## The Buck Ends Here

By IVAN D.E. BEAUMONT

Merlyn Saathoff, who spoke to Optimists the other day about his special education classes at Senior High, got off the track momentarily to give me fair warning.

It seems that Mr Saathoff is acquainted with my neighbor on the south, Fred Wusk, also a former Sterling area resident.

Merlyn said Fred told him about the antics of hog calling at 5 o'clock in the morning by his bedroom window. . . .and of course, because I live next door, I got blamed.

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Well, Merlyn, you see it's like this. I'm guilty.

Ole' Fred Wusk slopped the hogs, milked Betsy and spilled feed in the feedlot for years. And then he retired to the quiet life of the city slicker.

Up on the North 40 we have a few codes. . . .like you can take the boy off the farm, but you can't take the farm out of the boy.

So it seemed only natural that Fred should be awakened to "whoo-ee, p-i-g, p-i-g" and a slight tap on the bedroom window, a "m-o-o-O," and a "cockle doodle-doo."

. .besides it wasn't 5 in the morning. . . .it was closer to 6:30.

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You know what his wife Lucille, told me?. . . .and be sure to spread this around Sterling. . . .Fred bolted out of bed after he heard those sounds, jumped into his bib overalls, picked up a can of Prince Albert and some papers, and was fussing around in the garage looking for the milk bucket when he realized that times had changed.

You know, a person often comes up to a situation where he sez, "golly, I'd given anything if. . . ."

Well, that would have been the time for Howard Vogel to be back on the route for Vogel Dairy, because if anyone can bellow a welcome early in the morning it's Howard Vogel.

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"Whenever I have a headache," began the patient, "I take aspirin. When I have a cold, I go to bed and drink fruit juices. If I have stomach troubles, I take bicarbonate of soda. Have I been doing the right things, doctor?"

"Yes," replied Doctor Weekes, "please give the receptionist $10 as you leave."

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The February issue of the Statehouse Observer, a monthly publication of the Department of Personnel, printed two pages of pictures of state senators, a helpful piece of information.

The monthly publication is edited by Mrs Ron Sorensen, Lincoln, the former Suzi Schlichtemeier of Murray. Suzi worked at the News-Press one summer while she was a student at the School of Journalism at the University.

She got a bang out of covering the Legion's July 4th celebration where Stan Gregg made sure the "Press" got free passes (he gave'em all to Suzi, not me) to the rides.

Suzi also covered the Cook celebration in which the community, attracted people by the thousands to help raise money for a kidney transplant for Dennis Armknecht.

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**Fill yore hand —**

If you haven't met Sam and Belle of Auburn-Brownville, then you've missed meeting some fine people. Le and Barb Headley of Auburn spend many weeks during the year working with historical Brownville.

Ole Sam carries a muzzle loading shootin' iron, and spins yarns

Like the one he tells when Sam appeared at a blue rock shoot dressed in buckskins and carrying his "iron."

The fellas at the shoot were firing lead at the clay pigeons to improve their hunting abilities for quail and pheasant. They were sporting shoulder pads, brightly colored jackets, protective glasses and some fine quality double barreled, pump, over and under, magnums, and other fine gear.

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Now, picture this:

Sam parks his jalopy and pulls his long barreled weapon from the back seat. . . .he has to walk backwards and brace himself when the end of the barrel drops off the car door.

"Hi hoss," he addresses the sportsmen.

One of the men turned around with a smile, pulled back his extended hand and said:

"Whaa. . . .in blazes are you?"

Sam immediately became the attention and ridicule of the sportsmen. His buckskins weren't what you'd call Sunday dress-ups, but he liked 'em. And that rifle or "iron" as he called it, was a monster to say the least.

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With the humor building up, it was bound to happen. They talked Sam into joining them in a blue rock shoot. (He probably could've smashed the pigeons with tobacco juice and saved the gun powder, but he decided to humor his new friends).

They explained that the blue rock are fired into the air by a spring loaded device and his task was simply to hit one They suggested stance and grasp of his "iron."

It all seemed sorta funny to ole' Sam, but he went along with the game. Since the "iron" was a bit heavy, Sam didn't hold it up like the other sportsmen, so when the blue rock was triggered, he was already behind in the shoot.

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Ole' Sam's eyes caught that little piece of round clay spinning off into space with the instinct of a lion after prey

And with the stroke of Sergeant York's style, he licked his thumb, swished the moisture across the end of the sight and raised the barrel of his "iron" toward the blue rock which was by now almost out of sight."

"B-A-A-L-O-O-E-Y!"

Sam stood his ground, but the impact knocked down three others

Black smoke and fire belched from the barrel of Sam's "iron" and split seconds later the sailing blue rock became hundreds of little pieces — bull's eye

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Oh, I forgot to tell you . . .Sam's "iron" was loaded with black powder and toilet paper.

