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VIEWPOINT

Money isn't everything, but . . .

Happiness for the overwhelming majority of working Americans is the job.

So it would appear from a recent survey by The Conference Board, a nonprofit economic research organization

Of a nationwide cross-section of 5,000 working families questioned, 87 percent expressed satisfaction with their employment situations. According to the Board's analysis, a number of factors contributed to the strongly favorable response Community spirit, a sense of personal involvement in a job and generally pleasant working conditions added a high degree of psychic satisfaction to most working situations.

The key factor, however, apparently remains money

The dissatisfied minority was concentrated at the bottom of the income ladder in blue-collar occupations. Job satisfaction was highest in the white-collar population and in the top income category, $25,000 and up

Surprise

Educators go activist

The rapidly growing political activism of teachers and other tax-paid educators may help explain some of the resistence in state legislatures to spending cutbacks and tax reduction schemes like Prop 13

Educators now constitute the second largest occupational group in state legislatures (lawyers remain firmly in first place), according to figures from the Insurance Information Institute quoted in the latest bulletin of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities

Educators occupy 9 percent of all state legislative seats in the country this year, compared with 3 percent in 1966

Bad news for the popularity polls

Despite efforts by the Carter administration to downplay bad news on the economic front, voices of doom and gloom keep pumping out pessimistic forecasts

On Capitol Hill, the influential Joint Economics Comittee is preparing its annual midyear report and the picture it will paint is by no means rosy Committee economists foresee continued high inflation, even if food prices come down slightly, and an upwards drift in the unemployment rate which has been the only bright spot in the economic picture this year

None of which is likely to improve Carter's standing in the opinion polls, nor enhance the re-election prospects of House members and senators who are up this year

AS TIME GOES BY

Bids are made

FORTY YEARS AGO
—1938—

Western Contracting bid $187,000 for concrete surfacing of the Nebraska City to Dunbar paving while Vosak Construction bid $1 426 for the guard rail Three men charged with disturbing the peace in the Overland Tavern disturbance said they were willing to plead guilty and pay fines An earthquake shook New York City for 20 seconds but no serious damage was reported The city of Detroit, Michigan, honored automotive manufacturer Henry Ford on his 75th birthday

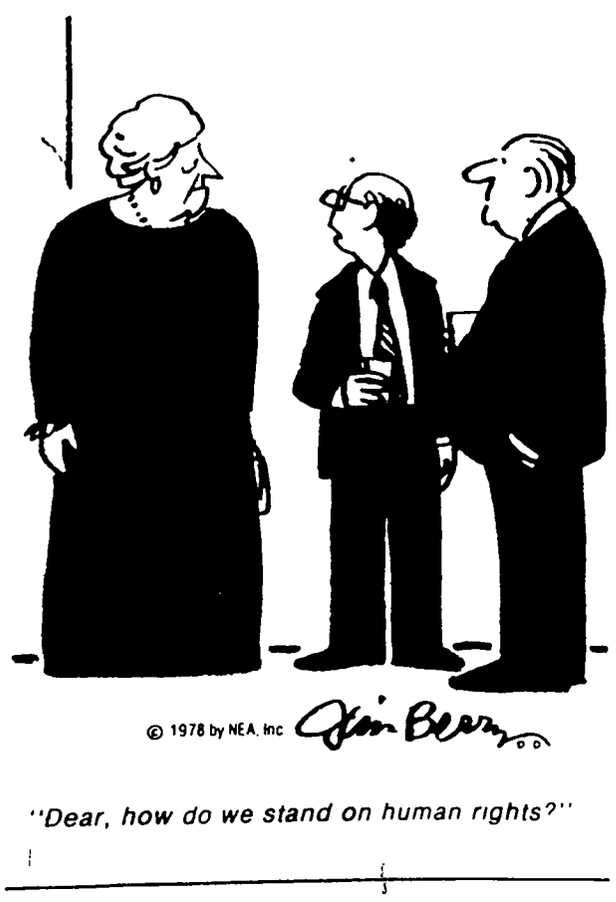
TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
—1953—

Mary Jane Goodin of Imogene, Iowa, was selected queen of the Sidney (Ia) Rodeo Peru State College President Neal Gomon blasted the state's poor teacher certification law Mrs Frances Webb, Nebraska City, was appointed Otoe county register of deeds by the county board. Ora E Copes, 74, longtime pharmacist at Avoca, died Kenneth Dawson of the Dawson Oil Co. of Osmond purchased the Whited and Ransdell Oil Company on South 11th Street.

