

Ford vows new anti-inflation moves

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Ford promised new proposals Wednesday night to deal with the nation's economic problems, but said he would not turn his back on the fight against inflation.

Ford said his economic advisers would work through the Christmas holidays "translating into specifics a number of new or alternative measures to augment and update the economic package I placed before the Congress two months ago."

The President said his new economic proposals would be on the desks of members of the new Congress when it convenes on Jan. 14.

"We will meet the changing priorities of present and future realities," Ford told a meeting of the Business Council, an organization of about 100 of the nation's top corporate executives.

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Ford offered few clues on the content of his new economic proposals, but acknowledged that "conditions are changing rapidly."

"The economy is in difficult straits. We are in a recession. Production is declining and unemployment is rising," the President said.

He also said the nation still is faced with a higher rate of inflation than can be tolerated over an extended period of time.

Despite all this bad economic news, Ford said, "our country is not in an economic crisis."

He said a national crisis "is something that demands immediate and drastic ac-

tion," while he considers the nation's current economic difficulties to be a "nation problem...something that demands widespread understanding and carefully deliberated solutions."

"If there are any among you who want me to take a 180-degree turn from inflation fighting to recessionary pump-priming, they will be disappointed," the President said.

Ford's economic advisers have been preparing options for Ford on ways to stimulate the economy to bring it out of recession next year. Treasury Department sources have said these options mainly focus on tax reductions, rather than a big increase in federal spending.

In his speech, Ford made no mention of his proposed 5 per cent income surtax on middle and upper level incomes as a way to raise money to finance his public service

employment program.

A presidential spokesman said earlier in the day that Ford had concluded there was little chance that the present Congress would approve the surtax, but that Ford had not ruled out submitting it again to the new Congress in January.

Ford said in his speech Wednesday night that the Trade Reform Act is his major legislative priority before Congress adjourns later this month.

He urged economic optimism.

"Couldn't we sort of bite our tongues when tempted to say things that might further weaken confidence in the economy and compound the confusion in many Americans about their future," he asked.

Ford met for much of the day with his top economic advisers in preparation for the evening address.

Walker repeats support for Middle Fork Dam

by Mick Ireland
staff writer

Gov. Dan Walker told the Danville City Council Tuesday night he would continue to support construction of the proposed Middle Fork Dam project.

The council presented Walker with a resolution stating Danville's intention to purchase water supplied by the dam "if the need should arise" and if the city is able to buy a local water company.

The city's promise to buy the water was only one of the conditions Walker set for the project last spring. In addition, the governor insisted upon the availability of a feasible site and the assurance that the project will not adversely affect the environment along the Vermilion River.

According to Walker, the site under consideration is suitable and there are no environmental obstacles to construction. Walker termed the environmental impact study now in progress a "paperwork requirement. I don't see any obstacles in the way, none at all," he said.

At least two citizens' groups have attacked the project on environmental and cost grounds. Clark Bullard, director of the Committee on the Middle Fork, said Wednesday he thinks Walker will stop the project if he feels the three conditions are not met.

But Bullard added, "I am afraid Walker may go ahead with the project even if the environmental impact statement is unfavorable."

Bullard said the dam would spoil the Vermilion as one of the state's few wild rivers.

Bullard and the Vermilion Citizens Conservation League agree the dam would cost much more than alternative water supplies. James Rokosch, sophomore in LAS and a member of the league, said the dam is not yet a sure thing.

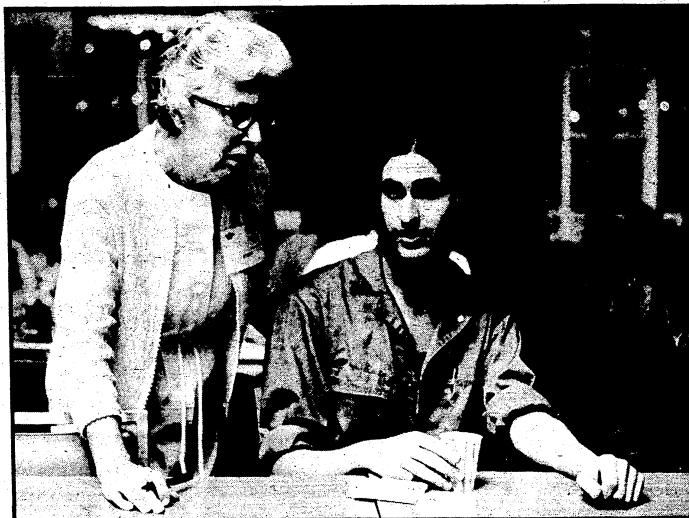
"A water study completed for the city of Danville lists the proposed reservoir as the third most expensive of four possible water supplies, but the report does not include the construction costs involved."

"We are advocating a short pipeline be built to the Big Vermilion River at a cost of only \$500,000. Additional water being pumped out of the Mahomet aquifer by Rantoul and Champaign should increase the water available from the Big Vermilion sufficient for Danville's needs for the next 50 years," Rokosch said.

Current estimates of construction costs for the dam range from \$8 million to \$16 million, although no final estimate has been made. Rokosch and Bullard say the state water resources division of the Department of Transportation estimated the cost last spring at \$11.7 million.

