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Food, drug decisions 'too political'

He's highest paid welfare recipient

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Gov. Ronald Reagan, after finding himself in a shouting match, is the reluctant winner of a "highest paid welfare recipient award."

He was explaining his welfare reform program to about 400 persons attending a welfare forum here when about 40 demonstrators began heckling him.

Reagan defended California's Medi-Cal administrator after one heckler claimed she was denied treatment under the program despite a heart condition. She added that if she could live through Herbert Hoover's administration "I'm certain I can live through you."

The governor then was approached by the president of the California Welfare Rights Organization. She sought to present Reagan, who recently disclosed he paid no state income taxes last year due to business reverses, the "highest paid welfare recipient award."

Mrs. Jermay said the award was "for being one of us — the truly needy."

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government decisions on the safety of food and drugs are too often based on politics rather than good science, a blue-ribbon advisory committee reports.

The Food and Drug Administration, hailing the report as sound and helpful, said it is already implementing committee recommendations for scientific buffers against economic and political pressures.

The five-man panel of university scientists concluded after a year's investigation that despite pockets of laboratory excellence the FDA is not equipped to grapple with many of the difficult, technical questions of consumer protection.

"It currently faces enormous responsibilities for consumer protection and the public health but with limited resources, constricted perspective and little solid constituency in the public or medical and scientific establishments," the committee said of the FDA.

"There is no doubt that the agency is currently burdened with managerial and communication problems which are long-standing and widespread," the 56-page, cautiously worded report said.

Dr. Charles C. Edwards, the FDA chief, directed the committee to take a no-holds-barred look at his agency's scientific efforts under the chairmanship of Dr. Roy E. Ritts, of the University of Minnesota.

The panel said it found unproductive scientists in ill-equipped laboratories; stagnant middle-level scientific supervisors; absence of long-range planning and direction for research; "serious deficiencies" in outside research contracts; and a "curious aura of secrecy" among FDA scientists who suffer generally from poor morale.

The committee's only specific allegation of political interference in FDA decision making was the on-again, off-again enforcement of a ban on the artificial sweetener, cyclamate.

The cyclamate case, the panel said, is "an illustration of a forced and hurried judgment with inadequate, premature or unconfirmed scientific input admixed with political and industry pressures."

The report said the government's failure to monitor rigorously harmful drug residues in meat and poultry may pose "possible danger to the public."

Fire engine chases car

OSHKOSH (AP) — The Oshkosh fire department chased a car down the street and told the driver the car was on fire.

The dispatcher at the central station saw the car passing, shooting flames from underneath.

A fire truck was dispatched and caught up with the car within a block. The driver, who had pulled over upon hearing the siren, was flabbergasted and speechless when told of the fire.

The car sustained major damage in the fire which, according to the fire department, resulted from a break in the hydraulic line that spilled brake fluid on the hot manifold.

Tired of climbing, they'll get married

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP) — Dr. David J. Peterson of Minneapolis, Minn., didn't make it to the top of Mt. Everest, but he and Catherine Watts are going to be married nearly half way up the world's highest mountain.

Peterson, 28, a member of the international expedition that last week abandoned its attempt to climb 29,628-foot Everest, and Miss Watts, also of Minneapolis, will be married at a Tibetan monastery 13,000 feet up the mountain, expedition sources said.

It was not known when the ceremony would be held, but presumably it will be soon. The sources said Miss Watts had sent word to the Thyangboche monastery to prepare some local Tibetan beer, known as chhyang, for the occasion.

Males aren't interested

WHEELING, W.Va. (AP) — Wheeling College says it is cancelling plans to integrate male and female students in one dorm due to lack of interest on the part of the male students.

Warm weekend

A warm holiday weekend is expected, but showers may dampen outings Sunday.