TEN YEARS AGO
—1968—

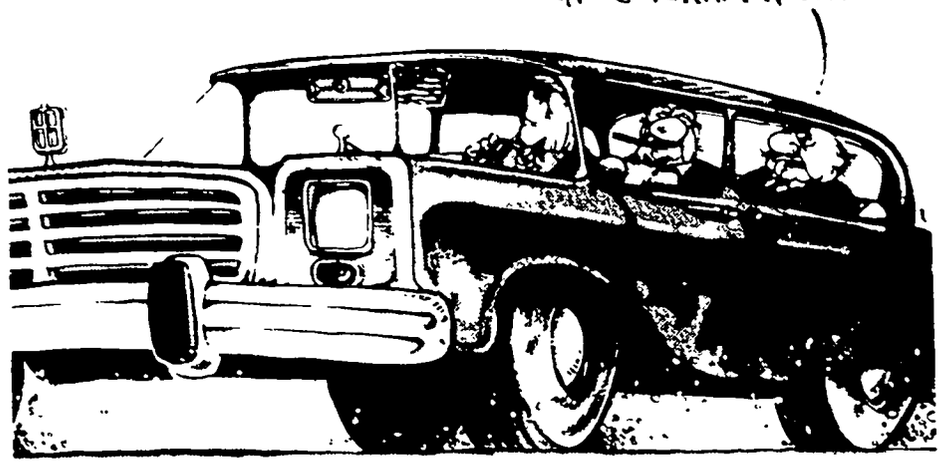
An expansion program by Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America gave Nebraska City more natural gas for the winter Modular scheduling, described as a new and exciting design for learning was put into effect in the Nehawka Consolidated school Mr and Mrs Woody Jenkins, Shenandoah, Iowa, opened their new store, Four Seasons Fabrics at 615 Central Avenue The descendants of Mr and Mrs Fritz Staack held a family reunion in Syracuse park with 59 relatives attending. Brothers Gary and Glen Cohn paced the Consolidated Blenders team to a 7-4 win over Meadow Gold

Berry's World



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"Dear, how do we stand on human rights?"





Martha Angle and Robert Walters

IN WASHINGTON

Aged but immature?

WASHINGTON (NEA) It sounds highly improbable but try to imagine the fox approaching the farmer to complain that 'he chicken house door hasn t been locked thus allowing predators to easily devour the hens inside

That s approximately what occurred earlier this year when Tom H Davis president of the Washington based Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA), wrote to Henry Ford II board chairman of the Ford Motor Co

Davis was complaining to Ford about 'defectively designed gas tanks that had resulted in fatal fires in a number of Ford automobiles, especially Pinto models

Davis, an Austin Tex attorney said in an even stronger public statement that "lethal defects in the Pinto fuel system already have claimed lives and maimed passengers

Those harsh charges were unusual because many of ATLA's 34,000 attorney members earn their living by providing legal representation to victims of auto accidents, often in the form of court suits that allege unsafe auto design and production

Only five weeks before Davis wrote his letter, a jury in Santa Ana, Calif had ordered Ford to pay $127 8 million to the victim of a Pinto accident A judge later reduced the award to $6 6 million but the initial judgment was the largest ever awarded in a personal injury suit

Legal fees traditionally have been a confidential matter between attorneys and their clients but it s safe to assume that the lawyers in the California case were well paid for their services

That trial was not the only one to produce sizeable damage awards for Pinto accident victims and their lawyers Two Alabama residents shared $875,000, a Virginia boy was given more than $650 000 and a Florida woman received $3 million

Why then did ATLA plead with Ford to recall the Pintos and thus eliminate potentially lucrative business for the country's trial lawyers? Apparently because the lack of structural integrity in the Pinto fuel system was on the verge of becoming a national scandal

A San Francisco based magazine Mother Jones first raised the issue last summer when it charged that rear-end collisions involving Pintos have caused an estimated 500 burn deaths to people who would have escaped serious injury if the Pinto s gas tank had not ruptured on impact

The magazine charged that Ford was aware of the problem even before Pinto production began but the company nevertheless allowed the 'firetraps to be sold to the public

One Ford memo calculated that it would cost the company only $11 per vehicle to improve protection against fuel leakage and fires in accidents where cars and light trucks rolled over following a crash

But the memo noted that the total cost of outfitting 12 5 million vehicles produced each year would be $137 million, while the auto company could resolve the post crash court cases for a mere $49 5 million.

