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# VIEWPOINT

**WHAT, NO FIREWORKS?**

For the second time, Legionnaires of Adam Schellinger Post No. 8 shelved plans for providing free fireworks on July 4 at Steinhart Park.

When the subject came up a couple years ago, enough interest was generated to assure a free fireworks display Not so this time.

The Legion has asked for donations from businesses for years to finance the fireworks, but this time says it's too much.

We hope not. The Legion's free fireworks show at the park is a major attraction for thousands every year We hope the veterans will take a second look at the program and find a way to offer it again.

**THE WORK FORCE**

Young people in this area have job opportunities like few communities we know

Lynn Pursel of the Nebraska Job Service, announced the other day that he is taking applications for detasseling crews in the cornfields in the area.

Mr Pursel will hire about 2,000 youths to do the job, plus a number of adult supervisors.

There's a lot of work for those who want to work Clarence Rankin who handled that job hiring for many years, will vouch for the job opportunities.

And if you are a candidate and want to double up on your summer work, call the orchards It will be cherry picking time soon

## A sexual average

Here's another explanation for the decline in college entrance examinations which has concerned educators of late

Women To be precise, average women

The popular theory has been that contemporary high school students are not being as well educated as their predecessors and so were not doing as well on the tests.

Now a study at the University of Wisconsin-Madison comes up with another possibility In the past, when higher education enrollment had a pronounced male tilt, more average men than women took the tests. Now, with more women going on to college, the average intellects among them are pulling score levels down. This doesn't mean that women are less qualified, the study emphasizes, only that more of them consider themselves as qualified to handle college as their average male peers and are doing something about it

It averages out to another gain for sexual equality

## Testimonial tactics

House Majority Leader Jim Wright, D-Texas, has suggested a campaign gimmick for his Democratic colleagues guaranteed to "give your Republican opponent an itch that he simply has no way to scratch."

In a letter to fellow Democrats, Wright urged incumbents to solicit brief taped "testimonials" from constituents who have been helped by their congressman for use as radio spot advertisements.

"You may be surprised how eager most of these people are to tell the world about the help you gave them when they needed it most," Wright wrote.

"Get about 20 of these little testimonials, schedule them for saturation broadcast in the days immediately prior to the election, and it will sound as if the congressman has personally helped virtually everybody in town."

Wright assured his colleagues that the "testimonial" ad scheme has "worked well for me." He enclosed a detailed "how-to-do-it" sheet for other incumbents anxious to follow his dubious example

## Tax credit gets 'catholic' response

The House vote on tuition tax credits for college students, private and parochial school pupils not only cut across all the usual ideological lines, it also divided the two Catholic priests now serving in Congress, both of whom are liberal Democrats

Rep Robert J Cornell, D-Wis., voted for the bill and for the inclusion of private and parochial students in the tax credit plan Rep Robert F. Drinan, D-Mass., voted "no" to both

Drinan, who said he saw constitutional problems with the tuition tax credit, insisted he had encountered no special pressure from Catholic groups. "There's no such thing as a Catholic position on this bill," he said.

## We erred

A recent column incorrectly identified the Viking and Penguin publishing houses as subsidiaries of Time, Inc. Neither of those publishers is affiliated with Time, Inc. and we regret the inadvertent error.

*AS TIME GOES BY*

## Work is started

FORTY YEARS AGO
—1938—

Work was started on the reconstruction of the historic block house on Central Avenue with Austin Bebout to handle the construction John I Haldeman was reappointed to a second four-year term as Shenandoah, Iowa, postmaster The Nebraska City Planning Commission recommended city officials take advantage of a spending lending program by creating worthwhile projects for the program President Raymond Frerichs named committees for the Nebraska City Junior Chamber of Commerce.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
—1953—

Mrs L A Whipple of Nebraska City was elected junior vice president of the Nebraska Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Governor Crosby signed a bill hiking motor vehicle registration fees in Nebraska Peru grad Bill Vossen was named Honey Creek High School superintendent Donald Kennell attended the Co-op Youth Camp at Liberty, Missouri

TEN YEARS AGO
—1968—

Bill Berger of the Nebraska City board of education finance committee said the mill levy for the 1968-69 schooi year would be the same or less than the 59 mills levied for the 1967-68 year Mrs W J Seydlitz received a service pin from the Women's Society for Christian Service at the First United Methodist Church...Ken Ledbetter was installed as treasurer of the Nebraska City Lions Club...Representatives of the Nebraska City Chamber of Commerce planned to meet with the Otoe County Commissioners to ask the commissioners to adopt the food stamp program in Otoe County




"Well, then how about issuing us a warrant to search these premises for the First Amendment — we suspect it's tucked away around here somewhere."



