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VIEWPOINT

Faithful friends

There is no reason on earth why Idi Amin should have a friend on earth.

But he does, and a very useful one. The Ugandan tyrant, facing the most serious threat yet to his reign in an invasion by Tanzahia, is the beneficiary of military equipment and according to some reports troops from Libyan leader Col. Muammar el-Qaddafi.

The tie that binds is religion. Qaddafi, the Arab's Arab, is a religious zealot as well as a dedicated revolutionary. Amin is a convert to Islam.

Tanzania happens to have a sizable Moslem population, proportionately larger than Uganda's. But Amin is actively working to impose his new faith upon Ugandans.

The politics of religion can make strange bedfellows.

AS TIME GOES BY
Hitler criticized

FORTY YEARS AGO
—1939—

British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain criticized German dictator Adolf Hitler for invading Czechoslovakia in violation of the Munich pact A mother and her two children barely escaped with their lives as fire destroyed their farm home near Rulo Two WPA workers were fined $5 each and ordered to pay costs after pleading guilty to charges of drunkenness Peru College advanced into the semifinals of the NIC tournament with a 45-31 win over defending champion Central Teachers of Warrensburg, Mo

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
—1954—

Mrs Stuart Schlichtemeier was elected president of the Nehawka Junior Woman's Club Harold Fouts was elected president of the newly reorganized G E Conkey Company Mayor Victor Bremer led all candidates in the city primary election Ten votes behind him was Finance Commissioner Dean Shuey Mrs Maxine Ott, Dr T L Weekes, Karl Nelson, Dr A E Souders, Frank Esser and Bill Berger all advanced to the general election to the school board. Mrs Ott was the top vote-getter

TEN YEARS AGO
—1969—

Mrs Sam Kellogg Jr and Mrs Jack Ryder were the winners in the eighth annual Beta Sigma Phi bridge tournament. Mr and Mrs Richard Kimmel will present a program on their trip to Guadeloupe and the Yucatan to the NCFWC garden department .Mayor R. L McKissick is considering suggesting the City purchase with a small annual tax levy increase instead of issue bonds. Sister Vincent Mary and her third grade students entertained at the Arbor Training Center.

Safety Valve

"...farm plan..."

EDITOR, News-Press

This is a copy of a letter that I sent to the USDA Washington D C last September

"These are some of my ideas about the farm situation.

First what caused all these problems?

No. I is the tax situation. The tax on capital gains should be taxed in full up to two years instead of 50 percent after six months. Professional people or corporations having an interest in any farming or feeding of livestock should not be allowed to take any loss off these enterprises and apply these losses to the income of their business.

Farming should absolutely be reported as a business of its own We should never put an embargo on our exports unless we run short at home. The prices farmers received for their grain should be guaranteed at 90 percent of parity, and if we import any farm products foreign countries would have to pay an import duty to the U S. to bring their products up to parity as set by our Government

I feel we must have a set-aside of not over 20 percent of our normal acres and then make the program voluntary and the farmers that adopt this program would be guaranteed 90 percent of parity on at least 80 percent of their normal yield. The farmer that choses not to adopt the program would receive no benefits. The idle acres would have to have a cover crop and could not be pastured or used for feed in the year the program is in effect except by a release by the Government in case of a disaster or emergency.

Any farmer that would neglect to keep the diverted acres free from weeds would forfeit his right to any government support payments. Each year by the 15th of August the government would announce the goal for wheat for the next year and the acres required and the same should be done with the other feed grains in plenty of time before planting.

Each year the Government should set a target price and the farmer that adopted the program would receive the difference between the average market price during the 6 mos. after harvest and the target price

The farmer that did not adopt the program would have to take the market price and receive no guarantee.

Any land owned by any foreign country or people not citizens of this country would be ineligible to enter into any kind of guaranteed program. We have to face the facts if this county is going to survive and escape violence and destruction of the people in all walks of life must have an incentive to work and have some protection that their efforts will not be wasted.

