

Grapevine credited with popularity of drug course

IOWA CITY — University of Iowa students are learning about the effects of drugs in a new course that is prepared and given by graduate students in the Department of Pharmacology.

The drugs under scrutiny range from aspirin, through oral contraceptives to marijuana and the hallucinogens.

The course, "Drugs: Their Nature, Action and Use," is being offered by the College of Medicine's Department of Pharmacology this fall for two undergraduate credit hours.

The course was first given last year under the U of I

Action Studies Program to about 60 students.

This year, the campus grapevine was busy and the obscure listing in the University's schedule of courses resulted in about 400 registrants. Because of lack of facilities, 50 had to be turned away and another class time was added to take care of the unexpected excess of 150 students.

Gerald Gebhart, Chicago, Ill., graduate student, and coordinator of the course, explained: "We not only talk about drugs of abuse, we talk about oral

contraceptives, antibiotics, and other drug classes and emphasize pharmacology principles common to all of them. There is really no other place in the University or any educational system where the student can learn about drugs. Thus, he can be easily duped by TV commercials and magazine advertisements. We want to give the student information to make him a better informed drug consumer."

Although the course deals with the effects of marijuana, alcohol, stimulants and hallucinogens, there is a determined effort by the instructors

to remain objective and give the students an unbiased evaluation.

"Not Moralizing"

"We want to give the student a source of reliable information on drugs. We're not moralizing. We're not saying they should or shouldn't. The information we give them is truthful and reliable. We have an optional session, on another night, for those who want to discuss the other aspects of drugs of abuse — their legality and their morality."

The graduate students teaching the course seem to be as

organized as some veteran college professors.

The lecturer for the coming week presents his prepared talk to the other graduate students at a Sunday night meeting. Discussion and criticism follow. This session is considered important in keeping the quality of the lectures high.

Later, an outline containing all important points covered in the lecture is prepared as a handout for the students.

"The handout is to minimize note-taking," Gebhart said. "We tell the students that everything they

will be tested on will be in the outlines. This is to make it easier for them to just listen to what we're saying."

"If the interest in the class holds up, we'll know that this is one of the right ways to discuss drugs," Gebhart said. "When people know more about drugs, they're bound to be a little more rational about them, and not just accept hearsay from their friends."

"We'd like to offer the course to all 18,000 people on campus, but we just don't have the room."

Members of the Department of Pharmacology faculty are

pleased with the new course and the student response.

Pleased with Interest

Dr. John P. Long, professor and head of pharmacology, said, "I know of only one other university in the nation — The University of Chicago — now offering an undergraduate course on drug use and abuse. We are very pleased to see the interest on this campus. I think it is extremely important for non-health-related people to learn about drugs. Teachers, counselors, journalists, all need to have a working knowledge of drugs and their effects."

Dr. Michael Brody, professor

of pharmacology and advisor to the graduate student group, thinks the course is "a tremendous undertaking."

"It fills a void in the offerings of this university, in providing a general course in understanding what drugs are, and how they are used. People everyday take sedatives or stimulants, put salves on their skin, take many non-prescription drugs. They should know what they're doing."

"It is also a rare opportunity to develop a teaching program that graduate students in the sciences have not generally had."

Four injured in gas blast, two critical

MACON, Mo. — A Ft. Madison, Iowa, woman, Mrs. Marie Carroll, is in critical condition and her husband, William J., 61, is in fair condition in a Kirksville hospital with injuries suffered in an explosion that demolished a home here.

Mrs. Carroll, 58, is director of in-service education at Memorial hospital, Burlington. She has worked at the hospital about nine years.

Also hospitalized are Paul Johnson, 67, in critical condition, and his wife, Mrs. Mary Johnson, 55, in serious condition.

The Ft. Madison couple was apparently visiting the Johnsons here when the blast occurred about 9:45 a.m. Sunday.

Mrs. Carroll received internal injuries, fractures and a concussion; her husband has a fractured arm, bruises and abrasions.

The Johnsons received fractures and abrasions.

The Carrolls live at Walter Acres, Ft. Madison.

The explosion, which flung wreckage of the home 150 feet, was believed caused by a natural gas leak in the house.

Authorities said Carroll walked away from the wreckage while the other three were dug out from beneath it. They said the impact of the explosion broke windows in several downtown businesses four to six blocks away.