You don't believe that?

Would you believe pages from Jerry Hall's Sears catalogue?

Well, to cut this thing off. . . .Sam got to spending so much time at the blue rock shoot that he became a delinquent.

He was arrested for taking toilet paper from the public facility at Memorial Building.

Yours truly — JOHNNY DOLLAR

# Pension for Wallace proposed by publisher

By REX THOMAS
Associated Press Writer

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — A Pulitzer Prize-winning newsman's statement that Gov. George C. Wallace is physically unable to govern Alabama has touched off a sometimes-angry controversy over Wallace's health.

An effort may be made in the legislature this summer to make the governor eligible for a pension while still in office. It could be a major issue in the 1974 governor's race, with Wallace likely to run for a third term.

Harold E. Martin, publisher-editor of The Montgomery Advertiser-Alabama Journal, said in a speech three weeks ago that the governor "is physically unable to serve" and, for his own good as well as the state's, he should retire.

"Or, short of that," he said, Wallace should appoint a select committee of businessmen "to share the burden of state government for the duration of his term."

Actually, Alabama has no law permitting a governor to retire from office; he would have to resign outright. Martin acknowledged that and recommended passage of legislation providing a lifetime pension at full salary for any governor disabled in service to the state.

Wallace has been paralyzed in both legs since he was wounded in an assassination attempt at Laurel, Md., last May 15 while campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination.

"Alabama citizens are crushed emotionally by the appearance of the once-vivacious Wallace in a wheelchair, suffering constant pain," the newspaper publisher said.

"But more and more Alabamians are facing up to the reality that the state can't continue without leadership...."

Wallace, who was in a Birmingham hospital recovering from surgery when Martin spoke Jan. 31, has had nothing to say about it publicly.

The speech brought hostile letters to the editors of the two newspapers. But the publisher says it brought even more letters of approval.

One writer who commended Martin was state Sen. Richard C. Shelby of Tuscaloosa, who said: "It has been obvious to thousands of people for some time that this state is leaderless."

But, he said, "no one, including myself, spoke out and said so."

Another legislator, House Speaker Pro Tem Joe McCorquodale of Clarke County, defended the governor. McCorquodale said shortly after Martin's speech that the governor still is alert mentally and knows what is going on.

Even before Martin's speech, there was talk of legislation which would enable Wallace to step aside and draw a pension immediately Alabama now pays former governors $750 a month after they have reached 60. Wallace is 53.

# Peru Chamber drive under way

PERU — (Special) — In the 1973 Peru Chamber of Commerce membership drive kickoff, 18 memberships were purchased in the first four days of the drive beginning February 14 Peru Chamber President Daryl Long said memberships will be available for Peru families and area businesses until March 3.

A newly designed decal will be presented to members within a few weeks, Long said.

The Peru Chamber, now in its third year, notes the following accomplishments in 1972:

Instigated the Tri-State Missouri River Development organization; purchased trophies for Peru State College's homecoming parade; sponsored a back-to school welcome dance; hosted the annual PSC-Peru barbeque and street dance; sponsored rides to election polls; coordinated planting of redwood flower boxes in downtown Peru; sponsored parade entries for Applejack Festival and Nemaha County Fair, mailed informational brochures to prospective industries and purchased additional welcome flags for the town to display at special events.

Memberships are available from directors: Dr Long, Ken Johnson, Don Yates, Paul Kruse, Mrs Tom Fitzgerald, Dean Mathis, Mrs John Whisler and Jerry Sayer.

"We seek memberships from individuals and area businesses," Dr. Long commented, "and the Chamber has plans for increased activities in 1973 We are striving to make a reality of our membership decal slogan — "Positive-Progressive Peru; Site of Opportunity."

## $400,000 airport project reviewed

FALLS CITY — The Airport Authority received bids in the neighborhood of $400,000 for an improvement project.

Metro Pavers, Lincoln, bid $392,692 and Dugdale Construction, Omaha, bid $405,739. The key item in the plan is the construction of a 3,400-foot concrete runway 60 feet wide.

To permit construction, a road on the northside of the airport would have to be closed. New lighting, fencing wind cone area and other incidentals are included in the bid

Travelers in Roman times carried traveler's checks to protect themselves against robbers. Banks issued the checks for a fee of 12 per cent, the rate set by the Emperor Justinian.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

Required by law to inform citizens of matters affecting them or their property.

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Public Works and the City Commission of the City of Nebraska City, Nebraska, will receive bids at the office of the City Clerk, Nebraska City, Nebraska, until 7:00 P.M., C S T on the 19th day of March, 1973, for Diesel Unit No. 9 Extension-Plant No. 1, Contract 1 — Diesel Generating Unit and Mechanical Work, at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Bids will be acted upon at said time, or at such later time and place as may then be fixed.