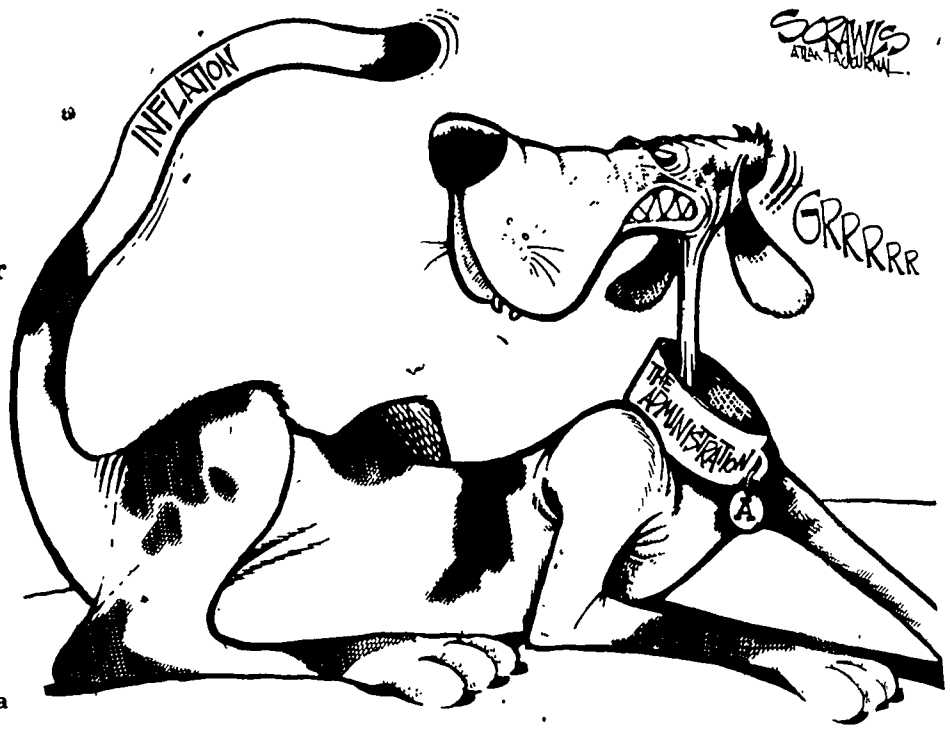
A farmers production creates jobs for thousands of people and he gambles every year on the weather and forces of nature and all he asks is to eliminate unfair competition. If the small farmer goes under it will only be a matter of time until the whole economy will suffer.

I feel that this country can do more good over the world by shipping our surplus grain to the hungry nations than by selling them guns and ammunition.

We should absolutely have a law in this country that any eating or market place that serves food, especially meat, must put up a sign if they serve import meat. We should have a regulation that no farmer could ever receive over $[illegible] in subsidy payments in any crop year and only farmers that are in the program would be eligible to place their grain in storage at guaranteed prices."

I think it would be interesting to hear from the young farmers of today what they think we should do to solve the economy situation.

BOB KREIFELS





Donald F. Graff — **COMMENTARY**

Revolutionary dress code

At its present stage, the Iranian revolution is almost hors de comment

It will eventually run its chaotic course and a new order will emerge. But this is a matter more of time than of specific revolutionary events and decisions The real shaping of the new Iran will begin when the revolution has exhausted itself

Nevertheless, the demonstrations in Tehran of women alarmed by the Ayatollah Khomeini's comments on the proper dress for revolutionary womanhood are of more than usual interest, and just possibly significance The call for women to attire themselves according to religious standards was widely taken as meaning the chador, the traditional head-to-toe black veil And women who have become accustomed to Western dresses and jeans didn't like it

One wonders where these women were, or what was their reaction, when the ayatollah, remote-controlling the revolution from his French exile, was declaring to Iran and the world his goal of an Islamic republic where the word of the Koran would literally be law Now that he is back home, there is surprise that he means it to apply to all Iranians, not only such transgressors to be punished by whippings and hand amputations.

The stirring of opposition manifested by the Tehran demonstration suggests the ayatollah's Islamic revolution could be entering a very trying period The shah's over-equipped army may have caved into it without a real fight, but never underestimate the determination of even the semi-liberated woman aroused on an issue that really matters

The defiance of enforced orthodoxy a long great numbers of westernized younger women was epitomized by one anonymous secretary quoted in The New York Times' account of the event "I will wear a chador to the day all Iranian men start wearing turbans and stop shaving their faces as Islam law says they must

Is she kidding? Does she think exactly that may not also be in the cards as well as the Koran? Has she taken a good look at Khomeini himself recently?

