The Buck Ends Here

By IVAN D.E. BEAUMONT

Our gal, Mary Bell

When you have a group of volunteers who are supposed to get some "paperwork" done, you know darn well they won't do the job.

That's where our gal, Mary Bell, comes in

She went to the city clerk's office the other night to make sure those rescue men got their life insurance papers filled out . . and she didn't leave until she was satisfied that everyone in the room had signed up

It didn't make any difference whether the men fudged on their ages or said they didn't know the birthdates of their wives Mary stuck with it until she got the right answers and then typed them on the forms.

Thanks, Mary, for putting up with us slowpokes

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Talk about shortages —

Gary White of G & L Conoco said he has had an order in for some time for a supply of anti freeze, and has been told by his supplier·

"I'll take your order — that's it."

Gary says he's concerned a great deal about the shortage and is hopeful that he will have a supply very soon.

Ed Behrns of Automotive, Inc., said he ran up his company's telephone bill, but got confirmation on 1,000 gallons of anti-freeze

The solution — you gotta have it in Nebraska — sells for $1.97 to $2.39 a gallon in Nebraska City, and one dealer said he thinks it'll go to $6 a gallon before winter sets in.

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And speaking of winter.....it's snowing now in the hunting grounds in Alberta, Canada, where Jerry Gilliland and Russ Morton will be going on Tuesday

If they have good hunting, they will return with trophies of moose and elk.

Jerry has been planning for the trip for over a year.

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Jerry and Russ will be hunting in an area 2,500 miles north of Nebraska City. They will drive it in one of Manny Weinman's "stretch" pickup trucks.

They talked with their guide the other day and he told of the game movement and suggested they double check their hunting guns and get practiced up on accuracy.

Jerry has been target practicing to improve the accuracy which has previously dropped other big game.

In addition, he has been running two miles to condition his body for the hunt. "I never thought I could run two miles, but I can sure do it now."

Good hunting.

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The other day we ran across a story that twice used the name of Rathe

John Quinlan double checked:

There are two Rathes and they did play tennis in the tourney here Brothers Bob and Jim are both teachers and former doubles champs at Beatrice.

Bob teaches at Nebraska City Senior High and Jim teaches at Lincoln Northeast.

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The dumbest thing I did this week was to leave my notebook on the counter at the catalog order and service department at Montgomery Ward.

Well, not really. You see my secret "double-o-7" code has never been broken and such lambs as Mrs Larry (Connie) Connell and Mrs Kenneth (Delores) Keller wouldn't have a chance.

Thanks to the very nice gals at the counter.

"We thought it looked like something that belonged to you," they said when I called back shortly before closing time.

"Would you mind setting it aside and I'll pick it up the first thing in the morning?"

"Sure," Mrs Keller said. "It'll be right here."

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I tried to explain to Mrs Keller the next morning about the certain little marks and swirls. When they're put together, they are sentences.

I'm not sure she believed that I was the champeen of the penmanship contest in the eighth grade, but at least she listened, smiled politely then excused herself to take care of a paying customer.

The reason I was at the counter in the first place was to make use of Ward's clever system of parts replacement.

A pulley broke on our washing machine and although the machine is getting along in years, Mrs Connell flicked on the machine, put in a couple pieces of film and ker-pow — there was a diagram with all the little gismos that make up a water pump and pulley system.

TV LOG

MONDAY

4:00 P.M.
12 ~~Mister Rogers~~
10 Mike Douglas
4:30 P.M.
12 Electric Company
6 Big Valley
5:00 P.M.
12 Sesame Street
7 News
5:30 P.M.
3 News
6 News
10 News
7 News
6 00 P.M.
12 Bookshelf
3 News
6 News
10 News
7 Bonanza
6:30 P M.
3 All American Futurity
6 To Tell The Truth
10 All In The Family
12 Man Builds, Man Destroys
7.00 P.M.
3 Baseball World of Joe Garagiola
7 Rookies
6 Gunsmoke
10 Gunsmoke
12 University News
7:30 P.M.
12 Nebraska State Fair
8 00 P.M.
7 Movie — Comedy
6 Here's Lucy
10 Here's Lucy
12 Nebraska State Fair
8.30 P.M.
6 Doris Day
10 Doris Day
9:00 P.M.
6 Medical Center
10 Glenn Ford's Summertime, U S.A
10:00 P.M.
3 News
6 News
7 News
10 News
10:30 P.M.
3 Johnny Carson
6 Movie — Thriller
10 Movie — Thriller
7 Canadian Pro Football
11:00 P.M.
12 Masterpiece Theatre
12:00
3 Untouchables
1:00 A.M.
7 Dick Cavett
2:30 A.M.
7 News

