


WINTER WOES by *Prison*



Consider the woes of Jason McGurk:
He skidded on ice while driving to work—
For no tire chains had he,
And when his car struck a tree,
He came to a stop—with a jerk!

PREVENT THOSE WINTER DRIVING WOES

The Safe Winter Driving League recommends that you stay home—or use public transportation—when the streets are icy. But if you do have to drive under severe snow and ice conditions, equip your car with reinforced tire chains; they provide four to seven times as much traction as regular tires on snow and ice, according to test findings by the National Safety Council.

In bad weather drivers often can't see as well as usual nor stop as quickly. So go out of your way to make your intentions known. Use hand as well as mechanical signals and pump your brakes when stopping or slowing. This makes brake lights more noticeable and gives you the added advantage of greater control on icy surfaces.

Drive more slowly than normally and leave extra stopping distance between your car and the one ahead. If the road is slippery don't turn, brake or accelerate suddenly, but develop a light touch on the controls.

Hazardous conditions demand that you keep an eye on other people's driving, too. If a motorist's speed indicates he may skid through a stop sign, for instance, be ready to avoid the impending accident.

And don't let poor driving conditions "shake you up." Anger or nervousness tends to make you accident prone. Take your time and try to remain calm even in frustrating situations.

Headache? Tired all over? Upset feeling? If you're at home, reach for whatever the doctor orders.

But if you're driving your car, reach for the window handle — and quickly. Those catch phrases for TV patent remedy ads are also prime symptoms for one of driving's most subtle hazards — carbon monoxide poisoning.

Carbon monoxide, a colorless, odorless gas that lurks in engine exhaust, can kill you in the time it takes to drive around the block. Proper ventilation is the only sure way to eliminate the danger. Keep these tips in mind:

In stop-and-go traffic, close forward fan vents. They suck in other cars' exhaust. Open both wind vents or windows a half inch or more. This permits cross ventilation away from the sources of fumes.

Don't rely solely on louvre-type ventilation systems to keep air fresh. They're good at drawing air in, but aren't designed to dispell it. Thus, harmful fumes may remain in the car.

In station wagons, never open only the tailgate window. Air currents created by the car's motion actually draw exhaust fumes in through a rear opening.

Perhaps most important, have your car's exhaust system checked twice a year. A stone or ice chunk can put a hole in the muffler, allowing exhaust to escape under the car and seep through the floor.



50 YEARS AGO

January 26, 1923

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Friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Frisbey paid them a surprise visit Friday evening, January 19th, in honor of the sixty-fifth anniversary of their marriage.

Mrs. Magdaline E. Hemmer, 77, died at the family home Monday, January 22nd. Two daughters and three sons survive. Funeral services were held Wednesday with the Rev. R. E. MacGowan officiating. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery.

Mrs. Edythe R. Snyder, 39, died at the family home on Elm Street, Wednesday, January 24th. A daughter, Dorothea, a brother and a sister survive. Funeral services were held Saturday with the Rev. Royal MacGowan officiating. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery. The Condensory is filling their ice houses this week, the ice being now harvested is about twelve inches thick.

The farm residence of D. C. and Milan Barney at West Union, was damaged by fire January 17th. The blaze caught in some bedding stored near the chimney. Prompt work saved the building.

Everett Clark spent a few days last week at the home of Thos. O'Hargan in Greenwood.

Rodney Robinson spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robinson.

For the first time in the memory of one of Voorhees Hill oldest residents, it was necessary to make a road through the fields to avoid the snow drifts on Adam's Hill, last week.

Allison Baker of Voorhees Hill, was called to Andover Monday night by the illness of his father, Newell Baker.

W. E. Chase has gone to DuBois, Pa. where he is employed.

Mrs. L. L. Spencer of Alfred Station, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Beebe, Saturday.

Miss Sylvia Reiss has returned from a month's visit with her mother, Mrs. H. L. Reiss of New York City.

