

Get to work on time—worry of commuters

By Jesse Bogue
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NEW YORK (UPI) — What haunted the big city commuter during the rail strike threat, and may arise to harass him again, was his prospect for getting to work on time even if he got into a car pool.

Lack of rush hour room on the highways, lack of parking spaces for an unexpected bulge in the number of vehicles, such as would have occurred in this and other cities, is a problem still to be solved by this and other municipalities.

Further complicating the picture would be a rise in truck traffic on feeder highways, as over-the-road freight shipment rose to compensate for loss of rail freight space.

A recent report by the Automobile Manufacturers Association Inc., (AMA) Detroit, Mich., noted that in New York, Chicago and Philadelphia, which have well-developed rapid transit systems, more than three-quarters of all peak hour passenger trips to and from the downtown area were using such facilities.

In peak travel hours, it found, nearly all automobile trips in such cities were made to or from locations other than the downtown area.

But loss of commuter railroad facilities would have knotted morning and evening roadways in most downtown areas, and few indeed expect the automobile traffic problem in downtowns to get better before it gets worse.

The AMA report, prepared by the Highway Economics Research Committee made up of transportation economists experts from major motor vehicle manufacturers, found that even the partially completed urban freeways in existence today can reduce traffic on main streets within the cities. They allow cars to by-pass the central area.

But whatever is done with the downtown traffic problem now or in event that a rail strike occurs after July 29, there are some who see truly drastic changes in downtown areas within the next 10 years.

Investors Reader, publication of Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, has taken a 10-year look ahead in its 20th anniversary edition, and saw that "seemingly inevitable creeping congestion which already threatens the cities should help other forms of transportation.

"Above all," said the magazine, "it forces the need for rapid transit facilities." It recalled that the Wabco Mass Transit Center of Westinghouse Air Brake had estimated \$10 billion will be spent on transit by 1980, and "new concepts notwithstanding, about 75 per cent will be for advanced versions of conventional rail systems."

Social pressure on children often reason behind low grades

By David Nydick
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Occasionally an outstanding student may bring home unusually low grades on his report card. The child intentionally failed a test or missed answers. Don't be surprised. This unfortunately is a problem in some schools.

The basis of the problem is social pressure. The feeling is that other children will not be friendly with a good student. They will make him an outsider. This is strong pressure for any pupil.

This type of problem usually is started by students who are not doing well in their own school work. They are trying to build their own stature. The problem becomes serious when the better students do poorly so that they can be part of the group. It is important to teenagers to be liked.

Recognition Not Easy

Parents will not find it easy to recognize this problem. Their child will not readily admit he intentionally got poor grades. You will only be able to tell by observing an unusual drop in marks without any obvious reason. If you think this problem exists don't waste any time in getting it corrected.

There are various factors to be considered. It is not a minor difficulty for a child to work out. If he believes his acceptance depends upon being a poor student, there certainly can be an effect upon his grades.

As a parent you should have a



DEMONSTRATIONS IN LONDON—Mrs. Betty Ambatielos, wife of jailed Greek Seaman's Union leader Tony Ambatielos, is chased, at left, by police as she runs across Victoria Embankment trying to reach King Paul and Queen Frederika of Greece.



At right, Mrs. Ambatielos is carried away from neighborhood of Westminster Pier, having tried in vain to show the Greek rulers a placard protesting her husband's 16 years in prison.

Junta clamps control on tiny nation

QUITO, Ecuador (UPI) — The military junta which ousted hard-drinking President Carlos Julio Arosemena clamped tight control on Ecuador today and promised heavy penalties for anyone opposing it.

The nation's military chiefs deposed Arosemena in a bloodless coup d'etat Thursday and put him aboard a military plane to Panama, where he arrived late Thursday night and was taken to a hotel.

Four persons were reported injured in anti-military rioting in Quito and the port city of Guayaquil following the coup.

