The Buck Ends Here

By IVAN D.E. BEAUMONT

A pleasant retirement, Larry Parker

Our friend and across-the-desk reporter, Larry Parker, has retired after working for four years with the News-Press.

He's only been gone a day and we miss him.

Larry came to us after working for several years as a radio newsman. It was a tough road for him to switch to the printed word, but he did it in a dedicated fashion that typifies him as the man he really is.

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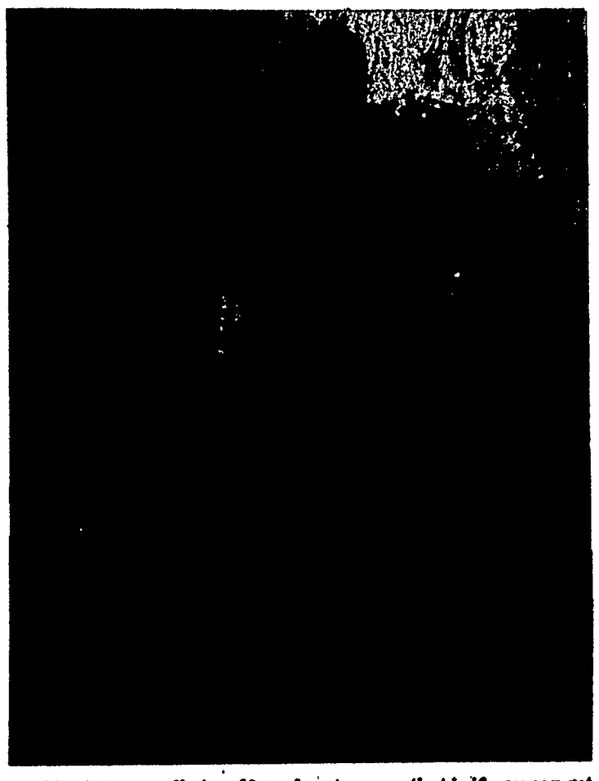
We've had a lot of fun with Larry. He's been my springboard for some of the corn in The Buck. When I wrote some of those little bits, I'd read them to Larry to try them out.

And when he let out with that deep, Ha, Ha, Ha, I knew the item would be something you readers might also get a bang out of.

So, if this column gets worse and worse, you can blame Larry

A pleasant retirement to you, friend. And stop in to see us when you get bored watching the Democrats on television.

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This picture really is self-explanatory.... that is if you can get Virg Miller to explain what in the blazes he's doing.

This is Hawaii. And, according to Virg who just returned from a meeting of bowlers in the Islands, this is what it's really like.

Before he left, Virg said, "please don't put anything in the paper that we're going to Hawaii" (Only the good guys read the News-Press).

"Okay," we reluctantly agreed, "providing . . . .that you return with a special picture of your trip."

That was the deal.

The other day the Millers returned, but Virg didn't bring in the picture. Velma did.

"Are you sure you want to print this?" she asked

Virg said the people in the islands were just wonderful and the 1,800 folks in the group attending the convention had a grand time.

One of the two girls in the picture is Miss Hawaii. Virg couldn't remember which one.

Who cares?

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Up on the North 40

It was the Fourth of July all over again

There was a k-a-b-o-o-m! It was the same signal given by the Legion at the start of its annual fireworks display Only this time it wasn't at Steinhart park, but north of Jerry Jacobson's house

The "leftover" fireworks of Doug Wymore and Jim Kleveland attracted the attention of a pretty good sized crowd the other night And we had to admit, it was an entertaining display.

One neighbor said the glasses in a kitchen cupboard came tumbling down

But we never heard any complaints from the kids in the neighborhood They appeared in rapid fashion and were having a ball enjoying the brief show

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The City commission has ordered additional off-street parking and work will get under way soon for approximately 40 parking stalls on the south side of First Avenue from Eighth to Tenth Street

City Finance Commissioner Bill Carroll said diagonal parking will be built along the street, in the same design as was done on the east side of the Safeway store

The spaces will be paved There will be no parking meters, Commissioner Carroll said. City crews will do some of the work and the concrete pouring will be done by Otoe Concrete Products and Materials company

Don Haith, manager of Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company, welcomed the additional parking. He said the telephone company has maintained the grass on the parking for many years

Many of us thought the strip of grass was about the best watered in town. Don agreed, saying that the water is runoff from the air conditioning "We just put it to use rather than run it down the dram"

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We were asked....how'd you get to the county jail so fast after they caught the escapee?