Mrs. Augusta Bullard Smith of Friendship, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Barrett this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rogers of Buffalo, were called to Andover the first of the week by the illness and death of his sister, Mrs. Edythe Snyder.

Miss Helen Rogers arrived in Andover, Tuesday morning from Flushing, Long Island, called here on account of the critical condition of her sister, Mrs. Edythe Snyder.

40 YEARS AGO

February 3, 1933

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The Annual Meeting of the local Dairymen's League Co-operative Association was held Monday afternoon in the Firehall and the following officers were elected: Charles Robinson, President; Patrick Hyland, Vice-President; Harry Smith, Secretary and Treasurer; A. L. Rogers and Patrick Hyland, Directors.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baker are the parents of a son, Robert Dale, born Friday, January 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Cronin of Wellsville are the parents of a son, William Joseph, born Sunday, January 29th. Mrs. Cronin was formerly Miss Cyrilla Dunigan of Andover.

Dr. Arthur Elwyn Main, 86, retired Dean of Alfred University's Theological Seminary and former College President, died at his home in Alfred, Sunday.

Mrs. Milford Crandall of Independence is occupying Mrs. Carrie Slade's rooms on Main Street.

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Cannon entertained the Five Hundred Club at their home on Elm Street, Wednesday evening.

Mrs. A. L. Bloss of Greenwood Street entertained the A.O.T. Club at a 7 o'clock dinner and contract bridge Tuesday evening. High

AS OTHERS SEE IT!

Civilian Toll In Hanoi Was Light

As North Vietnam's own statistics show, all that agonizing here and abroad over the 10-day so-called "terror-bombing" of Hanoi-Haiphong was largely flappedoodle, a useful Anglo-Saxon word which Mr. Webster defines as "food for fools, specious talk, non-sense".

In a Jan. 4 report, Hanoi radio said 1,318 persons were killed and 1,261 wounded in the bombing which began Dec. 18. In the 10-day period beginning on that date, Hanoi radio said, American planes flew more than 1,000 sorties (including 500 by B52s) and dropped 40,000 tons of bombs.

If you will take the trouble to divide out those figures, always remembering that they are Hanoi's, not President Nixon's, you will see that slightly more than one person was killed and one wounded in each attack.

IN CONTRAST, ALLIED bombers during World War II frequently inflicted thousands of casualties in a single night on German and Japanese cities. All of which leads one to a number of conclusions, among them:

The intention of the raids was not to inflict heavy civilian casualties but to damage severely North Vietnam's war-making potential. It is not yet clear whether the raids succeeded in this, but they certainly were not the "outrage" they were portrayed to be. To put things into slightly clearer perspective, more civilians were killed in the communist attack on Hue in Tet of 1968 than died in the so-called "carpet-bombing" of Hanoi-Haiphong in the last days of 1972.

THE COMMUNISTS, their fellow-travelers and sympathizers retain an amazing ability to manipulate public opinion in the Western democracies. It is true that this propaganda capability is largely limited to editorial writers, politicians and the over-educated, voluntary peer spewed out by universities, concentrated on the East and West coasts of the country. That this view is not shared by real people, which is to say those who have never heard of blond Dubonnet or Arthur Schlesinger, is another matter. For they are mute, concerned more with busing than with bombing.

From the Buffalo "Courier Express" dated Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1973

Strive To Improve Your Country

To The Editor, Times Herald.

I am writing this letter in regards to a previous letter written concerning the bombing in Vietnam. I am currently serving in the United States Marine Corp. and just 3 weeks ago I left Vietnam. We were attached to the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing and providing security for the big air base at Bien Hoa just 17 miles north of Saigon.

While stationed there I was involved in several enemy rocket attacks (122 mm rockets). B-52's were called out to soften up some of the areas sometimes just 7 or 8 miles away. Also there were several enemy fighter bombers pounding enemy positions. In all — during a 4 month period I was stationed there, approximately 1,763 secondary explosions were recorded which explains that the bombing strikes were not in vain.

