# Reporter's notebook

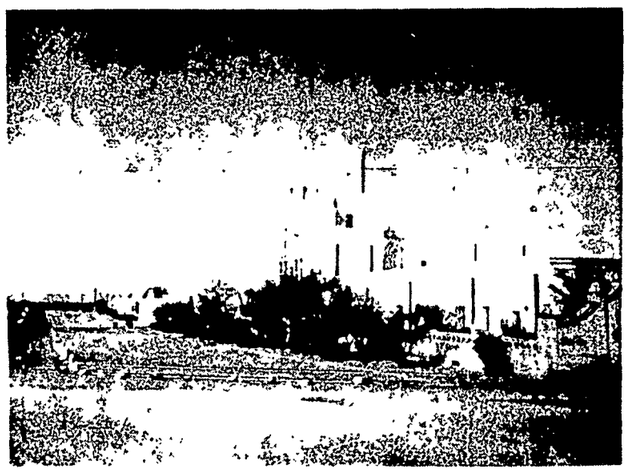
WHEN we mailed our piece yesterday telling of a visit to the Mission San Xavier del Bac (vintage of 1700 a.d.) we forgot to enclose the polaroid we took in the bright morning sun at the interesting place south of Tucson.

The picture isn't any work of art, but it was No. 8 on the partly used roll that was in the camera when we left Nebraska City two weeks and two days ago.

But it will help fill today's Notebook, being written as we start for home I am sure that John Leahy, our present darkroom man, with the help of Jerome Keran, will improve upon it before it is printed

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So here it is:



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YESTERDAY morning's Paul Dean column in the Arizona Republic told about the fellow who had to replace the light bulb over the kitchen sink in the home that he and his wife bought 21 years ago. It was the very first time the bulb over the sink had burned out since the couple owned the home. The point of the paragraph was the 21-year bulb was a Sylvania. When the husband returned from the store with a new bulb he had a G.E.

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WHAT the story reminded me of was the situation in our newspaper plant a few months ago. August Malzer, who replaces the light bulbs and does other things like that, complained that the new bulbs he was putting in the night light in the basement wouldn't last even through the night. He would put one in before going home in the evening and next morning it would be burned out.

We decided to have the circuit checked by an electrician but before we could do this Ivan reported that a recently purchased supply of enlarger bulbs for the dark room had disappeared.

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WE deducted that August had discovered the supply of photoflood bulbs and finding nothing better he had been installing them in the basement.

As we recall now, Max Moyer discovered the supply, too, and tried one or two out over his job press.

They were real bright while they lasted!

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YESTERDAY when we were reading the city street map Doug Timmerman gave me (the map was published by the Southern Arizona Bank, for whom Doug works) and were looking for the campus of Arizona University we knew we were getting close when we saw a nice looking girl wearing a maxi-maxi mother hubbard-which barely covered her bare feet and leading a police dog.

Also, of course, there seemed to be an unusual number of men with long hair and funny facial adornment.

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AT Rotary club last week a nice-looking young woman with long, black hair, who had been the high school guest for a month was called to the podium to introduce her successor, a boy who would be the guest in December.

The Rotarian sitting next to me, whose name was Peterson and whose home is Columbus, Neb., wrote me a note so as not to disturb the program.

"I hate to see a boy or a girl continually fighting their long hair," the note said.

We feel that way, too.

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AND speaking of hair, the barbers in the Sun City and Youngtown area don't give their customers a handful of change any more. When you give one of them a $5 bill after the usual 15-minute working over, you get back $2 in bills. (they can't expect a tip doing that!).

Haircuts now are $3 (three bucks!) in that area. I suspect the hardware stores are marketing a lot of home hair cutting outfits these days, and I know there is some bootlegging going on, because a Sun City resident told me he has a friend, a retired tonsorial artist, who doesn't mind sweeping up the hair from his kitchen floor. And probably the income tax man doesn't know a thing about it!

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# Four Key States Worry Nixon

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By BRUCE BIOSSAT
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (NEA)

As he looks to 1972, President Nixon has some major political worries in the four big northern states—California, Illinois, Ohio and New Jersey—which he won in 1968

He also may face a threat to his five-state southern base, most particularly in the two Carolinas, if Governor-elect George Wallace decides to make another run for it but concentrates more heavily on the South.

