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Today's Chuckle

Why bother to climb the ladder of success? Wait a while and the government will probably build you an escalator.

Adults Only: Handy Device to Silence Film Censors

BY JAMES H. DYGERT
Free Press Entertainment Editor

Let me assure you that at the tender age of 15 we know, and have known for a long time, all about sex. We have more intelligence than you give us credit for. Believe me, many 15-year-olds are as mature or more mature than 18-year-olds in this matter...

Movie Censorship In Detroit

The letter was sent to Ross Caccavale, general manager of the Studio theaters, who said the girls had tried twice to get in to see 'Georgy Girl.' After receiving the letter, Caccavale telephoned the mother of one of the girls, and was told that the mother had seen the film and recommended it to her daughter. He sent the girls two free passes to 'Georgy Girl.' Their letter, Caccavale said, reflects an attitude he frequently encounters among teen-agers he turns away at the box office.

two girls: 'I wish I'd had your letter in possession countless times in the past when I've had to contend with professional do-gooders worried about the corruptive possibilities of foreign films, which have long treated sex with more candor and realism than American films. Personally, I agree with you regarding the maturity of most girls of 15 and their abilities to see and judge movies without being tainted by them...'

officials know they can trust me when I impose these arbitrary age limits. IN OTHER WORDS, the 'reason for the rule' is to enable him to show sexually realistic foreign films uncensored. Authorities permit him this freedom as long as he maintains an adults-only policy.

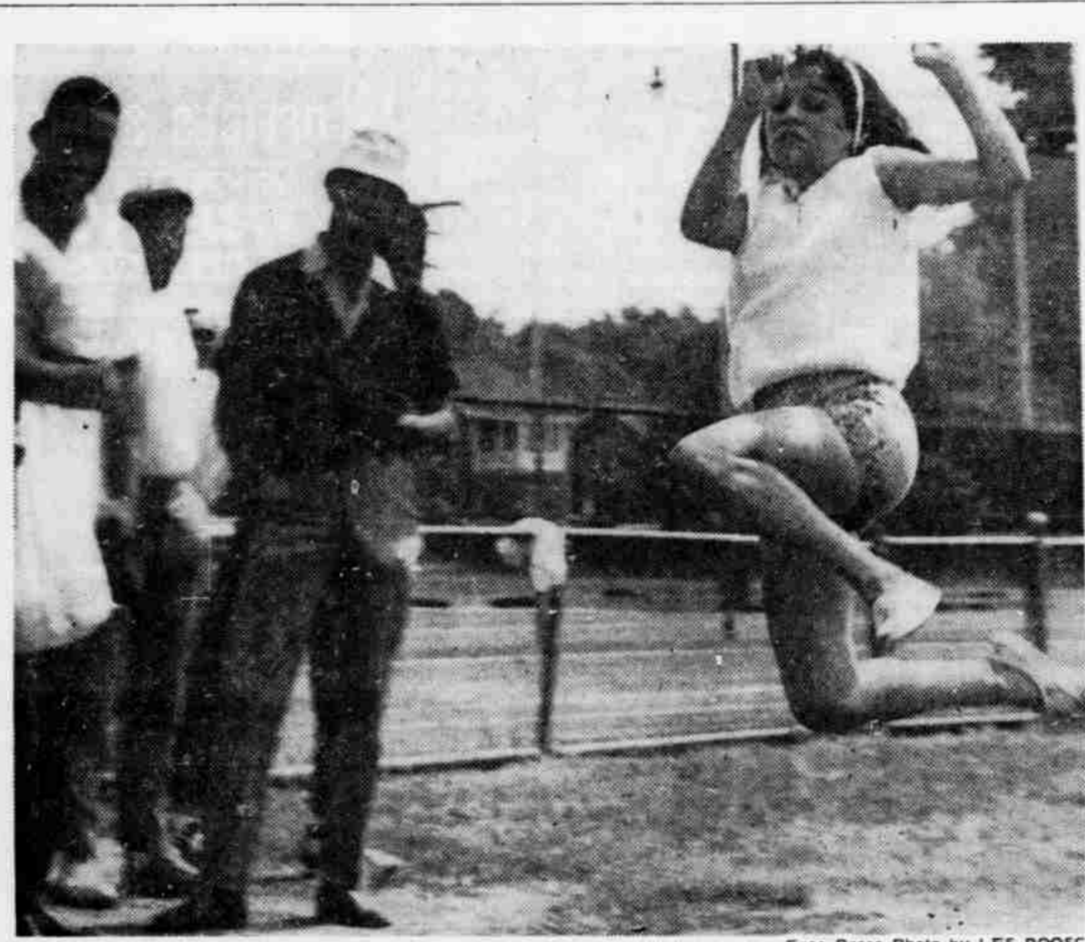
THESE SENTIMENTS came from two 15-year-old girls protesting the refusal of the Studio-North Theater to admit them to see the sexually candid British film 'Georgy Girl' because of a policy against admitting anyone under 18.

