

# Hollywood Press Meet With Red Film Moguls Termed Exasperating

HOLLYWOOD (UPI)—If Soviet would answer as best they were able.

First question: "Why are you in Hollywood?"

This set off an explosive huddle during which every Russian discussed the knotty query with his neighbor. Finally, director Sergi Lutkevich (who proved most talkative) answered solemnly: "We are tourists."

His fellow-tourists nodded approval, though none spoke English.

Next they were asked who was the favorite American performer in Russia. It was a bombshell. They shouted 21 different names, which shrank to only two within a few minutes. Spokesman Lutkevich made it clear that Henry Fonda, indeed, was the Russian favorite.

But one of the actresses, an elderly Bette Davis type, held out for Katherine Hepburn until one of her associates convinced her she meant Audrey Hepburn. Once this was settled, Lutkevich said, "Henry Fonda and Audrey Hepburn," which cheered the actress considerably.

"What percentage of the 120 films you produce yearly have a political theme?" was the next question.

Lordy, you'd have thought they'd been asked for the Russian H-bomb secrets.

Half the Russians left their chairs to discuss this one. The translator looked pained and resentful.

Again, Lutkevich came to the rescue.

"Every picture made in every country has some political theme. It is a matter of degree," he said, in the Russian equivalent to "no comment."

Obviously by now the Russians had lost interest in the conference. They began talking to one another in loud voices, paying not the slightest heed to further questions.

In the ensuing confusion Audrey Hepburn's name was heard several times, but nobody paid much attention.

At last the translator thanked the press and we filed out along with the Russians, one of whom stopped on the sidewalk to give a Russian postcard to a 10-year-old boy.

"It ain't autographed," the youngster complained.

## California Weather

United Press International

San Francisco Bay Area: Fair through Wednesday; little change in temperature; high today 64-69; low tonight 40-50; gentle winds; no chance of rain.

Mt. Shasta-Siskiyou area: Variable cloudiness through Wednesday; little change in temperature.

Sierra Nevada: Fair through Wednesday; little change in temperature.

Sacramento Valley: Occasional high cloudiness, otherwise fair through Wednesday; little change in temperature; high both days 64-69; low tonight 37-44; gentle winds.

Northwestern California: Mostly fair through Wednesday but some high cloudiness; variable fog and low clouds on coast night and morning; little change in temperature; high today and low tonight Napa 70-87, Ukiah 70-88, Santa Rosa 70-84; coastal winds variable 8-18 m.p.h.

## "DENNIS THE MENACE"



"I DON'T THINK HE'S FEELING WELL. NOBODY'S COMPLAINED ABOUT HIM ALL DAY!"

## Actor Houses Menagerie In Spacious Mansion Home

By BOB THOMAS  
AP Movie-TV Writer

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Those who think that Hollywood is losing its characters should take a trip to Steve Cochran's house.

Some place! It's gotta swimming pool that looks more like a mountain lake, complete with island. Also 25 animals, including two goats and a deer named Taby.

The house clings to a hillside. The first greeter is Shane, a German shepherd, and his pal Taby, an extremely companionable deer of four months. There are cats all over the place.

Steve appears in blue jeans, dirty shirt and bare feet—he's no beatnik, just likes comfort. He explains about Taby: It was found on a mountain road with rear end smashed by a car. Steve adopted it, had a vet fix its hind quarters with steel pins.

Taby is recovered now, he adds, and is handy around the house. Loves cigarette butts and cleans out all the ash trays. Only trouble: Taby drinks. It sneaks around at parties and takes sips from the guests' glasses.

Steve wanders through the house, which is a normal California ranch-type with a 50-year-old slot machine and an ancient piano. Outside, he shows the sunken bar he is building. It will house some huge whisky barrels, in which he plans to make his own wine.

Then he ambles down the two-acre estate to his latest addition. It's a monstrous swimming pool with a tropical island in the middle. "The pool started out to be 48 feet long," Steve says, "but the time I finished, it was 66 feet. I'm going to stock it with perch."

The pool, which is classified as a reservoir for tax reasons, will eventually have a waterfall flowing into it and a mountain stream continuing down the mountain. Cost of the project: \$12,000.

In another part of the grounds, Steve introduces two other pals, Gretchen and Heidi. Both goats, but one smells like a goat and the other doesn't.

"Cats!" says Cochran. "I've got seven of them—at mealtime, three more wild ones come out of the brush. One cat is named Zsa Zsa—she's mean and unfriendly and won't eat with the other cats. She's a real cool cat."

And so is a guy named Steve Cochran.

## Weather Table

United Press International  
Temperatures and rainfall for 24 hours ending at 4 a.m.

	High	Low	Rain
Albuquerque	57	33	—
Allanta	51	46	—
Bakersfield	69	—	—
Boise	43	23	—
Boston	30	23	—
Brownsville	67	57	—
Chicago	30	21	—
Denver	36	35	—
Detroit	30	25	—
El Centro	78	49	—
Fairbanks	4	0	T.
Fort Worth	14	10	—
Fresno	67	38	—
Helena	53	44	—
Kansas City	47	29	—
Los Angeles	77	52	—
Miami	79	68	.01
Minneapolis	27	14	—
New Orleans	68	56	—
New York	34	33	—
Oakland	74	57	—
Oklahoma City	47	43	.57
Phoenix	71	46	—
Pittsburgh	33	25	—
Red Bluff	64	33	—
Reno	63	22	—
Sacramento	63	42	—
Salt Lake City	45	23	—
San Diego	73	50	—
San Francisco	64	54	—
Seattle	57	—	—
Spokane	47	37	.03
Stockton	63	41	—
Thermal	84	37	—
Tucson	70	44	—
Washington	42	29	—

## Virginia's Flag Policy Stirs Up Genuine Fuss

RICHMOND, Va. (AP)—Old Glory comes out on top—literally speaking—when it comes to displaying the federal and state flags from the domes of state capitol buildings across the nation.

