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"Labour to keep alive in your breast that little spark
of celestial fire, — conscience."

*Rule from the copybook of
George Washington when a schoolboy*



DISTRICT DOINGS

Aha, you thought for awhile we wouldn't have any snow . . . well February started to give us that taste of winter that we have been avoiding. We understand that the touch of the white stuff brought out over a hundred snowmobilers to the trail at Lake Shelbyville. The trail was set-up as an interim facility until a detailed study of the area can be completed. Hopefully, this month of Presidents, Valentines, groundhogs, and, yes, even engineers, will culminate in some signs of spring. Engineers Week . . . Feb. 17-23 has as its slogan, "Engineers . . . Our Renewable Resource." Just a word, don't do all your celebrating now . . . remember St. Pat's Day is March 17th.

Our lake staffers have been out on the winter trail doing a number of "Career Day" visits to grammar schools and high schools, especially the crew from Carlyle. Mark Giacoletto toured nine schools, Mike McGinnis and Steve Metzgar visited eight each, Sam Guagliardo talked with students at six, and Paul Molla at still another in the Carlyle Lake area. The time well spent. Mark also met with Carlyle Cadet Troop #450, while Mike talked to 30 from the Trinity Lutheran Youth Group, and Steve held a session with 21 members of the New Minden Men's Club speaking about "Wildlife Management."

Dennis Gathmann at Lake Shelbyville spoke to a get-together of 25 from the Exchange Club of Mattoon.

Rend Lake's Lowell Summers talked to 14 youngsters from the United Methodist Children's Home.

Clarence Cannon and Resident Engineer Otto Steffens was visited by a film crew and feature reporter from television station WGEM-TV in Quincy, Illinois. Otto and Farrell Burnett also escorted freelance writer Joni Underwood as she is on assignment from "Commerce" magazine.

Back here at home base, Colonel Dacey gave both the AGC of Missouri and the Mississippi Valley AGC an idea of what will be happening in construction in the next year or so. Colonel Dacey also journeyed to Fort Leonard Wood for a speech before the Local SAME Post, and then hosted a visit by former District Engineers here at the office.

Lt. Colonel Wilkes filled a speaker spot on the program of the annual meeting of the Illinois Grain Dealers Assn. at Champaign, Illinois. LTC Wilkes told them about our river work and particularly, the

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progress on Lock and Dam #26. Ken Koller spoke to the Webster Groves Kiwanis Club about #26. The old Lock and Dam was visited by the new Chief of Public Affairs from OCE, Colonel Bryan. Our new PAO from Washington stopped over between flights for a visit with Mel Doernhoefer and Jim Fogilphol at the Alton spot.

Lou Chiodini (ED-BN) spoke to the Propellor Club about the river, Great Ill, and some of the very significant river studies. Mel Doernhoefer was a guest lecturer for Webster College's Grad. School class in Public Administration Theory.

Rounding out the busy month, a show-and-tell tour for LTC Lukitsch and staff of ten Army Recruiting specialists — part of our program to develop interest in an Army career and Corps work.

Owen Dutt spoke to 40 students at a Washington University Class on Pollution and Environmental Impacts.

So, even if it is the shortest month . . . It is a busy one and this year we even get an extra day to catch up. Happy Leap Year!



CWC 1980 PLANNING

Our Civillian Welfare Council will be sending to you a questionnaire very shortly. The council is depending upon you to assist in their planning for public events in the forthcoming year. It is extremely important that you complete the questionnaire and return it to the council so that everybody may have a voice in 1980 plans. We urge your support of this effort.

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HUMAN RELATIONS

Notice a new employee in the hallways? Have you stopped to say hello, introduce yourself and welcome him/her to the District? Have you asked if you can be of help or assistance? Remember when you first started to work in the District, how a friendly word and handshake helped melt away your fears and you knew you had chosen a good organization for which to work. Do your part by making an effort to make new employees welcome. Remember, friendliness brings togetherness which, in turn, fosters communication. When we communicate, we better understand each other, and with understanding, we work better to produce pride in and loyalty to the organization for which we work: the St. Louis District, a people's organization, where people are its most important asset.