Never underestimate the dogmatic consistency of the zealot Just give him time

So do detectors

Radar evidence faces test case

By Ink Dipper

A test case on the acceptability of radar evidence is about to come to trial in Miami At present all radar-type speeding tickets issued by the Florida Highway Patrol and the Dade County police have been stayed until the decision has been reached The result could have far reaching impact.

This column has frequently questioned the accuracy of radar-type evidence The nation's law enforcement agencies, on the other hand, have clung to their position that the radar's accuracy is irrefutable

A former prosecutor for Clearfield County, Pa , says he's never lost a case where a radar report was the evidence presented to the court A prosecutor in Davidson County, Tenn , reports he has had only one ticketed person question the radar evidence in his career in court.

Meanwhile, bills banning radar detectors — the thorn in the side of law enforcement agencies trying to keep radar evidence sacred — are currently pending in seven states.

It is not without a touch of humor that "Peace Officer," the magazine of the Michigan chapter of the Fraternal Order of Police, ran a contest for the most creative excuse for speeding they have ever heard The first prize? A Fuzzbuster!

Both sides are gearing up for the big trial, presently scheduled for March 26, though it will probably be delayed on the grounds that more time is needed for preparation

The manufacturers of radar equipment have joined hands to present a united front in their defense of radar guns The defense, on the other hand, will get financial help from the manufacturers of radar detection devices like Fuzzbuster, the largest in the field

Judge Arnold Nesbitt has stated that there will be extraordinary expenses involved in prosecuting and defending the "test" case and that "since there are two public agencies involved in both sides of it, they need to be equally prepared "

This column has reported that many highway safety experts state that traffic control is best handled by "pace" cars that move on the highways at the required speed limit These are clearly marked patrol cars "Trolling is not an answer, any more than radar ambushes," one consultant told us "These are momentary in their impact "

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Berry's World



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"Boy! I wish I could just take off and go to the Middle East for some peace talks."



Ivan D.E. Beaumont — **THE BUCK ENDS HERE**

Dolly isn't worried

American Ag News —

If today's farm prices affected Dolly Parton the same way, she'd be "flat busted."

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Congratulations —

to Dick Rhinehart, the Music Boosters, Bandmaster Bill Harshbarger and their helpers who raised $2,767 to send the high school band to a festival in Estes Park, Colo , the end of May

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He's earned it —

The athletic director from Lexington who received statewide recognition recently for his accomplishments with youth, "worked" his way to the recognition.

Ray Ehlers attended Syracuse high school and played on the state championship basketball team. He got his bachelor's degree at Peru State and his master's at Kearney

His parents? The very proud, Mr and Mrs Louis Ehlers of Syracuse

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Jack to retire —

Jack Ryder has spent over 20 years trying to help men and women straighten out their lives, and now he's going to split — to an acreage across the river in Iowa.

Jack served as the adult probation officer for nine counties for several years Later he was assigned three of the counties and Dan Weddle, a NCHS grad, took over the remaining area

The Nebraska City probation officer will retire in May, ending 21½ years of a special kind of dedication service We'll miss him at the courthouse, but wish him well in retirement.

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Meals —

One of the interesting results in the senior citizens survey were the answers to whether residents wanted Meals on Wheels

In Nebraska City there was little interest

That was no surprise to the Otoe County Advisory Council because of the grand success of the Meals on Wheels program that Nebraska City has had since 1970 That's quite a compliment to the volunteers who have manned the service all those years

We can also attest that the Meals on Wheels volunteers do more than serve a hot meal six days a week On dozens of occasions they have come upon residents who have fallen, or who are ill and need emergency assistance

They are also watchdogs When a resident leaves for a visit overnight and doesn't notify Meals on Wheels, the volunteers go to homes of neighbors to check on the absence

If you'd like to help, call Mrs Jerry Regler chairman

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Spelling —

The News-Press will award I D bracelets to the top winners in the Otoe County Spelling contest set for March 31 at Syracuse

Students in the fifth through eighth grades are eligible Brian Olsen of Nebraska City and Dan Thomson Palmyra were the top winners last year Second place in the seventh and eighth division was John Vock, Nebraska City

Brian and John went to the Worlds of Fun concert so Julie Dennis Bennet represented the county in the state spelling contest