The eight most populous northern states tend, in presidential tests, to vote pretty much in a common pattern. All eight went for Dwight Eisenhower twice and in 1964 for Lyndon Johnson. Six of eight went for John F. Kennedy. With the partial exception of Massachusetts, they fell within fairly or very close percentage range of each other.

Twice, in the Nixon-Humphrey race of 1968 and in Harry Truman's narrow 1948 win over Thomas E. Dewey, the northern big eight split four and four. But, again, they were bunched. It was simply that they were around the 50-50 mark on the percentage spectrum, with some falling one way and some the other. The pattern of consistency held.

There is no comfort for Nixon today in the small percentage margins he gained in the four large states he took last time.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

Required by law to inform citizens of matters affecting them or their property.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Nebraska City Utilities will accept proposals for one (1) one ton truck, chassis and cab only, until 5 00 P M December 11, 1970

Equipment to be traded in: One 1-ton chassis and cab 1962 model Ford known as our Car No. 26. This truck is in use and can be seen at our Warehouse at 1st Street and Central

New equipment to be one (1) new 1971 model one ton truck, chassis and cab, with minimum wheelbase of 133 inches with cab to axle measurements of approximately 60 inches equipped with.

4 speed transmission
8 cylinder motor, (minimum) displacement 350 cubic inches.
750 - 16 - 8 ply Goodyear extra grip nylon tube type tires, or equal, on wide base demountable rims.
Mud grip tires on rear and spare
Dual wheels on rear.
Spare wheel and spare tire carrier.
Oil Filter.
Air Cleaner.
2 speed dual electric driven windshield wipers.
Windshield washers.
2 outside rear view mirrors
Fresh air heater.
37 amp. alternator system generator (minimum).
70 amp. battery.
Heavy duty rear springs, 3,000 lbs. (minimum).
Overload springs on rear, 900 lbs. (minimum).
ICC marker lights (2 corner lights on cab).
Turn signals on front and rear
Lock type positive traction full floating rear axle (Approximate ratio 4.56 to 1).
Color: Dark Green

Bids on the new truck will be F O B Nebraska City, Nebraska

Bids should include specifications on all equipment to be furnished and shall state price less trade-in allowance and federal tax (tax exemption certificate will be furnished by the Nebraska City Utilities).

Bids shall state approximate delivery date

The Nebraska City Utilities reserve the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities, and to accept equipment which is best suited for Utility operation.

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### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Nebraska City Utilities will accept proposals for one (1) one ton truck, chassis and cab only, until 5 00 P M December 11, 1970

Equipment to be traded in One 1 ton chassis and cab, 1962 model International known as our Car No 40 This truck is in use and can be seen at our Warehouse at First Street and Central Avenue

New equipment to be one (1) new 1971 model one ton truck chassis and cab with minimum wheelbase of 133 inches with cab to axle measurements of approximately 60 inches equipped with

4 speed transmission
6 cylinder motor, (minimum) displacement 225 cubic inches.
750 - 16 - 8 ply Goodyear extra grip nylon tube type tires, or equal, on wide base demountable rims.
Mud grip tires on rear and spare.
Dual wheels on rear.
Spare wheel
Oil Filter
Air Cleaner
2 speed dual electric driven windshield wipers.
Windshield washers.
2 outside rear view mirrors
Fresh air heater.
37 amp. alternator system generator (minimum).
70 amp. battery.
Heavy duty rear springs and overload springs.
Heavy duty front springs.
ICC marker lights (2 corner lights on cab).
Turn signals on front and rear.
Lock type positive traction full floating rear axle. (Approximate ratio 4.56 to 1).
Color: Dark Green.

Bids on the new truck will be F.O B. Nebraska City, Nebraska.

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### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Nebraska City Utilities will accept proposals for one one-half ton pickup truck with an 8 foot box, wide box, until 5:00 P.M. December 11, 1970.

Equipment to be traded in. One one-half ton pickup 1963 model International known as our Car No. 20. This truck is in use and can be seen at our warehouse at First Street and Central Avenue.