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**SUSTAINED SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE AWARD/
OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE RATING:**

John A. Gaal, ED-DA
Aloysius J. Saller, ED-DA
Kenneth A. Alexander, ED-FS
Penny S. Mudd, RO-C
Elton M. Heston, ED-DS
Violet R. Schawacker, RE-A

SUSTAINED SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE AWARD:

Carroll B. Windsor, RO-C
Frederick R. Bader, ED-HE
Larry White, AS-R
Louis E. Benzek, RO-F

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE RATING:

David J. Haudrich, ED-DG
Kirby B. Fowler, ED-BE
Robert F. Wich, ED-PJ
Michael E. Dace, ED-PM
Joseph G. Effertz, ED-P
Wayne C. Miller, Jr., ED-PL
Larue A. Sanasarian, DC-FR
Floyd R. Wade, L&D #27

**QUALITY STEP INCREASE/
OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE RATING:**

Marianne Schmitt, CD
Michael M. Easterly, ED-FG
George J. Postol, ED-FS
John D. Lytle, ED-FI

**SPECIAL ACT/
SERVICE GROUP AWARDS:**

For technical support during Lock & Dam No. 26
Trial:

Brian K. Kleber, ED-FI
Janet E. Davis, ED-BE
Donald C. Sweeney, II, ED-BE
Edward C. Demsky, ED-FS

For exhibit preparation during Lock & Dam No. 26
Trial:

Paul H. Olson, ED-S
Glen C. Shadley, ED-SM
James J. Reed, ED-SM
Johnny M. Northcutt, ED-SM
Sharon L. Kennedy, ED-SM
Robert W. Frederick, ED-SM

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PROMOTIONS:

Welton J. Joggerst, Dredge Potter,
Deckhand Leader, WL 5906-06

Jerry B. Moore, Dredge Ste. Genevieve,
Striker, WG 5914-09

Thomas J. Winston, Dredge Potter,
Deckhand Leader, WL 5906-06

John F. Akery, ED-BE,
Economist, GS 0110-09

Maxine A. Green, DC-FE,
Voucher Examiner, GS 0540-04

James P. Hoyle, DC-M,
Management Analyst, GS 0343-07

Stephen J. Stelfox, DC-FC,
Operating Accountant, GS 0510-09

John J. Jobst, AC-S,
Computer Specialist, GS 0334-09

Dan A. Welch, OD-NL,
Lock and Dam Operator, WY 5426-05

Steven W. Johnson, OD-NL,
Lock and Dam Operator, WY 5426-05

COMPUTER MATCHING — CAR POOLS

Yes, we said car pools, not computer dating services. Tired of busses, parking fees, gasoline prices, etc., etc., etc.? Why not join the "Share a Ride" program now being operated by the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council in the downtown area. You may obtain a car pool match form from your representative listed below. Return the completed form to that same person, and eventually, you will receive a computer printout listing persons living and working close to your home and office. The information includes each person's working hours and location, home and office telephone numbers, and other pertinent facts from the form. It does **not** include home addresses. Questions concerning the program should be directed to Mr. Kugler or Mary Willick, 5656. As yet, we do not know when our input will be run and the printouts will be received.

Debra J. Luntzer, ED-DG,
Engineering Technician, GS 0802-04

Thomas C. Johnson, ED-DM,
Mechanical Engineer, GS 0830-12

Montie L. Mezo, OD-NC,
Fireman Watertender, WG 5915-08

Donald F. Sadler, OD-NC,
Deck Equipment Operator, WG 5908-09

Carl J. Raines, OD-NC,
Deck Equipment Operator, WG 5908-09

Bradley J. Keshlear, OD-RC,
Park Ranger, GS 0025-09

Wilford A. Myers, OD-NC,
2nd Assistant Engineer, WS 5914-09

SUGGESTIONS:

Kathryn R. Crossley, PA, was awarded \$30.00 for a suggestion that recommended a revision and reprint of the publication entitled "Regulating Mississippi River Navigation Pools." This suggestion was implemented 20 December 1979 and results in intangible benefits of moderate potential value.