The work to be done is as follows

CONTRACT 1 — DIESEL GENERATING UNIT AND MECHANICAL WORK

Furnishing and installing one new dual fuel diesel generating unit of approximately 5,600 to 6,450 kw, complete with accessories, auxiliary equipment, piping and associated work.

All work is to be in accordance with the proposed plans and specifications and Form of Contract which are now on file in the office of the City Clerk, reference to which is made for detailed description of the work. Said plans, specifications and Form of Contract are made a part of this notice by reference.

All bids shall be submitted in triplicate, on forms provided with the specifications, to the City Clerk on or before the time specified above.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check in an amount of not less than five per cent (5 per cent) of the bid and made payable to the City of Nebraska City, Nebraska The certified check shall be forfeited if the bidder fails or refuses to enter into contract and to furnish bond after his proposal shall have been accepted.

Payment for the work will be made m cash on the basis of estimates as outlined in "Special Conditions."

The successful bidder shall furnish a surety bond in the amount of 100 per cent of the contract.

The work shall be commenced within ten (10) calendar days after date of receipt of written notice to proceed, and shall be completed within four hundred and twenty (420) calendar days after date of receipt of written notice to proceed.

The City reserves the right to defer acceptance of any proposal for a period not to exceed thirty (30) calendar days after the date bids are to be received.

The City reserves the right to consider such factors as time of completion of the work, materials and methods of construction, experience and responsibility of the bidder and smiliar factors in determining which bid it deems to be in its best interests.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities or technicalities in any bid and to accept the bid which it deems to be the best interests of the City of Nebraska City, Nebraska.

Plans, specifications and form of contract may be examined at the office of the City Clerk. Copies may be obtained from Stanley Consultants, Inc., Muscatine, Iowa, upon payment of the following amounts:

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| Specifications and full size plans, per set | $20.00 |
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If payment for plans and specifications has not been received at office of Stanley Consultants, Inc., at time of mailing plans and specifications to each prospective bidder, materials will be shipped C.O.D

A refund up to a maximum amount of $20.00 will be made to bona fide bidders who submit a complete proposal in their own name to the Owner.

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**NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 53-135.01 of this act liquor license may be automatically renewed for one year from May 1, 1973 for the following retail liquor licensee, to-wit

Vernon D. Kreifels
Rt. 3, Nebr. City, Nebr.

Notice is hereby given that written protests to the issuance of automatic renewal of license may be filed by any resident of the County on or before March 15, 1973, in the office of the County Clerk; that in the event protests are filed by three or more such persons, hearing will be had to determine whether continuation of said license should be allowed.

GERALD SCHMITZ
Otoe County Clerk
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Rt. 3, Nebr. City, Nebr

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Syracuse, Nebraska

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The world's most deadly animal may be the sea wasp, a five-inch jellyfish which drifts with the waters off northern Australia. Swimmers brushed by its trailing tentacles usually die within five minutes from cobralike venom.

## UNADILLA

Mrs George Stilwell

Mrs John Block left by plane mid-week for South Bend, Ind., to spend some time with her daughter and husband, the David Dirkses.

Neighbors helped the Glen Gobber family move to the Harvey Witt farm northwest of Syracuse. Mr and Mrs Wayne Brehm of Lincoln will be occupying the Russell farm home vacated by the Gobbers.

Mr and Mrs Neil Wyatt observed their 56th wedding anniversary on February 14. Many callers dropped in during the day to wish them a happy anniversary.

County Commissioner Melvin Ommen is in Community Memorial hospital, Syracuse.

Miss Bertha Nutzman is a patient at St. Mary's Nebraska City.

Miss Viola Wachter has returned home after being in Community Memorial hospital, Syracuse, for a few days.

Mrs John Dowding, Palmyra, is in charge of the Unadilla cafe while Mrs Loy Boardman is recuperating from a recent illness.

Mrs John Wall accompanied Mr and Mrs Dean Arnold of Burchard to visit Dean's mother, Mrs Kate Arnold, 93, who is in St. Elizabeth's Health Care Center, Lincoln She is an aunt of Mrs Walls

Second Lt Robert Brandt of Ft. Benning, Ga., spent a three day weekend with home folk He and Mrs Brandt and Mr and Mrs Clif Zeiger Lincoln, were dinner guests of the William Brandts

Sp. 4 Lynn Pickerill, stationed at Ft Carson, Colo , and Mr and Mrs Gordon Amstruz of Bladen were weekend guests of parents. the Vern Pickerills. All were dinner guests at the Sam Pickerills home Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of Mary Pickerill's birthday on February 18 and the 52nd wedding anniversary of Mr and Mrs Sam Pickerill, which was February 14.

Recent visitors at Allerton, Iowa, were Norman and Roland Rodaway. They called on Clair and Ed Nash families.


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