The Buck Ends Here

By IVAN D.E. BEAUMONT

Robbie Starr, 22, son of Mr and Mrs Murrell Starr, 1023 Twelfth Avenue, is unable to get around with a broken leg, but he's got a smile and ambition that caught the attention of Paul Brust

Mr Brust, one of Assessor Howard Zimmers' deputies, was working on a property tax assessment with Mr Starr when he got sidetracked.

Robbie caught his attention.

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Perhaps you will recall a story about Robbie several months ago. The School for Visually Handicapped graduate slipped as he was leaving the hospital at Rochester, Minn., and broke a leg

"Robbie is blind, but you've never seen such a cheerful person," Mr Brust said. The young man who said he was making money lying in bed, is making key chains for $1.25 each.

Mrs Starr said the chains have a doll and poodle design. Robbie's aunt, Mrs Donna Bouchard, a former Nebraska City resident, has been selling the key chains to her co-workers in the Soil Conservation Service office in Lincoln.

"If anyone is entitled to a medal, the honor should go to Robbie." Mr Brust said. He said his visit with Robbie "made me a little ashamed of complaining of my troubles."

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Probably the most interesting reading these days are stories about the murders of the Hoyts of Culbertson, Nebraska.

You will recall the early stories about the missing farm couple, how a fisherman found parts of a leg or arm in Strunk lake.

According to a Kansas City newspaper story (Rich Logan picked up a copy of the paper) the most unusual thing about the murders and cutting of the bodies and dumping them in to the lake, is that people in town find it hard to believe. Many people know Harold Nokes and his wife and can't visualize them as murderers.

Nokes and his wife have lived in McCook for 20 years. Their neighbor for 18 of those years is a former fire chief and presently a member of the City council. They find it hard to believe.

There are others skeptical — they believe in some wild, drug operation with weirdos dancing on graves, hippies, and a cult.

The rulings on the earlier death of a young girl and a suicide haven't satisfied some of the other townspeople.

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Did you hear about the new carburetor that's supposed to end all woes of pollution and give you speed and 30 miles per gallon?

We received an unsolicited note the other day that was a photo copy of an article printed in the Glendale, Calif., paper.

The Kendig carburetor is made of 105 parts (the standard carburetor has 318) and according to the inventor, Willard Z. Kendig, it has automatic compensation for altitude, eliminates the need for a choke, accelerator pump, circuits, needle valves and jets. (One expert tells us that means no float).

In California, you can't buy one and put it on your own car because they are against the law. The newspaper reported, however, that something's wrong because the Kendig meets the anti-smog requirements.

Meanwhile, boxes and crates of Kendigs are being stored "ready to end smog and ready for better mileage."

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Ed Behrns of Automotive, Inc., said "a lot of carburetors" have come out of California, but as yet nothing big.

He said a number of the speed shops stocked some of the carbs, but had little success with them. Ed has read about them, have has some questions he'd like answered

Automotive has never stocked the "new" carburetors.

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Notice to shoppers

Check the meat counter at Hoss Hoskins market for choice bull. . . .er. . . .beef.

On one of those miserable cold days we went to an accident scene near Hoskins market. No one was injured in the accident and the three drivers and shivering spectators were in a pretty good mood.

One of the drivers is a personal friend of Hoss Hoskins . . . .check the meat counter for a full report.

Yours truly,
JOHNNY DOLLAR

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From my mother-in-law

Why aren't men as patient with their wives as they are while waiting for the fish to bite?

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Clarence Monahan of Palmyra, stopped in the other day to renew his subscription to the News-Press and visit for a moment.

We talked about the extremely cold weather we had a couple weeks ago. He said Palmyra had 32 degrees below zero and had it not been for the snow covering, there could have been a lot of trouble with broken mains and or some other line trouble.

The snow cover served like a blanket of insulation. . . .and you have to live in Nebraska to understand that, sweetheart, according to Clarence.

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Notice to Mrs John Scharp

The News-Press will publish a series of stories in coming weeks on "Cut Your Own Taxes."

The 21-part series was written by Ray De Crane of the Newspaper Enterprise Association. We've published the tax stories in previous years and again this year, they will be available in book form.

So, watch the paper, we'll print a notice when the series starts.

And — thanks for your call. It's good to hear from our readers.

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Mrs Arnold Wirthele

So you lost your recipe for sour cream chocolate cake? Well, you came to the right place, gal. Under separate cover I am mailing you the August 5, 1973 News-Press and on Page 13 you'll find the details.