Payment for the dam appears to be the chief obstacle to construction. Danville is willing to pay for the water it would use, but Walker wants the city to underwrite the cost of the project either by buying water from the state or by directly shouldering construction costs.

The two citizens' groups contend that Walker opposed the dam during his 1972 election campaign. Rokosch said Walker's campaign included advertising in the Danville Commercial News calling a vote for Ogilvie a vote for the Middle Fork Dam.



Cookies and milk

Eric Lubersham, senior in Psychology, is fed cookies and milk by a Volunteer Illini Project worker after giving blood Thursday at the Illini Union. The blood drive will continue again today in the Illini Rooms. (photo by Lisa Wigoda)

UGSA votes to support Boston freedom march

by Janice Brown
staff writer

The Undergraduate Student Association (UGSA) Wednesday voted to give official support to the Freedom March in Boston, Mass., and to send a member to participate in the Saturday demonstration.

The march, scheduled to begin in Boston's Roberto Clemente Park and finish in the Boston Commons, is to protest recent violence in the city after busing was implemented there to desegregate schools.

UGSA voted to appropriate \$40 for a representative's round trip bus ticket to Boston. The march is being organized nation-wide by a student committee.

The steering committee also voted to create a subcommittee to develop a program inviting state legislators to tour campus. The program should allow legislators to view all aspects of the University, according to Dan Klenke, sophomore in LAS.

Members voted to create the subcommittee after discussing the recent investigation by the Chicago

UGSA representatives discussed the funding of Levis Faculty Center with Chancellor J.W. Peltason. See story on page 3.

Sun-Times of University funding of the Levis Faculty Center.

UGSA also voted to donate money at a later date to the Association of Illinois Student Governments. The exact amount to be donated will be determined after the UGSA budget for 1975 is in order, according to the resolution introduced by Bob Fioretti, UGSA chairman.

The three-year old association has a full-time staff in Springfield which works for education bills and policies set on the state level, according to Doug Whitley, association president who requested the donation.

Keith Volgman, sophomore in LAS, asked for full participation of UGSA members in the Students for a Democratic Society demonstration scheduled for the University Board of Trustees Dec. 18 meeting at the Illini Union.

Explosions kill two, injure 52 in Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV (AP)—A terrorist threw hand grenades into the audience of a crowded movie theater Wednesday night, killing two persons and wounding 52, police said.

They said one of the victims at the theater in Tel Aviv's central district apparently was the terrorist, who was "blown to bits."

They said the dead man was carrying a British passport that said he was born in Ghana and lived in Turkey. He arrived in Israel Wednesday morning at Ben Gurion airport, they said.

In Beirut, Lebanon, Palestinian guerrillas claimed responsibility for the attack, which they said was in retaliation for the rocketing by Israeli agents Tuesday of three Palestine Liberation Organization

offices in Beirut.

Their statement, carried by the guerrilla news agency Wafa, said five guerrillas participated in the attack.

The Israeli government has maintained silence on the Beirut raids.

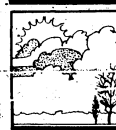
As fire engines raced to the theater, moviegoers scrambled out of the building into the rain, shouting and clutching their wounds.

Police stopped private automobiles and shoved bleeding victims into them to be taken to hospitals.

Moviegoers said there were three or four explosions. Then "the crowd began screaming and running for the doors," said a mechanic who was working in the movie house.

The attack was the first in a major Israeli city for some time. Seven Arab guerrilla raids this year at frontier settlements and northern towns near the Lebanese border have left 58 victims dead and 123 wounded.

weather



Today, partly sunny with a chance of rain early. High in the lower 40's. Tonight, partly cloudy and a little cooler. Low in the mid 20's. Friday, partly sunny.



The 65 foot high balloon owned by the Flying Tomato Brothers of Garcia Pizza glides over Memorial Stadium during a recent football game. (photo by Jeff Marsh)

Flying Tomato Brothers off into Wild Blue Yonder

by Margie Ruschau
staff writer

Make way for the two musketeers!

It's the Flying Tomato Brothers, otherwise known as Ralph Senn and Joe Ream, mild-mannered owners of the four Garcia's Pizzas in Champaign-Urbana.

But in denim knickers, high boots and floppy-brimmed hats, with their seven-foot white silk scarves blowing in the breeze, Senn and Ream are ready to swash any buckle that comes their way.

They are also ready to tackle the Red Baron as they slip into a nearby phone booth and change quickly into their authentic World War I aviators' caps and goggles—set to take off in their 65-foot flying tomato.

The tomato is actually a 77,000 cubic-foot balloon specially constructed for Garcia's by the Picard

Balloon Company in California. The balloon is shaped like a huge red tomato with a nine-foot green stem. A three by four-foot basket hangs from the balloon, which proclaims "Garcia's" in large yellow letters.

"It's a big, curious toy," Senn said. "A floating billboard. We were going to phase out the whole Flying Tomato Brothers thing but we figured a way to stick with it."

The balloon needs 1,000 feet of space to take off or land. Senn and Ream don't have a special take-off field—they have used fields at the Urbana Brokens Junior High School, the University South Farms and once last summer they took off from the Quad, where they were mobbed, Senn said.

Landing is sometimes difficult because the only maneuverability is up or down.

"Joe will go up and down looking for a field and when we go down to land we find it full of

corn," Senn said. A truck follows the balloon's flight to pick up the passengers. The balloon folds up and fits into the basket.

