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Hundreds of fish in the Mary's River in Oregon have been killed as a result of a manure spill blamed on Oregon State University.

The manure spill occurred in July and went undetected until dead trout, crayfish and non-game fish were found floating belly-up in pools in the tributaries of the Mary's River.

Department of Environmental Quality officials said the fish kill was caused by the spilling of a mixture of cow manure and water from a research dairy farm on the OSU campus. The head of OSU's Animal Sciences Department said a valve on a pipe used for spraying the manure on cornfields was accidentally left open, allowing the manure mixture to reach Oak Creek.

The manure suffocated the fish by depleting the oxygen dissolved in the stream water.

The Oregonian, July 28

It's a sad time in Seneca Falls, New York — Eisenhower College, founded in 1965 by friends and colleagues of the former president, is closing.

The college has been operating as one of 10 colleges of the Rochester Institute of Technology since 1979. It has lost \$5.7 million in the past three years.

The closure means the 484 students enrolled for the fall at the four-year liberal arts college will have to find another college to attend.

The Oregonian, July 24

The Media Must Obey Party. That's the headline for a Chinese Communist Party directive relevant to "Propaganda in periodicals, newspapers and radio broadcasts" coming out of mainland China.

The Party decided to "request" that periodicals, newspapers, radio and television "must conform strictly" to the policies and directives of the Third Plenary Session of the Eleventh CCP and thereafter in carrying on propaganda.

The directive went on to say that from then on, the most important missions of the media were to protect and develop a political situation of stability and solidarity and to guarantee that the people's economy will go on to further readjustment and smooth progress.

The media is also "requested" that they "must not rock the boat."

Inside China Mainland, July, 1982

The University of Florida is a "different" sort of university. An oversight is being blamed for the Health Center's depositing of embalmed horses' legs, cut at the hip, in an open barrel.

Complaints weren't caused primarily by the unsightly barrel of horses' legs in the open courtyard. Complaints were mostly concerned that the legs were saturated with a suspected carcinogen often used for embalming.

Officials said the slip-up occurred when "someone forgot" to take the horses' legs to the College of Veterinary Medicine for incineration.

The horses' legs were used in a freshman veterinary anatomy course.

The Independent Florida Alligator, July 6

The student newspaper at Northern Illinois University broke a major telephone credit card scandal at the university. NIU was conducting its own investigation of unauthorized third-party use of the university's phone credit card system. Acting on anonymous telephone tips, the newspaper focused its investigation on the athletic department.

Zeroing in on men's football and basketball, a reporter found the athletic department had overspent its \$10,000 telephone budget by more than \$88,000.

Athletic and NIU officials had no comment on the charges. But soon other media in northern Illinois picked up the story. Subsequent investigations revealed that one football recruit obtained the credit card number from an assistant football coach and gave it out to friends across the country.

Collegiate Hedlines, July 1982

A gasoline bomb gutted a downtown Zurich, Switzerland McDonald's restaurant. No one was injured in what Zurich police call an attack by members of the city's "disenchanted youth movement."

A police spokesman reported the window panes of the American fast-food restaurant had already been the target of rock-throwing youths several times last year.

Zurich has been the scene of 13 months of often violent "youth unrest" ending last summer. The worst riots and bombings occurred in the summer of 1980 and caused nearly \$12 million in property damage and sales losses to the city. The riots were prompted by the closing of a youth center, which was alleged by city officials to have become a haven for drug addicts and dealers.

The State News, July 3

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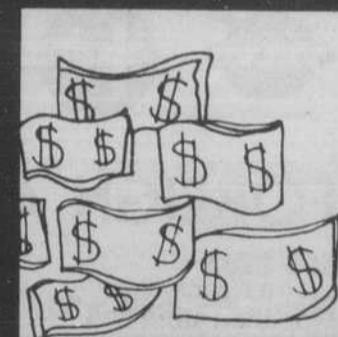
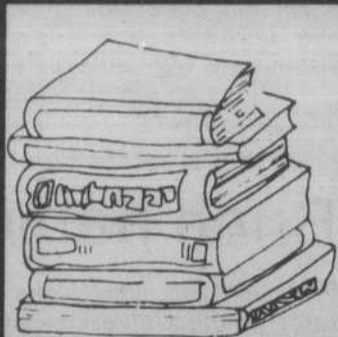
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