Harry A. Book, OD-RR, was granted an award of \$25 for an adopted suggestion that recommended relocating a junction box over lift station to prevent pollution of the lake and enable use of the station during periods of high lake levels. This suggestion was implemented 1 November 1979 and results in intangible benefits of high potential value.

HONORARY AWARDS:

"It is the policy of the Chief of Engineers to grant appropriate recognition to employees who make significant contributions to the success of emergency operations such as flood fighting . . . The Emergency Operations Award (decal) will be presented to all personnel actively engaged at the project site in emergency operations in order to identify them to the general public as experienced workers in emergency activities." (OCE Supplement 1 to AR 672-20).

Operations Division nominated 182 employees for this award. Decals and copies of DA Form 1256 were mailed to the employees in January. A copy of the DA Form 1256 was also added to each employees Official Personnel Folder. Thanks to all for a job WELL DONE! Your services are needed and greatly appreciated.

DE	Jean Lindhorst
AS	Mary Willick
OD	Beverly Rigdon
PB	Len Alfeld
RE	Laurel Nelson
ED	Paul Nadziejko
CD	Marianne Schmitt
DC	Mary Kasate
SD	Joe Bisher
SO	Kathy Ebmeier
OC	Josephine Bischan

NEW STOCKAGE ITEM

National Engineers' Pads with five lines per inch grid will soon be stocked in the Supply Room, Room 937. The paper can be used for engineer computations and analyses. It is not to be used for official technical documents such as design memos, letter reports, or anything requiring a review authority. It should be used for supportive work only. LMV Forms 107A and 107E were recently revised by LMVD for use by architects and engineers. Because these new forms are not acceptable to our personnel, we are seeking approval from LMVD to design a local form similar to the old LMV 107A with five line per inch grid with a paper quality and color suitable for use and one which prevents smearing. Until such time as approval is received, continue using the LMVD forms.

Congratulations to the following employees for accumulation of Sick Leave as of the end of CY 1979:

NAME	ORGANIZATION	NAME	ORGANIZATION
Over 3000 Hours		Over 1500 Hours	
Berhorst, Elmer	DC	Blackwell, Carroll	CD
Fogilphol, James	OD	Buchheit, Henry	OD
Hydar, Elias	DC	Buckley, James	OD
Siebert, Edward	ED	Cameron, Richard	ED
Steffens, Otto	CD	Christmas, Kenneth	OD
Over 2000 Hours		Clark T. Frank	SD
Adams, Robert	OD	Corbin, Kenneth	ED
Benzek, Louis	CD	Creech, James	AS
Boston, William	PD	Creel, Henrietta	OD
Brown, William	OD	Dannan, Donald	ED
Buatte, Charles	CD	Davis, Norris	PD
Chrimore, Donald	CD	Dellenbaugh, Lee	ED
Clapp, George	ED	Doherty, Joseph	DC
Dietrich, Anton	OD	Dorshorst, Anton	ED
Dixon, Russell	OD	Dunn, Clyde	OD
Duff, Homer	DC	Effertz, Joseph	ED
Durham, Thomas	OD	Eifert, Robert	OD
Ford, Jim	OD	Flippen, Daniel	CD
Hillen, Ambrose	OD	Forth, Lyle	RE
Joyce, Joe B.	CD	Gould, Dennis	ED
Kraus, Warren	OC	Greer, Katherine	PB
Kugler, Lafayette	AS	Grimaud, Wendell	OD
Laraway, Donald	CD	Harlan, Ronald	OD
Lindsey, Hilda	SD	Haskett, Elbert	ED
lytle, John	ED	Haudrich, David	ED
Martin, Sam	ED	Hilton, C. J.	CD
Nobus, Henry	OD	Holder, Paul	OD
Ortwerth, Marvin	ED	Hurley, Gloria	CD
Pate, Everett	ED	Iler, Thomas	OD
Pate, Landon	SD	Kilker, John	OD
Puricelli, Pete	PD	Krattly, Homer	ED
Rasmussen, Jack	ED	LeGrand, Alban	OD
Roland, Richard	OD	Marple, Elmore	CD
Ruengert, Donald	OD	Miller, Evelyn	DC
Schafer, Frank	OD	Miller, John	CD
Sherrill, Carol	OD	Moore, Bruce	ED
Sneed, Betty	ED	Neidinger, Charles	CD
Troutner, Fred	OD	Nichols, Joseph	ED
Walter, Milton	CD	Niemi, Jack	ED
Wiseman, Stanley	CD	Northcutt, Johny	ED
Over 1500 Hours		Olson, Paul	ED
Adams, Ivis	OD	Petersen, James	OD
Alder, Robert	AC	Petry, Clarence	OD
Alexander, Kenneth	ED	Pinkston, Bryan	OD
Beard, Dale	CD	Powell, Winifred	SO
Berra, Mary	PB	Rahubka, E. David	ED
Bischan, Josephine	OC	Rath, John	ED
Bisher, Joseph	SD	Richardson, William	PB
		Richter, Eleanor	AC
		Roberts, Russell	RE
		Robinson, Lee	ED

