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VIEWPOINT

A NEW ELECTRIC MOTOR

An independent California inventor has unveiled a new electric motor design which, it is claimed, would be 30 per cent more efficient than current models, according to the Omaha World Herald

The electrical engineer Cravens L Wanlass, said he has been working on the project for several years Apparently this isn't just another black box The inventor has the support of Southern California Edison Co the California Public Utilities Commission and the California Energy Commission

Southern California an electric utility, said that 50 per cent of the nation's electricity is used to run electric motors These range from small household appliances to giant industrial motors

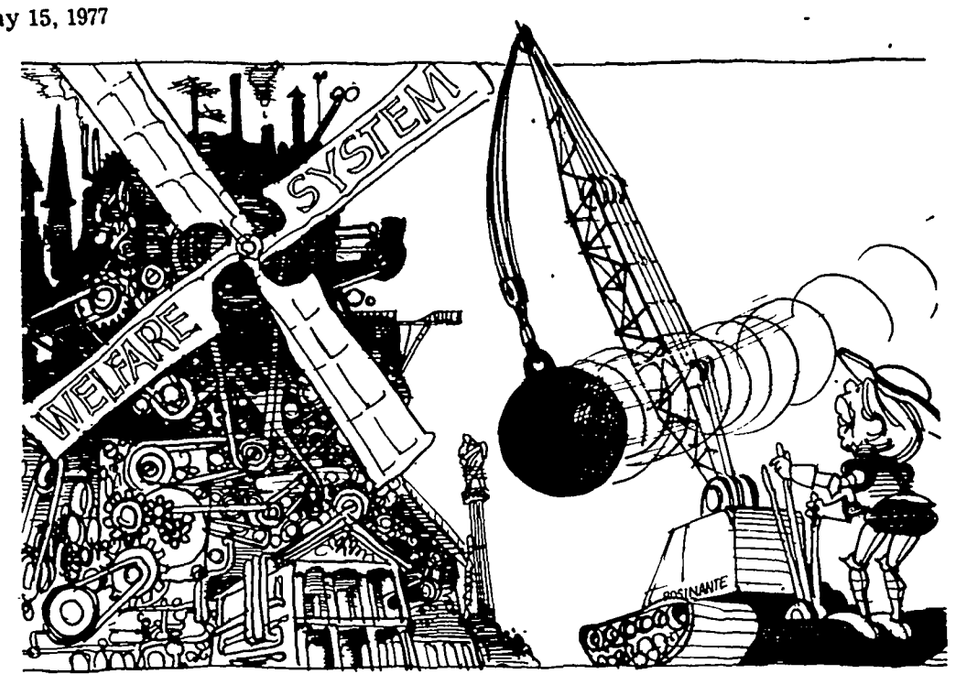
The invention deals with the way copper wiring is wound in the rotor In the new machine the winding used in starting the motor also keeps the device running In present motors, the start up and running wiring are separate The Wanlass motor promises more energy storage He calls the design ' controlled torque

Further present motors can be converted to the new technique for a cost of $30 to $40 dollars

Wanlass said he got interested because the largest and most inefficient user of electricity is the electric motor

More field testing is coming but experts are high on the development

This is American ingenuity and technology at its finest Here is a fellow working alone in his laboratory to improve the electric motor competing against the giants of the industry And we hope succeeding



The Impossible Dream



Martha Angle and Robert Walters

IN WASHINGTON

A welfare reform nonplan

WASHINGTON — (NEA) — If ever there was a president who believes in the Protestant work ethic, it is Jimmy Carter Honest labor in his eyes is not only financially rewarding but morally redeeming as well

It is not surprising, therefore, that the heart of Carter's still-gauzy welfore reform plan is a promise that "every family with children and a member able to work" will be guaranteed "access to a job"

If the private sector cannot provide enough jobs to go around, the president has said, then the government will make up to two million public service jobs available to welfare recipients as soon as unemployment eases enough to permit such a shift

There is only one problem No more than a handful of today's welfare population — perhaps 500,000 men and women — could take jobs if they were offered right now