ISU LINEMAN Don Thomas worked part of his holiday weekend and today to help replace

approximately 120 light bulbs shot out by vandals. Most of damage occurred in the North Hill area.

Hawk-Eye Photo by Michael Hall

Youth must serve year in local jail

A Burlington youth was ordered Monday to serve a one-year jail term which previously had been suspended.

District Judge J. R. Leary ordered Robert Dale Sites, 19, of 1535 Osborn, to begin serving the sentence, imposed Nov. 16 on Sites' conviction of breaking and entering at Van's Pawn Shop, 1400 Osborn.

The suspension was lifted after Sites was charged with a Nov. 20 break-in at Mauthe service station, 1540 Osborn. Sites had been charged with breaking and entering and auto theft in connection with that incident, but both charges were dismissed.

Judge would disqualify himself in Lange case

Municipal Judge Gary J. Snyder will disqualify himself from any legal proceedings if the slayer of Mary Lange is brought to court on charges of killing the 37-year old mother of three.

Snyder said he would take the action to avoid any possibility of prejudice in the case since he knew and worked with Mrs. Lange for two years while she was employed in Burlington's municipal court office.

Mrs. Lange's body was found floating face down in Long Creek nine days ago, on Dec. 19. Authorities believe she was murdered but so far have made no arrests.

There was considerable auto traffic Sunday as sightseers visited the area where Mrs. Lange's body was found.

return a murder indictment against the defendant.

Laboratory tests on blood, fingerprints and mud found in the Lange car and a shag rug in the car have not been completed. Sheriff Merritt Quick said he hoped to receive a written autopsy report by late Monday afternoon. A preliminary report indicated she drowned after being struck on the head.

Authorities believe the wife of

well-to-do Des Moines county farmer, Marvin Lange, was killed sometime between 3 and 6 a.m. on Dec. 17. Her activities have been traced until 2:45 that morning and interviews with neighbors in the Smith and Plane streets area where her empty car was found on Dec. 19 have convinced authorities it was there at 6 a.m.

Lange had filed for divorce asking custody of their children. Mrs. Lange had continued to live at the family home.

Hawk-Eye happenings

The glass was broken from the front door at the Richard Ewing residence, 508 S. Gertrude, while he was away on vacation, police said. Officers said the wind may have blown the door open, causing the break.

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Lee Fern Poage, Wapello, reported to police that her purse containing \$16 and credit cards was lost or stolen while she was at work at Youkers Saturday.

Denzo's Pizza open 11-1 daily — Adv.

Circle Square B Dance club will hold a New Years Eve dance Thursday from 10 p.m. on, Maurice Garmoe of Mt. Pleasant will call. The clubhouse is located seven miles south of Burlington along US 61.

New city Maps available at The Burlington Hawk - Eye, 50c. — Adv.

CRIME ALERT
Call 754-4636
Or 911

20% off on all Christmas items at Das Blumenhaus, 528 Summer — Adv.

Final 3 days, 50c a visit, Shelly Lynn Figure Salon — adv.

Atlys Ann Dockendorff, Danville, was fined \$45 in municipal court Monday on her guilty plea to a charge of shoplifting. Her arrest was in connection with a Dec. 24 incident at Cooks discount on Roosevelt.

Dahl leaving Iowa industrial position

DES MOINES (UPI)—Iowa's industrial commissioner said today he will leave the state post in the near future to join a Des Moines law firm.

Harry W. Dahl, an employee of Iowa state government since 1959, said he will join the law firm of Nyemaster, Goode, McLaughlin, Emery and O'Brien. The law firm has already sent out announcements saying that the "former industrial commissioner" will join it.

Dahl, who has been industrial commissioner since 1962, said he will make the move as soon as he can work out the details with Gov. Robert D. Ray. Prior to 1962, Dahl served as deputy industrial commissioner.

The industrial commissioner oversees administration of the workmen's compensation law, which provides that employers must furnish benefits for persons suffering job-related injuries.

Injured in fall at local airport

A Stronghurst, Ill., woman was reported in fairly good condition Monday in Memorial hospital where she was taken following a fall at Burlington airport.

Mrs. Nancy F. Isaacson, 57, slipped on ice on the west side of the terminal about 8 a.m. Sunday. She was taken to the hospital by ambulance, suffering from back injuries.