Martha Angle and Robert Walters

# IN WASHINGTON

## Ford & Carter

WASHINGTON (NEA) - Gerald R. Ford was back at the White House last week. Within the bounds of good manners, he looked and acted very much as though he belonged there.

Ford and his wife, Betty, were on hand for the unveiling of their official portraits, which are indeed handsome But what lent special piquancy to the occasion was the shine on the former president's political picture.

Only minutes before the Fords arrived at the White House, an ABC-Harris poll was released showing that — for the first time since the 1976 election — Ford would defeat Jimmy Carter, 48 percent to 43 percent, if a rematch were held today

Although neither man alluded to the survey during their gracious and congenial exchange at the portrait ceremony, its significance was not lost on either Ford or Carter.

The fact is that Jerry Ford is an increasingly troublesome ghost at Jimmy Carter's banquet. The deeper into his term Carter gets, the longer the shadow cast by his predecessor

Throughout the 1976 campaign, Carter had the luxury of second-guessing, from the safety of the sidelines, the hard choices Ford had made as president. Now the shoe is on the other foot, and it is starting to pinch

Ford, initially cautious about criticizing his successor, has started to open up. During his recent visit here, he took dead aim on Carter's political sore spots, domestic inflation and foreign policy vacillation in the face of Soviet adventurism in Africa.

Carter no doubt wishes Ford would worry more about his golf score and less about the Consumer Price Index. But Palm Springs does not hold the same allure as Washington for someone who spent more than a quarter century in the capital's corridors of power

Ford has an excellent excuse for coming here periodically He is a "distinguished fellow" at the American Enterprise Institute, a fast-growing, conservative-leaning think tank which is to the liberal-oriented Brookings Institution what Avis is to Hertz.

The former president has an office at AEI's headquarters, access to its impressive public policy research collection and courtesy use of its board room for meetings of his own.

On at least four occasions, including his latest visit, the former president has assembled a couple dozen of his former Cabinet members, subcabinet officials and senior White House aides for discussions of current policy issues and developments.

These sessions provide Ford with useful substantive fodder for the scores of speeches he is making, many under AEI aegis, at colleges and universities across the country. But they also serve to renew and cement old ties, creating what amounts to a government-in-exile right under Jimmy Carter's nose.

Whenever he comes to town, Ford also makes a point of meeting with his old friends and former colleagues on Capitol Hill. He has already done some campaigning this year for GOP members of Congress, and has promised to devote a full week in October to stumping for Republican candidates.

Ford still fudges when asked about his own plans for 1980. As long as Ronald Reagan remains in the picture, there is no guarantee that Ford could claim the GOP nomination even if he sought it But he is clearly keeping his lines open in all the ways that count, and is looking more like a candidate every day

That is no longer a prospect which Carter can view with equanimity Ford may have lost the election in 1976, but he never lost the affection and trust of the voters. It was his competency as chief executive which people questioned, not his basic integrity and decency Now that there is a basis of comparison on the competency issue, "bumbling" old Jerry Ford is looking better and better to a lot of people.

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## *Today In History*

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, June 11, the 162nd day of 1978. There are 203 days left in the year

Today's highlight in history:

On this date in 1942, it was disclosed that the United States and the Soviet Union had made a lend-lease agreement to aid the Soviet war effort in World War II.

On this date:

In 1727, King George I of England died.

In 1859, a prospector laid claim to a silver deposit in Six Mile Canyon in Nevada. The claim turned out to be the Comstock Lode, which yielded ore worth hundreds of millions of dollars.

