

# Do Old Ideas Ever Die?

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This column is about fixed ideas.



Once we get an idea fixed in our minds, it is awfully hard to change it. One of the most painful of all surgical procedures, in fact, is to separate a man from an idea he has long believed to be true.

Newspaper editors are responsible for one such false idea that has most of us in its grip.

A doctor attending a medical convention in Chicago a while back exposed the editors.

Do you believe, for example, that an unusually high number of men die of heart attacks while shoveling snow?

I have always believed it.

The doctor, a heart specialist, was actually asked WHY so many men die while shoveling snow.

He replied:

"Every time it snows in a city, the newspaper editor tells one of his reporters to check the morgue to see how many men died of heart attacks while shoveling snow. The reporter checks and discovers the fact that six men died shoveling snow. This, of course, makes good reading . . .

"However, if the reporter had checked the morgue the day before, he would have found that perhaps EIGHT men had died of heart attacks while sitting in their chairs."

Here's another example:

Do you believe that an unusually high number of persons are killed in traffic accidents over the long holiday weekends?

Millions of Americans believe it. The National Safety Council, in fact, keeps a running score during such weekends, and it is broadcast at regular intervals by radio and TV, and published daily by the press.

But is it true that the death rate goes up on the holidays?

No. It is not true.

The truth is that the traffic death rate remains fairly constant, on holidays, or non-holidays.

Says the Traffic Safety Division of the Arizona Highway Department:

"Contrary to popular opinion, traffic deaths over most holiday periods are generally no higher than any other comparable, non-holiday period."

I wonder, how many other ideas do we have fixed in our minds — ideas which are just as misleading?

## Melon Loadings Show Decrease

Both loading and prices are continuing to drop as the Yuma cantaloupe harvest moves into the second half of June.

Loadings yesterday in Yuma totaled around 150 rail and 50 truck lot equivalents.

Prices on 36s were near \$4.50, while 27s and 45s were selling for about \$4.0. A few 45s were varying as high as \$4.50.

Cool weather is still continuing to slow the harvest, but growers consider it a boon. Slower ripening of the cantaloupes is lengthening the marketing period and stabilizing prices.

Growers say the cantaloupes are more palatable this year than is usually the case. Sugar content is high, so the melons taste better.

## Two Records Set As Cool Weather To End

The cool weather period, which has been blessing Yuma for this past couple of days, is about to give way, the weatherman promised yesterday.

A warming trend is in store for the Yuma area beginning the first of the week with temperatures near normal on Monday.

Friday the Weather Bureau recorded two records set in regard to the cool weather. The first was an all-time low of 57 degrees breaking the previous low of 58 set in 1908. And the second was a new low-high record of 83 degrees, beating an 84 mark registered back in 1907.

Five-day forecasts call for temperatures to range from two to five degrees below normal. Normal temperatures for this time of year are lows of 72 and highs of 103.

# Flight Engineers To Defy JFK

## West Berliners Light Bonfires along Reds' Wall

### March in Memory of Uprising

BERLIN (UPI)—West Berliners lighted bonfires along "the wall" and marched the streets with torches Saturday night in memory of the city's anti-Communist uprising nine years ago which had to be broken by Russian tanks.

A giant rally, expected to draw 100,000 to hear West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, was set for Sunday in the square before the West Berlin city hall.

It was on June 17, 1953, that East Berlin workers revolted. Soviet guns killed 120 before order was restored.

Sunday's mass meeting will be the first since the Communists put up their barbed-wire and concrete wall through the city last Aug. 13. It was not expected the demonstration would boil over into any mass action. The city hall is two miles from the wall at the nearest point.

#### Flying to Berlin

Adenauer and other members of the West German government were flying here in a U.S. military aircraft.

West Berlin newspapers Saturday called on the people to turn out for the demonstration to show the Communists the anniversary was not forgotten and that West Berliners are not resigned to the wall and the division of Germany.

West Berlin students planned a sit-down demonstration on the main station of the elevated railway in the Western sector to dissuade West Berliners from their customary Sunday outings to the Grunewald Woods and the Wannsee Lake.

The Communists themselves opened a so-called "National Congress" they hope will turn East German attention from the June 17th observance.

#### Handpicked Delegates

East German boss Walter Ulbricht opened an East Berlin meeting of 2,300 handpicked "delegates of work brigades, collective farms and local party organizations."

One of the first speakers told the delegates they will have to work harder for the same pay because of the country's economic troubles. A similar plea sparked the 1953 revolt.

A VOPO (people's police) unit opposite the French sector fired tracer bullets at a passing West man police reported.