7 Indicted As Juror Ends Term

BY JUDY WAX
Free Press Staff Writer

Oakland County Grand Juror James S. Thorburn returned seven last-minute indictments Tuesday, ahead of the mid-night deadline for his investigation of alleged crime and corruption. The indictments named: Peter J. Bellanca, general counsel of Hazel Park race track, on a perjury charge stemming from an appearance before Thorburn Thursday.

Mayor and 2 Aides Quit In Flint Housing-Vote Row



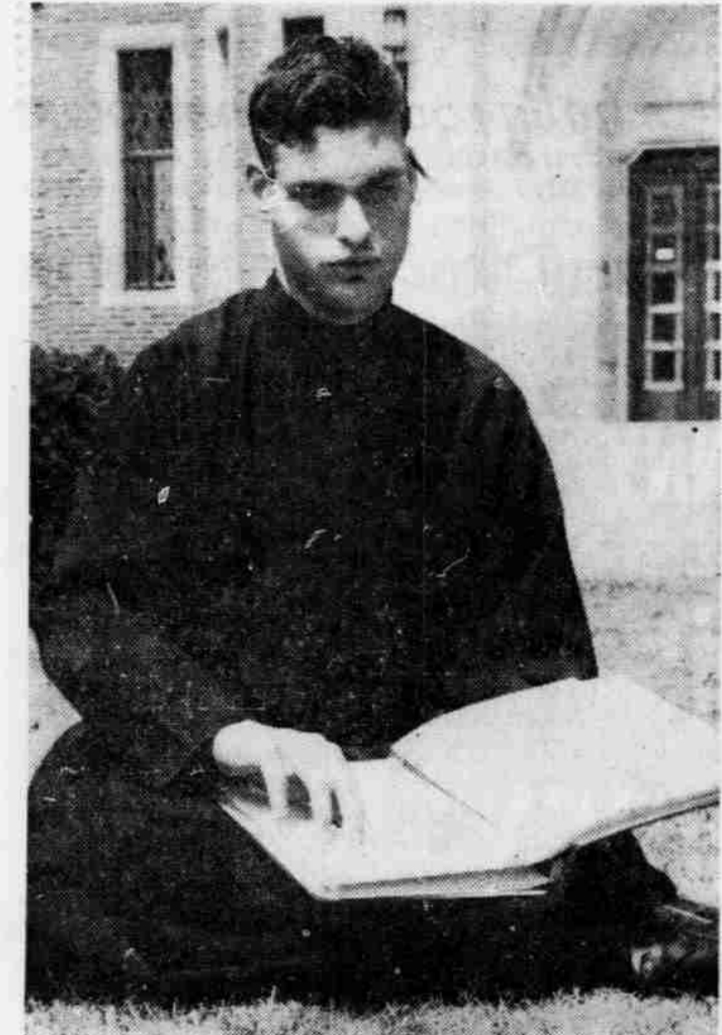
Big Leap Lands Her in New York

Practicing for this weekend's U.S. Youth Games in New York is Paula Saperstein, citywide winner in the running broad jump. Paula and 81 other children, ages 10 to 15, will represent Detroit in 17 track and field events, a basketball tournament and a bowling tournament.

Negroes Protest At Bill's Rejection

FLINT — Two Negro members of the city's Human Relations Commission resigned Tuesday, joining Flint's Negro Mayor Floyd McCree in a protest against the city commission's defeat of an open-housing ordinance. And a Negro head of the Flint Housing Commission hinted that he, too, would leave his job as city Negroes reacted to the commission's vote Monday night, which triggered McCree's resignation.

SOME FLINT politicians say they believe McCree is giving his eight white commission colleagues time for some 'soul searching' but others doubt if he will change his mind about stepping down. The two HRC members who resigned were John W. Mack, head of the Flint Urban League, and Leo A. Greene, a funeral home operator.