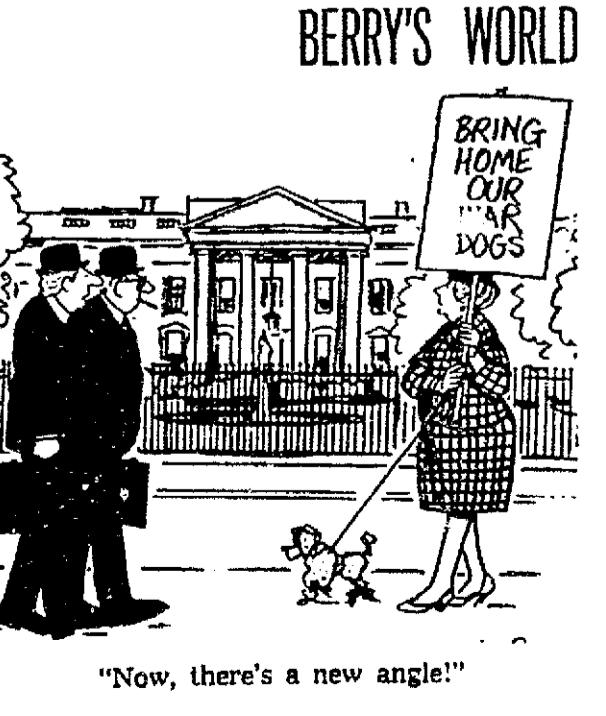
Tonight should be fair with little temperature change — lows in the 40s. Sunny and a little warmer Saturday, reaching highs between 72 and 82 degrees.

Sunday through Tuesday is expected to be partly cloudy. A chance of showers and thunderstorms exists for Sunday, with lows in the 50s or low 60s and highs mostly in the 70s.

Partly sunny Monday with lows in the mid-40s to mid-50s and highs in the 70s to low 80s. Mostly sunny and warm Tuesday.

Lowest cranberry bog temperatures tonight are expected to be between 26 and 30 in southern bogs, 28 to 32 in northeastern bogs and 32 to 35 in northwestern bogs. Saturday night, lowest bog temperatures should be between 36 and 42 degrees.

The high here Thursday was 67, following an early morning low of 31 degrees. At 6 a.m. today, it was 34 degrees.



"Now, there's a new angle!"

Finance panel okays budget

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — The Legislature's powerful Joint Finance Committee passed Thursday night and sent to the Senate and Assembly a proposed state budget for 1971-73.

The budget is slightly larger than Gov. Patrick J. Lucey's 1.9 billion proposal for the biennium, said Sen. Carl Otte, D-Sheboygan.

Assembly Speaker Robert Huber, D-West Allis, said both parties will caucus on the budget next week.

Floor debate will not begin, however, until June 8.

The proposal is expected to clear the Democrat-controlled Assembly virtually unchanged. It will then be forwarded to the Senate, where it will face its critical test.

A number of GOP senators, who control that chamber, have expressed hope a budget can be passed without the \$177 mill tax increase proposed by Lucey.

"One of the laudable aspects of the committee's deliberations was that we were able to make some upward adjustments in property tax relief without in any way adding to the modest tax increase suggested

by Gov. Lucey," Otte said.

The Joint Finance Committee's proposed budget "is substantially the same as the governor's," Otte said.

But there were cutbacks in some areas. Otte said they included:

Elimination of 27 public relations positions.

A 15 per cent cut in the state printing volume, representing a savings of more than \$2 million.

A cut of \$6.17 million from the state building program.

Otte said the committee's cuts enabled it to add more funds to other areas.

These, he said, included additional \$10.6 million for local school aids; \$2.5 million to provide school psychologists for emotionally disturbed children; \$4.6 million for aid to college undergraduate education — with the funds coming from a one per cent, or \$3.1 million, cut in Lucey's proposed faculty pay increase; restoration of \$1.4 million for increased payments to local welfare programs and a \$60,000 addition to funding for the Division on Aging.

Total of migrant bodies now at 20

YUBA CITY, Calif. (AP) — Twenty bodies now have been unearthed from fruit orchards near Yuba City and Sheriff Roy D. Whiteaker said "We expect to recover more later today."

Today's report was the first formal confirmation of the toll of 20 — the largest number of persons allegedly slain by one person in the United States in this century.

Whiteaker was asked at a news conference if some sort of map was being used to locate more bodies and he replied, "No we are not."

Whiteaker said all the victims were men, most of them caucasian, between the ages of 40 and 63.

Twelve of the victims remain unidentified, but most are believed to be itinerant farm workers and drifters. One is thought to be a Negro.