### Bills Planned On Power Lines

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Legislation to regulate the operation of electrical transmission lines will be introduced in Congress Monday, Sen. Clair Engle and Rep. John E. Moss, both D-Calif., announced Saturday.

#### THE WEATHER

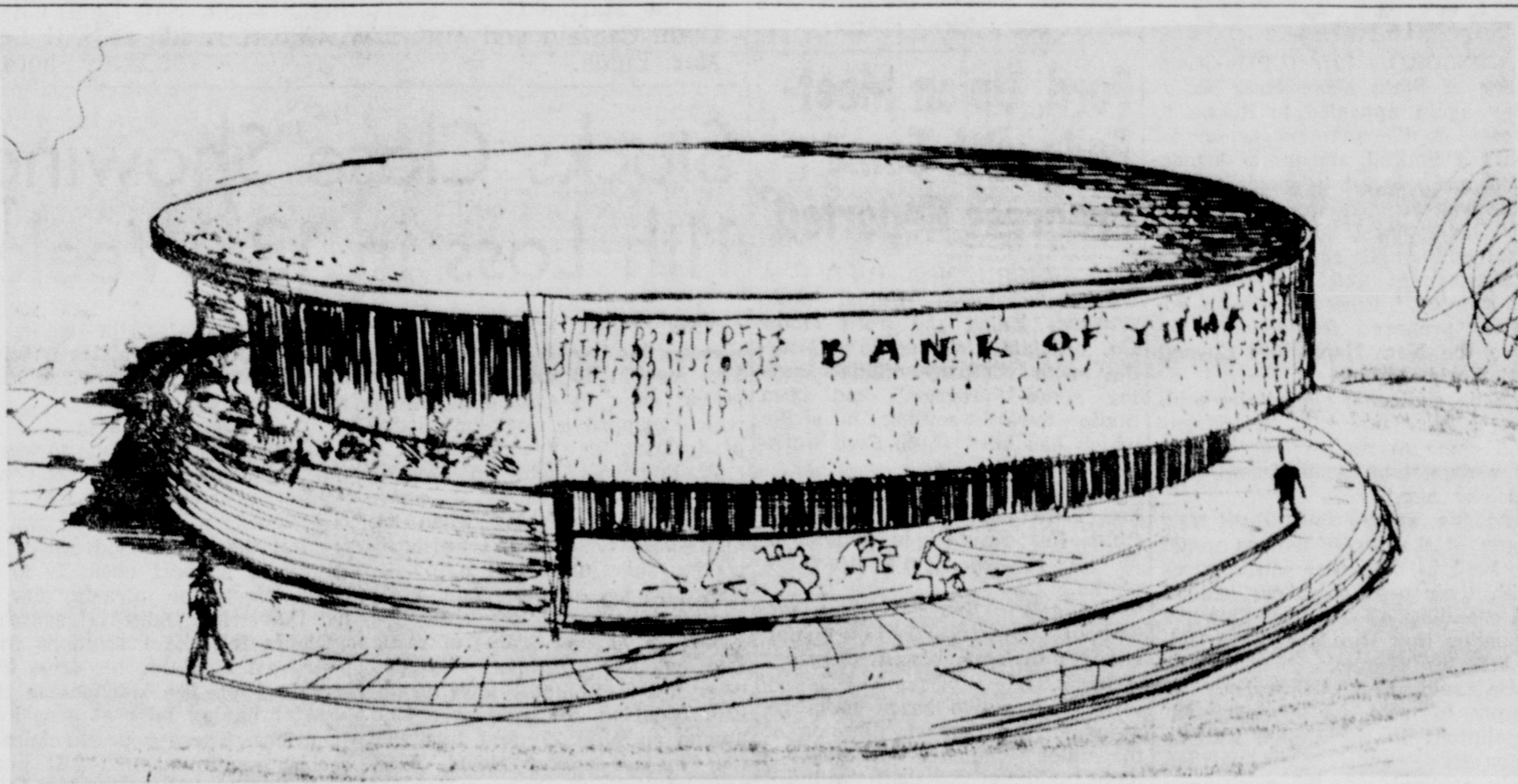
Highest yesterday 91  
Lowest 57  
Average high this date 103  
Average low this date 72  
FORECAST for Monday night: Mostly clear and warmer today through Monday; occasional afternoon winds. Expected high today 96, low tonight 65.

## 4 Teamsters to Yuma; Picket Braswell Lines

Four pickets have arrived in Yuma representing the Southern Conference Teamsters Union in setting up an around-the-clock picketing of Braswell Freight Lines, Inc. at the Ace Transfer and Storage Co. on 16th Street.