Congratulations to the following employees for accumulation of Sick Leave as of the end of CY 1979:

NAME	ORGANIZATION
Over 1500 Hours	
Schneider, Edward	OD
Struckel, Matt	OD
Taylor, David	OD
Williams, Max	OD
Wilson, Ulas	AS
Wuertz, Walter	ED

HAVE YOU EARNED YOUR TOMORROW?

Is anybody happier because you passed his way?
Does anyone remember that you spoke to him today?
The day is almost over, and its toiling time is through;
Is there anyone to utter now a kindly word to you?

Can you say tonight, with the day that's slipping fast,
That you helped a single brother of the many that you passed:
Is a single heart rejoicing over what you did or said;
Does the man whose hopes were fading, now with courage look ahead?

Did you waste the day, or lose? Was it well or sorely spent?
Did you leave a trail of kindness, or a scar of discontent?
As you close your eyes in slumber, do you think that God will say,
"You have earned one more tomorrow by the work you did today."

(Contributed by Ruth Ziden)

ATTENTION

A number of Federal employees are improperly using postage paid agency envelopes to file job applications for competitive examinations and agency merit promotion programs, and to appeal ratings received under these programs. OPM considers this practice to be of a personal nature, **not** official Government business. Such personal mail is therefore subject to payment of postage by the employee, and use of postage paid official envelopes for these purposes is a violation of OPM and postal regulations.

Several laws and regulations are relevant to this issue, one of which is 18 U.S.C. section 1719 which provides that:

"Whoever makes use of any official envelope, label, or indorsement authorized by law, to avoid the payment of postage or registry fee on his private letter, packet, package, or other matter in the mail, shall be fined not more than \$300."

Employment applications cannot be construed as official correspondence of the agency. Although the individual submitting the application is a Federal employee, that person is not acting within the scope of his or her present employment when applying for another position. Therefore, the use of the penalty mail for the purpose of saving the postage ordinarily due, violates the law.

CLASSIFIEDS

CAR POOL: Anyone interested in joining a car pool from North County (vicinity Chambers and West Florissant) to 210 Tucker Blvd., No., call G. Hurley, Ext. 5591 or C. Blackwell, Ext. 5037. Duty hours: 7:30 a.m. — 4:15 p.m.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE LAWS