The implication was obvious It was far cheaper for Ford to pay damage claims for 180 burn deaths, 180 serious burn injuries and 2,100 burned vehicles annually than to produce safer cars and trucks

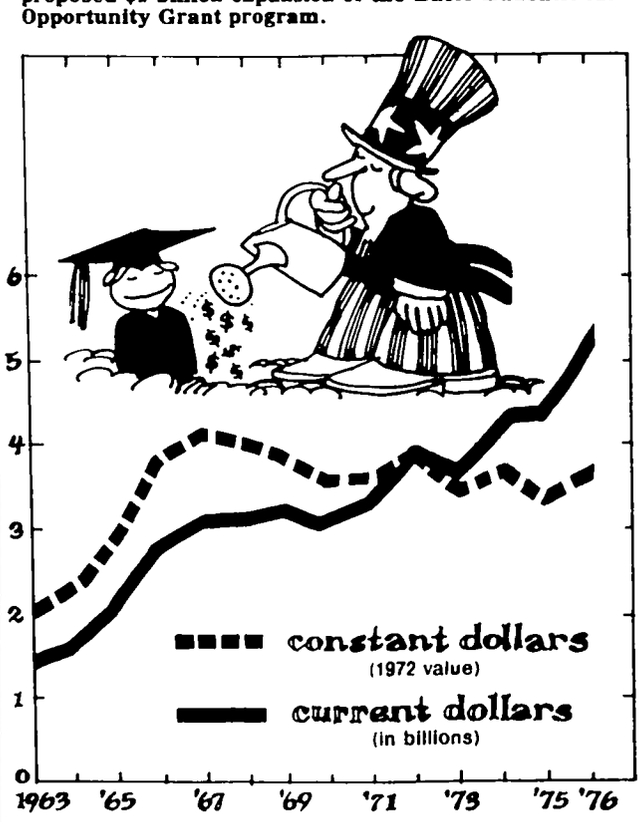
In a case involving gas tank leakage that fueled an accident related fire in a Ford Fairlane, an Illinois Supreme Court opinion issued late last year accused the company of lying under oath

We cannot condemn too severely the conduct of the Ford Motor Co It gave false answers to interrogatories under oath (and) it secreted evidence damaging to its case "

Ford this year is celebrating, with considerable hoopla, its 75th anniversary But its recent behavior (Ford finally succumbed to outside pressure and reluctantly recalled the Pintos last month) suggests, that the company still hasn't reached the age of maturity

Uncle Sam sows scholarly seeds

FEDERAL SUPPORT of higher education has increased almost steadily since 1963. Or has it? In real terms, federal payments to U.S. colleges and universities showed no growth over the last decade. But the National Science Foundation, which compiled these statistics, predicts a new spurt of growth; much of the expected increase would come from President Carter's proposed $1 billion expansion of the Basic Educational Opportunity Grant program.



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The Prayer For Today From The Upper Room

Brethren, pray for us (1 Thessalonians 5 25 RSV)

PRAYER Father help us to be more alert to recognize the hurt and pain in the hearts of those around us and more faithful in our praying for them Amen.



Ivan D.E. Beaumont

THE BUCK ENDS HERE

Sam to be rerun

The Sidney rodeo —

If you missed the Sidney, Ia., Legionnaires on TV the other night, tune to Channel 7 Sunday at 11 30 p.m They're going to re-run the program

The Sidney Legion posts sponsors the annual rodeo and the local veterans get a chance to plug their project with the TV people The rodeo will be August 8-13

Sam Kellogg, Jr , of Nebraska City is commander of the post and will be interviewed on the rodeo and the carnival. Sam has served the post a number of years helping with the carnival operation.

Naw Mary Sam won't be interviewed at the hootchie-kootchie Whoopie volunteered.

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The flood at Union—

The flood at Union was felt by a News-Presser Tammy Pike, daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Pike, Union, telephoned that flood waters threatened her grandmother Ruth's home Later, the family watched as eight inches of flood water crept into the home

It was a mess, Tammy admits, but the family worked to get it cleaned Tammy is an accounting student at Peru State, and is working full-time this summer at the News-Press in the classified ad and accounting departments.

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Farmers Market —

Received a clipping and note the other day from a reader who pointed to Omaha's Farmers Market and the hope that Nebraska City could have something like it

We still have the corner salespeople with their sweet corn, cantaloupes, cucumbers and watermelons, but for the most part the shopping comes off the shelves at the stores in town.

We've never been to the Omaha Farmers Market, but we've visited several of the old-time oriental-operated markets in the Los Angeles area

Just between you and me I'll take Sam Jaquinta's crop any time.

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Coming up —

Look out, Pete Rose, here come the Rotary and Optimist club softball teams.

That match of great talent will be playing a benefit again in a few weeks Proceeds go to Fort Teen, Nebraska City's youth center

It's a fun event with a few tricks included to keep them on their toes. They tell me Jim Brockhaus tosses a mean grapefruit and Arvon Marcotte can splatter them with a bat.

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Congratulations —

to Lori Ruth on her selection as the Fremont County Fair Queen at Sidney, Iowa She is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Chet Ruth of Percival

Renee Whipple was first runner-up and Suzanne Heaton was second runner-up.

