

Men In 40s Take Over In Capital

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NEW YORK (AP)—Life begins at 40 in Washington these days—and also in many business fields. In government, men in their forties are taking over, in the White House, and in many cabinet and other top posts.

But industry also can muster a sizable list of companies headed by men in their forties, and by some even younger. They have come up fast in their fields, just as did President-elect Kennedy, 43, in his—and as did the photo-finish loser, Nixon, 47, in the same field of politics.

Spanning the industrial and political endeavors will be Robert S. McNamara, who at 44 is quitting as president of Ford Motors to become defense secretary.

In industry there are 1,600 heads of successful enterprises who are members of the Young Presidents' Organization, in the membership lapses at the age of 40.

The great majority of corporate chiefs are well above that age, of course. For most, it has been a long climb up the executive ladder. For many the tenure of the top office will be short because it has been won only when close to the retirement age, or upon the death of an incumbent, also at a mellow age.

But throughout the nation's business history there have always been exceptions, young men who have risen fast. Some have headed young companies. Others have taken over established big concerns.

Some of today's young executives run enterprises owned by their families.

Many others have made their way up in concerns in which they own little stock. An example is McNamara, who climbed to the Ford presidency a month before being tapped for the defense job.

Some have become the youthful president of a company that absorbed a smaller one he was running. An example: Norman E. Alexander, 46, who became president of Sun Chemical three years ago when it took over Ansbacher-Siegle, a pigment manufacturing firm that he had headed since he was 38.

In his three years at Sun Chemical sales have risen from \$42 million a year to \$60 million. He advocates decentralization and delegation of authority and use of management training programs. Today Alexander also is president of TV and radio stations KXLY in Spokane, Wash., and KFLP in El Paso, Texas, and of Federal Color Inc. of Cincinnati, Ohio.

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"The motor SHOULD sound good—I put the price of Junior's next 12 music lessons into it!"

Dances Labeled Immoral

VATICAN CITY (AP)—A Roman Catholic publication carries a moral classification of ballroom dances and their effects.

Vita Pastorale (pastoral life), a periodical put out by Italian Dominicans, says "limited contact" dances—such as the waltz, polka

and mazurka—are "morally innocuous."

It says the most morally dangerous dances are those involving bodily "contacts at intervals." Listed among these were the rumba, mambo, samba, cha-cha-cha, boogie-woogie.

Vita Pastorale classifies "external contact" dances—like the fox trot, charleston and one step—as bordering on sin.

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Pilots Say Radio Beacon Not Working On Dec. 16

NEW YORK (UPI)—Four jet airline pilots have testified that a vital radio navigational beacon was malfunctioning on Dec. 16, the day a DC jet collided with another airliner over New York in aviation's worst disaster.

The United Air Lines DC8 may have been depending on the beacon—known as the Colts Neck omni station—to zero in on the Preston holding pattern over New Jersey. The jet was about 11 miles off course when it collided with a Trans World Airlines Super Constellation, killing 134 persons.

Four pilots told a Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) hearing Friday that they were unable to pick up or were misdirected by the Colts Neck signal. One of them strayed onto the same collision course that the United jet had flown.

But a fifth pilot, who was in the air when the planes collided, said he had no trouble with the signal.

The hearing went into its fourth session Monday. No CAB report on the probable cause of the collision is expected for several months.

The Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) has said the Colts Neck signal was found operating normally immediately after the crash.

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Q. I am very ticklish. Does this have any medical significance?

A. According to a research team that made "tickle tests" at a large hospital, if you are very ticklish, you are also very emotional. By the way, most children don't develop ticklishness until they are three or four years old.

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There were no injuries. A Navy spokesman said the pilot, flying at 30,000 feet, did not release the almost-empty fuel tanks. An investigation has been ordered to determine what caused the malfunctioning of the release mechanism.

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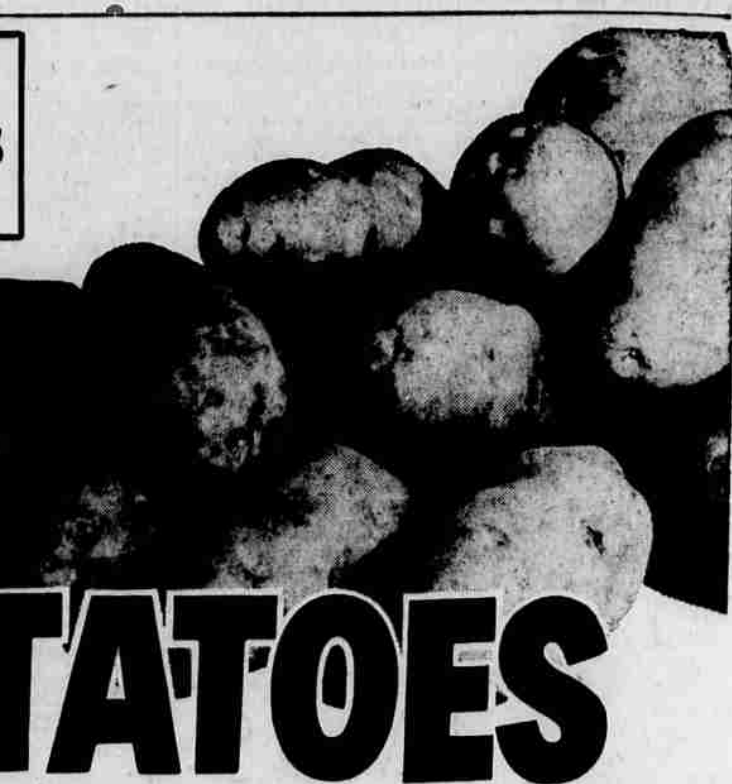
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