The buck Ends here . . . .

By Ivan D. E. Beaumont

Congratulations—To Marc Copenhaver and Pam Williams for being selected king and queen of the Holiday Dance. . . .To Joe Zimmerer Diane Volkmer and Mike Wirth for winning the top three places in the VFW Voice of Democracy contest.

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Miss Amelia (Miss Pete, to many friends) Peterson and her students at Senior High put on a fine performance at the Vespers program the other night at Senior High.

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A consulting engineering firm reported the other day that Nebraska City's projected growth will be from the 7,200 plus now to 9,400 in the next 20 years.

Wonder what Chamber Manager Ben Homan thinks of that?

The population estimate is a conservative figure, we like to think, based on the projections of what could make the town grow.

First of all, there is the present major industry and potential expansion to coincide with the nationwide picture. After all, their products, for the most part, are nationwide.

Tied to that will be the potential of Consumers nuclear plant at Brownville and Omaha Public Power's plans on several hundred acres of ground five miles south of Nebraska City.

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We like to think the town will grow with the times.

But there is a special incentive that is a requirement for any booming area—the right leadership.

Have we got it? Are we geared for it?

If nothing else, that's food for thought.

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The new general manager of Omaha Public Power district, Lynn Monroe, is a compliment to the organization.

Mr Monroe has made several visits to Nebraska City and is known as a congenial individual with a warm appreciation for friendship.

Best wishes to him in his new assignment.

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The first question I heard when NU Chancellor Clifford Hardin was named Secretary of Agriculture, was "what kind of qualifications does he have for the job?"

Mr Hardin, 53, was raised on a farm near Knightstown, Ind., attended college on a 4-H scholarship and before moving to Nebraska in 1954, was dean of the college of agriculture at Michigan State.

That doesn't mean he knows how to walk behind a plow, but it points out that he is a midwesterner who has been closely associated with the farming picture all of his life.

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Nebraskans can be proud.

As bearer of the Ak-Sar-Ben crown, Mr Hardin will be the only king in the Nixon administration.

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City Utilities Manager Vern Livingston screened colored slides of Nebraska City scenes and spoke on the opportunities that exist right here at home to News-Press employes the other evening.

We liked Mr Livingston's story. And he has offered to show the slides to any interested group.

May we suggest you dial him at 873-3353?

Up on the North 40

The wind blew the other day.

Nebraska City and Otoe county taxing agencies are to be commended for the lower mill levies as a result of the state sales tax receipts.

In many towns and counties, such was not the case. Instead of property tax relief, there were increases, the tax research council report showed.

In Nebraska City there was a major reduction. D.W. Kicker and I say thanks for the Christmas present.

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I couldn't help but admire the sharp looking kids at the Holiday dance the other night. They were well dressed and conducted themselves admirably.

One father who joined a conversation about the length of dresses, reported on his comment while accompaning his daughter to a dress shop.

He spotted a cute looking number and asked:

"Where's the skirt that goes with this blouse?"

Who-o-o-e-e, did he get cut down!

Pilot lands plane in field

CARLISLE, Iowa (UPI) — A 27-year-old pilot from Cedar Rapids engineered his single engine plane to a safe landing in a farm field near Carlisle Saturday after the plane's engine failed.

The pilot, Roger Swanson, escaped injury, and the plane, a Bellanca 260, was not damaged. The landing occurred on a farm owned by Ted Diehl.

Swanson said he was flying at about 4,000 feet when the plane's engine quit.

"This gave me about six minutes to pick a field," Swanson said, "and radio into the Des Moines flight service station for an emergency."

Swanson described the incident as "just another normal landing except I had the power off for good instead of just throttling back."

Swanson said the mechanical failure in the plane's engine was "major" but he could not pinpoint the trouble immediately.

"I think it's something similar to throwing a rod in a car engine," he said.

Swanson said he had experienced a similar incident as part of his flight training.

"It's something every pilot gets," he said. "I had some good instructors."

Swanson said both he and his wife fly the plane, which he owns.

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Five die in Iowa crashes

By United Press International

Four men and a woman died Saturday in Iowa as a result of separate traffic accidents in the state.

A St. Donatus man was killed early Saturday when his car veered off U.S. 52 about 11½ miles north of the northeast Iowa community of St. Donatus and hit a bridge abutment. The Iowa Highway Patrol said the victim was John Kalmes, 45, who was alone in the car.

One University of Kansas student was killed and another injured in a one - car accident four miles south of Villisca, Iowa, on U.S. 71. Authorities said John Peterson, 22, Villisca, was killed while he was returning home for the holidays. Dennis Paulson, 21, Nodaway, who also was in the car, was hospitalized in serious condition.

A Newhall man was killed Saturday when he lost control of his car on a gravel road near Shellsburg in east central Iowa. The patrol said Don Cress, 55, Newhall, was dead and Selma Stavely, 60, Shellsburg, hospitalized with a broken back as a result of the accident. They said the Cress car missed a curve on the Benton County road, left the road and overturned, throwing both the driver and his passenger.

The patrol said Fred Christian Voss, 83, Paulina, died Saturday in Sioux City of injuries received in an accident Dec. 4, which also injured his wife. Voss was fatally injured when his car collided in Paullina with two trucks at an intersection of Iowa 3.

Mrs. Marie Heinze, 73, Middle Amana, was fatally injured in a one - car accident near Norway, Iowa, Saturday and died a short time later in a Cedar Rapids hospital. Officials said Mrs. Heinze was riding with her son Adolph Heinze, 55, Amana, when he missed a curve and the car ran off a blacktop road and slammed into a dirt embankment. He was hospitalized in serious condition at University Hospitals in Iowa City.