The balloon can be flown all year—it is warmed by the sun so there is no wind chill factor. Wind can be a problem, however, because there is no way to control where it will blow the balloon.

Senn and Ream fly the balloon themselves in their zany costumes because, Senn said, "when it lands people expect the Flying Tomato Brothers to walk out and we want to look like Flying Tomato Brothers."

They learned to pilot the balloon from Tom Gabel, a national hot-air balloon champion. Ream has been a private pilot for a number of years. But for Senn flying was a new experience.

"It's extremely pleasant," Senn said. "It's like a ferris wheel that

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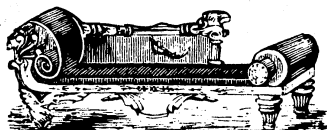


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Senn and Ream plan to keep the balloon for years, organizing contests with rides as prizes. They have flown it over football games and plan to use it in parades.

"It's a sport and a business," Senn said. He said the balloon has already increased Garcia's business. He and Ream consider it one of their best advertising ventures.

They attend rallies for balloonists sponsored by the Balloonist Federation of America, of which they are members. At the rallies, balloonists meet to trade stories and play such games as hare and hound, where one balloon chases another across the sky.

Because of its unusual shape the balloon had to have a special flight test and receive approval of the Federal Aviation Administration.

The balloon has a rating all its own—it is the administration's only flying tomato.

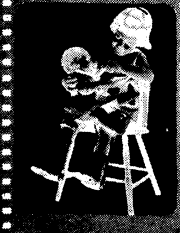


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Racial tension will always exist in sports: Campanella

NEW YORK (AP) — Blacks continue to make progress in the world of sports but there will be no end of racial tension in our lifetime, Roy Campanella predicted Wednesday.

"Everybody in the stands can see the difference in the color of our skins," the former Brooklyn Dodger catcher, who is a paraplegic, said. "We have many new emerging black nations. We have a different heritage."

"I don't see the day that people will look at an athletic star and rate him on his talent and not be conscious of his skin. Color, I'm afraid, is going to be with us a while."

Campanella, paralyzed in a 1958 auto accident, was wheeled into a second-floor eatery to be honored, along with 13 others, as new inductees in the Black Athletes Hall of Fame.

"This is probably more important to me than being named to the Baseball Hall of Fame," the former star catcher said. "It's the influence it will have on young black kids."

Althea Gibson, who broke the tennis color barrier and won Wimbledon while royalty watched, came up

and gave Campy a kiss on the cheek.

Gibson was honored a year ago, along with Muhammad Ali, Hank Aaron, Bill Russell, Willie Mays and others.

"This gives us a sense of pride," Gibson said. Both Campy and Gibson agreed that it was Jackie Robinson who did the most to project blacks into the big-time sports picture but that Ali became the greatest ambassador.

"Jackie had a tremendous responsibility," Campanella said. "He had to walk a very tight line, earn respect without blowing the whole thing. One mistake, and we go back another 100 years."

"But Ali is the superstar of superstars," Gibson acknowledged. "He brought not only talent but charisma. He has made the black man an admired and outstanding personality the world over."

Campanella, who was being pointed for a managerial post when his car crashed on an icy January morning 16 years ago, said: "I have learned one thing—if you've got the talent, you can succeed—no matter what is the color of your skin."

Women's team ties for last place

by Susan Sternberg

sports writer

A month off is ahead for the women's basketball team, which is licking its wounds from last weekend's last place finish at the Big Ten Championships at Iowa.

The Illini won only one game of four in the three-day tournament, tying for last place with Minnesota behind Indiana, Iowa and Wisconsin. The meet opened the season for Illinoi.

"The tournament was a very beneficial experience," first-year coach Steve Douglas said. "We've got it behind us and it was valuable. The players got to know each other and me, too."

Illinois proved to be a better defensive than offensive squad at the tournament. The Illini were the only team to hold champion Indiana to fewer than 80 points at the meet, although they showed little offense punch, losing 72-16.

Illinois allowed its opponents an average of 61 points per game, and scored an average of 42 points per game. The Illini offense worked around the inside strength of 5-11 junior center Betty Anderson, who averaged 11 points a game.

"We'll continue to be a stronger defensive rather than offensive team. Anderson is clearly the strength of our offense, and we must diversify our attack to get other players to share the load. We can't score when she's not in," Douglas said.

Besides poor offense due to a lack of good shooters, according to Douglas, the Illini were plagued by many turnovers during the tournament.

"The number of turnovers was terrible," Douglas said. "Some were due to the players not being used to playing with each other. There were quite a few bad passes. But some were due to mental lapses, such as jump ball and free-throw violations. These are bad."

The Illini face a tough, rigorous schedule for the rest of the season starting on Jan. 20 against Illinois Central in Peoria. The varsity plays three more games in late January, battling Eastern Illinois in the Assembly Hall on Jan. 23 and then traveling to Carbondale on Jan. 24-25 to play Southern Illinois and Southeast Missouri State.

There are six season games for the varsity in February—five at Huff Gym. And the post-season state tournament runs Feb. 28-March 2 at Illinois. The top two teams in the state move to the regionals at Illinois State March 6-8. The top two squads in the regional go to the nationals in Virginia March 20-22.