1. If things are military and make sense, coincidence has entered the picture.
2. To hell with the content, let's get the format straight.
3. The most complicated problems always arise at the most remote locations.
4. Writing a directive and getting people to pay attention to it are two entirely different operations.
5. Staff studies should always be written in support of foregone conclusions. Assumptions will be furnished later.
6. Supervisors must be kept busy or their subordinates will be.
7. Greatest consideration in personnel matters is given to those individuals who are the least efficient and the most troublesome.
8. It is illegal for any headquarters to admit error.
9. Planners are people who take implausible assumptions; apply these to considerations that could not possibly exist, using resources that will undoubtedly not be available, to produce plan of action which is inconceivable to be followed out.
10. One thousand guesses added together are not necessarily more accurate than one big guess.
11. The longer you work on a casualty estimate, the less accurate it becomes.
12. If people don't obey a regulation, write another one more complicated.
13. Invariably the least knowledgeable of individuals is the most vocal.
14. (Revised) Planners apply implausible assumptions to inconceivable situations using nonexistent resources to produce irrelevant plans.

ASSESSMENT OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT BY OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT (OPM)

An evaluation survey of personnel management practices will be conducted by the OPM in the St. Louis District beginning 31 March 1980. This visit of approximately one week will determine how managers and supervisors view and carry out their management responsibilities, find out how well personnel systems and practices are serving management in carrying out their mission, and ascertaining how well merit system employment practices are understood and applied.

Any employee who wishes to talk with a member of the survey team may arrange to do so in one of the following ways:

(1) By notifying Bill Richardson, Sta. 5832, in the Personnel Office. (Requests for an interview should be made before the end of the third day of the visit.)

(2) By contacting one of the team members in Room 1044. (Contact them in the early morning hours as much of their time is spent away from that location.)

(3) By writing to: Ms. Marilyn A. Dickman, Office of Personnel Management, 1520 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103.

Team members will not be in a position to take action on individual grievances or other problems of an individual nature; however, pertinent information will be used in evaluating the personnel program.

More information, as necessary, will be forthcoming when it is available, and closer to the scheduled visit.

GOODBYE TO AN OLD FRIEND

Joan King (DC-B) left the St. Louis District, after 23 years of service, on the 15th of February.

TSCARCOM made her an offer she couldn't refuse — a promotion. Best of luck Joanie.

HYDAR'S HAPPENINGS

WHY ME?

Why Me? Why do I have to pay taxes? We have always had taxes. It is a privilege to pay taxes. Americans haven't always had a voice in what their taxes would be and how they would be spent. The Roman Emperor Caesar imposed taxes on his subjects. As far back as 1646, New Englanders paid a tax based on certain occupations which might be the ancestor of our income tax. In our country's infancy, taxes were imposed primarily on distilled spirits, tobacco and snuff, refined sugar, carriages, property sold at auction, bonds and various documents.

When the civil war broke out in 1861 most people thought it would end quickly but it continued on and on. To meet this tremendous financial need Congress adopted the first of a series of revenue laws in August 1861. Among them our first income tax law. In 1872 the income tax was repealed.

In August 1909 the 16th Amendment to the Constitution was passed — it provided "Congress shall have power to levy and collect taxes on incomes whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several states and without regard to any census or enumeration." Our system is one in which the taxpayer assesses his own tax as a act of citizenship.

At first filling out your tax form was simple. Tax forms were only 4 pages long. If you were single you didn't have to fill out a tax form; only if you made over \$3,000. Married couples were taxed for earnings over \$4,000. 1% tax was imposed for earnings up to \$19,000; another 1% for over \$20,000, and 6% for those who earned over \$500,000. Government employees were exempted. There were no medical, charitable deductions, no capital gains or losses.

Methuselah, pronounced Me'th(y)us(e)le, Biblical Patriarch, **NEVER** paid taxes, is credited with the longest life of 969 years. If he started to work with the District Corps of Engineers at the age of 21 and retired at the age of 960, he would have worked for 313 District Engineers.

CONGRATULATIONS

L. G. Kugler (AS-G) was awarded the Khoury Meritorious Service Award for the year 1979. The award was presented to Mr. Kugler at the 44th Anniversary Dinner Dance in the Chase Room of the Chase-Park Plaza Hotel. The award is given annually only to those who, over a period of years, have displayed devotion to the Khoury youth programs and have demonstrated the leadership required to put those programs into effective action in various parts of the country. Well done, Kugie.