New equipment to be one 1971 model one-half ton, minimum wheel base of 127 inches, pickup truck equipped with:

Automatic 3 speed transmission.
6 cylinder motor minimum displacement of 225 cubic inches.
750 - 16 - 6 ply Goodyear extra grip nylon tube type truck tire or equal
2 speed dual electric driven windshield wipers
Windshield washers
Inside mounted rear view mirror
Fresh air heater.
37 amp alternator system generator (minimum).
70 amp battery
Clearance lights on cab
Turn signals on front and rear, equipped with ICC traffic emergency flashers.
Lock type positive traction semi floating rear axle (Approximate ratio 3 73)
Color: Dark Green

Bids on new truck will be F O B Nebraska City, Nebraska

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### ORDER FOR HEARING NO. 16453

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OTOE COUNTY, NEBRASKA IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF EVELYN RIECKMAN, Executrix of the estate of Hugh Stinson, deceased, for license to sell real estate

Now on this 20th day of November, 1970, on reading and filing the Petition of Evelyn Rieckman, Executrix of the estate of High Stinson, deceased, praying for a license be granted to her to sell the real estate described as follows, to-wit:

West Half (W½) of Lot One (1), Lots Four (4), Five (5) and Eight (8), all in the Southeast Quarter (SE¼) and the West Half (W½) of Lot Eight (8) in the Northeast Quarter (NE¼) all in Section Sixteen (16), Township Eight (8), Range Fourteen (14), Otoe County, Nebraska,

A part or parcel of land described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Lot Six (6), Block Twenty-eight (28) in South Nebraska City Addition to and now a part of Nebraska City, Nebraska, hence North along the West line of said Block 40 feet, thence West 50 feet, thence South 40 feet parallel with the West line of said lot, thence East 50 feet to the place of beginning, also described in the record title of said property as The South 40 feet off the Southwest corner of Block 28 in South Nebraska City Addition to and now a part of Nebraska City, Otoe County, Nebraska,

for the purpose of paying the debts and expenses, and the expenses of this proceeding, and to enable her to carry out the terms of the Will, and for such other relief as may be just and equitable

IT IS ORDERED that on the 31st day of December, 1970, at 10 00 o'clock A M, standard time, be and is hereby assigned for hearing said petition, when all persons interested in said matter may appear at the District Court of Otoe County, Nebraska, and show cause why the prayer of petitioner should not be granted, and that notice thereof be given by publication in each successive issue of the Nebraska City News-Press of Nebraska City, Nebraska, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing

BY THE COURT
WALTER H SMITH
District Judge

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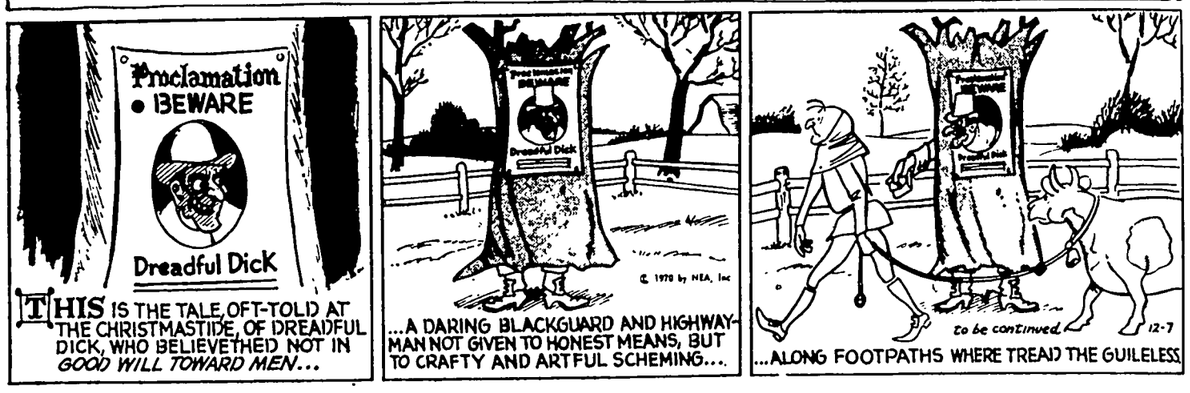

## The PRAYER FOR TODAY FROM The Upper Room

Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift. (IICoriathians 9:15)

PRAYER: Our heavenly Father, we thank Thee today for the gift of Thy Son to redeem us. May many today throughout the world open their hearts and let the Savior in. In Jesus' name. Amen.

## Dreadful Dick's Dilemma or, Santa's Fright Before Christmas

Chronicled by Newton Pratt, Esq.