The government's own statistics tell the story

According to the Labor Department and HEW, there are 4.2 million blind, aged or disabled individuals drawing welfare through the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program Neither Carter nor anyone else contends that these people could possibly go to work

That leaves 11 2 million recipients of Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), the group many taxpayers regard as irresponsible loafers who should be detached from the public trough and forced to work

It's not that simple, however Only about 150,000 of these AFDC recipients — approximately 1 per cent of the total — are able-bodied adult males who could readily accept employment

Almost 70 per cent of those drawing AFDC payments, or 7 8 million individuals, are children under the age of 18. No one has proposed repeal of the child labor laws simply to get these kids off welfare

And that leaves 3 1 million mothers, 28 per cent of the entire AFDC population as the only significant group of welfare recipients who might be either encouraged or required to accept jobs under Carter's welfare reform plan

But more than three-quarters of these women have preschool children, and more than half of the others have youngsters between the ages of 6 and 11 If these mothers are to enter the labor market, willingly or otherwise, who on earth will care for their children?

Nowhere in his list of 11 "goals" and "guidlines" for welfare reform did Carter so much as mention the problem of child care — although it is central to any meaningful attempt to reduce the welfare rolls

HEW Secretary Joseph Califano said the administration didn't address the day care issue because no one has yet decided how old children should be before their mothers are encouraged or required to go to work

"The lower you make the age, the greater the increased need for day care," Califano acknowledged

It's unlikely that Carter and Califano are feeling squeamish about requiring mothers to work After all, 40 per cent of all American women with preschool children already work outside the home, as do 56 per cent of all mothers with school age kids

As usual, the real explanation is m-o-n-e-y Carter has insisted his welfare reform scheme will entail no higher intital costs than the current hodge-podge of programs But as Congress discovered a few years ago, any substantial child care program would cost a fortune — more, by far, than simply continuing welfare handouts to nonworking mothers

Unless Carter is prepared to face up to those costs in order to restore the work ethic and break the cycle of welfare dependency, his promise of jobs for all families with children is a cruel hoax



Don Oakley

COMMENTARY

Majority rule's other side

Leading candidate for the title of catch-phrase of 1977 has to be "majority rule "

If only the bullheaded, white-dominated regimes of South Africa and Rhodesia would concede power gracefully to their black majorities, everything would be dandy on that continent, we are told

Andrew Young, our highly quotable ambassador to the U N , who seems to create a new diplomatic flap every day, recently branded the government of South Africa as "illegitimate" because "just a few million people make decisions about a nation of more than 20 million "

But black Americans, of whom Young is one, should of all people be realistic about majority rule, submits a South African newspaper correspondent in this country

Since black Americans live as a minority in a white majority, and white South Africans are destined to live as a minority in a black majority, the two actually share a common lot, says Henry Katzew Because of their own experience, black Americans could be a catalyst for greater understanding between white and black in South Africa. Yet there are increasingly strident calls for "majority rule "

"What are you fighting for?" he asks "For human rights in South Africa or majority rule?" It may not even turn out too be majority rule, but rule in the name of the majority by self-appointed black dictators or oligarchies

Unfortunately, we can already guess the answer When majority rules does come to South Africa and Rhodesia, as it eventually must, either peacefully or through bloodshed, will Andrew Young and others who are so concerned about human rights in those countries fall as suddenly silent as they now are about the victims of "legitimate" black tyrants liue Idi Amin?

Fewer students, higher cost

The number of students enrolled in the nation's public elementary and secondary schools has been going down little by little every year since 1971, when enrollment reached a peak of more than 46 million This year, it is 43,721,000.