The Illini junior varsity doesn't start its season until the Jan. 24-25 games at SIU.

"We have a long road ahead of us," Douglas admitted. "It's clear we're going to have to scramble and scratch like mad for every win we get."

Ex-boxer Carter denied new trial

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (AP)—Former boxer Rubin "Hurricane" Carter's bid for a new murder trial was denied Wednesday by a judge who said he believed two key witnesses were lying when they recanted the testimony which convicted Carter.

Superior Court Judge Samuel A. Lerner, who presided over the trial which resulted in the convictions of Carter and John Artis for a 1966 triple slaying in a Paterson bar, denied a new trial which the two convicts had sought on grounds of new evidence.

The new evidence was revealed in October by New York Times reporter Selwyn Raab, who reported that the two key witnesses against Carter and Artis now were saying they had lied in the 1967 trial in exchange for favorable treatment of pending criminal matters against them.

And that is exactly what the two men—Alfred P. Bello and Arthur D. Bradley—told an evidentiary hearing in November. But Lerner did not believe the two, who claimed they had been coerced into lying when they identified Carter and Artis as men carrying guns outside the bar where the killings occurred.

In dismissing the bid for a new trial, Lerner said, "That ring of truth is totally absent in the recantation of both witnesses. After a complete review of the evidence at the trial and post trial hearing, the court finds that Bello's recantation is simply unbelievable."

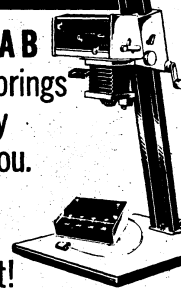
Attorneys for Carter and Artis, who remain imprisoned on life sentences, said they would appeal, and Carter reacted angrily.

In a prison interview, Carter, 37, a colorful middleweight fighter who lost his only title bout in 1964, said of Lerner, "I wasn't expecting anything to come from this man...this judge has shown me consistently in the past that he was totally against me."

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Hildebrand started in five games last year, but is expected to receive considerable competition from Hilton Hale and Larry Dennis for the other guard spot.

Dennis is a transfer from Johnson County Junior College, where he averaged 13.5 points per game. Hale, a 6-4 freshman from Columbus, Ohio, was an all-city, all-state and all-American player in high school while scoring an average of 21 points per game.

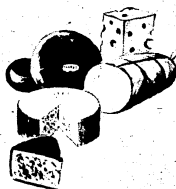
"Dennis may be a bit more experienced, but Hilton has great natural ability and only their defense is a question mark," Winter said. "I think we'll be able to spell McKinney more this year, and those two, along with Hildebrand, will be fighting it out for the other starting guard spot."

With the return of Wallace and Wells, along with a more experienced McKinney, Winter is optimistic about Northwestern's chances of climbing out of the Big Ten's second division. "I think we'll be a much improved ball club," he said. "We have more talent, more depth and much more physical strength in size and quickness than before. I think we have a good basketball team."

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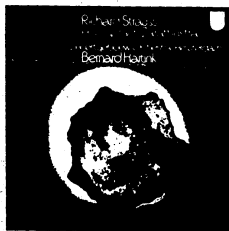
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Gopher (rookies) bring high hopers

by Tom Burket
sports writer

Followers of Minnesota basketball are really excited this year over the potential of the Gophers.

They have plenty of reasons to be, after coach Bill Musselman landed what may be the nation's best recruiting crop. Combining the youngsters with four returning starters, Minnesota has impressed pollsters enough to be voted into the Big Ten's top four and the nation's top 20.

Musselman, who feels he may have a future national champion, is more worried currently about the close Big Ten race.

"It's hard to realize the competition we have in our conference," he said. "It's much stronger than last year and this will be the toughest basketball race in the country."

The recruits who have drawn so many raves are led by center Mark Oberding and sophomore transfer Mark Landsberger, considered the best pair produced by Minnesota in many years.

Oberding, 6-9 and a high school all-American, has great scoring potential, according to Musselman. The freshman's talents extend even to ball handling, which he learned when his high school coach made him practice every night dribbling with his wrong hand.

Landsberger also carries impressive statistics, like being selected as player of the year in California junior college basketball. He is 6-8, and may take over a wing spot from senior Phil Filer, a returning regular.

Musselman's main recruiting goal was height, and he also grabbed two 6-10 stars—Mike Thompson and Dave Winey, and 6-11 Chad Nelson. Osborne Lockhart, a teammate of Thompson's on a 33-0 high school team, is the top rookie guard.

Musselman said, "Last year Landsberger was a junior college first-team all-American, while Oberding, Thompson, Lockhart, Winey and Nelson were each named to prep all-American teams. So if excessive optimism is a fault, then I'm guilty."

Most of the newcomers won't find much playing time, with the four starters back. Dennis Shaffer will again be the main scorer, after

Illini women crush ISU in swimming

With first-place finishes in every event, Illinois' women's swim team earned a decisive 80-24 victory over Illinois State Wednesday night.

ISU's only first place came in the diving competition, as Illini divers Janet Williams and Joell Allen placed second and third, respectively.

All but one of Illinois' 10 swimmers swam in four events, and freshmen Mary Paterson and Amy Yount placed first in each of their four.

