

The Kelly car went between the utility pole and the guy wire, before striking the diner.

(Photo by Perkins)

CAR CRASHES IN DINER

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Fitch a cigarette when he found he was out. When Kelly started up, he took off at such a speed that Officer Fitch decided to take after him again, but when the cruiser got up to a speed of 70 miles an hour, Fitch decided that it was not worth the risk of chasing him, and slowed to a reasonable speed. As the Kelly car came into town at high speed, he barely missed hitting a truck driven by Frank Twitchell of New Durham, and seconds later, slammed into the diner.

AFC Stinson in Thailand

U.S. AIR FORCES, Thailand—Airman First Class Donald P. Stinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Stinson of Alton, N.H., is on duty at Udorn Royal Thai AFB, Thailand.

Airman Stinson, a security policeman, is assigned to a unit of the Pacific Air Forces. Before his arrival in Thailand, he served at Beale AFB, Calif. The airman is a 1968 graduate of Alton High School.

REACT

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There were no injuries. May 28: 2 p.m. Jim Kingsbury (KOA 2410) assisted a Maine motorist who had an overheated motor. Jim called Rochester REACT and water was brought to the scene. This took place just outside Rochester on the Spaulding Turnpike.

May 28: 7:30 p.m. Our regular monthly meeting with 18 members present. We were informed our new uniforms were ready to be picked up. The signs we ordered to be placed on Route 11 were delivered. We voted to buy a filing cabinet. We voted to buy a box of flares to be used in case of highway breakdowns, accidents, etc. We voted in a new member. (Winfred Sargent) KBZ 8394. We set up patrols for the busy highways for Memorial Day. We were out Monday, May 26, May 29, afternoon and evening. Also June 1, afternoon and evening. Next meeting June 29, 8 p.m. At the Town Hall.

May 28: 6:30 p.m. Walt Patton (KMA 1988) assisted a Mass. motorist with an overheated motor in Sanbornton, N.H., Rt. 98.

May 28: 5 p.m. Farmington REACT rushed a teenage boy who had cut his finger almost off on an outboard motor, from

FIRE CALL

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again, and it was the same thing. The train had just passed, when gas company employees noticed smoke a little further down the track. The fire department was called, and due to the distance away from the road, it took a little longer to get it under control. Fire-fighting equipment was blocking the track when the train returned from its trip to Davidson Rubber Co., which is at the end of the line. Fire Chief Robert Rickar requested that the engine be checked for possible fire hazard.

This is the same place the well-known forest fire of 1947 started, which destroyed many square miles of woodland, as well as several homes in the Chestnut Hill area. Older residents will remember well the days spent fighting this fire, and the expense to the town. That fire was believed to have been started by a passing train.

ALUMNI

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to others. The program will be provided by Ace Gorham, a magician, who will perform feats to amaze and amuse.

YMCA CAMPERS

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trip will be comparable to a resident camp stay in New Hampshire with plans calling for ten boys to take part in the international experience. Additional information may be obtained from the State YMCA office, Box 476, Concord, N.H.

GILMAN SPEAKS

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Zais. Senator Gilman said he was concerned at the gradual discontinuance of Memorial observances in some communities and urged local officials to support the activities of veterans' groups to make sure some proper service was held. The Memorial Day services were sponsored jointly with the town of Milton and VFW Posts in both towns participated. Morning Memorial Day services were held at the Union Church and the parade and speaking program took place in the afternoon ending with ceremonies of decorating Veterans' graves.

Bertha Pelletier is honored by Governor

Walter Peterson, Governor of New Hampshire, recently awarded Presidential Certificates of Appreciation to uncompensated personnel of the Selective Service System, for their years of public service. Among those recognized was Bertha Y. Pelletier, who has served on Local Board No. 9, Strafford County, for 10 years. Miss Pelletier has been Town Clerk for 10 years also.

Nature's ways

by Wayne Hanley

If spring marched steadily northward through New England like a giant unrolling green carpet, you could throw away your calendar and mark the days by the unfolding of wildflowers.

But spring oozes northward and spreads inland, trickling around hill bases and sliding up valleys. It slithers around obstructions like the runoff from melting snow on a brick sidewalk.

That's why any list of wildflowers that will bloom in April in New England must be vague in naming the week in which to expect blossoms. It would require an individual forecast for every pocket and valley — and each hill top. Because spring travels uphill even more slowly than it rolls northward.

The coast line complicates the timing of New England's spring. Spring creeps early down the coast. Later it surges inland much faster than it speeds northward and overtakes the coast line's ocean-tempered season.

To me it's spring when the trailing arbutus, or mayflower, blooms. But the mayflower blooms tardily in the spring floral procession. In much of New England, it will be May before the sweet scent of arbutus seeps up from the leaf-matted woods floor. But it's something to look for in late April.

Any hunt for early wildflowers will prove more profitable in a woods in April. The woodland flowers bloom early, reaching for the sun before tree leaves plunge them into a summer of shade. When you find them, leave them alone. Almost every well-known April-blooming flower needs protection.

To help guide you to possible locations for April flowers, the list has been divided into three

categories: dry woodlands, wet woodlands and marshes, and open roadsides.