Population forecasts indicate that the decline will continue to 1983, down to about 40 million, then a gradual rise will begin

Interestingly, despite this 2 per cent decline in public school enrollment, total expenditures for public elementary and secondary schools in the same period have soared — from $40.7 billion in 1969-70 to $67 1 billion in 1975-76 This represents an increase of 65 per cent

Something else has been going up — the state and federal share of the education dollar. Before World War II, local governments provided over two-thirds of all support for public schools, the states furnished less than one-third and federal support was negligible

By 1975-76, reports the Tax Foundation, the state share had risen to 44 per cent and the federal contribution was 8 per cent, but the share financed by local governments had fallen to 48 per cent The figures are national averages, there are wide variations from state to state

In New Hampshire and North Dakota, for example, the state governments provide less than 15 per cent of total school funds, contrasted with Hawaii which finances 93 per cent, with the federal government supplying the remainder

Expenditures per pupil are also vastly different from state to state New York, which spends $2 179 per pupil, is at the top of the scale Arkansas, which spends $881, is at the bottom Tennessee, Missouri and Louisiana also spend less than $1,000 per pupil

No matter how the statistics are sliced, however, Americans, through their state, local and federal taxes, are spending more and more to educate fewer and fewer children Even the states on the bottom of the scale have registered increases of from 55 to 71 per cent since 1969.

Berry's World



"Look, Mac, if you don't stop blubbering about your emotional ties to your big gas-guzzling car, I'll have to ask you to leave!"



Ivan D.E. Beaumont

THE BUCK ENDS HERE

Tapped toes to the Manor

Up on the North 40 —

That toe-tapping music last Sunday on the North 40 was a pleasant sound We strolled down the hill and joined the many people attending the open house at Nebraska City Manor.

The SAC band did a fine job with a variety of tunes. I suggested to Gary DeBolt that someone put a bug in the ear of the director for Woody Herman's "Woodchopper's Ball."

"You're late," Mr DeBolt said. "They've already played it."

Don Poggemeyer who lives in the house next to the Manor was having a hard time trying to work on his pickup truck on his restoring job so he put the truck back in the garage and enjoyed the music.

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From the Fenske file —

The widower was determined never to marry again

"I was married twice. My first wife died after eating poisonous mushrooms and my second wife died of a fractured skull "

"Oh, that's terrible," the friend said "How did it happen?"

"She wouldn't eat her mushrooms," was the reply

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New owners —

Roger and Ann Peterson of Nebraska City have purchased the Sears store at Seventh Street and Central Avenue from Jerry and Bev Hall and will take over later this month

The Halls have been successful and popular retailers and we will miss them in the Sears store Whatever they decide for their new work, you can bet they will charge into it with much energy

And, we welcome the Petersons. The sale has been in the "mill" for several weeks and we've all awaited the announcement We wish them much success in their new work Roger works with Control Data in Omaha and his wife is a teller at Otoe County National Bank.

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Congratulations —

.....to Marianne Cooper and Carrie Wurtele who have been selected as the valedictorian and salutatorian of the Nebraska City Lourdes graduating class Commencement will be May 22.

.....to Greg Mann, Joni Yost, David Ailes and John Schneider. They are the four top students at Nebraska City Senior High and will address the graduates and others at the commencement Sunday at Steinhart Park.

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Best speakers —

The Best Speaker of the Year award goes to Paul J. "Dick" Niemann for his 10-word speech on his acceptance as the Arbor Day honoree

The second best speaker was Monte Johnson, Oakland Raiders football player. He spoke only a few minutes at the Pioneer Athletic banquet directing his comments to the athletes, then answered questions from the audience

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The swimmer —

Wayne Thompson, the man who is swimming the Missouri river as part of a 2,000 mile "trip" to New Orleans, has caught the attention of most people for his feat.

We don't know anything about swimming 2,000 miles, 200 or 20 miles About the only great challenge we ever attempted was to swim a mile upstream in Mill "krik" in northcentral Kansas It seemed to be the longest stream in the world and I confess, the last laps were dog-paddled

News in Brief

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Harold Brown is telling the armed services they may have to trim spending plans by $15 billion to $30 billion over a five-year period. Brown delivered the message as he laid down guidelines for spending for fiscal 1979, the first year for which the Carter administration will present its own budget and outline its own five-year defense program

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new U.S.-British plan to make Rhodesia an independent black-ruled state by Sept. 24, 1978, foresees the resignation of Prime Minister Ian Smith and his government by next summer Sources here say the resignation of the Smith government would clear the way for immediate cancellation of the United Nations embargo against Rhodesia as well as for a cease-fire between white-led Rhodesian forces and black guerrillas.