Paterson finished with a national-qualifying time of :28 in the 50-butterfly. She also won the 100-yard butterfly and competed in both winning relays.

Yount placed first in three individual events, including the 50, 100 and 200-yard freestyles.

Coach Jeanne Hultzen said, "The meet really wasn't too close. We took the lead right away in almost every event and kept it."

The only competitive events came in the breaststroke races, as all of the swimmers went into the first turns simultaneously. Illini Sue Holquist maintained her slim lead in both the 50 and 100-yard breaststroke, however, to win both events.

"The team did real well," Hultzen said, "but I'm not going to let them get over confident because next semester we'll be competing against tougher teams."

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hitting 17.2 points per game last year. He, Filer and Peter Gilcud came from junior colleges to save the Gopher season last year.

Minnesota had been 39-12 the two previous years, but all the talent graduated. The Gophers ended up 12-12 and sixth in the conference.

Although only 6-7, Gilcud was moved to center last year, and became the team MVP and top rebounder. With the new height, Gilcud may be without a position, since Shaffer and either Filer or Landsberger will be the forwards.

In Musselman's one-guard offense, the point man is most important, and back is Flip Saunders, who took over as only a freshman last year. The former Ohio player of this year may also lose his job to either Lockhart or sophomore Kenny Robinson.

"There is more competition in practice than I've seen since I've been at Minnesota," Musselman said. "We needed size badly and we got it, but it is with the rookies, so the development of the young players is important to us."

Musselman also said Oberding, Saunders, Shaffer, Thompson and Landsberger are the leaders.

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Wildcats show good potential

by Randy Kulat
sports writer

Last year Tex Winter came from the Houston Rockets to coach basketball at Northwestern and said he would quickly improve the hapless Wildcats.

He lived up to his promise as Northwestern finished with a 9-15 record, its best since 1969-70, and a ninth-place Big Ten ranking, the first time in three years that the Wildcats didn't end up in the conference cellar.

This year Winter promises even further improvement, saying, "I'll be disappointed if we don't move up the ladder substantially." This season the Wildcats may indeed move up the Big Ten ladder of success, for not only do they return three starters but also get two former starters back from a year of academic ineligibility.

Center Jim Wallace and forward Greg Wells sat out last season with bad grades, but will once again be in the starting lineup for the Wildcats.

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Wallace, a 6-10 junior, averaged eight rebounds per game and had a field goal average of .445 as a sophomore in 1972-73, placing second in both categories for Northwestern. "He possesses all of the physical equipment to become a great center," Winter said. "He has a great amount of potential and only needs more game experience to realize this potential."

Wells, a 6-7 senior, led the Wildcats in rebounds with an average of 9.2 per game two years ago. He also averaged 11.9 points per game in his last season before being declared ineligible. "If Greg regains his timing and conditioning," Winter said, "he should be one of the league's top rebounders. His strength and quickness will provide us with the board capabilities we lacked last year."

One thing the Wildcats didn't lack last year was a potential all-Big Ten guard, for they found a potential star in Billy McKinney. Reportedly, McKinney wanted to attend Illinois, but Northwestern was the only Big Ten school to offer him a scholarship. He took the scholarship and went on to become "the most exciting player ever at Northwestern" in his first year, according to Winter.

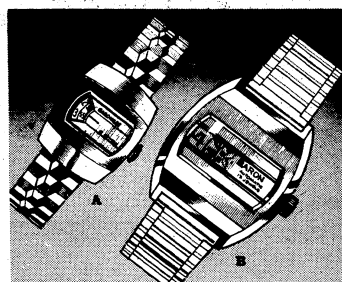
McKinney was the conference's leading freshman scorer, and 12th among all scorers, with an average of 16.1 points per game. After hitting on his first eight shots of his collegiate career, McKinney wound up the season with a .474 field goal percentage, Northwestern's highest.

Winter once again plans to use McKinney as the backbone of the Wildcat offense. "We will center a large portion of our offense around Billy. He had an outstanding freshman year and could become one of Northwestern's great players. Right now he's got to be considered one of the top returning guards in the conference," Winter said.

Along with McKinney, Northwestern has a returning starters forward Willie Williams and guard Bob Hildebrand. Williams, a 6-6 senior, transferred from Southern Idaho Junior College and went on to score an average of 15.5 points per game and pull down eight rebounds per game for Northwestern. Winter claimed Williams lacked confidence last year, but has now come to believe in himself. "After having a year to adjust to Big Ten play, Willie should come on strong this year. He is a durable performer and I anticipate an outstanding season for him," Winter said.

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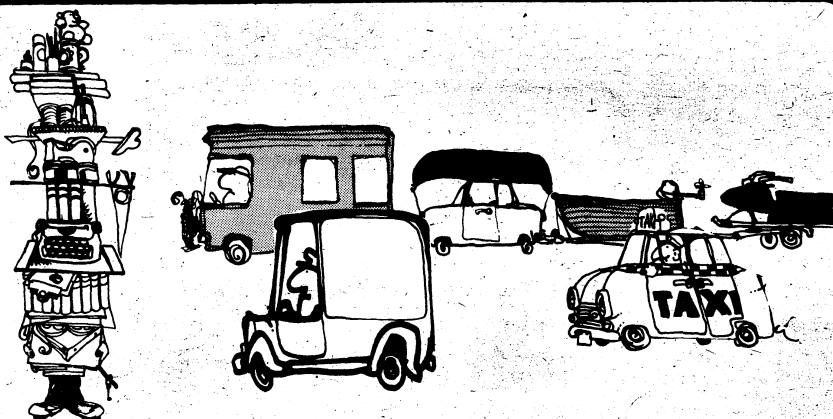
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The night before Christmas— a visit from St. Nick

If you blink you might miss it. Eata Bitta Pi, a professional fraternity for underwater basket weavers, is buried deep in an alley off Wright Street amidst ivy and garbage cans.