The junta announced a strict 9 p.m. curfew in Guayaquil and put the entire nation under military law. Censorship was established, all constitutional guarantees were suspended, and summary punishment was promised for anyone attempting to disturb the peace.

Quito radio stations said the president insulted several foreign ambassadors at the reception, and this culminated a series of incidents which led the military to depose him.

Newspapers in Chile charged early this year that Arosemena insulted Chilean President Jorge Alessandri at a formal banquet during Alessandri's state visit to Ecuador.

Elizabeth Taylor utters words of Hamlet, visits home village

By Robert Musel
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LONDON (UPI) — A few yards down the road from where stood William Shakespeare's own theater, such a Hamlet as the bard himself never envisaged quoted his famous advice to actors:

"Speak the speech, I pray you, as I pronounced it to you trippingly on the tongue; but if you mouth it, as many of your players do, I had as lief the town-crier spoke my lines."

Elizabeth Taylor let the words die away on the historic air of the Backside district of London and smiled into the camera recording the last scene of her first venture into television — an hour-long "mosaic" of the city of her birth 31 years ago.

Whatever Shakespeare may have thought of a beautiful brunette with violet eyes and a fetching costume by Yves St. Laurent quoting Hamlet in the street, the performance won the applause of at least one eminent authority on the subject — Richard Burton.

Burton, whose own Hamlet at the Old Vic theatre was praised by critics as one of the best of the century, spent a day off from making a new movie to observe his good neighbor — they both live at the Dorchester Hotel — at work.

And this is only fair because Miss Taylor spends all her spare time at the studio watching him become a saint — the martyred Thomas-A-Becket.

Beer For The Crew

"Marvelous," said Burton ushering Miss Taylor toward an ancient tavern, the Anchor, and flags of beer all around for the crew of the television spectacular which will be seen in the United States sometime in the autumn.

The beers were followed by champagne and the champagne by food and everyone in the old pub found themselves involved in a party with Miss Taylor, a hostess so relaxed and happy that quite a few present speculated she and Burton have reached some final understanding on their

Mine search 'temporarily suspended'

PITTSBURGH (UPI)—A search for three teen-agers feared lost in the depths of the No. 2 shaft of the old Castle Shannon Coal Co. mine near here was "temporarily suspended" early today by Thomas MacDonald of the Pittsburgh office of the U.S. Bureau of Mines.

"We have temporarily suspended the search until 2 p.m.," MacDonald said. "If nothing is heard from the boys by that time we will attempt to press further into the mine."

Meanwhile, Castle Shannon Police Chief Andrew Orr said a nationwide alert was out for Daniel O'Kane and Billy Burke, both 13, of nearby Baldwin Borough and Robert Abbott, 14, of Pittsburgh.

Orr said authorities were checking the possibility that the youngsters, reported missing Thursday after their bicycles were discovered near the mine entrance, "may have struck out on their own."

He said the Abbott boy had moved here recently from Florida. MacDonald said after the last rescue units surfaced early today that the searchers had "examined every inch that was humanly possible to examine." His later statement that the volunteers may press further into the mine this afternoon indicated the rescue teams could encounter physical dangers if they continue the search.

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Started At Top

Miss Taylor was one of the last of the big stars to hold out against television until she met Norman Baer, 37, and Phil D'Antoni, 34, two American network executives who decided to go into production themselves and start at the top. They flew over without the usual battery of lawyers but with enthusiasm and an idea.

Miss Taylor found the approach refreshing — and she had committed herself she astonished Baer and D'Antoni with her willingness to film around London in all weather conditions and often in front of gaping crowds.

"She has been absolutely wonderful," said producer-director Sid Smith. "Not a sign of temperament. London as seen through her eyes will be a memorable television experience."

Cuban exile says Russians sank 'Sno' Boy

MIAMI (UPI)—A Cuban exile leader says the fishing boat 'Sno' Boy was "intentionally sunk" by Russian trawlers when it surprised the Soviet vessels engaging in "espionage" activities in the Caribbean.