Conference of FFA set

AMES (UPI) — Agriculture's role in a private enterprise economy will be emphasized at a statewide conference in Ames Tuesday.

The second annual Iowa FFA Holiday Conference, scheduled to be held at the Iowa State University Memorial Union, will feature speakers and panels on the agricultural economy. The conference will continue through Wednesday.

Representatives of Future Farmers chapters from across Iowa are expected to attend. The conference is sponsored by the Iowa Farm Bureau, Farm Bureau Insurance and FS Services, Inc.

Ice skating at Starker

Kids who received ice skates for Christmas can start using them on at least one rink in Burlington.

Kon Thompson, parks and recreation director, announced Monday that Crapo park's Lake Starker was open for ice skating. The Flint Hills rink was being re-flooded Monday, Thompson said.

This was the first day for skating this season, Thompson said, on the 4-inch thick ice at Starker.

The warming house at Starker will be open from noon to 10 p.m. during school vacation, Thompson said, and will be open 4-10 p.m. after vacation ends.

Skaters can go out anytime, but the house will be open only the designated hours.

Scores of street lights shot out

Police are looking for a person or group of persons who was probably given a pellet gun for Christmas and since that time has played havoc with Burlington street lights.

Police headquarters was plagued Saturday and Sunday night with numerous calls reporting street lights out. Officers found almost 100 out Saturday night and another 20 broken Sunday night.

All were shot out with a pellet gun, police said, causing Iowa Southern Utilities employees to work Sunday and Monday replacing the damaged lights.

ISU officials said total cost for replacement of 120 lights would be about \$250, with 80 per cent of that for labor.

The damage was spread throughout the city, ranging from Gnahn to Angular. Biggest concentration was in the North Hill, especially on North Street.

Police said it appeared the vandals were driving around town, shooting out entire blocks of lights.

A related report was given by Robert Wayne Johnson, 19, 599 W. Aire, West Burlington, who said his car had been fired upon while he was driving on Mt. Pleasant about 11 p.m. Saturday.

He found a used pellet shot in the rear fender of his car.



(This is part of a series designed to acquaint Burlingtonians with little-known provisions of their city code.)

Wives should know that if their husbands say they're going out to a bar for a beer, they aren't going to stay in Burlington.

There aren't any bars in this city — or saloons either, for that matter. The city code says so. (But then again, hubby may be headed for a fruit-juice saloon or ice cream bar.)

Specifically, the second chapter of Title 4 prohibits the display or exhibit "on the premises any signs or posters containing the words 'bar', 'barrooms', 'saloon' or words of like import."

But the ban applies only to holders of city beer permits.

Mrs. Gandhi had pushed for elections

NEW DELHI (UPI)—Prime Minister Indira Gandhi forced new elections this year in a calculated bid to win an absolute majority in the faction-split Indian parliament, Ruling Congress party sources said today.

Elections were ordered one year ahead of schedule after President Varahgiri Venkata Giri dissolved parliament Sunday on the advice of Mrs. Gandhi.

Chief election commissioner S. P. Senverma told newsmen he has recommended to Giri two dates for the elections Feb. 28 and March 1.

Immediately after Giri's dissolution order, Mrs. Gandhi addressed the nation and said she was seeking a fresh mandate to remove political obstacles and enable her to implement her Socialist policies.

Sources within the ruling party said the congress expected to win about 300 of the 525 parliamentary seats at stake. This will give the Congress party an absolute majority and free Mrs. Gandhi from being dependent on the Communists, Socialists and unpredictable regional and splinter parties for support.

In the just-dissolved parliament, the Congress party held 228 seats, reinforced by support from the leftist and splinter groups.

The main thorn to Mrs. Gandhi's government has been the "Grand Alliance," a coalition of three rightist parties: the Organization Congress formed two years ago when the Congress party split, the conservative Swatantra party and the Hindu Nationalist party, the Jan Sangh.

Mrs. Gandhi apparently timed the elections to deprive the Grand Alliance of sufficient time to consolidate its strength. All three parties opposed the early date.

Outgoing officers to be honored

Des Moines county's three departing Republican officeholders will be recognized for their service at a reception in Board of Supervisors chambers from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Burlington courthouse.

Guests of honor at the ceremony are Supervisor Wallace Rayer, County Attorney Alan Waples and Recorder Florence Friberg.