It's not a very large fraternity, as you may have guessed. The latest statistics list twelve members, if you count the dog and the three rats that live behind the baseboard. Because of their limited size, Eata Bitta Pi is not an intramural power. In fact, they have yet to win a game in any IM sport.

But they have hope. Mortimor Dubois, the president, vice-president and social chairman of the fraternity, tells me that they will soon rise to intramural prominence. Dubois claims that some Christmas, Santa Claus will bring them a team of super athletes.

Eata Bitta Pi has a poem telling the story of that special Christmas. You can't miss it when entering the house. Just remember not to wipe your feet on the welcome mat as you enter. That's where one of the initiates sleeps. The poem goes something like this:

A VISIT FROM ST. NICK
(Apologies to Clement C. Moore)
Twas the night before Christmas,
when all through the frat,
Not a creature was stirring, not
even a rat.

The stockings were hung by the
bathroom with care.
'Cause they knew that St. Nick
would eventually be there.

The initiates were nestled all
snug in their beds,
While visions of flunking danced
in their heads.

When out on Wright Street there
rose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see
what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a

doug
peterson



flash.

But tripped and fell out, landing
hard with a crash.

Then what to my blurry eyes
should appear.

But a miniature sleigh and eight
tiny reindeer.

With a little old driver who
looked a bit sick,

I knew in a moment it must be
St. Nick.

More slowly than turtles his
cousers they came,

And he whistled, and cursed,
and called them bad names.

"You Dingbat, you meathead,
you stupid dumbbell!"

The rest that he said, I dare not
tell.

So up to the frat-top the cour-
sers they flew.

With a sleigh full of football
players and St. Nick, too.

As I got on my feet and through
the door burst,

Down through the chimney
came St. Nicholas head first.

With a clip board in one hand, a

playbook in the other.

If I didn't know better I'd said
he was Bob Blackman's brother.

He opened his sack right in front
of my eyes.

And out stepped 11 football
players of unbelievable size.

They were quick, they were
strong, they were fast, they were
nimble.

Too bad their intelligence
couldn't half fill a thimble.

With these 11 players,
tremendous power we would wield.

The other teams will quit before
we even take the field.

St. Nick tied a ribbon 'round
each and every one.

Set them underneath the tree
and then his work was done.

And laying his finger aside of
his nose,

And giving a nod, up the
chimney he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh, to his
team gave a whistle.

And away they all flew like the
down of a thistle.

But as he drove out of sight, I
thought I heard him call.

"Just wait till basketball, I'll
give you a player 7-feet tall!"

Have a Merry Christ-
mas.....(Just a reminder that this
Friday is the deadline for entries in
men's and women's IM basket-
ball).....and a Happy New Year.

Gamma Sigma Wamda wins basketball title

by Nancy Fasano
sports writer

Gamma Sigma Wamda defeated Delta Gamma-Fiji 42-39 Wednesday night in the intramural co-rec basketball championship.

Fouls were a key factor early in the first half as both teams committed several personals resulting in tight competition and close scoring. Delta Gams moved the ball fast, but Gamma Sig's defense stopped the surge to preserve a 22-18 lead at the half.

Susanne Peterson scored 10 points for Gamma Sigs in the first half while Ann Evans led the Delta Gams scoring with 12 markers.

The well-timed Delta Gamma-Fiji offense continued to operate in the second period led by Susan Seymour. Gamma Sigma Wamda kept the pace, although still plagued by fouls. With just minutes remaining in the game, Delta Gams took the lead but Kathy Fogherly fouled out, the only player in the game to do so, and with no substitute on the bench the Delta Gams played the remainder of the game with only four players.

The Gamma Sigs were slow in capitalizing on the breaks as the fouls continued to be called. With :20 left, and Delta Gamma-Fiji leading 39-38, Gamma Sigs' Peterson scored in a strong rush. Neither team was able to regain firm possession of the ball, and the game ended 42-39. Peterson earned four points for her basket, since co-rec rules give extra points for women's field goals.

For Gamma Sigma Wamda, the championship came in its fourth year of co-rec competition. After finishing in third place for three straight years, the team members were happy to finally finish on top. After the game, Peterson said, "It's a long time coming."

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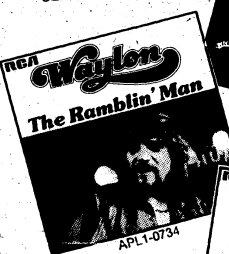
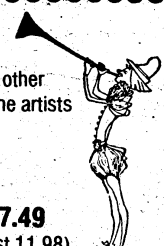
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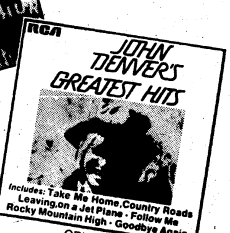
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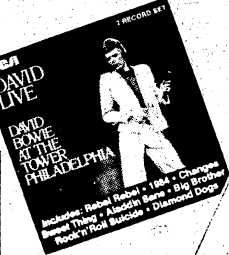


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Pash petitioning for Kellaney eligibility

by Tom Burket
sports writer

Illinois has filed a petition with the Big Ten office to retain the eligibility of golfer Ken Kellaney.