The 'Sno' Boy has been missing since July 1 on a voyage from Kingston, Jamaica, to Northeast Cay with 40 persons aboard.

The exile leader, Dr. Luis Conte Aguiar, said Thursday night he believed the 63-foot vessel "surprised Russian trawlers engaged in clandestine espionage activities in the area and was intentionally sunk."

The U. S. Navy called off a widespread search for the 'Sno' Boy July 8, theorizing the blue and white boat either sunk in high seas or broke up on a reef.

Conte, leader of the Sentinels of Liberty underground organization, said an amateur radio operator in Key West, Fla., picked up a message from the Norwegian freighter Baume July 7 saying it had sighted three Russian trawlers about 30 miles west of Jamaica.

United States in throes of 'invention explosion'

By Dick West
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WASHINGTON (UPI)—According to a magazine article published this week, the United States is experiencing an invention explosion of even greater magnitude than the population explosion.

Our old Yankee ingenuity is sparking new ideas so fast that the U.S. Patent Office can't keep up with them. At last count, it was almost 200,000 applications behind.

To realize how really big the backlog is, one must consider a statement made by Patent Commissioner David L. Ladd in an interview with U.S. News & World Report.

Ladd said the problem could not be solved by hiring more employees.

I never thought I'd live to see the day when a bureaucrat would make a statement like that.

Picks Up List

It shook me up so much that I stopped by the Patent Office and picked up a copy of its weekly list of new inventions. I could immediately understand why Ladd was feeling desperate.

During that one week alone, his office issued more than 900 patents, the scope and variety of which would make your head spin except for a few inventions that apparently were designed to make your head stop spinning.

Here are just a few of the de-

vices that were awarded patents in that period:

A disposable paint brush; a machine for skinning fish; an apparatus for measuring the length of trousers; a retractable awning that you can run out over your auto's windshield when it starts to rain.

A self-cleaning ash tray; a hair brush that is grounded so that it removes static electricity from hair; a serving spoon that you can eat when you have finished serving.

New Mousetrap

There was even a new, though not necessarily better, mousetrap. If my understanding of the way it works is correct, it lures a mouse into a container where he eats so much cheese he becomes too fat to get back out again.

I assume the mouse stays there until the fatty diet and lack of exercise raises his cholesterol content to the point where he suffers a fatal heart attack.

To my mind, however, nothing points up the complexity of modern life quite so much as a new type of brassiere invented by a lady of Bridgeport, Conn.

This device is described as having seven segments, one being "a pair of shoulder straps, each connected at its forward end to said upwardly directed apex of a respective transition member and connected at its rearward end to the upper edge of said band at a point adapted to be disposed at the back of the wearer."

All of that just so some doll can look good in a sweater. No wonder the patent office is swamped.

Royalty in Athens after dogged trip

LONDON (UPI) — King Paul and Queen Frederika of Greece flew home to Athens today, ending a tumultuous four-day state visit to Britain marked by demonstrations, street fighting and an unprecedented booning of Queen Elizabeth.

Members of one of the biggest security guards in peacetime British history arrested at least 171 demonstrators during the visit. Several persons were injured in skirmishes between police and mobs demanding the release of political prisoners in Greece.

The tension that gripped London seemed to have abated by the time Paul and Frederika flew off in a special Olympic Airways jetliner. But police took no chances, assigning 60 men to London Airport, and others to check the roads from Buckingham Palace.

Queen Elizabeth, Prince Philip, Princess Anne and Prince Andrew saw the Greek royal couple off at the palace. Prince Andrew kept waving as the royal motorcade, including a busload of police constables, 16 motorcycle policemen and three police cars, rolled away.

Police arrested 75 demonstrators Thursday night when more street fighting broke out while the Greek monarchs hosted Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip at their hotel.

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