BENECIA, Calif (AP) — The Glomar Explorer, built for the CIA by Howard Hughes, has joined the mothball fleet at a cost of $300,000 a year while officials decide whether to use it for deep-sea studies or to search for booty The 36,000-ton vessel was built at a cost of $550 million to raise a sunken Russian submarine in 1974. It has the capacity to lift objects from 18,000 feet below the ocean surface

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Erin Fleming, seen by some witnesses as an ill-tempered menace to Groucho Marx and by others as the joy of his waning years, is resuming her legal bid for permanent control over the comedian and his property Opposing her is Groucho's son, Arthur, who succeeded last month in having Miss Fleming removed as temporary guardian after alleging she was a threat to the 86-year-old Marx' life

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter is preparing to sign a $4 billion public works bill that supporters say could create as many as 600,000 jobs The bill will provide money for road repairs, construction of hospitals, libraries and police stations and other projects designed to benefit communities and put the unemployed to work

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fidel Castro would rather pursue the role of Third World leader, particularly in Africa, than normalize Cuban relations with the United States, according to U.S intelligence analysts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israel and its congressional supporters have won a significant victory over the State Department with President Carter's decision to grant the Jewish state special treatment on weapons aid Carter signaled the Israeli accomplishment when he disclosed at a Thursday news conference that the Jerusalem government would be given high priority in obtaining new U.S. weapons and military technology and the right to co-produce some American-designed armaments



HEALTH

Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

Zinc tablets may help

By Lawrence E Lamb, M D

DEAR DR LAMB — About three months ago I contracted a virus As a result I lost my sense of taste and smell On the advice of my physician I began taking vitamin C tablets and found these of little or no value I am still unable to taste or smell anything and have been told by some people that I may find this lack of senses persisting for a year or more

In your experiences have you run across either a remedy or some encouraging news on when I can expect to recover my sense of taste and smell?

I am interested in knowing just what happened how physicians treat this loss and what can be done in the future to prevent a recurrence

A person never values all of his senses until he is without some of them for as long as I have been

DEAR READER — You will be surprised to learn that I get many letters asking about the same or a similar problem It is not unusual for such a loss to occur in the wake of a virus illness

A few years ago Dr Robert I Henkin now at Georgetown University's Center for Molecular Nutrition and Sensory Disorders discovered that zinc deficiencies were related to many of these problems There are many causes for a zinc deficiency including a few cases of cancer, so anyone with such a problem should certainly see a physician

Doctors often prescribe zinc tablets for this problem That will work if the loss of senses is directly related to a dietary deficiency of zinc And it may work in your case if your loss is a complication of the virus illness that you have now recovered from

You can get zinc tablets (zinc sulfate) without a prescription and your druggist will help you They come as 66 milligram tablets and contain 15 milligrams of zinc

Zinc is an important part of your diet It is commonly found in meats If you happen to have been on a protein deficient diet you would be more apt to have a dietary deficiency

Dr Henkin has discovered that saliva normally contains a protein which he calls gustin The gustin stimulates the growth and development of new taste buds If you are zinc deficient you don t produce gustin and you don t develop an adequate number of new taste buds

You might as well try the zinc tablets and see if they will help you I am not surprised that the vitamin C tablets didn t help you There is no earthly reason why they would Your loss of taste has nothing to do with a vitamin C deficiency

Some people with your problems and a zinc deficiency are not able to absorb zinc properly It may take some time to achieve the best results Take your zinc tablet with your food and you may take one tablet with each meal three times a day at first Once you have given yourself enough time to absorb zinc then one tablet a day should meet your requirements Hopefully if you regain your taste you will get along with a normal well balanced diet

(A relatively new medicine cromolyn sodium helps to prevent asthma attacks For an update on asthma send 50 cents for The Health Letter number 8-6. Include a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope Send your request to Dr Lamb in care of this newspaper P O Box 1551, Radio City Station New York, NY 10019)

NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN

It's Possible!