Kellaney, a freshman from Rockford, became very ill earlier in the semester and was forced to withdraw from the University. Big Ten rules state that withdrawal for any reason by a student-athlete from a member school prohibits that same student-athlete from competing for one year after the withdrawal.

Kellaney contacted a severe case of mononucleosis in October which resulted in an inflation of the spleen to three times its normal size. He became too ill to continue studies, and returned to Rockford, where he had been in bed until last week.

According to Ladd Pash, head Illini golf coach, Kellaney was put under massive doses of steroids to avoid an operation and to reduce the size of the spleen. The operation was successful and Kellaney is recovering well under a doctor's supervision.

"We have petitioned to have the rule waived in this case of illness," Pash said. "We're keeping our fingers crossed that they'll see fit to grant him a waiver of that particular rule, due to the fact that he was extremely ill. I think that in all fairness he won't lose his eligibility."

Since he participated in the fall golf season, Kellaney would have to sit out both the main spring schedule and the short season again next fall. Rules do not allow a freshman to be medically red-shirted.

"The case is very well documented and sustan-

tiated by doctors," Pash said. "All of it is being handled by (Assistant Athletic Director) Lynn Snyder. We feel like we'll get an answer fairly quickly, possibly this week and no later than next week."

Kellaney, one of only four scholarship golfers on the squad, had already moved among the top six, playing in each of the tournaments this fall.

"It would really be a serious blow to lose Ken," Pash said. "Because scoring average-wise, he was only three-tenths of a shot behind Harold Harder for the entire fall season. A 74 average from a freshman is darn good, especially since part of the time he was ill."

"He was just doing a bang-up job on the golf course, and I think he would come in and do a great job in the spring."

Pash is trying to rebuild an Illinois golf program which slipped to eighth in the Big Ten tournament in May. His team posted gains this fall, winning the MacMurray Invitational and finishing sixth in Illinois State's Redbird Invitational.

When fall ended, Pash had pretty well settled on his three top golfers: senior Harder, Kellaney and sophomore Rick Kasmussen. John Thompson, Don Dray, Tony Iantorno, Kym Hougham and Andy King will be top contenders for the other three spots in the spring.

"Losing Ken would put us right back where we were," Pash said. "It would be a severe psychological blow to the other players, because they looked to him for leadership and were counting on him being there."

Indiana tops Notre Dame

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP)—A 10-point burst in the first half and the shooting of forward Scott May and center Kent Benson propelled third-ranked Indiana to a 94-84 college basketball victory over No. 11 Notre Dame Wednesday night.

The 6-foot-7 May, the Hoosiers' leading scorer with a 25-point average, scored 22 points, and Benson, a 6-11 sophomore, tossed in 19 to offset Irish forward Adrian Dantley's game high of 32 points.

Indiana's Steve Green and Notre Dame's Billy Paterno added 17 each.

The loss was the first in five games for the Irish and snapped a 24-game winning string at home. The Hoosiers, winning their third game against a ranked opponent in one week, remained unbeaten in four games this season.

Garrett leads Boilermakers to fourth win

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP)—A six-minute burst of 21 points led by high-scorer John Garrett late in the second half gave Purdue a 94-83 college basketball victory over West Virginia Wednesday.

Purdue started the game off strong but fell behind with 4:30 left on the clock when Earnest Hall pumped in two freethrows to put West Virginia ahead 33-32. The

Mountaineers had stretched the advantage to a 43-38 lead by intermission.

The Boilermakers started picking up steam on two freethrows by Garrett with 7:39 left to play in the second half and went ahead to ice the victory by outscoring West Virginia 217 in the closing minutes of the game.

Garrett was high-scorer with 27 points for Purdue, now 4-1 for the season. Jerome Anderson had 21 points for the 3-1 Mountaineers.

SIU smothers Michigan; 1st UM loss

CARBONDALE, Ill. (AP)—Joe Meriweather scored 32 points and grabbed 19 rebounds to lead Southern Illinois to an 87-67 non-conference basketball upset of 16-ranked Michigan Wednesday night.

Meriweather led an aggressive Saluki team which out-rebounded the Wolverines, 48-30, and held Michigan without a field goal for 7 minutes and 32 seconds midway through the second half.

The victory gave Southern Illinois a 4-1 record, while Michigan fell to 2-1.

Steve Grote paced the Wolverines with 16 points, while 6-8 center C.J. Kupec had 15.

The game was tied eight times including a 38-38 draw at halftime.

Burris bucket gives Butler win over ISU

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—Wayne Burris sank a 25-foot shot with one second left Wednesday night, giving Butler a 79-78 college basketball victory over Illinois State.

The Bulldogs trailed 78-75 but came within one on Carl Lile's basket with 20 seconds to go and set up Burris' winning shot.

Dave Speckman topped Butler, 2-2, with 25 points. Rick Whitlow's 19 points led Illinois State, 1-3.