Well, we weren't so fast, but thanks to Sheriff Seals we got the call in good time.

Our family believes in the old tale about togetherness, so when one of the youngsters is involved in an event, we pack up and go The other night was no exception. Our youngest, Jeannea, had a softball game at Steinhart.

No. 1 daughter, Denise, was left at home. She had been in Topeka, Kans., with her Peru State summer class, got car sick, so skipped the ball game and stayed at home

When the telephone rang about the escapee being apprehended, only Denise — the paleface — was at home. She picked up my notebook, pencil and camera and drove to Steinhart park.

So you see, it's like we say again and again. it takes the help of everyone to put out a paper.

UNION

Connie Mullis

Mr and Mrs Robert Grunwald visited her cousin, Mrs Paul Murdock at Lincoln on Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Cook entertained Sunday with a picnic dinner. Their guests were Mr and Mrs Clarence Cook, Talmage, the Larry Cook family of Shubert, the Glen Keene family of Humbolt, Mary Lynne Bennett of Sioux Rapids, Ia., the Leonard Bennett family, Virginia Ward, Pansy Young, Mrs Verdo Bennett and Mr and Mrs Allen Bennett.

Scott, Sue, Laura, Jeff and Julie Rasmussen of Cumberland, Maryland are spending ten days with their grandparents, Mr and Mrs Fred Stearns. Their parents, the Rev. and Mrs. LaVerne Rasmussen are attending a Lutheran Convention at Dallas, Tex.

Father Robert Lechner of Chicago, Ill., arrived Tuesday for a visit with Mr and Mrs George Lechner, the Francis Lechner family and other relatives.



Staci Ann Roettger, six months old, is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Duane Roettger of Dunbar.

Staci has two sisters, Denice and Susan, and a brother, Dale.

Grandparents are Mr and Mrs John Frerichs of Dunbar and Mrs Walter Power of Otoe. Mrs August Roettger, Otoe, is the great-grandmother. (Bell's Studio)

Joe E. Crowner reenlists in Marines

Staff Sergeant Joe E. Crowner was reenlisted by Capt. C. L. Harkness, Inspector-Instructor of Company D, 1st Battalion, 23rd Marines, 4th Marine Division, FMF, USMCR, Beaumont, Texas.

Staff Sergeant Crowner was recently promoted to his present rank by Captain Harkness. Before reporting for duty in Beaumont, Staff Sergeant Crowner served with the Marine Air Reserve Training Detachment, Los Alamitos, California.

Staff Sergeant Crowner's home is Nebraska City, Nebraska. Sergeant Crowner enlisted in the Marine Corps in Omaha in May of 1962. Staff Sergeant Crowner is presently living at St. Vidor, Texas.

Staff Sergeant Crowner is a member of American Legion Post 33 of Beaumont, where he serves as commander

Post office motto "Serving America"

Customers will be noting some changes in the post office "Serving America" is the new motto of the postal service campaign that began July 1, said Postmaster Howard Baltensperger

The national campaign involves a drive to clean up lobbies and make them more attractive. Better service information including "information centers" in the lobbies will be provided, he said. A box will be provided at the information center for people to drop comments and criticisms into, he said The drive also involves the promotion of air mail service.

Postmaster Baltensperger said the post office employes' motto — the only thing we have to sell is service — still holds, too

Named After Him

The giant sequoia trees of California and Oregon are named after the great Cherokee Indian Sequoya, who developed the Cherokee alphabet, according to Encyclopaedia Britannica

Weather report is reorganized

OMAHA, Neb (AP) — All Nebraska weather forecasting came under one umbrella Friday when the Omaha office of the National Weather Service became the 43rd of about 50 nationwide offices expected to complete the service's forecast reorganization within the next two years

The Omaha bureau, headed by chief meterologist James Zoller, will now handle all forecasting for the state Previously the office made local forecasts only, with most outstate forecasting coming from regional headquarters in Kansas City. The Denver office formerly issued the Nebraska Panhandle forecast