Braswell trucks come into the Ace Transfer lot to change drivers and for occasional unloading, turn arounds, etc. It is only the Braswell Lines that are being picketed, not the other freight lines or the Ace Company.

Teamsters are protesting the alleged refusal of Braswell to sign a union contract with their workers. To try to force their hand, the Southern Conference of Teamsters Union, whose headquarters is in Dallas, Tex., has employed union men to picket Braswell



NEW BANK — The new Bank of Yuma will be one of the most modernistic buildings in Yuma with this unique circular design. Location of the bank will be the northeast corner of 4th Avenue and 16th Street. In this preliminary sketch, the bank is shown facing in the direction of the corner. Plans call for banking to start around Oct. 1st in a temporary building on the site.



OURS? The Arizona Journal of Phoenix described this girl as "Yuma beauty Jerrie Michelson" yesterday. She won the right to represent Arizona in the Miss Universe contest. It is believed that the winner was actually from Scottsdale but that a sponsor gave her the Yuma tag to get this area represented in the contest. No local record can be found of her.

### Goat Is Gift Of Segregationists

SHYANNIS, Mass. (UPI)—A 140-pound goat named Samson arrived here from Little Rock, Ark., Saturday, a gift from Southern segregationists to the Negroes who took "reverse freedom rides."

## Bank of Yuma To Occupy Corner of 4th and 16th

Coming up with a modernistic circular design building, the upcoming Bank of Yuma has unveiled its location, 4th Avenue and 16th Street.

The bank will take the northeast corner of the intersection that is now occupied by a used car lot. Tentative plans call for an Oct. 1st opening with banking to start in a temporary structure on the site while building is going on. Purchase of 150 feet of frontage on 4th Avenue and on 16th Street was made from George Holmes.

#### File Articles

Articles of incorporation for the local bank have been filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission. Next step is the awaiting of the articles and the issuance of the charter by the State Banking Department. Application for the charter was made May 25th and, at the same time, the bank officials applied for membership in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. It is hoped that action on these applications will be concluded in the near future.

Proposed officers in the bank are Sidney P. Nicks, of Cortez, Colo., president; J. F. Oliver, Yuma, manager and vice president. Nicks is now vice president of the Security State Bank of Cortez. Oliver was the longtime manager of the main office of the 1st National Bank here.

Organizers and proposed directors for the bank are: from Yuma, Pete Pasquinielli, Glen H. Strohm, Col. Norman R. Reibe, Richard Loo, Toland Williams, Thomas P. Giusti and Ralph Brandt; Robert W. Consul of Somerton and Mel Decker of Phoenix.

#### Stock Oversubscribed

Capitalization of the bank will be \$500,000 with \$300,000 surplus and \$200,000 undivided profits. Oliver reports that they have 300 subscribers to the capital stock, made up principally of local residents. He said that the stock was oversubscribed and would be issued on an allotment basis. Stock issue is limited to 50,000 shares at \$20 a share.

Preliminary plans for the building call for a circular structure with the front facing the corner of 4th Avenue and 16th Street. Plans of the building and the amount of capital investment to be made in the plant are subject to approval of the State Banking Dept. and the FDIC.

Architects Scholer and Fuller of Tucson have drawn the preliminary plans. They are described as very functional with a main floor, a mezzanine and a lower level. An amodized aluminum sun screen will cover the front and will have an air barrier jutting down through it to keep bugs and foreign objects out. Parking will be in the rear.

## OAS Steps Up Scorched Earth Policy

ALGIERS (UPI)—Secret Army terrorists moved their "scorched earth" destruction into the Foreign Legion post city of Sidi-bel-Abbes Saturday and stepped up a drive to get Europeans out of the country before the July 1 Algerian independence vote.

OAS commandos set fire Friday to the Sidi-bel-Abbes palace of justice, buildings housing the reconstruction ministry and finance offices and at least six schools. They also dynamited the pumping station of the big Daguinah hydro-electric dam about 140 miles east of Algiers. The blast smashed the valves controlling the flow of water to the dam.

Persistent reports said talks between some OAS leaders and the Moslem rebel authorities were still in progress in an effort to win a greater role for Europeans in an independent Moslem state.

### U.S. Sues in Behalf Of Negro Teacher

JACKSON, Miss. (UPI)—The Justice Department filed suit Saturday in an effort to restore the job of a Negro school teacher who allegedly was fired because she complained about being denied the right to vote.

