

Hawk-Eyetems

Be brief, Bert

By HECTOR HAWKEYE

Brevity is supposed to be the soul of wit, so it tickled principals and spectators alike when Burlington's city council held itself to a record-speed 8-minute formal session Monday night.

How could such a thing come to pass? I asked.

City Hall wags, reminding me of a 20-minute harangue of the press recently when the council was supposed to be studying a burning ordinance, and similar mini-filibusters, had a ready answer:

Councilman B. L. Robinson was absent.

'Postal Service' new legal entity

The U.S. Post Office Dept. will end its 182-year existence this week, but local Postmaster Arthur R. Petersen says he hasn't as yet made any plans for a champagne celebration of the new legal entity, The U.S. Postal Service.

Indeed, Petersen states, his office isn't even going to throw away its old stationery. "We're going to go right on using the stationery with U.S. Post Office Dept. on it till it's used up."

Under whatever name, the blue-clad couriers will still complete their appointed rounds, despite wind and storm and barking dogs.

'INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENT'

The new entity is not a regular department of government, nor is it an autonomous corporation such as President Nixon had proposed. It is described in the law simply as "an independent establishment within the government."

The service will be run by a board of governors. Nine governors already have been appointed by President Nixon. Their first job will be to elect a chairman and a postmaster general. The present postmaster general, Winton M. Blount, is considered the most likely choice for both posts.

Schwengel gets History lesson on Crapo park

It's not many times anyone can correct Cong. Fred Schwengel, a dedicated history buff, on the past development of his First District of Iowa... but Burlington Mayor Ray Eastin turned that trick here Monday night.

Discussing plans to locate a cultural center in Crapo park, Schwengel remarked that "I haven't been able to learn anything about Mr. Crapo", but said "he must have been a remarkable man" to whom Burlington should be indebted for the bequest of the city's finest park.

Eastin enlightened the Congressman with the information that the park was not a bequest, but "it was Mr. Crapo and a number of others, I understand, who got together and purchased nine private lots of land" and developed the huge tract for the city.

"But you got the park anyhow," Schwengel replied, adding that "I am glad to be straightened out on that."

Draft numbers game

Young men from Des Moines county are again playing the numbers game as they quietly watch the draft calls for the county and state.

January draft call for Iowa is 338, of which nine will come from Des Moines county.

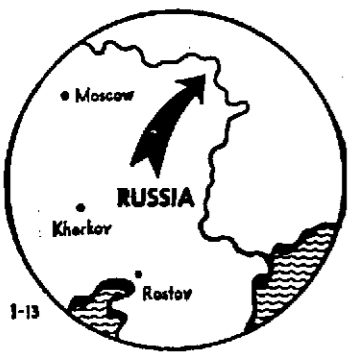
Lottery numbers in the first few months are not to exceed 100. Selective Service Director Curtis W. Tarr said lottery number 195 may prove to be the upper limit in the 1971 draft just as it was in 1970.

Legislators' address

Want to write your Iowa legislator now that the 1971 session has begun?

Your letters should be addressed to him at The Iowa Statehouse, Des Moines, 50319.

Where in the world...?



What is Europe's longest river? Answer on Page 2.

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In Lange case

Another suspect cleared

By BOB WILSON

Another suspect. Another trip to Des Moines. Another lie detector test. Another person cleared as a prime suspect.

That was the story Wednesday in the four-week-old investigation into the slaying of Mrs. Mary Lange.

Sheriff Merritt Quick reported that a male suspect successfully passed a lie detector test Tuesday in Des Moines, forcing authorities to continue their probe into the 37-year-old mother's death.

Quick would only say the person tested was a man. He would not give that man's age, residence, connection with Mrs. Lange or her husband, Marvin, or what led authorities to suspect him.

He repeated an earlier statement that there remains one strong suspect, and efforts to build a solid case against him continue.

Quick indicated the suspect can easily be taken into custody if necessary.

Quick confirmed that five persons who had "talked or shadowed" Mrs. Lange in connection with her husband's petition for divorce have been "interviewed." He made a distinction between "interviewed" and "interrogated."

