The Buck Ends Here

By IVAN D.E. BEAUMONT

Cantaloupe without salt and pepper? You must be kidding.

I thought e-v-e-r-y-one used salt and pepper with cantaloupe and watermelon.

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Boy, do we miss our garden this year. Harold Gress is getting near lawn planting time on our ex-garden plot on the corner, so we've settled for a few tomato plants around our house.

I don't know whether it's wise to have a garden. I'll sure miss the sweet corn crop (and trying out everyone's idea on the best seeds). We'll buy enough corn to enjoy ourselves, but it's sure going to lack the hoe-in-hand touch.

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Up on the North 40

Welcome to the Bob Wilbur family. Bob is one of the nuclear power plant people from Brownville. They have become active in Nebraska City events and seem to enjoy the town.

Also, work is under way on the Garry Ailes home and Garry has been giving the construction the anxious checkover.

It doesn't seem possible, but in a few more weeks we will have lived on the North 40 for 10 years.

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Best wishes to Gary Gray and family

We're going to miss Gary, Teresa and their husky young son, Matthew Gray, when they pull stakes later this month for New Mexico.

I was always going to turn Gary in to the county assessor for not reporting a two-car garage. Well, maybe he was right. It wasn't built as a two-car garage, but anytime you can get two Volkswagens into a single car garage. . .that's a two-car garage.

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The Grays will load their possessions into a truck and be joined by relatives for the drive to Las Cruces, N.M., where Gary will work with the University conducting workshops and classes for teachers of the deaf.

He will travel several states in his new position.

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Nebraska City swimming enthusiasts will have an opportunity Monday at 7 p.m., to try out for the swimming team at Steinhart pool.

Mrs Mary Blackburn, who will coach the team, said she is hopeful many swimmers will compete for the team.

"They just have to be good swimmers," she said.

Assisting Mrs Blackburn will be Dennis Venema, Syracuse, a new lifeguard at the pool. Venema is a student at Kearney State college.

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Bill Oberdieck is watching the skies and his cherry crop. The annual harvest will start late this week, Bill guesstimates.

The cherry harvest is an opportunity for a lot of people of all ages to earn some money. They get to the orchards shortly before 6 a.m., many sleepy-eyed, toting their lunches and transistor radios. The still of the orchards is disturbed by the blaring of music for the young.

Bill keeps up with the youngsters and it's a pretty pleasant situation. . .but I wonder what he'd do if a worker showed up one day with an ice cream freezer. . .

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A lot of people were on the banks of the Missouri river and on the bluffs the other day to look at the ex-Navy minesweeper which was towed to Omaha.

The U.S.S. (that means United States Ship, in case you landlubbers don't know) Hazard was tied off on the Iowa side much to the disappointment of many spectators.

We had hoped to get a closer peek, but the towboat skipper tied her off on the 'tother side while he resupplied his boat before continuing upstream to Omaha.

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A minesweeper is just what the name implies. During WWII the ships were used to skim over suspected mined areas, search out the mines and destroy them.

The minesweepers were loaded with electronic gear, but were built as "light" ships so they wouldn't "draw" much water. . .in other words, float on top of the water or as near to the surface as possible to avoid the mines.

They did a successful job during the war and the efforts of the minesweeper crews saved many lives of servicemen.

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Congratulations to Ray Ott on his promotion to plant manager of Morton House Kitchens, Inc., at Nebraska City.

Mr Ott has been associated with Morton House since 1928 and was elevated from assistant plant manager-operations effective July 5.

He's a well known man and I'm sure popular with the folks down at the plant. We had an opportunity to work with him for some time in the Toastmasters club where his favorite saying always shook the speech classes:

"You're murdering the King's English."

Best wishes and much success to a friend.

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Otoe county fair

Marvin Hoffman, Otoe county extension agent, stopped in the office the other day with a bale of papers that when finished will comprise a 100-page Otoe County Fair book.

The fair will be Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (August 23-24-25).

Among the features of the fair will be rodeos Sunday afternoon, Sunday night and Monday night after the Veterans parade.

The Grand Champion steer and heifer and the parade of purple ribbon livestock will again be held on Tuesday night. The 4-H horse show has been changed from Monday night to Wednesday afternoon.

The big 4-H style revue will again be held on Wednesday night. Special entertainment will be provided by the Browning family which has appeared in the area several times.

The annual 4-H and FFA livestock sale will be held Thursday, August 26.

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The Nebraska City Jaycees are going to have the annual stag June 25 at the Carl Wademan cabin along the Missouri river. The Jaycees are hopeful the membership, prospective members and "exhausted roosters" will attend. An exhausted rooster is an ex-Jaycee over 35 years of age. (A few of us are included).

We suspect that the Jaycees want the exhausted roosters to attend so the younger bucks can take away our pocket change while fattening us on Rocky Mountain Oysters and Mr Wademan's Hamms products.

Oh. . .you dirty old men.

The Learning-Disabled

Some Drugs, Vitamins Can Help



DR. WILLIAM T. MULLINEAUX, director of the New York Institute for Child Development, Inc. learning disabilities program, supervises an exercise designed to develop hand-eye coordination.

