

Nixon 'Murder Plot' Looks Like Hoax

The "Nixon Murder Plot" was further debunked today with the release on bail in New York of the main accused, Ahmed Rageh Amer, an American citizen immigrated from Yemen.

He had been arrested last Saturday on charges of plotting to murder U.S. President-elect Richard M. Nixon based on information from a Yemeni informant.

Friday the American press widely reported the informant as being a man with a long record who had recently been evicted from the Amer flat, where he had been boarding.

Amer was released on a 25,000 dollar bail put together by a group of friends. His sons, Hussein, 20, and Adbo Abdo, 19, arrested with him, are still in jail while their bails are being underwritten.

Exiled Communist Leader Returns to West Germany

The veteran German communist leader, Max Reimann, who yesterday ended fourteen years of exile in East Berlin and returned to West Germany, announced today that he would challenge a long-standing government ban against his party organization.

Reimann, whose return to Germany was prompted by the recent dismissal of "high treason" charges brought against him in 1954 by the former Bonn government of Konrad Adenauer, said he would re-form his communist organization if his court appeal proved effective.

The communist organization of which Reimann was the head was banned in 1956, also by Adenauer, for working "against the interests of the state."

Two months ago, a new West German communist party, reportedly with no ties to the older Reimann group, was formed in Frankfurt.

The Brooklyn District Court earlier this week had reduced the 100,000-dollar bail set at first to 25,000 dollars.

"I love America and I am innocent. I am happy in this country, why should I have done anything like that?", Amer told reporters on being released.

A War That Can't Be Won;

British Paper Terms Biafran War Futile

"Instead of dying down, the Nigerian war is growing," the British liberal daily, *The Guardian*, stated editorially today, blaming French and Chinese aid to Biafra, as well as British and Soviet aid to Lagos, for the development.

The editorialist qualified: "The French have denied arming Biafra directly, but they have clearly helped to organize the massive transfusion which has saved Colonel Ojukwu from the military collapse that seemed imminent a month ago. The Chinese are also in sympathy and seem to be helping too, if only in training guerrillas. Behind the federal government stands the Russians who have been further stepping up their arms shipments, and Britain, which now apparently is being asked to do the same.

He went on to argue that "While the war cannot be won, it is proving equally hard to stop. Col. Ojukwu, who has long been more intransigent than some of his own supporters would wish, is now more so than ever. Nigeria, which has generated a unity of purpose that was formerly lacking, is more determined than ever to finish the

U.S. GOVERNMENT GRANT DOUBLES FOOD & MEDICINE AID TO BIAFRA

The flow of food and medicine aid to Biafra will be doubled through a U.S. government grant of half a million dollars, it was learned today.

The Administration made the sum available to three American charitable organizations which plan to use it to charter a big cargo plane to ferry aid stocks not stored on the Portuguese island of Sao Tome to Biafra.

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war and prevent the disintegration which might follow the successful secession of Biafra.

"If neither side can win, the only hope for peace is through a compromise. This can only come through foreign help and, if necessary, through foreign pressure.

"The best hope is that the British and the French, as the principal outsiders involved, should end the absurd and anachronistic rivalry which has developed. Once both Paris and London are convinced that a compromise can be the only outcome, each can apply pressure it in the right place," the editorialist concluded.

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SECNAV Guest Becomes VA-145 Honorary Swordsman



Mr. R.A. Duhamel, a SECNAV guest aboard Enterprise this week, became an honorary VA-145 Swordsman in ceremonies conducted in Ready Room Four. VA-145's Commanding Officer, Commander N.R. Gooding, Jr., presented the new Swordsman with a squadron patch, picture of the A6A, cigarette lighter, and an Honorary Swordsman card.

Mr. Duhamel completes the first Swordsman Father-Son Team. The son half of the team is Lt. Phil Duhamel, a bombardier/navigator in VA-145.

Mr. Duhamel, a representative for Mitsui & Co. USA (importers-exporters), makes his home in Wickford, Rhode Island. This was his first visit aboard an aircraft carrier and his three days were filled with tours of the various ship's spaces and watching flight operations.

CZECH GOVERNMENT IMPROVES RELATIONS WITH CHURCH

The Czechoslovak government has taken another, though minor, step towards normalization of the state relations with the country's Roman Catholic Church.

Czechoslovak Deputy Minister of Culture and Information Dr. Frantisek Novak has set up a rehabilitation commission at the Secretariat for Church Affairs as his advisory body.

The task of the commission is to deal with the applications from physical or legal persons on out-of-court rehabilitation in the sphere of church activities or religious societies sent to the Ministry of Culture and Information.

It will suggest solutions of cases caused by earlier illegal or incorrect decisions by state or other bodies. According to need it will deal directly with the applicants and give advice if asked for it.