The reorganization effort was initiated three years ago

Charles Knudsen, director of the central region office in Kansas City, said that the Omaha office will be moved from Eppley Airfield next year to new quarters at the abandoned Air Force radar site on north 72nd Street

"We have the plans," he said, "now all we need is the money " He said the appropriation, between $160,000 and $180,000, is awaiting a congressional okay this session

Search abandoned for body of man

FALLS CITY, Neb (AP) — The Richard County Sheriff's office said Friday it is abandoning its search of the Missouri River for the body of Thomas M Madsen, one of six persons who drowned last Sunday while on an outing near here

Madsen was a counselor for the Eastern Nebraska Community Office of Retardation Bodies of the five ENCOR clients were recovered from the river previously

SALES TAX ON FOOD IS UNCHALLENGED

Exon blames himself for failure

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Gov J. J Exon Friday criticized Secretary of State Allen Beermann for Beermann's ruling that Thursday was the final day to submit initiative petition proposals for the November general election ballot.

But Exon told a news conference he also feels "it's my fault" the Democratic party's petition drive to win a ballot spot for a proposed law taking the state sales tax off food fell short.

The party-backed drive would have required 31,313 properly distributed signatures to win a spot on the ballot and the governor said he didn't know whether or not the effort would have been successful but said "we had a fighting chance."

An election deadline calendar put out by Beermann's office listed July 7 as the deadline although Beermann had previously stated publicly the deadline was July 6.

Exon said he and other party leaders had based their timetable on the deadline in the calendar and suggested Beermann, a Republican, could have notified the Democratic party of the deadline.

However, "I'm not accusing him of any partisan political considerations," Exon said.

Exon said persons circulating petitions had planned to bring them in to the Capitol Friday afternoon but once news accounts of the Beermann ruling were out Thursday, "they just gave up "

The governor said his attorney, Norman Krivosha, had researched the matter and "we feel his ruling was wrong and today should be the deadline."

But no further action is planned, Exon said, because "it's a moot point now. The action of the secretary of state dampened any chance we would have to make the deadline today."

The governor reiterated his belief that the "overwhelming" majority of Nebraskans want to see the tax taken off food and said "the structure of the Democratic party did not do the job they could have done in circulating these petitions."

Questioned further, Exon said, "I think it's my fault. I have to take responsibility when things fall down."

Party Chairman Hess Dyas had said earlier in the week he was "confident" the party would be able to garner enough signatures for the drive.

As for the future of the attempt to take the tax off food, defeated twice by the legislature in rebuffs to Exon the governor said, "I don't know what we'll do now."

GOP victory won't be easy

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz departed from his prepared script in an address to Iowa Republicans here and took a swipe at "commentators and columnists."

At one point during his speech Friday night, he said a major GOP victory in coming elections won't be easy, partly because Republicans have "basically the same hostile commentators and columnists" who were around when Barry Goldwater was defeated for president by a landslide vote in 1964

Referring to high good prices, Butz said he and President Nixon have been under great pressure from consumers and large eastern cities.

He said among the eastern columnists and commentators there is a "New York-Washington axis" where the newsmen listen to each other "and that's where they get their whole impression of the United States.

"They are barely aware that the population has moved west of the Allegheny Mountains and they aren't quite sure it has reached as far as Kansas City yet "

He said the two groups of newsmen and certain housewives in eastern cities "have never equated a quart of milk with a cow, or a steak or roast with a steer "

Two killed in crash of plane

BANGKOK (AP) — Two U.S. Air Force crewmen were killed Friday when their F-4 Phantom crashed in an open field while approaching an Air Force base in northern Thailand in a rain storm, a U S Embassy spokesman said today

There were no civilian injuries or property damage, the spokesman said, and a board of U.S. Air Force officers is investigating the cause of the crash

A U.S. military spokesman identified the two killed as Maj. Hatland M Davis Jr of Bridgeton, N.J , and 1st Lt Frederick M Koss of Bridgeport, Ohio

Nebraska 30th in Demo calling

MIAMI Beach, Fla (AP)— Nebraska will be the 30th state to be called in the balloting of the Democratic National Convention next week

The roll call used to be by alphabetical order but a drawing was held last January to determine the order of the call

Kansas will be the 11th state called, Wyoming 14th, Iowa 38th and Colorado 39th.