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HHH GOES TO COLLEGE

Vice President to teaching job

By WILLIAM FOX

ST PAUL, Minn. (UPI)— Hubert H. Humphrey has decided what he'll do when he loses his lease on the vice president's office: Go back to school.

Humphrey, unsuccessful Democratic party presidential candidate, announced he has accepted a shared professorship at MacAlester College in St. Paul and the University of Minnesota in neighboring Minneapolis.

In an appearance at MacAlester Sunday, Humphrey said his decision to return to teaching was made because of the need "to have my mind and senses stretched once again by the students."

Humphrey taught political science at MacAlester before becoming mayor of Minnapolis at the outset of his 25-year political career.

He was a U.S. senator for 16 years, served as vice president for four years, and last month lost the presidential election to Richard M. Nixon. Humphrey leaves office Jan. 20.

Humphrey will be paid $30,000 a year to fill the chair named in his honor a year ago, the Hubert Humprhey Professorship of International Relations. The chair's $525,000 endowment was raised by friends.

School officials said Humphrey would work nine months of the year, taking part in classroom discussions lectures and seminars for both students and faculty. He will hold the title of Visiting Professor of Social Sciences at the University of Minnesota.

"I can hardly wait to begin," Humphrey said in his MacAlester appearance before a very enthusiastic crowd of teachers and students. He received three standing ovations.

It has been speculated that Humphrey came back to Minnesota to try for public office again. He is believed to be considering running for the U.S. Senate seat of Sen. Eugene McCarthy, who said he would not run again as a Democrat in 1970, or challenging Gov. Harold Levander that year.

Humphrey gave no hard clue to his thinking of this time.

"The word must have spread that I am a soft grader," he said when the audience stood and applauded him.

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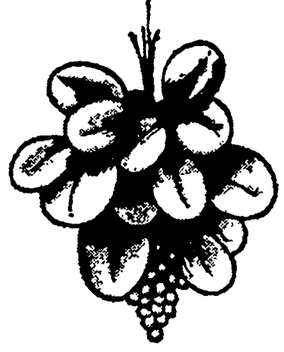
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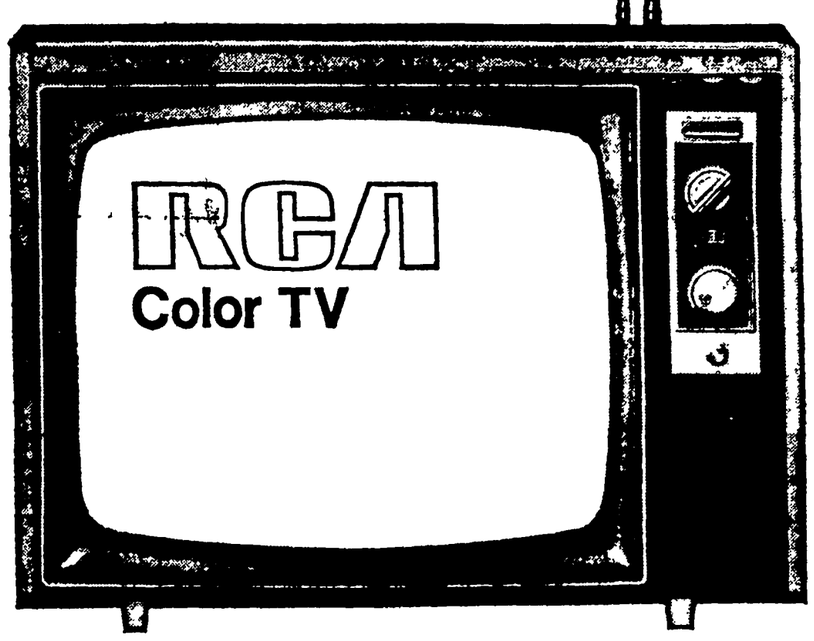
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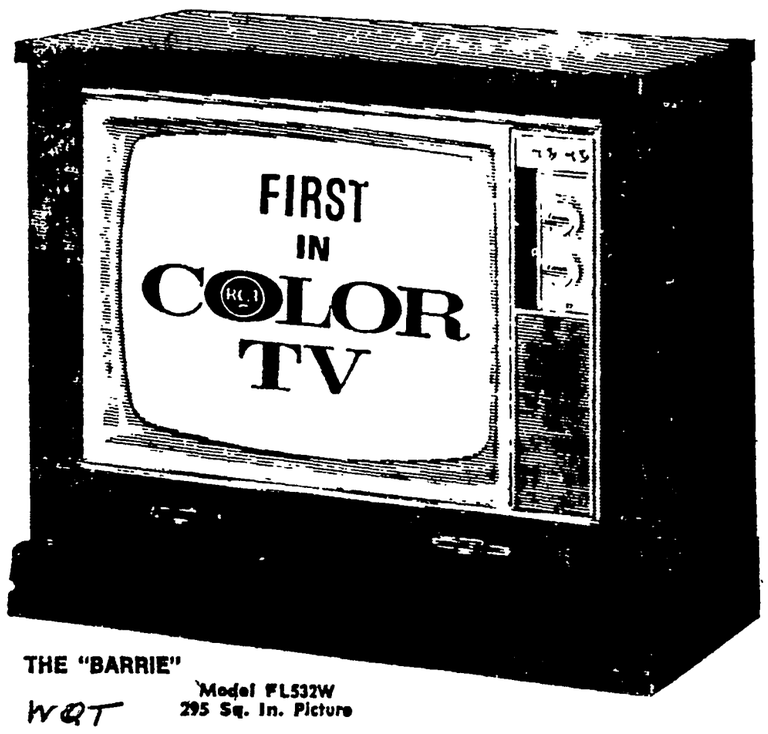
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