Divorce Pending

In June of last year, Marvin Lange brought a divorce suit in which he asked custody of the couple's three children, two girls and a boy. Mrs. Lange later filed a petition for dissolution of marriage.

There had been no settlement in either filing at the time of Mrs. Lange's death, but proceedings involved a dispute over money. Lange, a farmer who lives near the Des Moines county home west of Burlington, owns land in both Des Moines and Jefferson county.

On Dec. 16, Mrs. Lange left a city employees' party at Memorial auditorium. Authorities learned later she met a male companion, and that the two were together from approximately 9 p.m. Dec. 16 until 2:45 a.m. Dec. 17.

The companion, who was questioned and dismissed as a major suspect through a lie detector test and other sources, said Mrs. Lange dropped him off in downtown Burlington Dec. 17. She was headed home, the man said.

Between that time and Dec. 19 when her body was found in Long Creek west of Burlington, Mrs. Lange was struck on the head and apparently left for dead in the creek. An autopsy showed she drowned, apparently after suffering the head blows.

A sister reported her missing the afternoon of Dec. 17 and the car Mrs. Lange had been driving was found at 12:37 a.m. Dec. 18, on Smith off Plane.

Wait Tests

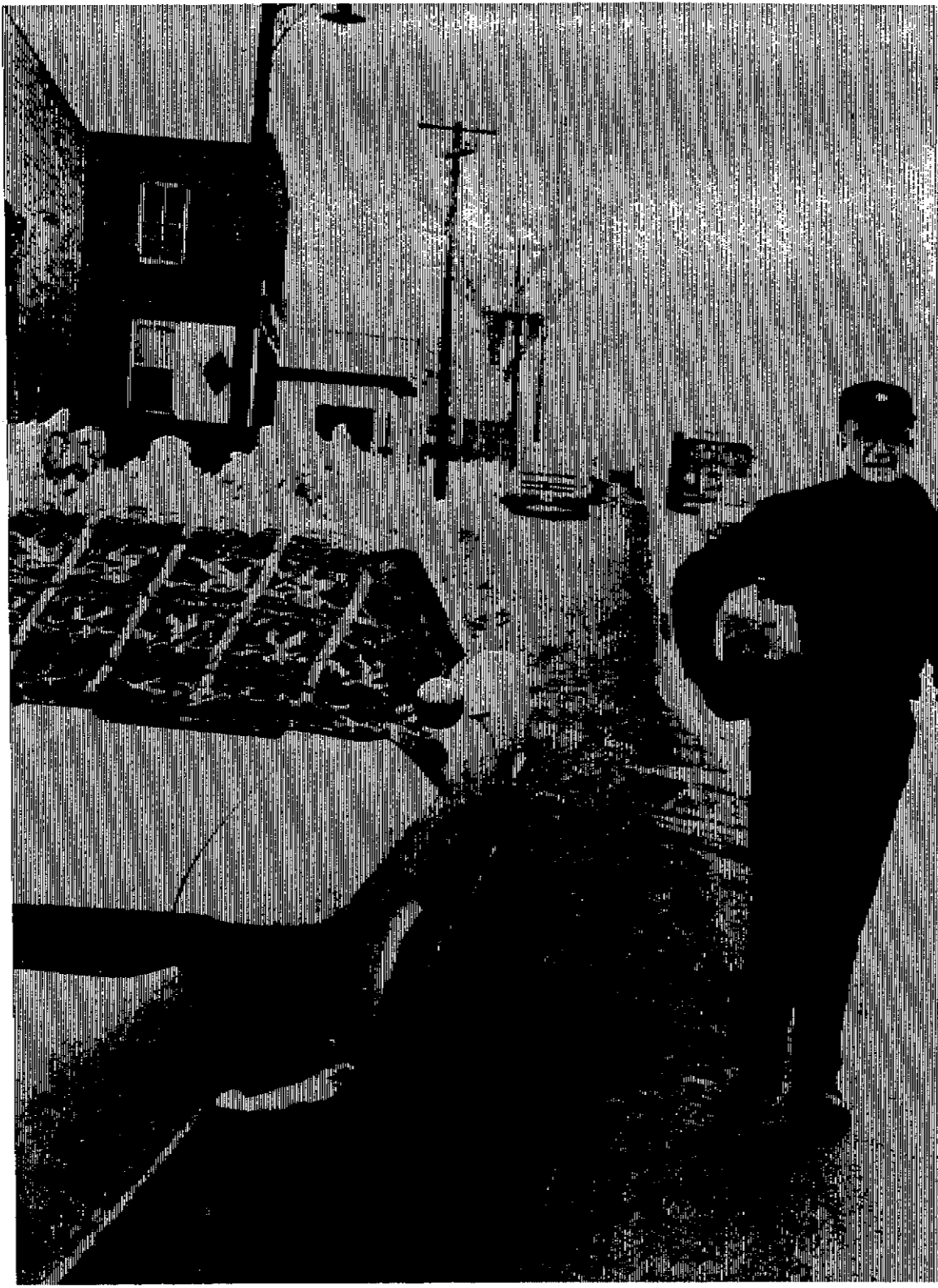
What authorities believe is blood was found inside the locked auto, in its trunk, on a rear bumper, and on a shag rug. Samples of the blood and fingerprints lifted from the auto have been forwarded to the FBI lab in Washington, D. C., but no results have been returned.