Wallace and Waples were defeated in reelection bids last month by Democrats Robert Gerdner and E. Dean Metz, respectively. Miss Friberg, who did not seek a new term, will be replaced by Democrat Marilyn Larson.

The trio of newcomers to county offices will be sworn in Jan. 4, joining fellow Democrats Lester Hamilton and Merle Kelley (supervisors), Myranel Dockendorff (auditor) and Merritt Quick (sheriff).

November's general election left Court Clerk George Knopp and Treasurer Robert James as the county's sole elected G. O. P. officeholders.

Appeals to Nixon to declare stand

WASHINGTON (UPI) — James Farmer, who resigned last month as one of the highest ranking Negroes in the Nixon administration, says President Nixon must use the moral powers of his office to solve racial problems.

"We cannot afford to drift any longer," said Farmer, who said he resigned as an assistant secretary of the Health, Education and Welfare Department because he felt he could do more outside government to avoid "a racial confrontation of a violent nature" in America.

He said blacks were returning from Vietnam trained in guerrilla warfare and they would not accept positions at the bottom of the social ladder.

Farmer said he was sorry Nixon had not spoken out more on racial problems and civil rights, but Farmer is "not entirely convinced" that Nixon has been persuaded by forces within the administration and the Republican party to write off the black vote.

He appealed to Nixon to "make up his mind soon so we'll know where he stands." Farmer made his comments



James Farmer

in an interview on CBS-TV's "Face the Nation."

Farmer praised some administration efforts, notably Nixon's proposed family assistance plan, which he called "the first constructive change since the 1930s" in the welfare program.

He also commended HEW's investment of \$30 million in black-owned banks and the HEW fellowship program to train minority groups for high-level government positions.

Social work trainee position open here

At least one college student will be able to find a summer job in Burlington, if he or she has an interest in social work.

Paul Radda, director of the Des Moines county social welfare department, said his office will employ one college student who has completed his junior year and who is majoring in social work, social science or behavioral science.

The position, one of 50 in

the state, pays \$373 per month and allows the social work trainee the opportunity to observe and assist experienced social workers.

Radda is enthusiastic about the program and he said several students have taken part in past years. He said students get a chance to see if they would like to make a career in the field while aiding local officials in their duties. He

emphasized that no local funds are used. The trainee's salary is paid by federal and state funds, he said.

Radda said one student has already inquired about the position and others may get more information by writing to the Office of Personnel, Iowa Dept. of Social Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

The deadline for applications is March 1.

Three die in move to outrun lawmen

By United Press International

Three men, who were attempting to outrun authorities for alleged traffic violations, were killed early Sunday when their car went out of control on a paved county road, struck a utility pole and overturned in a ditch about five miles south of Cherokee.

Two other men also were killed early Sunday in two separate traffic accidents in Iowa.

The deaths raised Iowa's Christmas holiday traffic fatality count to seven.

The three men who were killed near Cherokee were Dan Perrin, 19, Cherokee, Philip M. Perrin, 26, Des Moines, and John Gates, 20, Cherokee. All three were cousins. Dan Perrin and Gates died at the scene of the accident and Philip Perrin

died about three hours later in a Cherokee hospital.

Drivers Without Lights

The Iowa Highway Patrol said the driver of the car failed to stop at two stop signs in Cherokee and was operating the car without lights. The chase began in Cherokee and continued on the paved county road that runs along the Little Sioux River near the northwest Iowa community.

Gary Lathrop, 32, Houston, Tex., was killed early Sunday in a two-car accident in Des Moines. Police said Lathrop's car collided with the second car and then left the roadway.

Injured in the second car were Beatrice Baehler, 39, West Des Moines, and Norman Mottz, 44, Commack, N.Y. They were

listed in satisfactory condition at Iowa Methodist Hospital in Des Moines.

Death Near Muscatine

Robert Kaufmann, 19, Wilton Junction, was killed early Sunday in a one-car accident on Iowa 76 just west of Muscatine. Authorities said Kaufmann's car ran off a curve, traveled more than 400 feet into a field and overturned several times.

A passenger in the car, Donald Rife, 18, Atalissa, was hospitalized in a Muscatine hospital.

Two persons were killed in a head-on collision on Iowa 1 nine miles south of Iowa City on Thursday night. They were Marion Wayne Cox, 18, of rural Kalona and Alvin Kelsey, 31, of Cedar Rapids.