In 1936, the Republican National Convention in Chicago nominated Gov. Alf Landon of Kansas for the presidency.

In 1940, Princess Juliana of the Netherlands arrived in Canada as an exile during World War II

In 1960, White House news secretary James Hagerty was rescued by helicopter when his limousine was attacked by stone-throwing anti-American demonstrators at the Tokyo airport.

In 1970, the U.S. presence in Libya ended as the last detachment left Wheelus Air Base, which was the only major American military facility left in North Africa.

One year ago: Dutch marines attacked a train held by South Moluccan terrorists in the Netherlands, killing two of the 51 hostages and six of their captors and freeing the other hostages Another marine group freed four teachers held in a school.

Today's birthdays Opera singer Rise Stevens is 65. Pianist Hazel Scott is 58. French ocean explorer Jacques Cousteau is 68.

Thought for today: Always forgive your enemies Nothing annoys them so much — Oscar Wilde, Irish wrier, 1856-1900

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## The Prayer For Today From The Upper Room

The gate to life is narrow and the way that leads to it is hard, and there are few people who find it. (Matthew 7.14 TEV)

PRAYER: Dear Lord, help us open our minds and hearts to Your goodness and seek Your strength to overcome the many obstacles that lie in our path. In Christ's name. Amen.



Ivan D.E. Beaumont

# THE BUCK ENDS HERE

## Dennis pleased here

**Thomas Avenue —**

Dennis Kemp, owner of Thomas Avenue Carpets, 1002 Central Avenue, says he is pleased with his business in Nebraska City

Thomas Avenue is the second store operated by other members of the family. The first opened about three years ago in Shenandoah and is doing well. Dennis says his Nebraska City store got off to a faster start than the opening in Shenandoah

The Kemps have four children and they enjoy doing things as a family — especially fishing. I was going to warn them about Neal "catfish" Martin and Louie "big cat" Genoa. Instead I told them the t-r-u-e story about the big cat in the Auburn lake. Dennis was was polite, but I don't think he believed me.

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**Congratulations —**

to Frank Bataillon on his appointment as postmaster at Union. Frank has been working for the postal service for 23 years.

Nebraska City patrons know him best for his pleasant attitude and good humor We wish him much success on his new assignment.

And notice to the folks of Union — beware of your new postmaster He's loaded with new, fresh and often humorous jokes. He'll even make Bill Whipple chuckle

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**The golfer —**

Ralph Causgrove enjoys golfing at the Wildwood course, but let me tip you. he was a holy terror on the old nine-hole Steinhart course.

back in the days when such challenging features of the golf course were a green that had a ditch for a fairway, a fairway that went from tee box across a ditch, fence and road (providing you didn't end up on the tennis court) and a tee shot that had to clear a body of water before landing on a slanted, lopsided green, there were some great golfers.

In fact. it was at the old Steinhart course where we walked along with Ralph while he played a few holes in the annual Legion tourney Well, actually we didn't really walk along with him, we putted, snorted and cussed that lil' white ball.

Ralph liked that. In fact, he about cracked up and I ended up paring three holes for the first time.

There was a time when John Smull who used to be the chemist at Morton House, and myself decided we were going to "master" the old course. Our wives came out with cars and flashed the headlights until John and me admitted we had enough after 27 holes besides we kept losing tees that we couldn't find in the dark.

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**A & W Drive In —**

The new owners of the A & W Drive In are Mr and Mrs Don Woodhead, formerly of Sioux Falls, S D Mr Woodhead retired after 32 years with Northwestern Bell His wife operated a cheese store in a shopping center, but when he retired they looked for something else.

Nebraska City was it And the A & W business was the best choice. We asked Don why he retired, then got back into work that was a long way from a 40-hour week, except for the winter close down months.