The chairman of the commission, which has already begun work, is Dr. Ladi Lav Prokupek, and its members, apart from officials of the Ministry, are leading experts from the law faculty of Prague University.

Biafra Gets Aid

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The three organizations are the "Catholic Relief Service," the Protestant "Church World Service," and the "American Jewish Committee."

The Administration grant is conditioned on the organizations' acceptance of International Red Cross supervision over the operation. The International Red Cross is the only body Washington recognizes as authorized to operate aid activities in Nigeria.

This position stems from Washington's care to avoid any action that could be construed as recognition of the existence of a separate Biafran state. Washington recognizes the Lagos federal government as the only legal authority in Nigeria and is careful to avoid charges of interference in that country's internal affairs.

WEATHER REPORT

The weather will be cloudy becoming partly cloudy to clear after 1100. The wind will be northwest, at 12-18 knots. Maximum temperature expected is 64, with a minimum of 59.

SUNDAY AT SEA

The Credit-ability Gap

It's almost that time of year again, believe it or not. Exchange Toyland's have opened, the stocks of Christmas cards are being put out, Christmas catalogs are available and soon the strains of Christmas carols will be emanating from radios and store sound systems.

Planning for the holiday season and Christmas giving will soon be occupying most everyone's minds — and bank accounts. All too often the contagious spirit of the holiday season and the desire to

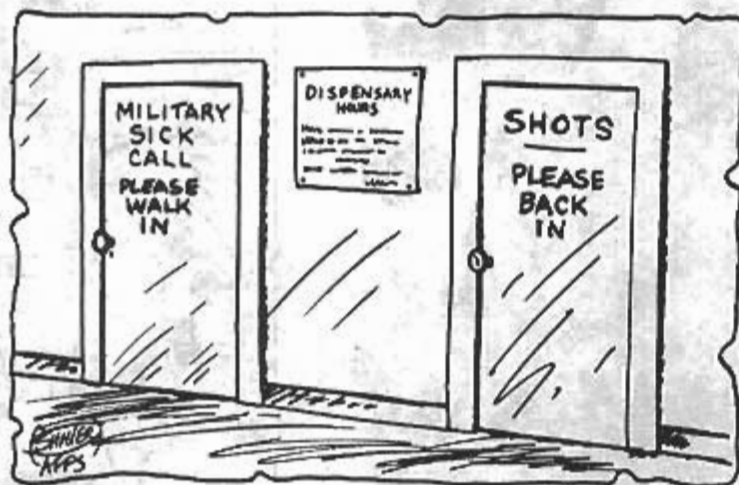


make the season and the holiday a memorable one for family and friends cloud normal good judgment and lead to financial disaster.

Let's face it, there are time payment plans available for almost anything you would ever want to buy. Most of them are easy to get and they appear to be so safe it's easy to overcommit your financial resources without realizing it — until it's too late.

Then you have the credit-ability gap — too much credit and an inability to meet your obligations. This not only can cause you a great deal of embarrassment, but, in some cases, could ruin your career, your home life and your future.

If you're going to buy now and pay later, do it wisely and with moderation so you won't pay and pay and pay and pay. (AFPS)



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I WONDER IF HE'S AUDITING THIS COURSE, OR TAKING IT FOR CREDIT...