The Gene Degenhardt's (ED-BP) have a fine new daughter, Kathy Korlyn, who made her appearance on January 13th, weighing in at 6 lbs., 14 oz.

CONDOLENCES

Gerry Basler, a Heavy Mobile Equipment Mechanic in the Marine Repair Shop, Service Base, is the recipient of the 1979 Doyle Award. This annual award is given by the Jaycees of Ste. Genevieve County in recognition of outstanding citizens who have volunteered their time and resources to work with youth groups and in the administration of youth programs in the Ste. Genevieve area. Gerry has been providing leadership in Scouting activities and youth athletic programs in his community for 10 years.

Our sympathy to Bill Sutton (ED-Z) on the death of his father.

EEO CORNERSTONE

EEOC ISSUES REPORT ON FEDERAL EQUAL EMPLOYMENT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has issued a report on its pilot program testing various enforcement techniques for handling federal sector equal opportunity discrimination complaints. The report appears in the January 2 Federal Register.

The federal program is modeled on the approach the agency has taken over the past year in handling private sector cases. Essentially this approach places much greater emphasis on early, non-judicial resolution of the complaint than was the case in the past.

The approach has come under considerable criticism because many feel that while it has accelerated completion of cases, it has done so at the expense of the quality of case resolution. Specifically, it is charged that the approach discourages cases by requiring face-to-face meetings between the complainant and the employer. It is argued further that EEOC is settling for less than desirable compromise solely for the sake of keeping cases out of court. A final complaint against the new approach is that it discourages class action suits when they are clearly warranted.

In its review of the federal pilot program, EEOC has found that the settlement rate is more than six times as high as the settlement rate under the former Civil Service Commission. It also found that there is a higher than expected withdrawal rate. EEOC attributes this to the "sharing of documents submitted by the parties . . . prior to the investigative hearing."

The report does not make it clear whether the higher settlement and withdrawal rates are the result of the kind of intimidation which some charge is occurring in the stepped-up resolution of cases in the private sector, or whether it is just the greater efficiency that results because of the emphasis on non-judicial early resolution of cases.

Source: *Washington Women's Representative*, Volume 5, Number 1, dated 15 Jan 80.

SPOTLIGHT ON THE LIBRARY

INTERLIBRARY LOANS — ON-LINE

The books or journals that you need that are not in our collection can be obtained from another library. Most of you know this and have become familiar with the term "interlibrary loan," and as a result, we have been able to satisfy many of your needs through this type of interlibrary cooperation.

Now we are announcing a distinct improvement in this long-time service of the District Library. We can now request interlibrary loan materials on-line via our small multi-purpose computer terminal. Through OCLC (Ohio College Library Center), primarily an on-line cataloging data base that we use, we can access the book and journal holdings of thousands of libraries across the nation, request book loans or article

photocopies, respond, and send messages totally via the computer. This system saves time for us as well as for you because generally, you will have the requested material in your hand much sooner than before. The next time you are in the library, ask, and we will be happy to show you how the system works.

Also, when you do stop by be sure to pick up one of our new bookmarks and an NTIS 1980 pocket date book.

CERTIFICATION OF ENGINEERING TECHNICIANS

As in the case of the engineering profession, the Chief of Engineers is equally interested in promoting the registration of engineering technicians. The Institute for the Certification of Engineering Technicians exists to perform the function of evaluating the qualifications of those who voluntarily apply for certification. Evaluation is accomplished through investigation — including recommendations, endorsements, and examinations as appropriate — of the applicant's work experience, character, and knowledge.