Some of the flowers are extra-specialized. The early saxifrage, for instance, is a tiny quarter-inch white flower that is grouped with the dry woodlands flowers. It grows, however, in one place; the crevices of large stones. Folk tales credit the saxifrage with splitting stones. That's where it got its Latin name meaning "stone breaker."

The April list: Dry woodlands — hepatica; common violet; downy yellow violet; bellwort; wood anemone; Dutchman's breeches; bloodroot and red trillium.

Wet woodlands, marshes — skunk cabbage; marsh marigold; white violet and spring beauty.

Open roadsides (meadows) — bluets. This tiny pale blue flower grows in the grass along roadsides and can be picked without harm.

Back-Yard Frontier

by Polly Bradley

The American public has been shocked at the news that the coho salmon with which Lake Michigan has been stocked are so full of DDT that they are unfit for human consumption. Will this shock us into an all-out effort to solve the dilemma of the need of agriculture for insect control and the need of humanity for an unpoisoned world?

Lake Michigan was stocked with coho salmon from the West Coast starting three years ago, because the native lake trout had been almost destroyed by sea lampreys which invaded after the St. Lawrence Seaway was opened.

In April, the Food and Drug Administration seized the first shipment of commercially caught coho salmon because it contained 13 to 19 parts per million of DDT. (The tolerance level officially set for meat is 7 parts of DDT per million. The tolerance for milk is 0.05 parts per million.) No official level existed for fish, but Robert H. Finch, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, quickly set a level of 5 parts per million DDT for fish, and ordered a six-month study of the problem.

Why so much DDT in the coho salmon? The states around Lake Michigan have used millions of tons of DDT in agriculture for the past twenty years, and it has washed down into the lake in great quantities. Every creature living in Lake Michigan has DDT in its tissues. The coho salmon, a large sport fish growing up to 25 to 30



This is the shambles left by the Kelly car after going through the diner last Thursday.

(Photo by Perkins)

pounds, eats quantities of other fish. The salmon accumulates in its tissues DDT from all the fish it eats.

Clearly if a lake as large as Lake Michigan can be contaminated by pesticides, the ocean is not safe from danger. Millions of tons of poisons are being washed into the ocean continually. The plankton of the ocean, the basis of the food chain of ocean creatures, and producers of oxygen for our atmosphere — are extremely sensitive to DDT in small concentrations. Shrimp can be killed by a concentration of 0.6 to 6 parts per BILLION of DDT in the water.

But what about agriculture if you ban the use of pesticides? We have to feed the nation, and we can't sit by without conscience while Biafra is repeated a hundred times. What will we do?

This is no time for the farmer and conservationist to battle about non-essentials. It's time for everyone to support a wholehearted attack on the total environmental problem, so that the human race can survive. Since World War II the United States has been able to spend massive amounts of money, time, and effort on three projects: highways, defense, and going to the moon. Now is the time for a similar effort to solve the pesticide-versus-agriculture pollution-versus-production dilemma.

This is not a problem which will be solved by one-sided thinking, but only by an attack

in depth. I hope Mr. Finch's study will recommend a full-scale attack on the interrelated problems of environmental pollution — air, water, and land — and that America will turn her tremendous scientific abilities towards solving these problems.

The United States is the most serious polluter on earth. It is our responsibility to protect this small, wonderful, beautiful, fragile earth at which our astronauts are gazing.

Steel Exports On Uptrend as Imports Decline

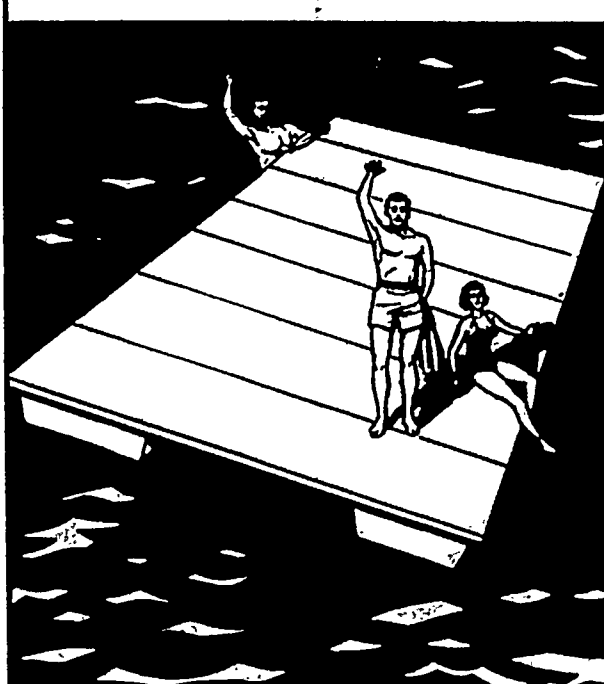
Prospects for decreased imports and increased exports of steel producers. At the same

time, steel exports are seen probably hitting the fastest pace in any year since 1964, when 37 million net tons moved out of the country, the magazine noted.

Steel imports are expected to rise steadily in the wake of the longshoremen's strike settlement, but U.S. steelmakers think the 1969 intake will fall short of the 1968 record 18 million net tons by possibly 20%, due to heavier use of steel abroad and voluntary curbs on exports to the U.S.

European and Japanese ports and increased exports of steel producers. At the same

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