## Alessio Bid Gets 2nd Ariz. Track

AGUA CALIENTE, Mexico. (UPI)—Acquisition of Desert Park Greyhound race track in Apache Junction, Ariz., by Yuma (Ariz.) Greyhound Club Corp. was confirmed Saturday by John S. Alessio, president of the Yuma corporation and executive director of Caliente Race Track.

Alessio confirmed the transaction after the Arizona State Racing Commission meeting Saturday in Phoenix accepted the request of J. E. Wright, former owner of Desert Park, that he be permitted to relinquish his racing dates. The commission then approved an application for the same dates by the Yuma Greyhound Club Corp. The transfer included about 28 acres of land in addition to the quarter mile track and racing plant. The price was not disclosed.

Wright built the track five years ago and has since expanded facilities including a grandstand and clubhouse.

Alessio said that Desert Park also will continue to maintain a circuit with a track in Pueblo, Colo.

Alessio said his organization would conduct its first meeting there starting next April.

No major personnel changes are planned at Desert Park, Alessio said. The new owners plan to replace Universal Totalisator with American totalisator equipment.

Yuma Greyhound Club, which opened in 1961, conducts an annual winter meeting starting in January.

Alessio said his organization would conduct its first meeting at Desert Park starting in April.

Indications were that the purchase of the track by the Alessios would help the Yuma track. Kennels could be promised use of the Apache Junction track following the Yuma meets each winter. This would give Yuma a better grade of dogs for its January-March meet.

### Tipsy Roller

LEEDS, England (UPI)—Stanley Roberts, 40, was fined \$56 Friday for drunken steamroller driving.

Police said he was arrested as he drank from a whisky bottle while his 10-ton steamroller zig-zagged along the road.

## 'Black Monday' Set by Yuma Real Estate Men

Nearly all real estate offices in the Yuma area will be closed tomorrow in observance of "Black Monday."

The real estate brokers are closing their offices in order to launch a campaign against a recent ruling of the Arizona Supreme Court. The ruling, they believe, strikes a powerful economic blow to the real estate brokers and places an unnecessary financial burden on the public.

According to the ruling, the services of an attorney are now required when selling or buying real property. The real estate men contend this usually amounts to nothing more than the filing in of certain routine forms. Services of a lawyer are not usually required, they maintain.

The Arizona Association of Realtors says: "When selling or buying real property, we believe you (the public) should be privileged to decide whether or not you want an attorney to fill in forms and not be forced to hire one. You should not be required to pay the unnecessary added cost."

Everett S. Self of Active Realty, president of the Yuma Board of Realtors, is leading the fight locally. To fight this ruling, Arizona real estate brokers are joining forces to place a corrective ruling on the ballot this fall. On "Black Monday," they will circulate initiative

## Will Strike Against One Of Airlines

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Flight Engineers Association decided Saturday to stage a "selective" strike against one or more of three major U. S. Airlines in defiance of President Kennedy's appeal for arbitration.

Union headquarters said an announcement would be made late Saturday night or early Sunday morning on which of the lines would be struck — Eastern Airlines, Pan American World Airways or Trans World Airlines.

Involved are 1,700 flight engineers. Their two-year contract dispute centers around the duties and qualifications of the "third man" in a jet cockpit.

A presidential board has recommended that the crews be reduced from four to three and that the third man have both the skill of an engineer and the training of a pilot. The union claims this would displace its members and put them at the mercy of the large and more powerful Air Line Pilots Association.

The walkout decision defied the White House. The President had said a stoppage would be contrary to the public interest and strike a hard blow at the national economy.

Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg met during the morning with airline representative. But no one was present from the flight engineers.

A Labor Department spokesman had no comment when informed of the strike decision.

The union said Friday it was willing to have an arbitrator decide the economic issues but it stuck by its refusal to submit to arbitration the question of crew makeup on jetties. This is the key issue in the 22-month-old dispute.

### Wants Attack

TAIPEI, Formosa (UPI)—Nationalist Chinese Vice Premier Chen Cheng said Saturday "the only way for our nation to survive is to attack mainland China."

He said Formosa's economic development cannot keep pace with its population increase, but the Communist Chinese regime in Peiping is nearing "total collapse" and the most opportune time to attack the mainland is now.



LONE TEAMSTER — A solitary picket marches along the road adjacent to the Ace Storage and Transfer Co. on 16th Street in a picketing of the Braswell Freight Lines, Inc. The Southern Conference of the Teamsters Union is picketing Braswell for an alleged refusal of the company to sign a union contract with their workers. The picket above is one of four sent to the Yuma "change-over" area for the Braswell trucks in an around-the-clock protest. (Sun Staff Photo)