Stolen —

The parents were disappointed with the low grades of their son and compared him with little Ted who lived a few doors down the street

"Ted doesn't get C s and D s does he not father asked

Junior replied No but he's different He has seven bright parents

Today In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, March 18, the 77th day of 1979 There are 288 days left in the year

Today's highlight in history

On this date in 1937, a gas explosion in a school in New London, Texas killed more than 400 people mostly children

On this date

In 1776, during the American Revolution, George Washington took over control of Boston after evacuation by the besieged British

In 1837 Grover Cleveland, who held office as the 22nd and the 24th U S Presidents, was born in Caldwell, New Jersey

In 1962, a cease-fire in the Algerian War was signed by French authorities and Algerian nationalists in Evianles - Bains, France

In 1965, a Soviet cosmonaut became the first man to leave an orbiting spacecraft and float in space

In 1970, Cambodia's Prince Norodom Sihanouk was deposed as chief of state while on a visit to Moscow

In 1976, it was disclosed that Britain's Princess Margaret and Lord Snowdon would separate but would not get divorced

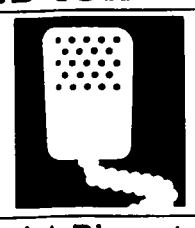
Ten years ago About 10,000 troops launched one of the Vietnam war's biggest operations — a drive against Communist forces northwest of Saigon

Five years ago Arab oil countries ended their oil embargo against the United States

Today's birthdays Country music singer Charley Pride is 41 years old Composer Alan Hovhaness is 68

Thought for today Scenery is fine — but human nature is finer — poet John Keats, 1795-1821

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The Prayer For Today From The Upper Room

The King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me." (Matthew 25:40 RSV)

PRAYER: Thank You, Lord, for the encouragement You give us in work we do for You. Amen.



HEALTH

Lawrence E. Lamb, M D

Hiatal hernia cases differ

By Lawrence Lamb, M.D.

DEAR DR LAMB — I read your column in the paper about the lady who had the hiatal hernia and dragged herself around all day I discussed this with my husband and we felt it was important to write to you

My husband suffered with this and was operated on for it 19 years ago He is sweet and pink and round instead of cranky, green and skinny The dragged out feeling was due to acute anemia from internal bleeding at the hiatal hernia

We'll always be grateful for the surgery that relieved his pain and weakness Before that, he'd gone for years without being properly diagnosed and had been treated with vitamin B-12 injections and a bland diet, but that didn't help much

DEAR READER — If a person has a severe anemia from any cause, it is apt to cause him to feel fatigued and exhausted Fortunately, a simple blood test will at least identify the presence or absence of anemia A further definition as to the type of anemia and what treatment should be used may require further testing

It's true that some people can bleed from a hernia of the stomach through the diaphragm (hiatal hernia) That is one of the complications of a hiatal hernia Fortunately, a lot of people have hiatal hernias who do not have this complication In those people, provided their diet is adequate and they don't have any other health problems, you will not find an anemia and that's why those people don't have the dragged out, tired feeling that your husband experienced. In point of fact, a large number of people have small hiatal hernias which cause no symptoms at all

I'm glad your husband received good results from his surgery Sometimes surgery is necessary in people who have bleeding complications from the hernia The fact that it was necessary and successful in your husband's case does not mean that surgery should be used for all other people who have hiatal hernia

Many people who have symptoms of burning and irritation in the pit of the stomach and also have a hiatal hernia have these symptoms because of a leak of the acid contents of the stomach into the lower esophagus Unfortunately, repairing the hernia does not always correct the leak The closure mechanism at the top of the stomach may remain faulty after the hernia has been repaired That's why some people continue to have burning irritation in the pit of the stomach even after surgery

So, what is the answer It's an individual matter Each case has to be looked at individually If a person has a small hiatal hernia and has no symptoms diuretic treatment is certainly indicated

In another instance where the hernia is associated with complications such as bleeding in your husband's case, then the answer has to be entirely different That's one reason for the test not only to make diagnosis but to evaluate the total picture and decide what the best treatment should be for that individual case

Readers who want more information about hiatal hernia and what you can do for it can send 50 cents with a long, stamped self-addressed envelope for The Health Letter number 5-8 Address your request to Dr Lamb, in care of this newspaper, P O Box 1551 Radio City Station New York NY 10019

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