Mrs. Lange's husband was at the police station on the morning the auto was found, in the company of his attorney T. K. Ford.

Quick said it was at that time that he asked the only direct question he has been able to ask Lange since the investigation was launched.

"He refused to answer on the advice of his attorney," Quick said. Since that time Lange has not been questioned, Quick said, but some answers have been provided by Ford.

Through his attorney, Lange has refused to submit to a lie detector test, Quick said.



THE BLANKET OF ICE which laid itself over Hawk-Eyeland Tuesday night and Wednesday found one motorist prepared... with a blanket thrown over his windshield. And one pedestrian found walking safest in the middle of the street as he headed to work Wednesday morning.

Burlingtonians convinced you've got to be skidding

By DAVE COLLOGAN

After sliding out the door, crashing down the steps and landing in a bruised and embarrassed heap this morning you probably wondered why you hadn't taken a Florida vacation this winter.

Whatever the reason you didn't, you couldn't be blamed for wanting to be some place other than southeast Iowa Wednesday morning.

A fine mist which began falling about 5 p.m. Tuesday and continued through the night, succeeded in coating sidewalks, steps and cars with an icy glaze. Travel, by car or foot, was treacherous with a crash or a spill just around the corner.

The forecast offers little encouragement to bodies bruised and battered from the icy conditions. Occasional freezing drizzle and light rain will gradually end this evening to be replaced by snow flurries and fog. Temperatures should fall to near 25 Wednesday night and remain near that point Thursday with clearing skies and falling temperatures Thursday night and Friday morning.

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Burlington street crews were in action at 4:30 Tuesday afternoon spreading salt and sand in an attempt to expedite travel.

Roy Pranger, in charge of operations in the absence of Streets Supt. Rod Ralston who was in Wisconsin on business, said the crews worked through the night. He said all emergency routes and most secondary streets had been covered by Wednesday morning and crews were moving onto less traveled streets in an effort "to get everything moving."

Pranger said there were no plans to invoke the city's emergency route program as long as there was no snow.

County paved roads were all clear at 10 a.m. according to County Engineer Ken Smith. Smith said crews began work at 7 Tuesday night and worked until midnight. Crews were out again at 6 a.m. Wednesday spreading salt and sand. Smith said most gravel roads stayed in passable condition throughout the night except scattered icy spots which remained from the last snow storm.

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Planes Not Flying
Ozark Air Lines reported that its final Tuesday night flight was cancelled, as were Wednesday morning and early-afternoon flights, and it expected that all Wednesday flights would be cancelled because of icy runways and poor visibility.

A check with major area employers indicated most employees made it to work on time although a small number were a few minutes late.

Some Accidents
Few accidents were reported in the area, probably due to a combination of salt and sand spread by road crews and caution used by drivers. Burlington police did report three accidents during the early

morning rush to work Wednesday.