Many enemy rocket launching sites, troop infiltration points and enemy supply and ammo depots were destroyed. You say, well that doesn't sound right? That close to Saigon? Statistics show that the NVA and VC control more of South Vietnam than the South Vietnamese do! If it weren't for the bombing (not just around Bien Hoa but also such places as Haiphong, and Hanoi). I am afraid to say that Bien Hoa would have been

From the "Olean Times Herald"

The light civilian toll in Hanoi-Haiphong also illustrates the amazing capability the North Vietnamese have to evacuate large cities on short notice and to protect the essential personnel who must remain there.

IT IS NOT CLEAR TO what extent the unfavorable reaction among opinion-molders here and abroad to the bombing influenced Nixon's decision to halt aerial attacks north of the 20th parallel. Nor is it clear to what extent the bombing — or the cessation of the bombing — influenced Hanoi's decision to return to the Paris peace talks.

What is clear are the limitations a democracy necessarily imposes upon itself in the use of war as an instrument of national policy. It was, as Lt. Calley might put it, "no big deal" for Presidents Roosevelt and Truman to bomb thousands of German and Japanese civilians because the old propaganda mill was churning away and we all knew what beasts the Huns and Japs were. There were military censors to see to it that the folks at home were kept blessedly ignorant of the face of war.

BUT THIS WAR, partially because it has been undeclared and partially because there has been no censorship, has been a different kettle of fish. The Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon, administrations have failed, for better or worse, to generate any enthusiasm for the war among the American people.

The combination of these two factors means, in effect, that as a practical matter the continuation of the war is simply not possible. And this, of course, severely limits the ability of the United States to negotiate a satisfactory end to its role in the conflict.

Even Nixon's ability to obtain the release of the American prisoners of war through the threat of punitive bombing of North Vietnam's cities has been sharply circumscribed by the flappedoodle factor. After all, if all that antibombing noise can be generated by raids which kill one Vietnamese per week, what would happen if the United States really indulged in terror-bombing.

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wiped out and I would be dead! I don't like this war anymore than the next guy. I've seen what can happen in a clash with the enemy. Sure the war is immoral, but have you ever seen a war that wasn't?

People say that the atrocities of the U.S. are inexcusable. But has anything ever been said about the North Vietnamese? Everytime there is a rocket or mortar attack the VC never aim them much at the American air base. It never fails that some innocent South Vietnamese women and children out in the village are killed because a stray 122 mm rocket slams into a house.

The enemy does not care who it kills just as long as they can gain a hamlet or something. I want to say to Mr. Jeff Simon; you say that you get disgusted because of people standing for the national anthem or saluting the flag. Well maybe everything isn't peachy with the United States of America. But have you ever seen a government whether it be imperialistic, socialist, or capitalistic, not making some inexcusable errors? I say no. For all that is wrong with America I say love it or leave it! You can't help the USA by undermining the government; to strive to improve it. I am still proud to serve God and America.

LC PI Dennie Richmond U.S.M.C. Friendship, New York dated Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1973

honor were presented to Mrs. Leo Snyder.

Meat Specials at the Market Basket this week are: — Plate Beef lb. 6c, Neck Bones lb. 5c, Bacon Squares lb. 9c, Fresh Callas lb. 7c, and Chuck Roast of Beef lb. 12c.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Caffery were honored at a shower at the West Greenwood Grange, Saturday evening.

While working in his wood lot last week Louis Dean of South

Hill, tapped a few trees and made a fine sample of January syrup.

Mrs. Helen Clarke of Alfred University, spent Friday and Saturday with Mrs. Maude Clarke of Independence.

Edward Cable was home from Kenmore for the week-end, his daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Bennion and children accompanied him.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Davis spent Thursday and Friday with his sis-

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