Keep on working

By Robert Schuller

I have been through rough times in the twenty-plus years that I have been the pastor of my church We started with nothing in a drive-in theatre.

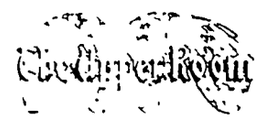
During those first years, I experienced one particular period of time when I was having tremendous difficulty in overcoming the oppressive negative thoughts of discouragement and depression I wrote to a close friend of mine describing the difficulties I was facing

I still treasure the letter he sent in return He wrote, "Bob, when things are tough there is only one thing to do — keep on keeping on So keep on keeping on! Remember, an oak tree is nothing but a little nut that held its ground

If you've made a commitment or have a dream remember when the going gets tough, you just keep on keeping on!

Reverend Schuller pastor of the Garden Grove Calif Community Church conducts a nationally syndicated television program

The Prayer For Today From



By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God." (Ephesians 2 8 RSV)

PRAYER God, our Father, we are afraid to trust Thee with our lives and our hopes Give us the gift of love so that we may trust Thee and be trusted by Thee Amen.

AS TIME GOES BY

Farmer held

FORTY YEARS AGO
—1937—

A Unadilla farmer was being held in the Otoe county jail on a charge of resisting an officer after he threatened Sheriff Carl Ryder with a shotgun A former Sunday school teacher confessed to Hawthorne, N Y authorities that he had committed three murders for money and to entertain his girl friend ..Mrs Hilda Keenan Wynn obtained an uncontested divorce and $300 a week alimony from stage, screen and radio comedian Ed Wynn J W Casida, a retired farmer, was buried at Paola, Kansas, in a casket which he made himself

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
—1952—

A marked highway extended east out of Nebraska City for the first time since the Missouri River flood washed out the pavement on Iowa 2 on April 18 The city council increased the chief of police's salary by $180 to $3,180 a year The city clerk received a $300 pay raise to $3,300 a year Mrs Louisa Bourlier, 93, was the oldest Pioneer to attend the annual Woman's Club Pioneer Party at the Memorial Building The top honors of valedictorian and saluatorian at Senior High went to Bill Rudd and Janet Fullriede The launch Kiewit was sunk in the river near Plattsmouth

TEN YEARS AGO
—1967—

Three Utilities employes were honored by the Utilities section of the League of Nebraska Municipalities for long service They were Maurice McKinzie, 25 years service, Charles Armstrong, 30 years service, and Irvin Jackson, 25 years service Johnny Gundman, son of Mr and Mrs Aldean Grundman, was the winner in the Pinewood Derby race of Cub Scout Pack 350 Lt Charles Winkelman, son of Mr and Mrs Harry Winkelman, Nebraska City, was safe after the Communist rocket attack on the big air base at Bien Hoa Mr and Mrs Arnold Schomerus of Nebraska City made plans to observe their golden wedding anniversary.

Today In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, May 15, the 135th day of 1977 There are 230 days left in the year

Today s highlight in history

On this date in 1940, the Netherlands surrendered to Germany in World War II

On this date

In 1571 Moscow was burned by the Tartars

In 1602, Cape Cod was discovered by the English navigator, Bartholomew Gosnold

In 1767 Genoa sold the island of Corsica to France

In 1862 the U S Department of Agriculture was established by Congress

In 1924, Congress passed a bill putting immigration into the United States on a quota system based on nationalities

In 1970 Elizabeth Hoisington and Anna Mae Hays became women generals in the U S Army

Five years ago Gov George Wallace of Alabama was shot and seriously wounded at a presidential political rally in Laurel Md

One year ago Iran approved a friendship treaty with the neighboring country of Iraq

Today s birthdays Actor James Mason is 68 Artist Jasper Johns is 47

Thought for today "Santa Claus had the right idea Visit people once a year " — Victor Borge, entertainer, born 1909

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