That was the whole point — the winter months and the closing of the business And in the same breath he said the couple has a daughter living in Scottsdale, Arizona

. pretty tricky Don. pretty tricky

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**Anderson Schoolhouse —**

We recommend the Anderson Schoolhouse for cocktails, dinner and a play We attended one of the final performances of "Oliver" and we can report it's a fine evening's entertainment

Gene Stark of the News-Press had a part and when we got there we found a lot of Nebraska City people in the play, including the Tom Hemphill family

Coming up at Anderson is "My Fair Lady" and if the cast does its usual best, lacking Audrey Hepburn and Rex Harrison, you'll see a super performance with great musical talent

If you've never seen "My Fair Lady," then you should. It's full of humor, music and spellbound beauty

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**The missing shoes —**

When the story came out in the paper the other day that a pair of shoes was found at the post office, it was suggested that we look at them — for our No. 1 son

Haw Haw Too small

The background to the story is that the Queen Bee ordered the young stinger to clean up his room He did so obligingly and in his usual method, he tossed a number of things into the trash

Well, a few nights later was the school prom Yup You guessed it. He had tossed out one of his dress shoes. (We suggested he wear those holey tennies, but that didn't go over so well) Instead, he made a quick trip to a store.

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**No open house —**

Remember the open house at the Earl May test gardens in Shenandoah? Well, that is over now. The property used for the garden display since 1940 reverted back to the owner after the Earl May company gave up its lease

Thousands of visitors walked the test gardens each year It was a highlight of the year for many gardeners The Earl May company told the News-Press that limited trails are being conducted in the area and plans are being made for a new test garden

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**Welcome —**

Welcome to Ralph Dority of Mid-America Siding and Dawn Butner, of the Yellow Submarine on their new businesses in town

They are located at 1104 Central Avenue Dawn promises to whip up a quick meal or snack for you and her dad, Ralph, will put your old home in shipshape with new siding.

Best wishes on your new businesses



# HEALTH

Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

## It's just human nature

DEAR DR LAMB — I have a problem that puzzles me I always had low or normal blood pressure and felt so fortunate Then I was forced to go to work so I decided to dye my hair In about a month my blood pressure was far too high and I do not feel good in general Is this because of the hair dye? Could I be allergic to the chemicals in the dye? Can it be absorbed into your blood stream? I would appreciate your opinion.

DEAR READER — It's just human nature that when two events occur at the same time for us to think that one caused the other, the so-called cause and effect relationship. It just isn't so That's one of the purposes of the science of statistics — to sort out things which are chance occurence from those which are really cause and effect related

There are many reasons why your blood pressure could have gone up. One of them might be going back to work. You didn't explain why you had to go back to work but there had to have been some reason for this. The work environment may have induced some tension It is common for individuals subjected to unusual pressure to have an increase in their blood pressure

Since many cases of elevated blood pressure are for no known reason at all it may have been time for you to start developing high blood pressure anyway. Who knows?

Then comes the second problem. People change a whole lot of things simultaneously and never really know which one was the culprit. For example, you could stop dying your hair and quit working and you'd never know whether it was the job or the hair dye that was causing your problem.

There is no evidence that hair dyes cause high blood pressure It is true that things that are put upon the skin can be absorbed to some degree through the skin, depending a lot upon the nature of the substances applied to the skin Although there are many different ways allergies produce symptoms, high blood pressure is not a common manifestation of allergy

If I were to guess it would be that your pressure is elevated because of changes in your life situation that either caused you to go back to work, or the tension associated with your job or changes in your life style associated with this

In any case, if you have high blood pressure you should be seeing a doctor and if you have any excess obesity you should lose weight. You should also limit your salt intake. Finally, if you are tense and nervous you should do what you can within the demands upon your life to eliminate these tensions

I am sending you The Health Letter number 1-8, Blood Pressure, to give you a better idea of what controls your blood pressure and what you can do about it Others who want this information can send 50 cents with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for it to me in care of this newspaper, P O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019

## *News in Brief*

WASHINGTON (AP) — During the past three fiscal years only $8 million of an appropriated $64 million in federal money has been spent by states to prevent juvenile delinquency, Rep. Shirley Chisholm says.

Ms. Chisholm, D-N Y, said she will seek congressional hearings into why the money has not been spent by the states. Congress first appropriated money for the program in the 1976 fiscal year.

# Berry's World




*"I suppose this means we're watching the World Cup again!"*