



Coming Down

A workman stands on top of truck almost buried by the rubble of the old student nurses residence next to St. Mary's Hospital. The five story structure, explained a hospital spokesman, would have been too expensive to renovate after the hospital closed its school of nursing in 1971. But the building, put up with steel framing in 1922, is so solid it provides a difficult job for the wreckers. The site will be landscaped with grass and trees.



ON THE LINE
Bob Considine

[The following fantasy appeared this week in the program of the Banshees luncheon in New York for visiting editors and publishers.]

The Supreme Court today declined to consider an appeal from its 9-0 verdict of last month that upheld the Justice Department's padlocking of the New York Times and several hundred other newspapers.

In a second ruling, the high court dismissed the plea of Edward Bennett Williams, famed Washington trial lawyer, for release on bail of several hundred publishers, editors, columnists, reporters, and television network owners, commentators and their ghostwriters imprisoned over the past year.

"They brought it on themselves," a source close to Chief Justice Burger whispered to this correspondent. "If those dam' fools had any brains during their trials they would have taken the Fifth. Instead, they took the First."

In the immediate wake of the landmark rejections, a masked White House spokesman interrupted the John Wayne movie being shown on all network and independent TV screens across the country with a message of congratulations to the Court. He said, "Today, April 24, 1975, a day that will live in what we might call famy, you nine stalwart defenders of both the letter and spirit of the Constitution showed those posturing, pusillanimous, pride-soaked pundits that the people of America, the real people, want no more of their snide, surreptitious, slanted slams. And now back to True Crit."

The program resumed, followed by the eagerly awaited Sammy Davis, Jr. spectacular, an ever-popular re-run. It was also shown in place of the 6 o'clock News, the 7 o'clock News, and the Late-Lamented News.

The Washington correspondent of the Manchester (N.H.) Clarion, last daily still printing in the

egregious, egotistical, egg-headed East, made an important announcement after the Justices had retired to their chambers. It represented a wrenching change in policy. He declared that in a forthcoming editorial his paper would ask the government to allow the AP and UPI to resume service to those elements of the Media still at large. The wire services had their plugs pulled last Independence Day on the charge of maliciously reporting a 2.3% increase in urban crime rates in face of an FBI announcement that the rates were down by .0004, except in homicides, rapes, counterfeiting and car theft.

"We agree that AP and UPI were guilty as charged," the correspondent said, "but there's a time and place for everything — including amnesty."

"Our paper, the largest in New Hampshire, and the 193 other blats still printing from Manchester to Midway, as of yesterday, has missed out on some dandy circulation-building news stories since the wire services pulled that boo-boo."

"For example, we didn't learn until this morning that an entire computer complex unit for the U.S. Postal Service fell into Grand Canyon last St. Patrick's Day and sank in the primordial ooze of the Colorado River. We might have heard about it sooner, but the report came stamped airmail, special delivery."

"Also, we had to learn from Hsinhua — which moves its file by slow boat — that Henry Kissinger married Madame Sun Yat-sen during his last trip to China. And there's something not quite right, we feel, about having to depend on visitors from abroad to let us know whether the dollar is floating or sinking, and to tell us, as several have lately, that Chile invaded California six weeks ago."

Naturally, your correspondent had to make a citizen's arrest and turn him over to the FBI, for fomenting news.

Papal Plaque Atop Everest

Vatican City [RNS] — A plaque depicting the Virgin Mary and Jesus now rests atop the 29,000-foot summit of Mount Everest, Vatican Radio reported.

It said that Guido Monzino, the leader of Italy's successful Everest expedition, sent a telegram to Pope Paul VI informing him that the plaque, which had been given to the team by the Pope, is now at the summit of the earth's highest mountain.

In another report, Vatican

Radio said that the Pope has sent a message to Dr. Marcolino Candau of the World Health Organization, on the 25th anniversary of that United Nations agency.

"Our most fervent wish," the Pope said, "is that on its 25th anniversary the World Health Organization, to which the international community has entrusted the preservation and promotion of man's health, give priority in all circumstances to human life."

Provisionals Criticize Pope

Belfast [RNS] — The terrorist "Provisional" wing of the outlaw Irish Republican Army (IRA) has accused Pope Paul VI of being "misinformed" about the situation in Northern Ireland.

In a statement issued here, the IRA's Belfast Brigade criticized the Pope for suggesting recently that Britain's "whitepaper" proposals for the future of the beleaguered province were useful.

RGE consumer news

This summer, shock-proof your yard

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Each year more than 1,000 people in the United States are killed and thousands are injured because of electrical accidents caused by faulty equipment and misuse of electrical equipment.

One way people have protected themselves has been by grounding their appliances with three-prong plugs plugged into a three-hole outdoor receptacle that is itself grounded.

A new piece of protective equipment, called a ground-fault circuit-interrupter, has been on the market for about a year now. It was developed to detect and make harmless tiny current leakage — a current as small as six one-hundredths of an ampere can kill a healthy man. One ground-fault circuit-interrupter is activated by a fault current to the ground of less than five one-thousandths of an ampere. It provides excellent back-up protection where grounding and circuit breakers are not effective.

The National Electrical Code

now requires that "all outdoor receptacles located between ten feet and fifteen feet of the inside walls of a permanently installed pool shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit-interrupter." Storable pools "shall be supplied by circuits protected by ground-fault circuit-interrupters."

You can see several models of ground-fault circuit-interrupters and pick up literature about them during the rest of May at our Consumer Information Center. It's located on the main floor of 89 East Avenue and is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and 8 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, and 8 a.m. to noon Saturday.

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