As a matter of fact, I was thinking about you (or anyone who doesn't have sour cream chocolate cake) at breakfast his morning

Mrs Wirthele writes:

"The cake was so easy to prepare and we all just loved it. If possible I sure would like to get the recipe again This time I'll make two copies — one to lose and one to use).

W-e-e-l-l. . bless you, dear heart.

Propane rollback may be coming

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Nixon administration apparently is preparing to require a rollback in the price of propane and some domestically produced oil, but there is no indication of when or how much.

Federal energy chief William E. Simon was asked by reporters Friday if a rollback in oil prices is in prospect. Simon replied: "There sure is," but quickly added he was referring only to so-called "new" oil which has been freed of price controls and is selling at $10.35 a barrel.

Also on Friday, Simon told the Senate permanent investigations subcommittee his Federal Energy Office "soon" would publish new regulations for propane which he hoped would bring about a "substantial reduction" in its price.

Propane, used extensively in agriculture, has increased as much as 300 per cent in price in recent months.

The U.S. trucking industry had 9,034,000 employes who earned a payroll of some $72.4 billion, during 1971, The World Almanac notes. There were 26 states with trucking payrolls of more than $1 billion California's 1.2 million trucking employes earned more than $11 7 billion, Texas' trucking payroll was over $5 billion, followed by New York's nearly $3 7 billion and Pennsylvania's $3.5 billion

Judge wants Nixon's answer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge has asked President Nixon to state publicly why he opposes turning over five subpoenaed tapes to the Senate Watergate committee.

U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell ruled Friday that Nixon's claim of executive privilege "is too general" and is outdated by court rulings that led to surrender of most of the same tapes to the Watergate prosecution.

Gesell also threw out a subpoena the committee issued for all documents of 25 White House and Nixon re-election aides bearing on Watergate matters.

The judge said the subpoena for the documents "is too vague and conclusory to permit a meaningful response ... and is wholly inappropriate given the stringent requirements applicable where a claim of executive privilege has been raised."

Samuel Dash, chief counsel of the Watergate committee, agreed the documents subpoena was vague and very broad. Dash said the committee did not have enough evidence when it drew up the subpoena to be more specific about the materials it wanted.

But Dash pointed out the decision doesn't affect the subpoena for the five tapes. And since the original subpoenas were served on July 23, the committee has demanded nearly 500 tapes and hundreds of other documents.

Gesell asked Nixon to submit before Feb 6 a statement "indicating whether he still wishes to invoke executive privilege as to these tapes" and the reasons that disclosure to the committee would not be in the public interest

Twins are born

WEEPING WATER — The Weeping Water rescue squad assisted two women in Elmwood in delivering twin daughters to Mr and Mrs Wayne Krejdl They then took the mother and babies to a Lincoln hospital.

The Bicentennial

PLATTSMOUTH — Robert Schneider of the VFW and Jack Widle, of the Chamber, were elected co-chairmen of the Bicentennial Commission, according to the Journal.

EMPHASIS ON FORESTRY PRACTICES

RECP program is announced

The U.S. Department of Agriculture today announced primary details of 1974 rural environmental protection measures on American farms which encourage the development, management and protection of nonindustrial private forest lands.

In December the Department announced the initial RECP funding level for calendar 1974 at $90 million, of which $10 million was initially earmarked for the forestry incentives effort.

The RECP which carries forward some features of the old Rural Environmental Assistance Program (REAP) is designed to share with farmers and forest landowners from 50 to 75 per cent of the cost of carrying out approved forestry and conservation practices.

Participation in this program is open to all eligible farmers.

The program is authorized by the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act and the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973. The 1973 Act was signed into law by President Richard M. Nixon on Aubust 10, 1973. The program provides for both annual and long-term cost-sharing agreements.

Under long-term agreements, essential practices and cost-sharing will be scheduled over a period of 3 to 10 years. These agreements with farmers will be based on whole farm conservation plans which have been approved by appropriate officials. Requests for long-term agreements will be acepted only in cases where the farmer has an approved plan and has indicated he is ready to carry out a scheduled practice during the current program year

The special forestry incentives program phase of RECP will apply only in counties to be specifically designated for this phase of the program by the State ASC Committee after consulting with the state forester.

Coast-sharing in these counties will be available to owners on nonindustrial private forest lands for planting trees for timber production and for improving a stand of forest trees for timber production Forest management plans developed by foresters in consultation with the landowners will be required as the basis for cost-sharing agreements for all forestry practices in the designated counties.