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The Shrine club —

The Scimitar Shrine club has sold all its three-wheeled parade vehicles and is looking for another vehicle The Shriners are responsible for the large following of parade vehicles from the Omaha temple in Nebraska City parades Without the Shriners and their parade units, Nebraska City's show and tell on Central wouldn't be so large

Meanwhile the local Scimitar club headed by Kermit Holmes decided to change vehicles And from what we are told, it could be that the Model T Patrol designation held by the local club for over 20 years will be continued — the Shriners may be parading in the little four wheeled model cars again

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The ace —

Doug Ailes, 15, son of Mr and Mrs Garry Ailes, was vacationing a few weeks ago in Big Springs, Nebr , with his grandparents, when he accepted an invitation to play golf with relatives at the sand green course at nearby Julesburg, Colorado It turned out to be quite an eventful day

Doug scored a hole-in-one on a 117-yard par 3 hole. He ended the game with a par 36. pretty foxy for a freshman at Nebraska City Senior High.

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School soon —

The athletic departments of public and parochial schools are getting ready Physical exams for boys and girls will be given at NCHS on August 9

The first football game is Friday, September 1 And that means that good ole' classroom study will begin a week earlier Vacation is over for the kids It's back to the books.

The moms and dads can have one, too "TGSIO" (Thank Goodness Summer Is Over)



HEALTH

Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

Varicose veins

By Lawrence Lamb, M.D

DEAR DR LAMB — Regarding varicose veins, when lying down or sitting what position should the legs be in? Why can varicose veins affect only one leg? You work two of them at the same time and in the same way What precisely is phlebitis? I've had it also

I've noticed since I became a homemaker and gave up my job that my legs are not as tired. When I had a job I had to stand for long periods and after an eight-hour work day I could barely make it to the door to go home

Can varicose veins disappear if treated right? I wear the white surgical hose and wouldn't be without them, with heavy nylon support hose over them.

DEAR READER — Varicose veins are overstretched veins. The large veins in the leg have little valves in them When you walk or the vein is squeezed so that the blood is moved upward toward the heart, the valves close and prevent the blood from flowing backward Once the veins become too dilated these valves are incompetent and the blood simply runs back toward the foot.

Increased pressure on the veins in any way will cause them to stretch If this is persistent over too long a period of time varicose veins will result The pressure of the pregnant uterus on the large veins that drain the legs is one reason why women tend to develop varicose veins with pregnancy

Another way to keep the veins from becoming overdistended is to be able to empty them out Blood runs downhill just like water does. So if you're lying down and have your feet above the level of the heart, the veins tend to drain.

That's a good answer to your question of what position the feet should be in if you're lying down Just lying down flat is a help, but if you have your feet elevated just a bit above the front of the chest it will help them drain even more

One leg may be affected and not the other because the pressure may have been greater on that leg An example here might be the formation of a blood clot in one large vein which obstructs the free flow from that vein.

Also there's an anatomical difference in the way the veins pass under the arteries and muscles. So there's more pressure on the veins to one leg than there is to the other. Remember it's the obstruction of the venus flow back to the heart that causes the veins to be overstretched and become varicose veins

Phlebitis means inflammation of the veins The inflamed veins commonly develop a clot or thrombus in them, at which point a person may have thrombophlebitis.

I'm sorry to say that varicose veins, once they have appeared, will not disappear short of using surgery or injection treatments.

As you will find in The Health Letter number 5-8, Varicose Veins, which I am sending you, a lot of the pressure in the veins depends on your body posture such as standing Sitting is halfway between standing and lying down, although it's not as bad as simple standing it does have a similar effect. Others who want this issue of The Health Letter 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

Today In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, July 30, the 211th day of 1978 There are 154 days left in the year

Today's highlight in history

On this date in 1619, the first representative assembly in America convened at Jamestown, Va., attended by two delegates from each of the 11 Virginia plantations

In 1718, the founder of Pennsylania, William Penn, died in England.

In 1909, the U S government bought its first airplane, a Wright biplane costing $31,000

In 1916, before the United States entered World War I German saboteurs blew up a munitions plant on Black Tom Island near Jersey City, N J

In 1942, President Franklin Roosevelt signed a bill creating a women's auxiliary agency in the U S Navy, the WAVES

Today's birthdays British sculptor Henry Moore is 80 years old. Singer Linda Ronstadt is 32 Singer Paul Anka is 37

Thought for today The borrower is a servant to the lender — the Bible

Routes Open

ROUTE # 18
9th Street west to 15th Street
south of overpass to Arbor Motel

ROUTE # 4
1st, 2nd and 3rd Corso west,
from 11th Street to 15th Street.

ROUTE # 22
South half of Kearney Hill.

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