UNADILLA

Mrs George Stilwell

Monday afternoon, the Unadilla Fire department was called to put out a tractor fire at the Robert Crownover farm. Minor damage was reported.

Mr and Mrs Grady Southworth of Roswell, New Mexico were Monday afternoon callers at Etta Wallen's home

Julius Guthals of Omaha was a recent visitor at the home of his sister Mrs Etta Wallen. He called on Mrs Mary Bassett also.

This past week Mrs Keith Block and Mrs Catherine Boettcher hosted products parties at their homes for friends and neighbors

Callers Wednesday evening at the George Stilwell home were Mrs Fred Jolly and two daughters of Buena Park, Calif and Mr and Mrs Don Stilwell

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Mr and Mrs Philip Willnerd and children of Pender were Sunday visitors of the Harland Wallens and attended the morning service at the United Methodist church.

The Study sisters, Cheryl and Lori, furnished special music for the Sunday morning worship serfice at the United Methodist Church. Mrs Alvin Rietsch was the accompanist.

Mr and Mrs Clarence Koester and Debra of Otoe and Mr and Mrs Alton Gartner and daughters helped Mr and Mrs Clark Gartner of Syracuse move to Grand Island. Clark will be employed as a drafting technician for Chief Industry of Grand Island.

Senator Barnett is out of a job

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — State Sen. Wally Barnett of Lincoln has lost his job with a Lincoln firm and he says he feels it is because he has spent too much time in public enterprises.

Barnett was a consultant for Notifier Engineering Co until last month when he said he was terminated

"The reason they gave was an economy move," he explained "I guess I was the logical one to go," adding "right now my family qualifies for food stamps."

Legislators are paid $400 monthly and Barnett says he is seeking a job but has no immediate prospects

In railroad parlance, gandy dancers are section men who work on the roadbed

Crackdown ordered by President on hijacking

By FRANK CORMIER
Associated Press Writer

SAN CLEMENTE, Calif (AP) — President Nixon, in a crackdown on air piracy, has ordered the Federal Aviation Administration to implement tougher antihijacking measures — including passenger inspection when necessary — on commuter airlines

John D Ehrlichman, Nixon's assistant for domestic policy, announced at a news conference Friday in nearby Newport Beach that the President ordered FAA Administrator John Shaffer to assure 100 per cent inspection in some form for all commuter passengers. Previous government regulations requred a 10 per cent screening ratio, Ehrlichman said.

Nixon acted after two Pacific Southwest Airlines planes, which carry air commuters in California, were hijacked in two days.

"The President has followed news of the recent hijackings," and has been very concerned, particularly about commuter airlines," the aide said. "These include such airlines as Pacific Southwest Airlines of California and the East Coast shuttle runs between Boston and New York

An FAA spokesman in Washington said the new rules applying to shuttle flights require that all passengers must show two pieces of identification and that all carry-on luggage will be searched

In addition, the spokesman added, body searches will be instituted when it appears warranted or justified

Sources indicated each piece of baggage or each purse might not be physically searched But they said that the airline would continue to rely heavily on metal detection devices which, if they record a warning signal, could lead to searches

On Friday morning, Nixon held a lengthy review of the meat price situation at the Western White House here with Secretary of the Treasury George Shultz and other officials

Shultz told reporters that Nixon will ease meat quotas next year for countries that export the most beef to the United States during the current period of short meat supplies

All import quotas on meat have been lifted temporarily by Nixon but are scheduled to go back into effect Jan 1

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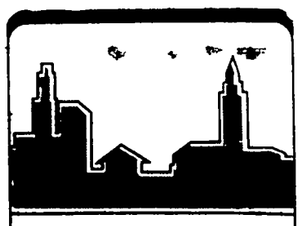
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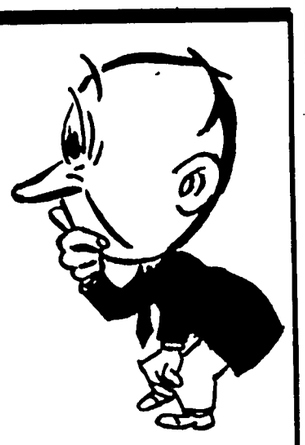
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