Cost-sharing for regular forestry practices will also be offered in counties that are not designated for the special forestry incentives program In these counties forestry practices must also provide improved protection against wind or water erosion as well as provide for the production of forest products

Practices to be offered under the 1974 RECP for annual or long-term agreements include extablishing permanent vegetative cover, improving permanent vegetative cover, planting trees; improving a stand of forest trees, water impoundment reservoirs, stripcropping, constructing terrace systems, diversions, streambank stablization, permanent wildlife habitat, sediment retention; erosion or water control structures, sediment, chemical or water runoff control measures, waterways, windbreaks or shelterbelts; and reorganizing irrigation systems

A draft environmental statement has been filed with the Council on Environmental Quality and circulated for agency and public comment. Program modifications will be considered based on coments received during the review period

Several USDA agencies are involved in the operation of the RECP. The program will be administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service through its farmer-elected committee system. The Soil Conservation Service will provide technical assistance and advice and recommendations on policies for soil and water conservation practices including conservation planning needed for long-term agreements.

The Forest Service will provide advice and recommendations on policies for all aspects of forestry practices and technical service, including planning, assistance to the applicant The Extension Service will provide educational support and assistance for increasing the effectiveness of the program.

County ASCS office to administer RECP

Otoe County ASCS Office will be responsible for administering the new 1974 Rural Environmental Conservation Program The new program, which replaces and modifies the old REAP, has several new aspects of interest to Otoe County residents

According to Herman F. Minderman, ASCS County Executive Director, the new cost sharing phase of the program could be extremely beneficial to Otoe county farmers It provides for a maximum of 75 per cent return to the user for all expenses he incurs while establishing conservation or foresty practices on his land

Also under the 1974 program an applicant can either elect to apply for a single one year program of conservation improvement, or select a 3 to 10 year continuing program The extended period of time now allowed will be most beneficial to those wishing rather extensive conservation improvements on their land, but preferring to spread them out over a period of years

All applications must be made directly to the ASCS county office

Minderman said he has the basic information on the program that has been authorized for cost sharing Fourteen separate practices have been announced, plus two which deal with county projects affecting conservation peculiar to a particular county



M. Allan Casey

M. Allen Casey is top funeral director

M. Allan Casey of the Casey-Witzenburg Funeral Homes in southeastern Nebraska, has been announced as the "national funeral director of the month" for February. Selection was made by the National Selected Morticians, a leading association of funeral directors with headquarters in Evanston, Illinois.

Allan and his wife, Meredith, have two sons Kevin, who is attending the University of Nebraska, and Shawn, at home. Together with his brother Lee Casey and Glenn Witzenburg he owns and operates six mortuaries in Auburn, Dawson, Johnson, Shubert, Stella and Talmage

After serving in the infantry in World War II, he returned to the University of Nebraska for two years and then went on to graduate from the St. Louis College of Mortuary Science. In January of 1949 he and his wife Meredith moved to Auburn where they have since lived

His selection was based on his many activities on both the local and state level

Firemen take test after Novak thefts

OMAHA, Neb (AP)—Six Omaha firemen have passed lie detector tests in connection with a theft which occurred during a fire at an apartment building, according to Sgt Oscar Pfeffer of the Omaha Police Department.

The six were identified as having been in the apartment during and after the fire.

Occupant of the apartment, Julius Novak, an Omaha auto dealer and member of the board of Metropolitan Utilities District, reported a $9,000 ring and $12,000 watch had been taken from his apartment.

Council approves new steel prices

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Cost of Living Council has removed price controls from about 18 per cent of steel industry production, a move that could lead to higher prices at the consumer level

It also granted steel companies a price increase of less than one-half of one per cent, which is expected to bring in an additional $65 million per year.

The increase was the third approved by the government so far this year for the steel industry, the nation's second largest after the automobile industry. Together, the boosts permit steel companies to raise prices by 4.54 per cent, for a total of $756 million.

Ford optimistic about GOP future

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Gerald R. Ford says Watergate's impact on congressional elections this fall will not be overly significant. But conservative Republicans meeting here warned the results may be politically shattering.

"I don't view with such alarm the impact of some of the things that have happened in Washington," Ford said Friday during a campaign trip to Johnstown, Pa., on behalf of a GOP candidate in a special congressional election.

"I do not think Republicans are going to have the kind of drop-off in their vote in 1974 that my good friend Barry Goldwater forecasted," said Ford.

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