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(EDITOR'S NOTE· Dr Goldin is principal of a New York City elementary school and the author of many books on children and learning)

By DR. AUGUSTA GOLDIN

NEW YORK — (NEA) — When Larry's mother was again called to school, she knew what she'd hear that Larry was an eight-year-old tornado in the class, the gym and the lunchroom, that he still couldn't remember five reading words from one day to the next, that he'd had three years of remedial instruction, that he was brighter than average

This time she heard more Tests showed Larry was a learning-disabled child She would have to get outside help for him. If she didn't, this school would not be able to keep her son.

Outside help? What kind? Where? Why Larry when he was so intelligent?

Lloyd Thompson, professor emeritus at the University of North Carolina, has this to say about the lively Larrys

"Because he's as intelligent as other children, a child with a specific learning handicap is especially frustrated with his inability to learn, and it can warp his whole life "

But who is to diagnose and treat the thousands of bright, hyperactive Larrys? The family doctor is the first port of call. He may decide on a holding action, and try pills for the control of hyperkinetic behavior. He may prescribe behavior modification drugs, the kind that were used in the Omaha schools. And he may select one of three kinds. Tranquilizers, mood changers or message blockers.

TRANQUILIZERS, such as Raudixin, are used to "dilute the emotions " With tempers lowered, the young Larrys become more receptive, generally, and more able, possibly, to attend to lessons.

MOOD CHANGERS are antidepressant drugs, sometimes prescribed for neurologically depressed children. Two of these are the well known Tofranil and Aventyl They decrease irritability, impatience and excessive fidgeting

MESSAGE BLOCKERS are the amphetamines and Ritalin. These block out nagging feelings of restlessness, hunger and tiredness Says San Marino's Leon Oettinger, noted pediatrician who specializes in treating children with learning problems, "These drugs, in some manner still in dispute, make the brain function better "

Drugs, however, do not constitute a cure-all for bright nonlearners. It's true that a highly emotional child may be slowed down so his behavior no longer interferes with his studies. But, if his learning problems stem from neurological and perceptual handicaps, he will continue to be learning-disabled

The US Public Health Service advises parents of such children to take them to a diagnostic learning center The newly founded American Academy for Human Development in Dallas lists 25 member units in places ranging from Baltimore to St. Petersburg to Banff, Canada

In the heavily populated New York area, help is available at the Learning Disabilities Unit in Coney Island Hospital, the Learning Rehabilitation Service in Maimonides Medical Center, and the New York Institute for Child Development And the Institutes for Human Development, home of the Doman-Delacato program, are in Philadelphia

These centers operate in various ways At, for example, the New York Institute for Child Development, Junior is tested for three days Mental and motoric responses are investigated Brain waves are studied, sugar tolerance tests analyzed

Dr. Alan Levin, medical director of the Institute, alerts parents to the difference between symptoms and causes He explains how learning disabilities may stem from biochemical as well as physiological causes.

• PHYSIOLOGICAL causes are responsible for perceptual handicaps. Says Dr Levin, "My experience has shown that young children, who were unduly confined to playpens, or otherwise restrained, were deprived of the many hours of creeping and crawling that are required for the step-by-step development of the central nervous system." The result? Poor development of sensory and perceptual organization. To correct this, he advises a structured home program of increasingly sophisticated exercises Junior is to practice creeping and crawling daily, as needed He is to engage in sensory stimulation experiences to strengthen eye and muscle coordination.

• BIOCHEMICAL causes, such as nutritional deprivation, may be responsible for poor mental functioning. Allan Cott, consulting psychiatrist at the institute, discounts psychotherapy for learning-disabled children who are nutritionally deprived. Instead, he prescribes a high-protein diet and megavitamin therapy. Massives doses of vitamins B2, B3, B6, C and E, he claims, have produced near-spectacular results in some cases. Hyperactivity lessened. Attention increased. General learning improved.

In the meantime, the Association for Children with Learning Disabilities at 2200 Brownsville Rd., Pittsburgh, Pa., continues to build public concern. Through its Newsletter, the association sponsors meetings and promotes drives. It increases parental understanding. It heartens the families of learning-disabled children with the message that there's hope in research.

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today's FUNNY





BEING READIED for its July date with the moon, the Apollo 15 lunar module is removed from a testing chamber at Kennedy Space Center, Fla., after systems checkout in a simulated space environment. The module will deposit astronauts David R. Scott and James B. Irwin in the moon's Hadley-Apennine region.

THOMAS AS TRISTAN

NEW YORK (AP) — Over eight months, U.S tenor Jess Thomas will sing Tristan in four productions of "Tristan und Isolde" in four music capitals.

On June 14 he will star in Covent Garden's new production, conducted by George Solti and staged by Peter Brook On Oct. 9 he will sing Tristan with the Vienna State Opera at the Bolshoi Theater in Moscow This will be his debut in Russia

The Metropolitan Opera will do a new production of the Wagner opera Nov 18, starring Birgit Nilsson and Thomas and conducted by Erich Leinsdorf Thomas also will sing in the opera in a new production at the Paris Opera on Jan 17, 1972

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MONTHLY SEMINARS

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (AP) — Janos Starker, cellist, and Josef Gingold, violinist, will present monthly repertory seminars at the North Carolina School of the Arts in 1971-'72.

For more than a decade Starker has specialized in unaccompanied recitals. During the past year Gingold has given master classes at the National Conservatoire de Musique in Paris and served as a guest teacher at the Toho School of Music in Tokyo.

Both also teach at Indiana University.

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