## How Time Flies

FORTY YEARS AGO
—1930—

Dr. George Miller, the owner of a radio station at York, announced the Henry Field company would use all of the time on his station. . . . .County Treasurer Kelly's $150,000 bond was going to cost $2,700, more than in previous terms. . . . .The Standard Oil Station at Eleventh and First corso was broken into and the safe was looted of $8.10 in cash and $190 worth of gasoline coupon books. . . . .The Chamber of commerce military affairs committee decided to open a National Guard recruiting station downtown.

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO
—1945—

Nebrasua City's Christmas greenery, ordered in plenty of time, got tangled up in the truck and dock workers strike in Denver. according to Edgar Hawley, Chamber of Commerce secretary. He said: "We should be getting it in a few days.". . . . .The economic value of safety as well as the distress of deaths in accidents and their attendant list of hopeless cripples was told to Rotarians by Patrick Payne, former Omaha police chief. . . . .Condition of Mrs Frank Kraft, injured when her clothing caught in a corn elevator at their farm home north of Syracuse, remained in serious condition. . . . .In Washington, a bill detailing American participation in the UNO went to the House.

TEN YEARS AGO
—1960—

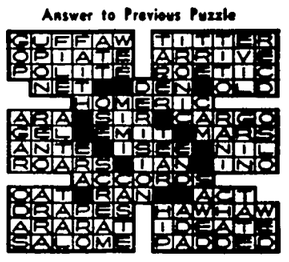
The newly painted City jail got its first customer hardly before the paint had dried. The man made the mistake of panhandling Ervin Rogers. Mr Rogers gave the man some money then got a report the man was begging elsewhere on the streets. Mr Rogers was Mayor of Nebraska City. . . . .The legislature approved $350,000 for new construction at the School for Blind in Nebraska City. . . .Mr and Mrs Guy McCord, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

### Victory for Press

John Peter Zenger, editor and printer, was tried on a charge of seditious libel in 1735 for daring to publish criticism of the governor of New York Province. His acquittal by a jury is regarded as the first important victory for freedom of the press.

## Hodgepodge

Answer to Previous Puzzle



ACROSS

1 —— Boleyn
5 Blow with open hand
9 Taint
10 Claw
12 Horse shed
13 Pome fruits
15 Scientist's room (coll.)
16 Unit of reluctance
18 Mimic
19 Desert dweller
21 Driving command
22 Snarl, as a dog
23 Relate
24 Periods of time (ab.)
25 Otiose
26 Paid notice in newspapers
28 Afternoon social event
30 Cathedral church
32 Indefinite article
33 Foundation
36 Poem
39 Snare
43 Painting, sulpturing, etc
44 Pitch
45 Stitches
46 Food fish
47 Masculine appellation
48 Capuchin monkey
49 Bullfighter
52 Disunites
55 Fortification
56 Related on mother's side
57 Hardens, as cement
58 Oriental coins

DOWN

1 Moorish tabor
2 Seize suddenly
3 Nothing (myth.)
4 Inherent power
5 Tritest
6 Race course circuit
7 High mountain
8 European country
9 Fixed look
11 Asian kingdom
12 Lath
14 Withered
17 Always (contr.)
20 Swords, for instance
22 Huge beings
27 Accomplish
29 Babylonian deity
31 Movements
33 Lure for fish
34 Eagerness
35 Cubic meters
37 Persian gateway
38 Expunges
40 Sets anew
41 Cognizant
42 Greek letters
50 Dutch city
51 Rodent
53 Mariner's direction
54 Mover's truck



(Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)

## The Buck Ends Here

By IVAN D.E. BEAUMONT

Nebraska City voluunteer firemen who fought the blaze in the basement of Hotel Grand Sunday night thought they had put out the fire, only to have it flame up again.

One fireman called to City Utilities crews asking whether the gas was off. He was assured once again it was off, and still the flame was persistent.

Firemen speculated that "something in the kitchen ceiling" contributed to the draft that fed the flames, making it virtually impossible to smother the blaze.

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There was also fear that firemen would be trapped in the basement. They thought they were making progress, but when it was realized that the flame had fed itself upwards they were called from the smoky space.

It was a heartbreaker for firemen to give up They had done so well, and thought they had it.

On the other side, had they not fought as hard as they did in those early moments, the final destruction could have been much worse, particularly for properties north of the hotel buildings.