TUESDAY

5:00 P.M.
12 Sesame Street
3 Hogan's Heroes
7 News
5:30 P.M.
3 News
6 News
10 News
7 News
6:00 P.M.
3 News
6 News
10 News
7 Bonanza
12 Book Beat
6:30 P.M.
3 Truth or Consequences
6 To Tell The Truth
10 Hee Haw
12 How Do Your Children Grow?
7:00 P.M.
3 NBC Reports
7 Temperatures Rising
6 Maude
12 University News
7:30 P.M.
7 Movie — Science Fiction
6 Travelin' with the Lundstroms
10 Hawaii Five-O
12 Nebraska State Fair
8:00 P.M.
12 Nebraska State Fair
8:30 P.M.
6 Movie — Crime Drama
10 Movie — Crime Drama
9:00 P.M.
7 Marcus Welby
10:00 P.M.
3 News
6 News
7 News
10 News
12 Lilias, Yoga and You
10:30 P.M.
3 Johnny Carson
12 Firing Line
6 Movie — Drama
10 Movie — Drama
7 Movie — Drama
12:00
3 Untouchables
12:30 A.M.
7 Dick Cavett
2:00 A.M.
7 News

The Midland View

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Latest Uncertainty

Uncertainty over how the Nixon Administration will respond politically to uninformed consumer pressure for export controls on wheat and feed grains is the latest cloud in the U. S. food production picture.

A member of the President's Food Advisory Committee to the National Cost of Living Council says the committee never knows what new control measures the Administration is planning until it is reported in the news media. He points out that while Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz has publicly expressed his opposition to export controls, it has been evident that the Administration often expresses economic beliefs and then takes contrary action based on political motivation.

With the Department of Agriculture calling for all-out production of wheat and feed grains, the threat of export controls on wheat has to be of real concern to U. S. producers. Government officials believe that if export controls are placed on wheat, they also will be extended to corn because of the pressure the controls would put on competing grains. This would follow the same pattern as the export controls on soybeans where controls were extended to other competing oil crops. Soybean prices dropped almost 50 per cent in July when export controls were applied.

Presently, consumer fears over rising bread prices are being fanned by baking industry spokesmen who predict that a one-pound loaf of bread now selling at 35 cents could possible go to $1 in 130 days. What consumers should know is that even at $5 per bushel, the farmer's return on the less than one pound of wheat in a one-pound loaf of bread is only 7 cents.

The argument is being made that the U. S. should restrict sales to foreign buyers so that there will be ample supplies at home. What is overlooked in this proposal is that expanded export markets benefit consumers by strengthening the American dollar through improvement in the balance of payments and offer a wider range of goods through competitively priced imports. A strong export market also increases jobs in the domestic market. The U. S. balance of payments was in the black in the second quarter of this year for the first time since 1969, largely through increased farm commodity exports.

During fiscal 1973, 75 per cent of domestic wheat production moved to foreign purchasers. Sixty per cent of U. S. soybeans moved into export as well as 35 per cent of U.S. corn and cotton, and 70 per cent of domestic rice production.

The June 13 price freeze should have laid to rest the old myth that farmers will respond to lower prices by over-producing. . . .they reduced their production plans in the absence of an opportunity to make a profit and keep up with their soaring costs of operation. They will do the same thing if the government extends export controls to wheat and feed grains.

Farmers are suspicious about calls for all-out production and with good reason. If such expanded production is accompanied by imposition of export controls in response to the consumer clamor, and if foreign markets built so painstakingly over a long period of years are lost, then farm prices probably will nosedive at the same time farm production costs are at record levels.

Consumers won't win that way either. Under the new farm bill, the government is pledged to reimburse the farmer for the difference between arbitrarily fixed "target price" levels and his cash market price. If farm prices bottomed out far below those target levels, the cost to the taxpayers could conceivably run into billions to make up the difference. The political pressure then for a reduction in the cost of the farm program would exceed anything seen to date.

Every interference on the part of the government with the operation of the food market system has resulted in scarcities and higher prices. Imposition of export controls in answer to political pressure would once again serve no one. . . .consumers, farmers or groping government officials.

Neal Copple to be a lobbyist

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — R. Neal Copple, director of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln School of Journalism, received an added duty Friday.

Regents approved an added assignment for Copple in the office of Chancellor James Zumberge "in the area of legislative affairs." Copple will receive an extra $500 per month from Sept. 1 to next June 30 for the lobbying work. He will continue as journalism school director.

Regents change visiting hours

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Guest visitation hours at University of Nebraska-Lincoln dormitories were liberalized Friday.

NU regents doubled the allowed guest hours on Saturdays—from six hours to 12.

The previous six hours were allowed anytime between 12 noon and 12:30 a.m. The 12 hours newly permitted may fall anytime within the period of 12 noon to 1 a.m.

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