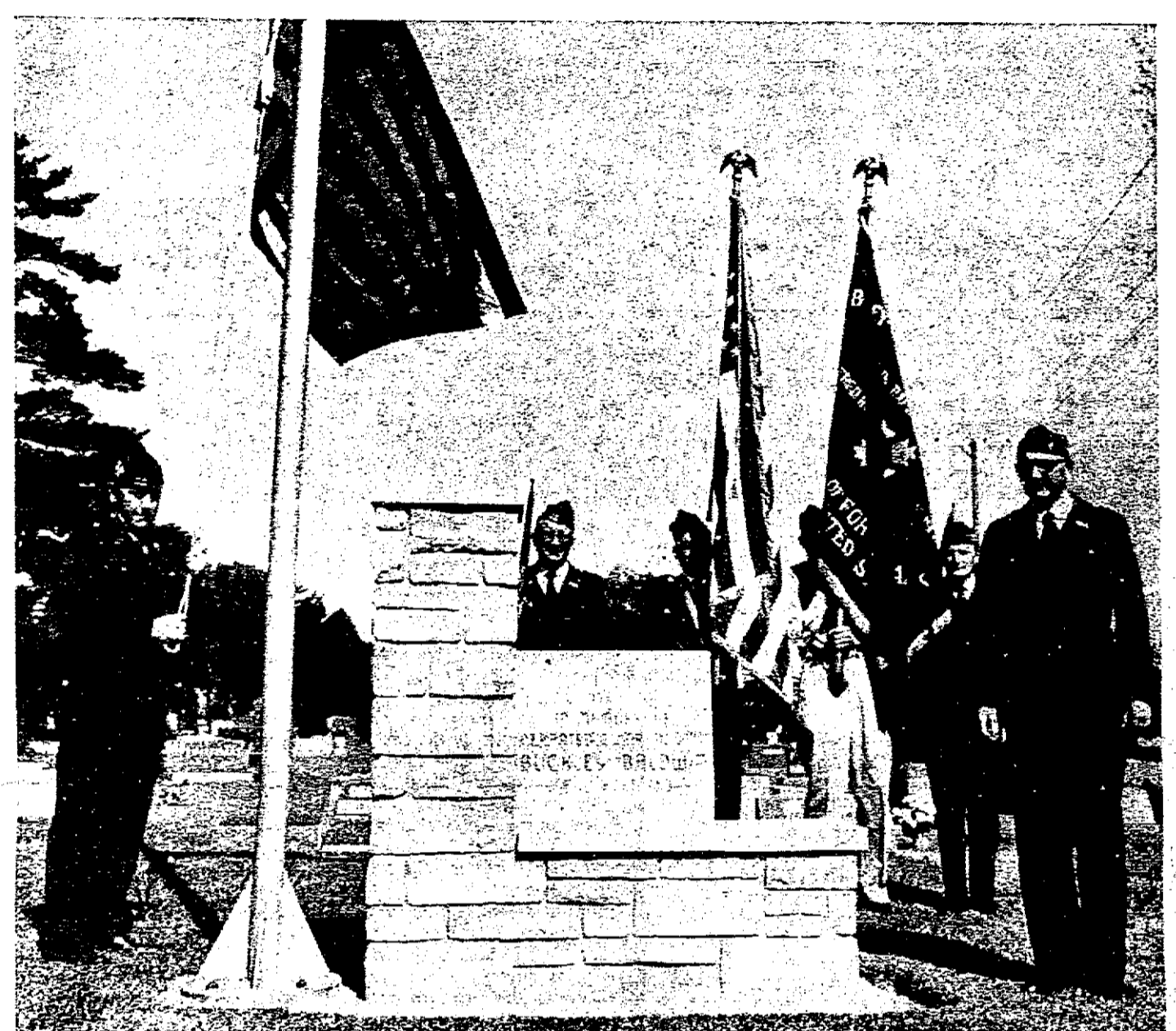
Being held and charged with 10 of the murders is Juan V. Corona, 37, Yuba City, who spent three months in a state mental hospital in 1966.

Whiteaker repeatedly said, "I have no comment at all on any phase of the investigation," when asked about Corona or why he was arrested early Wednesday morning.

Sheriffs announced Tuesday that eight bodies had been unearthed and more were found later, the last five late Thursday night near Feather River.

The sheriff would not discuss whether officers had established a possible motive in the deaths, thought to date back over the past two months.

Officers continued checking "depressions" of the sort that have yielded the bodies from shallow graves three-to-five-



NEW MEMORIAL ERECTED BY VETERANS

A color guard from Buckley-Baldwin Post 2534, Veterans of Foreign Wars, stands behind a newly erected stone memorial in Forest Hill Cemetery here while Benjamin Moore raises a flag. Members of the color guard, from left, are Donald Caylor, Casimer Walanski, John D. Johnson, Bernard Lager, and Lester Klug. The VFW memorial is to be dedicated Monday morning, immediately following the community Memorial Day services at Lincoln Fieldhouse. (Tribune Photo)

Hold graduation exercises at Assumption on Sunday

A class of 138 seniors will be graduated from Assumption High School on Sunday afternoon, with the commencement program beginning at 3 o'clock.