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Fire Chief Otto Berthold relieved his assistant chief, Bill Berger when be arrived from a Sunday trip to Beatrice Meanwhile, Berger did an admirable job. He directed the often complicated system of hooking up to hydrants and gave the order that Police Chief Clarence Iversen relayed by two-way radio to call out all companies of volunteers and all equipment

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What's next for firemen?

They'd like to say thank-you to the many firemen from other communities who raced to Nebraska City to help And if they do it like they did after the Wessel's fire of six years ago, there'll be a hot time in the town that night and it won't be flames

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That summer evening when the Wessel's fire broke out. C F "Slim" Mason radioed me via citizen's band radio and I grabbed my trusty 4x5 Speed Graphic and headed down Tenth Street.

Sunday night we got to the fire even earlier than we did the Wessel's fire. As we drove home from Omaha with Mr and Mrs Arthur Sackles, we remarked how clear it was and how bright the moon lighted the night.

So, when we came in on North Eleventh Street, we were aware that what could have been mistaken for fog, was surely smoke We turned east on First Avenue, and as we stopped on the north side of the telephone building, the fire truck pulled around the corner.

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We were dressed for a Sunday outing which included pancakes at the Village Inn, so about all you could say for this newsman was that he was probably well-dressed for the job that followed

There was a quick race to the Methodist church to call Larry Parker to bring his camera. (Oh, what a time — Larry was in the bathtub).

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In the events that followed for the news people, there several trips to the News-Press for more cameras and film and some telephone calls, one of which was cut off when the operator said the phone building was being evacuated

We were concerned that our UPI service would also be lost but George Kane assured us that the crew was well aware of the trouble. It turned out that the phone boys were so efficient, that the teletype came on automatically like it was scheduled at 11:30 p.m., without any delay.

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There were more trips back to the News-Press where a total of six rolls of film (that's 72 pictures) plus four 4x5 film holders (that's eight more pictures) were developed in time variations of eight and 10 minutes in HC110 developer Normal development is three and three-quarter minutes, but because of the heavy smoke and lack of lighting, we tried to compensate by "souping up" the development.

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It was after midnight when the last of the film was developed

And then back to the fire. We talked with the Salvation Army representatives, police, firemen and Mayor A.O Gigstad. walked the icy streets for a time and headed back to the News-Press to double check to make sure we didn't forget and leave the water running in the darkroom sink

And then home.

By then it was 2 a.m., and Millie's cold roast in the refrigerator looked mighty good.

It was a restless night and at 6 a.m , we were up and not very ready to roar. There was another telephone call while my bacon and eggs got cold and then off to the police station to check any other night happenings and then to the News-Press

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Arthur Sweet, the publisher, took over the desk and UPI job and the night work of Len Hoskins, Larry and Dick Barton was next. The job was to coordinate the pictures and stories into one interesting package for our readers

Which pictures to choose was another task. Additional pictures had to be taken Monday morning to supplement the night shots and they were a "must" for the day's paper The others we could sort through and pick out the best for the space available

Len had laid out an eight page paper, but that was quickly changed to 10 pages to permit space for the 13 pictures which appeared in Monday's paper.

About 20 prints two, three and four column, were made in the darkroom Monday morning. Max Moyer, our job department head, took over the darkroom to make the halftones for printing

Among the pictures we chose were two very good shots by Steve Boerner, son of Mr and Mrs Ralph Boerner Steve used good judgment in his subject material and lighting and we liked the results.

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It's a lot of work to put a big story together, but enjoy doing it, that's our job. We just hope you enjoyed reading it.

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Word gets around pretty fast:

Bryan Mabie, a student at Augustana college at Sioux Falls S.D., and Bob Toler, of Lakewood, Colo., had heard about the fire and called.

## THE ALMANAC

By United Press International

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 8, the 342nd day of 1970.

The moon is between its first quarter and full phase.

The morning stars are Venus, Mars and Jupiter.

The evening stars are Mercury and Saturn.

Those born on this date are under the sign of Sagittarius.

On this day in history:

In 1776 George Washington crossed the Delaware near Trenton, N.J.

In 1863 President Abraham Lincoln announced his plan for reconstruction of the South. It provided amnesty for all who supported the Confederacy except the highest leaders.

In 1886 delegates from 25 unions founded the American Federation of Labor at Columbus, Ohio.

In 1949 the Chinese Nationalist government defeated by the Communists, moved its headquarters from the mainland to Formosa.