Gilbert Pries: Blind but accepted

Blind Teen Wins Fight to Be Priest

By HILEY H. WARD
Free Press Religion Writer

A blind youth in Detroit has been accepted for studies for the priesthood. The Detroit Passionist Fathers say that approval from Rome for Gilbert Pries, 19, to proceed with a seven-year course for the priesthood is without precedent in the nation. They say there has been one blind man accepted in Canada, but none in the U.S.

Pries, who has just completed his one-year novitiate with the Passionist Fathers at St. Paul of the Cross Monastery, 23333 Schoolcraft, will take his first vows at 10 a.m. Saturday in the monastery chapel. His final vows would come in three years and ordination as a priest in seven. He will now study at Bellarmine College, Louisville, Ky.

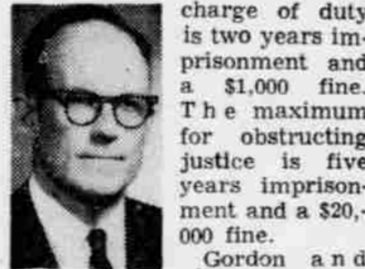
PRIES' acceptance with the Passionist Fathers came after three years of heartache in high school and one year at Loyola College in Los Angeles—nine different religious orders turned him down because of blindness. He said vocational directors of other orders wrote him 'God has not destined you for a religious vocation' and 'one order even wrote my parents and said they were morally wrong to encourage me to be a priest.'

HOWEVER, he is also interested in counseling individuals and small groups. 'The priest has to get to the individual,' he says, 'and work with small groups and not be on a pedestal as a judge.'

THE Rev. Father Joseph Connelly, director of vocations, Holy Cross Province of the Passionists, St. Louis, took an interest in Pries and finally received approval to accept the blind youth despite his 'impediment.' The approval came from Ildibrando Cardinal Antonini, head of the recently disbanded department of religious vocations of the Vatican Sacred Congregation of Religions.

Sells Cycle to First Caller With FP Want Ad

Ruth Brandon, Detroit, placed a fast-ACTION Free Press Want Ad and the first caller bought her motor-cycle for \$1,050. 'I sold the bike early in the morning before I went to work,' she says. To sell all types of items, be sure to use Free Press Want Ads exclusively. Call an Ad Informant today. Dial 222-6800



Thorburn

Thorburn is accused of having warned Anna M. LaCharite on Aug. 7 to stay away from her Birmingham office, where State Police were waiting to serve her with a subpoena. Her employer is one of the persons named in Tuesday's suppressed indictments. The maximum penalty for resisting an officer in the discharge of duty is two years imprisonment and a \$1,000 fine. The maximum for obstructing justice is five years imprisonment and a \$20,000 fine.

THE ONE-MAN grand jury probe in Oakland County began Aug. 16, 1966, after Kelley called for a probe into alleged irregularities at Hazel Park race-track. Circuit Judge Phillip Pratt was named to conduct the investigation. In September, the investigation was expanded to include all violations of state law within Oakland County.

In March, the state Court of Appeals ruled that the order empowering the grand jury to investigate all violations of state law was not specific enough. Kelley responded by limiting the jury's power to crimes of bribery, conspiracy and extortion.

The grand jury investigation had been scheduled to end in February, but Pratt's fellow judges unanimously approved his petition to extend the probe another six months to midnight Aug. 15. Pratt was disqualified in May after the state Court of Appeals ruled that the Oakland County Circuit Court bench had acted illegally in naming him to a second term as one-man grand juror.

UAW and GM Clash On Skilled Pay Issue

BY FRED OLIMSTED
Free Press Staff Writer

The United Auto Workers and General Motors Corp. clashed Tuesday over union demands for special pay increases for skilled workers. Both sides produced figures purporting to support their positions in the current bargaining on a new contract.

Louis G. Seaton, GM vice-president in charge of personnel and the company's top negotiator, cited Department of Labor figures showing average annual earnings of \$6,738 by building trades workers in 1965, compared with \$3,251 for all blue-collar workers in motor vehicle and equipment manufacturing.

THE FIRST nine months of 1966, Seaton said, showed an annual rate of \$7,040 for the building trades and \$3,312 for the motor vehicle industry. It was the first time in the current talks that the company produced statistics to support the contention that skilled workers are not treated unfairly in the auto industry.

Leonard Woodcock, UAW vice-president in charge of the union's GM department, countered the company's annual figures by producing from another source hourly and weekly statistics.