Gloria Jean Williams, 24, 2311 Valley, was treated for cuts and bruises and dismissed from Memorial hospital following the one-car mishap.

She told police she applied the brakes because the car in front of her was slowing down. However, the brakes didn't hold and the car slide into a pole at Agency and Gunnison about 6:40 a. m.

No charges were filed due to the icy conditions.

Fong aide is indicted

WASHINGTON (UPI) —The administrative assistant to Sen. Hiram Fong, R-Hawaii, was indicted today by a federal grand jury on charges of conspiring to fix a securities fraud case.

Attorney General John N. Mitchell said a four count indictment was returned in U.S. District court in New York City against the Fong aide, Robert T. Carson, 64, of Arlington, Va.

Also indicated in the case were Edward Adams, 80, and Joseph Bald, 41, both of New York.

Charge priest in kidnap plot

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A federal grand jury has charged that a Catholic priest masterminded a conspiracy from his jail cell to blow up heating systems in the nation's capital on George Washington's birthday, then kidnap presidential adviser Henry A. Kissinger.

The jury returned indictments against the Rev. Philip Berrigan, 47, and named five others as conspirators—two other priests, a former priest, a nun and a Pakistani student with a doctorate in political science.

Seven others were named as co-conspirators, but not defendants, including Berrigan's brother Daniel, who also is in prison, and three other nuns.

Attorney General John N. Mitchell announced the indictments by a grand jury in Harrisburg, Pa., after the five alleged conspirators who were free had been arrested.

Group Accused

The indictment charged that the group plotted to kidnap Kissinger — President Nixon's chief foreign policy adviser—and hold him hostage until their

demands were met by the government.

The indictment did not spell out the alleged demands.

The indictment indicated there had been a long series of visits and written communications by which Berrigan allegedly directed the plot from his jail cell.

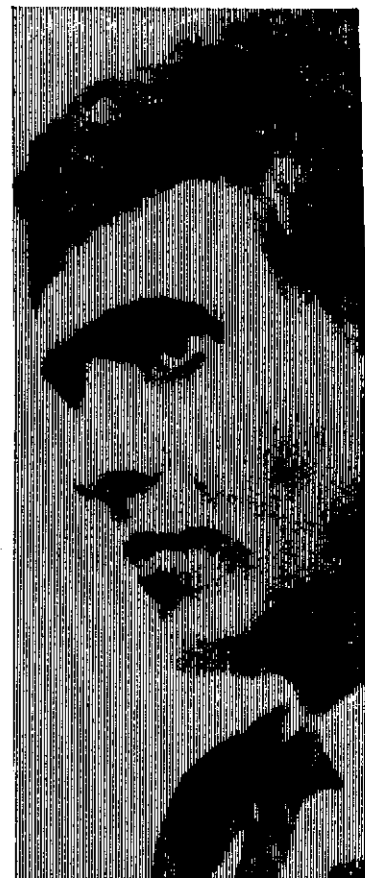
In addition to Berrigan, the grand jury also indicted: The Rev. Joseph Wenderoth, 35, of Baltimore; Sister Elizabeth McAllister, 31, of Marymount College, Tarrytown, N.Y.; the Rev. Neil Raymond McLaughlin, 30, of Baltimore; Anthony Scoblick, 30, a former priest, of Baltimore; and Egbal Ahmad, 39, a fellow at the Adlai Stevenson Institute of Public Affairs in Chicago. Ahmad is a native of Pakistan, and friends said he does not have u.s. citizenship.

Wenderoth, McLaughlin and Scoblick were ordered taken to jail in Harrisburg after a federal magistrate in Baltimore by Cardinal Lawrence Shehan to release them in his custody. Bond for the three was set at \$50,000 each.

Sister McAllister was ordered remanded to the custody of U.S. marshals after a magistrate at South Orange, N.J., set her bail at \$50,000 during arraignment in his home Tuesday night.

The six were accused of conspiring to use dynamite, "plastic explosives," and other devices to be detonated in approximately five locations "in order to render inoperative the heating systems in government buildings of the United States," the indictment said.