Flag-flying policies here stirred up a genuine fuss recently when Gov. J. Lindsay Almond Jr. announced Virginia's blue standard would replace the U.S. banner on the capitol's lone center stanchion.

Almond readily explained he wasn't hauling down the Stars and Stripes for keeps but that until a second pole of equal height could be erected the state banner would wave alone.

Last week Almond altered his stand somewhat. The high stanchion on the center roof was bare. Both state and federal flags were displayed at opposite ends of the capitol until the flagpole work is completed on the main roof.

The state-by-state flag count showed that the red, white and blue flutters atop all but one stanchion on the capitol. Maryland hoists only the state flag. The U.S. flag goes up on national holidays side by side with the state banner.

Twenty-six states display the federal banner higher than their state flags. Fifteen give equal height.

Kansas and Colorado fly only

the U.S. flag, with the state banner displayed either on the interior or on the outside grounds.

Dixie states, where the federal versus state power fight is centered, report a preference for the American flag over their state banners.

Mississippi displays both flags from separate poles of equal height but puts the U.S. banner on the right.

Louisiana displays the national flag alone from the outside of the building and gives the state flag a subordinate position at the capitol's entrance hall.

South Carolina flies the U.S. flag above the state banner from the same pole. Texas on separate stanchions but the U.S. flag slightly higher. Florida displays the national banner over its dome with the state flag having a less prominent place over one wing.

Georgia gives preference to the national flag in its display.

Arkansas displays its two flags from opposite sides of the capitol. Alabama has a dual flag policy, flying the state flag when its Legislature convenes and the U.S.

## New Heart Operation May Solve Disabling Chest Pains

By DELOS SMITH  
UPI Science Editor

NEW YORK (UPI)—A brand new heart operation points toward a surgical solution for angina pectoris, a disease which causes disabling chest pains when the victim exerts himself and thus makes countless cardiac cripples.

When the heart muscle doesn't get enough blood to meet the immediate demands being made upon it, you have angina pectoris. But what causes these passing failures in blood supply to the muscle is a matter for scientific argument. Some authorities list angina pectoris as a psychosomatic disease.

The new operation is based on the premise that in the severe form of the disease one or more of the three major branches of the main heart artery has been plugged entirely by the fatty substances which cause "hardening" of the arteries.

Three professors of the University of California Medical School, Los Angeles, devised an operation to correct such a situation (if it existed) by the most direct means possible. The surgeon exposes the heart, looks at and feels the arterial branches where they connect with the main heart artery, and removes the plug if one is found.

They have tried the operation on five men whose angina pectoris had made them cripples. In all five they found arterial plugs and removed them. One died of surgical complications. The other

four have been greatly improved and one even has a part-time job.

In reporting to the New England Journal of Medicine, Dr. William P. Longmire Jr., professor of surgery, Dr. Jack A. Cannon, associate professor, and Dr. Albert A. Kattus, associate professor of cardiology, made no claim for the operation beyond their proof that it is "technically feasible to re-establish blood flow in previously obstructed major coronary arteries."

Before any one can say for sure that it is a solution for angina pectoris, the operation will have to be performed on a much larger number of patients and the benefits will have to be proven to be lasting. Their four surviving patients are only a year or less away from their operations.

Some of the several operations now used to increase blood flow to the heart muscle, is good enough to have been generally accepted by surgeons, they pointed out. It seemed to them that the best procedure would be to remove any obstructions from the heart arteries directly. This is done routinely in blocked arteries which are near the surface. Then why not in heart arteries?

They invented two surgical tools with which to open arterial branches at their junctures with the main heart artery, and remove any obstructing core. Since it was doubtful that techniques could cope with such surgery in an artery under the pressure of a heart artery, the operation was first tried and proved in laboratory animals.

## Amateur Rocket Hazards Cited By Civil Air Board

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Civil Aeronautics Board stepped in today to protect airplanes from the hazards of amateur rocketry.

No airplane has been shot down by the amateurs' missiles and rockets—yet or otherwise—but the CAB said there is growing concern over the hazards.

"This concern has been enlarged by recent large-scale production of rockets which are available to the general public at a relatively small cost through hobby shops and department stores," it said.

To prevent such equipment from becoming potential anti-aircraft weapons, the CAB proposed a series of amendments to civil air regulations under which it controls air space. It will accept comments from anyone concerned until Jan. 27, and will act after that.

The board proposed to prohibit rocket and missile firings within five miles of any airport, and to ban them entirely in areas of controlled air space such as civil airways and airport traffic patterns.

The new rules also would prohibit firings to a height of more than 500 feet unless the launch site and firing were approved by the administrator of civil aeronautics.

The board tacitly conceded it

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