SPECIAL EMPHASIS PROGRAM FOR REDUCTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE MISHAP INJURIES

The display board on the 8th floor identifies not only professional engineers, but employees in other fields where there is a form or degree of certification, licensing or registration. Engineering technicians who wish more information on becoming certified should write to the following address to receive a descriptive brochure and application:

Institute for the Certification of
Engineering Technicians
2029 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

YOU KNOW YOU'VE HAD A BAD DAY WHEN - - -

You walk to work and find your dress is stuck in the back of your panty hose

You call your answering service and they tell you it's none of your business

Your wife says good morning Bill and your name is Jim

Your blind date turns out to be your ex-wife

Your Income Tax Return Check bounces

You wake up to discover your water bed has broken and then you remember you don't have a water bed

You put your bra on backwards and it fits better

You see the 60 Minutes News Team waiting for you in your office

Your bar of Ivory soap sinks

Your only son tells you he wishes Anita Bryant would mind her own business

Suicide Prevention puts you on hold

Your twin brother forgets your birthday

1. Reference EC 385-1-180.
2. Due to many employees not using seat belts while operating motor vehicles a special emphasis program stressing the use of seat belts will continue until 30 September 1980.
3. Following are minimum requirements of the special emphasis program:
 - a. All vehicles should be inspected for availability and serviceability of seat belt assemblies.
 - b. Vehicles not properly equipped will be deadlined immediately.
 - c. Each supervisor shall note in the remarks section of the mishap report, ENG 3394, the use or nonuse of seat belts. In each mishap which involves nonuse of seat belts, briefly explain why the seat belt was not used and what actions you had taken previously to assure seat belts would be used by all vehicle occupants.



HYPOTHERMIA

Early spring boat users are reminded by the American Red Cross that cold waters at this time of year are especially dangerous to anyone who falls in, even expert swimmers.

"Many spring drowning deaths can be attributed to what doctors call 'immersion hypothermia' — the numbing effect cold water has on the limbs and body," said Robert F. Burnside, national director of Small Craft Safety for the Red Cross. "No matter how strong a swimmer is, he can drown if the chilling waters immobilize his arms and legs, and prevent him from swimming or otherwise getting out of the water. Loss of body heat in cold water occurs 25 times faster than air."

Burnside offers the following tips to persons expecting to go on or near the water this spring:

- PFD — Wear a PFD (personal flotation device, or "life jacket") when venturing on the water. This is good advice year-round.

- SWIM — The average swimmer can swim a distance of 0.85 mile in 50° F water before being incapacitated by hypothermia, while wearing a PFD.

If the distance to shore is too far to swim, consider the next tip:

- HELP (Heat Escape Lessening Posture) — If you fall in the water, hold your arms tight against the sides of your chest, press your thighs together and raise them to your chest. This position will help slow body heat loss and increase your survival time.

A corporation may spread itself over the whole world, and may employ a hundred thousand men, but the average person will usually form his judgment of it through his contact with one individual. If this person is rude or inefficient, it will take a lot of kindness and efficiency to overcome the bad impression. Every member of an organization who in any capacity comes in contact with the public is a salesman, and the impression he makes is an advertisement, good or bad.

"I go for all sharing the privileges of the government who assist in bearing its burdens."

Abraham Lincoln

- HUDDLE — If more than one falls overboard, huddling will help save body heat and increase survival time. Huddle so that the sides of the chest of different persons are held close together.

After rescue or after reaching safety, you are still in danger of hypothermia. Symptoms include the following: uncontrollable shivering; vague, slow, slurred speech; memory lapses; incoherence; fumbling hands; frequent stumbling; lurching gait; drowsiness; apparent exhaustion; inability to get up after a rest.

If a person shows any signs of hypothermia following a dunking, others should take the following measures, even if the victim claims to be in no difficulty:

Call for professional medical help immediately.

Get the person into dry clothing and into a warm bed or sleeping bag with a "hot" water bottle (which actually should be only warm to the touch, not hot), warm towels, a heating pad, or some other such heat source. Concentrate heat on the trunk of the body first — the shoulders, chest, and stomach. Keep the head low and the feet up to get warm blood circulating to the head.