The commencement address will be delivered by the Rev. J. Thomas Finucan, president of Viterbo College, La Crosse, a former principal of Assumption.

Following the processional, the Rev. Jerome J. Kamla, pastor of Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church, will give the invocation and the band will play the national anthem, Ronald D. Meinhardt directing.

Ron Kirschling is valedictorian of the class of 1971 and the salutatorian is Mary Weiler. The Bishop's Medal will be conferred on Paula Jackan and Michael Kirschling will receive the Citizenship award. These four students will give brief addresses of appreciation. Sister Rita Thiel, associate principal and guidance coordinator, will present scholarship awards.

The commencement address will be followed by selections by the senior girls' ensemble and the mixed chorus, directed by Sister Mary Senglaub.

The Rev. Charles J. Hiehl will present the class and diplomas are to be conferred by the Most



Ron Kirschling Valedictorian



Mary Weiler Salutatorian



Mike Kirschling Citizenship Award



Paula Jackan Bishop's Medal

4-year mayoral term discussed by committee

A four-year term for mayor was discussed by the Wisconsin Rapids Legislative Committee Thursday night, but no action nor recommendation was made.

Harvey Schneider, Committee chairman, one of those favoring a longer mayoral term, said, "It takes a year for a mayor to get his feet on the ground after being elected to the present two-year term."

Schneider said he is in no hurry to make the change, and that he first wants to know how the residents feel about a longer term. He noted that the trend among municipalities is toward the four-year mayoral term.

To change the term would entail Common Council approval and a referendum vote to amend the city's charter ordinance spelling out the term of office.

Arpin man fined for driving under influence

MARSHFIELD — Donald G. Follen Sr., 31, Rt. 2, Arpin, charged with driving while under the influence of intoxicants, changed a plea of not guilty to guilty in Wood County Court here this morning, and was fined \$100 plus costs by Judge Fred A. Fink.

In addition, Follen's license was revoked for 90 days.

Recommend Goodale for post of county planner

The Wood County Board of Supervisors will be asked at its June meeting to appoint William Goodale as director of the city-county planning office, the Daily Tribune has learned.

Goodale, who has been employed as assistant planner since June 1970, would replace Tom Smiley, who has resigned to become planner for Rock County. Smiley will assume his new duties May 31.

Dr. Arthur P. Hayward, Wisconsin Rapids, confirmed today that a resolution asking the board to hire Goodale as chief planner for the county will be introduced at the June board meeting by the Personnel Committee and the Planning, Zoning and Resource Development Committee. The resolution would boost Goodale's salary from \$8,600 to \$9,600. Smiley presently receives \$11,000 annually.

The resolution also will ask that Gary Popelka, a planning intern who has been employed by the county since March, be hired as assistant planner at an annual salary of \$8,000.

In addition, the resolution will propose that the salary of John Sweat, zoning administrator and sanitarian, be raised from \$7,912 to \$9,012. Dr. Hayward said the salary increase is proposed to compensate Sweat for his work as sanitarian.

Sweat, who originally was hired as zoning administrator,

Mrs. Metzger is Memorial Day speaker

Mrs. Bonnie Metzger, whose husband is a prisoner of war in North Vietnam, will deliver the address at the annual Memorial Day program to be held Monday morning at Lincoln Fieldhouse, sponsored by Hagerstrom-Rude Post No. 9, American Legion.

Preceding the ceremonies there will be a parade, starting at 9 a.m. from the West Side riverbank park on 2nd Ave. S. The procession will cross the Grand Ave. bridge and move up E. Grand Ave. and along 6th St. to the fieldhouse.

Participants in the parade include the color guards of local veterans organizations and their auxiliary units, the Assumption, Lincoln and John Edwards High School bands, the VFW drill team, and Boy Scouts.

Organizations wishing to enter the parade are asked to contact Robert Herzberg, parade marshal.

The fieldhouse program, at which Legion Commander Neal Davis will preside, is to open with the advance of colors, playing of the national anthem by the Lincoln High band under the direction of Roger Hornig, and the invocation by the Rev. B. L. Marcell of St. John's Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Metzger's address will follow a musical selection by the Lincoln band. Next will be

Today's chuckle

Always borrow from a pessimist; he never expects it back anyway.