Woodcock said Michigan Employment Security Commission figures showed that Detroit area building trades workers averaged \$5.16 an hour during 1966, compared with \$3.87 for GM production and skilled trades workers. Both figures include overtime. The weekly wages of \$202.35 for 39.2 hours, exclusive of



Seaton

Woodcock

fringe items, for the building trades compared with \$158.04 for 40.9 hours for GM workers in the United States, Woodcock declared.

HE ADDED that in the first six months of this year, the building trades in the Metropolitan Detroit area got their 'biggest and fattest' increases.

'The building trades rates,' Woodcock said, 'have gone through the ceiling.' He cited the case of an apprentice sheet metal worker receiving \$4.30 an hour, he said, will get \$7 an hour on completion of his apprenticeship.

The problem of the some 110,000 skilled trades workers in the Big Three auto companies has taken on special significance in the current bargaining because agitation among the tradesmen threatens both union solidarity and contract settlement by the Sept. 6 expiration date of the current pact.

UAW skilled tradesmen plan a massive demonstration Aug. 23 to focus attention on their demands for more money and special consideration for their problems. Other dissatisfied skilled workers are seeking, through a rival International Society of Skilled Trades, to

break away from the UAW. The UAW last year granted the skilled tradesmen authority to reject any contract settlement with the auto companies.

The union contends the auto companies practice double standards in the payment of skilled workers.

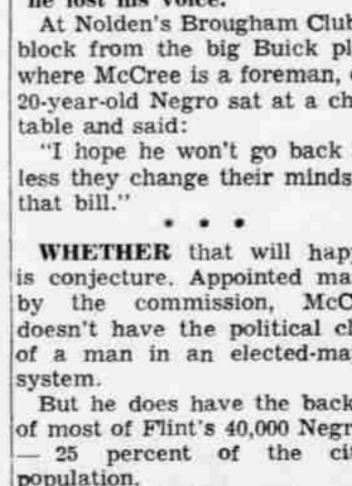
SKILLED UAW members work alongside tradesmen hired by outside contractors but receive lower pay. The union contends. The UAW argues that this 'flagrant inequity' was aggravated last year when skilled tradesmen employed by outside contractors won substantial wage increases and the auto companies refused to open contracts to provide higher pay for UAW craftsmen.

At the UAW special collective bargaining convention last spring, delegates voted that management 'will not be permitted to evade any longer its obligation to provide equal pay for equal work' for UAW skilled tradesmen.

Delegates to the bargaining convention approved contract proposals advanced by the skilled trades conference in Atlantic City in April, 1967. These included abolition of merit pay systems, confinement of work to the bargaining unit, lines of demarcation, classifications, additional representation, journeyman and apprenticeship programs.

Woodcock said he saw no problem in the skilled tradesmen's demand for higher pay. 'There has to be an equitable balance,' he said. 'The more the skilled trades get, the

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a community action meeting across town, angered Flint Negroes.

One young Negro said: 'The whitey down at the commission meeting is supposed to set an example for the common white. We know what the common whitey thinks. There are obvious prejudice reasons why they don't want open housing.'

Nolden, who was one of scores released from jail to calm crowds during Flint's disorder, remarked: 'We don't get nothing.'

The tall, goateed club president is acknowledged to be one of the leaders of Flint's young Negro community and has played a big part in organizing recreation for unemployed youths.

IN HIS CLUB a young Negro at a pool table shouted about his inability to find a job through a city-connected Urban League program using federal money.

'They don't have jobs for me and him and him and him,' he said. 'They just have jobs for the toms.'

'And these are the boys who should be getting those jobs,' Flint Human Relations Director Robert H. Atwood said. 'The tremendous factors in this anger are the need for jobs and fair housing.'

Trench Digger Buried Alive

A Pontiac man was buried alive Monday night when a trench he was digging collapsed on him. The Oakland County Sheriff's Department said Herbert D. Powell, 38, of 2262 Hammerslea, had been working at 3460 Walden, Orion Township. Two children saw that the trench had collapsed and alerted neighbors. Two men uncovered Powell but mouth-to-mouth resuscitation failed to revive him.



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The open-occupancy bill, proposed by the Greater Flint AFL-CIO, would have forbidden discrimination in all rentals, leases, sales and financing of residential property. It would allow an owner discretion on the question of a buyer's credit reputation, size of family and other character references.

THE BILL was defeated 5-3, with one commissioner absent. The decision, which came as the Brougham Club was holding

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