Give the person warm drinks, but never alcohol, sedatives, tranquilizers, or pain relievers. They only slow down body processes even more. Keep the person quiet. Do not jostle, massage, or rub the victim.

"It is difficult to make a man miserable while he feels he is worthy of himself and claims kindred to the great God who made him."

Abraham Lincoln





ROTC is Alive and Well

"All love is sweet,
Given or returned. Common as light is love,
And its familiar voice wearies not ever . . .
They who inspire it most are fortunate,
As I am now, but those who feel it most
Are happier still."

Percy Bysshe Shelly

Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) is the college program that enables high school graduates to earn an officer's commission along with a college degree. The regular ROTC program provides excellent training for leadership and also provides up to \$1000 a year for expenses during the last two years of college. There are options within ROTC, too. Students can try ROTC "free" for two years. (If the decision is made not to continue, the student is under no obligation.) Also, the Reserve option allows college graduates to serve as officers part-time in local Army Reserve or National Guard units, rather than report for full-time active duty after college. Professors of Military Science at the respective colleges and universities can provide additional information.

ACCIDENT SUMMARY

JANUARY 1980

VEHICLE ACCIDENTS JANUARY 1980: One

Total vehicle accidents for 1980: 1

1. While attempting to merge from the inside (left) lane to the outside (right) lane (dual lanes in a westerly direction) in order to enter a service station, a government carryall was struck in the right front fender.

Total vehicle experience for CY 1979: 9

PERSONAL INJURIES – CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES – JANUARY 1980: None

Total accidents for 1980: None

Total accidents for CY 1979: 3

PERSONAL INJURIES – GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES – JANUARY 1980: Three

Total accidents for CY 1980: 3

1. Two employees were walking on the intermediate wall on their way to read a gage located on the lower end of the bull nose. They were walking single file. The second man in line lost his footing and fell while crossing a wooden ramp. The employee suffered a sprained wrist.

2. A deckhand was assisting in setting up a break to shorten a pipeline for dredge discharge. As he crossed a steel pontoon he slipped and fell on the frosty surface of the metal pontoon. A small bone near the ankle was broken.

3. A Tender Operator whose shoes were wet was entering the engine room. As he stepped down into the engine room, he slipped and fell on the deck, wrenching his back and injuring his right arm.

Total accidents for CY 1979: 8

LAKE FATALITIES FOR JANUARY 1980: None

Total lake fatalities for CY 1980: None

Total lake fatalities for CY 1979: 7

- Carlyle Lake — 2
- Lake Shelbyville — 4
- Lock and Dam 25 — 1

POPULAR TASTES OF THE SEVENTIES

What hit the top of the popularity scales in the seventies? Two members of the magazine's staff, Susan Hennemuth and Victoria Sackett, looked into that question and came up with a whole new list of lists for *Public Opinion* readers.

Top Ten TV Shows
(By audience size)

	<i>Projected Households (millions)</i>
Roots*	36
1979 Super Bowl	35
1978 Super Bowl	34
Gone With The Wind*	34
1977 Super Bowl	32
1976 Super Bowl	29
1975 Super Bowl	29
Three's Company	29
Airport	28
WBA Heavyweight Championship (1978)	28

*Part of series; other segments of the series also drew estimated audiences of more than 30 million households.

Note: Covers July 1960-April 15, 1979.

Source: A. C. Nielsen Company.

Most Popular Motion Pictures of the Decade
(By total attendance)

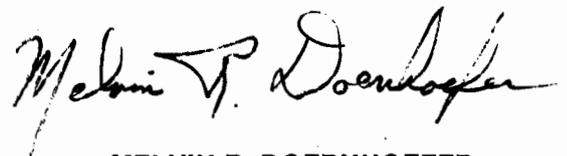
- Close Encounters of the Third Kind
- Exorcist
- Godfather I
- Grease
- Jaws I
- One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
- Saturday Night Fever
- Smokey and the Bandit
- Star Wars
- The Sting

Source: Motion Picture Association

(More Popular Tastes Next Month)

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