Valparaiso loses 71-59 to Wesleyan

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. (AP)—Jack Sikma scored 17 points, 13 of them in the second half, to lead Illinois Wesleyan to a 71-59 college basketball triumph over Valparaiso Wednesday night.

The score was tied 34-34 at the half but the Titans went ahead to stay early in the second half on a 15-foot field goal by Bill Molinari.

Joel Oberman was high scorer for Valparaiso with 16 points.

Wesleyan upped its record to 4-2, while the Crusaders dropped to 2-4.



New York Jet's quarterback Joe Namath, sporting a wide-brimmed hat and a safari jacket, sits in a limousine with his steady girlfriend Randi Oakes outside Shea Stadium following the Jets' 20-10 win Sunday over Buffalo. Namath is pondering his future now that he has become a free agent.

Namath decision won't come soon

NEW YORK (AP)—The mystery of Joe Namath's football plans for next season continued Wednesday with no indication that the New York Jets' quarterback is in any great hurry to end all the speculation.

"Whatever happens is going to be decided by more people than me," said Namath, who is playing out his option and will become a free agent next May 1 unless he signs a contract before then.

It's a cinch that the Jets will press him for a decision before then. If Joe decides that he's through with New York, the club would most likely look for a quarterback in the college draft which is scheduled for Jan. 28.

The Jets have two other quarterbacks besides Namath on their current roster. Al Woodall has thrown seven passes this season and Bill Demory hasn't lifted his arm in anger once.

Namath was named the club's most valuable player in a vote by his teammates earlier in the week and the veteran quarterback called it, "one of the highest honors you can get in football." But that doesn't mean it will influence his decision on whether to return to the Jets next year.

The club's owners are on record as wanting Namath, gippy legs and all, back again.

There is no question that Namath likes his team and his town. He recently purchased a home in suburban Garden City, about halfway between the Jets' training complex at Hofstra University and their home field at Shea Stadium.

But there are other factors. Namath feels the Jets should be rebuilding and he isn't sure that a 31-year-old quarterback with creaky knees fits into a rebuilding. Then there is the matter of the expressed interest of Carroll Rosenbloom, owner of the Los Angeles Rams.

The Rams play next door to Hollywood and Namath has dabbled in the movie industry before. The possibility of doing it again intrigues him.

The other alternative is the World Football League, if there is a World Football League next year. Namath has been mentioned as a possible ownercoach-player in the WFL, a role that would be unprecedented. That idea fascinates Joe Willie, who would have to answer to absolutely no one but himself in that situation.

AKL, Delt wrestlers IM tourney champs

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Alpha Kappa Lambda and Delta Tau Delta each had two winners in the men's intramural wrestling tournament Saturday at Kenney Gym.

Doug Herzog won at 126 pounds and Mark Haeffele won at 167 for AKL, while Steve Hahn won at 190 pounds and Cary Kiser won at heavyweight for the Deltas.

Fraternity division winners, their weights and scores were as follows: Herzog defeated Beta Theta Pi's Allen Klingel at 126 pounds, 3-0; Jon Richards of Kappa Sigma beat Dave Sutor of Phi Kappa Sigma at 134, 2-0; Rick

Schneider of Sigma Alpha Mu defeated Kappa Sig Ted Marwitz at 142, 5-2 and Sigma Chi's Leif Houkom beat the Beta's Mike Jurgenson at 150 pounds in overtime, 4-1.

Other fraternity winners and their scores were: Dave Jump of Fiji won at 158 pounds by a forfeit; Haeffele defeated the Delt's Dave Hetsler at 167, 3-0; Chi Psi's Kurt Gokubday also won by forfeit at 177, as did Hahn at 190 and Kiser at heavyweight.

IM wrestling differs from collegiate wrestling in that each match is made up of three periods, but only one minute long each. Scoring is the same as in collegiate, however.

'Respect' between 'Bama, Irish

NEW YORK (AP)—There won't be any love lost when Alabama and Notre Dame tangle again in the Orange Bowl on New Year's Night, but this time there will be mutual respect.

It wasn't quite like that a year ago when the two college football powers met in the Sugar Bowl for the first time ever and Notre Dame came away with a 24-21 victory and the national championship.

"They thought we were a bunch of red-necks and we thought they were a bunch of holy-rollers," Alabama Coach Bear Bryant said Wednesday. "We thought their coaches kicked the players on the sidelines and they thought the same thing about us."

Both sides found out different, and the game helped in that respect. "It was a hard, tough game and afterwards all the players congratulated each other," said Bryant, who was here for a football dinner earlier in the week.

But what really changed things around was a letter Bryant received from Notre Dame Coach Ara Parseghian.

"It was the most beautiful letter I ever received in my life," Bryant recalled. "I just wish I'd been the one to write it. I can hardly write a simple sentence, but I wrote back and told him I wished I'd been the one who wrote it first. I'll write him this time, win or lose."

Bryant said there used to be anti-Notre Dame feeling among Alabama people, but now they're for the Fighting Irish ... except, of course, when Notre Dame plays Alabama.

"Notre Dame's the biggest name in football and our people were probably just jealous of 'em, but they're not any more," Bryant said.

The only thing Notre Dame has that Alabama wants is the national championship.