Senator Roman L. Hruska of Nebraska, a ranking minority member, is one of those driving one of the continentals.

CONVALESCENT CALL — The Nebraska City rescue service moved Peter Lavigne of Julian from St. Mary's hospital to the Duff home Monday afternoon. On the rescue unit were Frank Bataillon and Herman Royer.

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The PRAYER FOR TODAY FROM The Upper Room

"The bread that God gives comes down from heaven and brings life to the world. (John 6:33, NEB)

PRAYER: Our heavenly Father, we thank Thee for sending Thy Son who taught us to pray and offered us a new spirit by which to live. Help us in our walk through life to live to Thy glory, in Jesus' name. Amen.