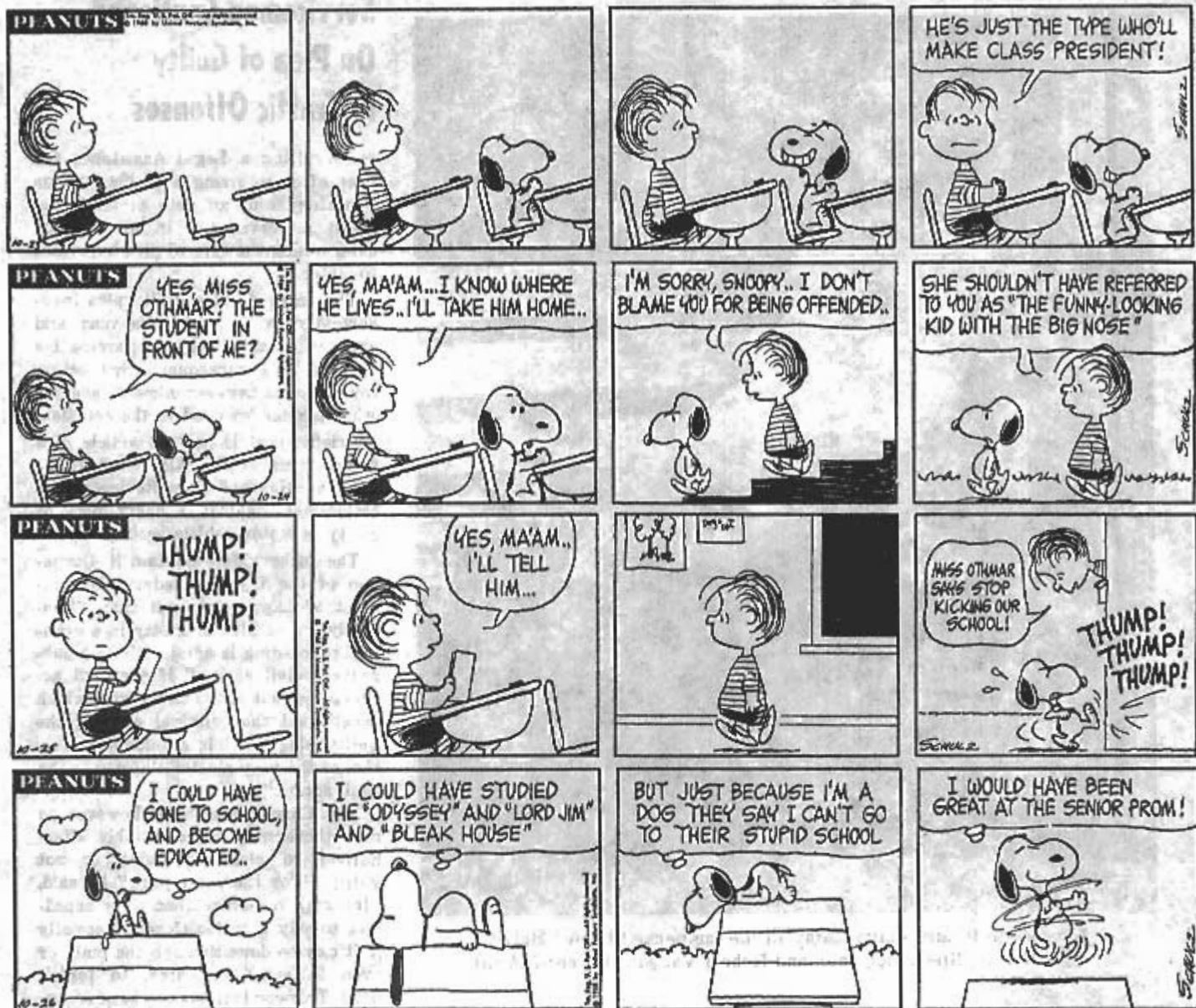


Lilia Castillo on location in Mexico filming "The Wild Bunch," starring William Holden and Robert Ryan. (Warner 7-Arts)



COLUMBIA CUTIE — Blonde Janet Landgard brightens the scene in Columbia Pictures' "The Swimmer." You can see she's well-dressed for the part.





THE SILENT TYPE — Britt Ekland is mighty easy on the eyes in the Warner Bros. picture "The Bobo."



Servicemen Cautioned On Plea of Guilty In Traffic Offenses

Consulting a Legal Assistance Officer after receiving a traffic citation resulting from an auto accident can assist a serviceman in intelligently determining the type of plea he wishes to enter.

The entrance of a guilty plea inadvertently or to avoid the time and expense of trial may jeopardize his position in a subsequent civil action for damages between himself and the other parties involved in the collision.

Briefly, that is how an article in a recent issue of the Air Force Judge Advocate General's Law Review warns servicemen against a hasty plea of guilty in motor vehicle accident cases.

The author, Maj. William H. Carnahan of the USAF Academy Department of Law, points out that, "Generally, . . . a plea of guilty in a criminal proceeding is admissible in a subsequent civil action." If the civil action arises out of the same facts which constituted the criminal offense, the guilty plea . . . is a solemn confession of the very matter charged in the civil action."

Maj. Carnahan goes on, however, to note there may be acceptable alternatives to pleas of guilty or not guilty. "For the most part," he said, "courts recognize that it is expedient to pay a traffic ticket, especially if it can be done through the mail, or even in some instances, to forfeit bond. This conduct has not been recognized as an admission against interest," and therefore would not be admissible in a subsequent civil suit. Further, in jurisdictions which recognize it, a plea "nolo contendere" might be wise. Such a plea, which does not contest the criminal action, ". . . cannot be used against the defendant as an admission in any civil suit arising out of the same facts."

In conclusion, he states, ". . . it appears that Legal Assistance Officers should provide the client involved in circumstances heretofore discussed with sound intelligent advice.

America's first aircraft carrier served in the Civil War. The G. W. Parke Custis, a remodeled coal barge, carried an observation balloon to spy on Confederate positions near the Potomac River.



Jacqueline Bisset plays Cathy in the suspense drama "Bullit," also starring Steve McQueen and Robert Vaughn (Warner-7 Arts)