In addition to Daniel Berrigan, named as coconspirators were Sister Beverly Bell, 43, of



EQBAL AHMAD, 40, one of six persons indicted Tuesday on charges of plotting to kidnap Henry Kissinger, is a native of Pakistan. He was arrested Tuesday as he left his office at the Adlai Stevenson Institute of Public Affairs in Chicago. (UPI Photo)

Washington; Sister Marjorie A. Shuman, 47, of Washington; William Davidson, 43, a professor at Haverford College in Haverford, Pa.; Thomas Davidson, 25, of Washington; Paul Mayer, 39, a former priest of Edgewater, N.J., and Sister Joques Egan, 52, of New York City.

Egyptian violation of truce charged

By United Press International

Egypt sent Mig21s and Sukhol 7 fighter-bomber jets streaking across the Suez Canal today in violation of the cease-fire, Israel charged today in Jerusalem. The complaint came as Egypt unveiled a new three-part peace plan that would give a bigger peace keeping role to the Big Four.

The Israeli complaint filed with the United Nations was the second serious complaint this month of Egyptian aerial overflights of Israeli-held territory. An Israeli communique said two Mig21s crossed the southern sector of the canal and a pair of Sukhol 7s cross the central sector.

Soviet President Nikolai V. Podgorny arrived meanwhile in Cairo for a seven-day official visit and said he would try to "strengthen and develop" Soviet-Egyptian friendship and cooperation. He was accompanied by high-ranking government and party leaders.

France Working

In Paris, the French government said it had started a diplomatic campaign to insure that a basis for a Middle East settlement is worked out before the current cease-fire expires Feb. 5. France praised the Egyptian proposals but said Israel must have guarantees.

Weather

FORECAST: Occasional freezing drizzle or light rain and fog tonight. Colder by Thursday morning, with light snow or snow flurries indicated. Low tonight 25, high Thursday 25. Friday outlook: Partly cloudy and colder.

RIVER STAGES: Burlington 8.7, down 0.3; Wapello 3.2, no change; Augusta 3.8, no change.

Omnibus tax bill reaffirmed

DES MOINES (UPI) — The Legislative Tax Study Committee Tuesday reaffirmed its decision to hand the Iowa Legislature an omnibus tax bill proposing to shift nearly \$232 million a year to cover changes in the state's tax structure.

The committee is attempting to tie together nearly seven months of work before submitting the giant tax package to the legislature. The bill is expected to be assigned to the Ways and Means Committees of both houses.

The legislative study group decided several months ago to put all its proposals into a single package, but Tuesday several members proposed cutting the bill into seven sections.

Maurice Van Nostrand, who was defeated in the June primary in his reelection bid to the House, said "tearing it apart" might jeopardize the chances of getting a unified revision of the state's tax structure.

All Of One Piece

"If you lose part of it, you've got a whole different ball of wax," said Van Nostrand, who was appointed last week to a \$15,000 a year post in Gov. Robert D. Ray's office.

Sen. Roger Shaff R - Camanche, who is chairman of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, said the revenue portions of the bill need to be approved virtually intact if the rest of the

proposal is to be adequately financed.

The committee decided to put its proposals into one package, and introduced two separate bills. One is a bill that would require a modified freeze on school budgets, allowing districts to gather only 1.5 per cent more in property taxes than at present. The second bill would require all budgeting to be put on a fiscal year basis rather than an academic year.

Rep. Elmer Den Herder, R-Sioux Center, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said if one part of the revenue portion of the bill is changed or deleted, "the whole thing will fall apart."

The committee, which plans to have its final meeting Friday morning, made minor changes in the proposal that was tentatively approved in mid-December.

The proposal includes provisions to hike the state sales tax by 1 per cent and gather some \$40 million more from Iowa income tax assessments.

In addition, the bill would levy two new taxes and change methods of assessment on several others to make up revenue lost by easing the property tax burden across Iowa from 15 to 25 mills.

The proposal also includes a plan to scrap Iowa's present complex method of school aid funding for a foundation plan.