



**Members of controversial cast**

Three members of the cast of "Dionysus in 69" and one of the assistant managers await "booking" and fingerprinting at Ann Arbor Police headquarters after their arrests for indecent exposure while performing their play at the University of Michigan campus. The New York group pictured include Joan MacIntosh, Ciel Smith, Richard Schechner and Judith Allen. (AP Wirephoto)

**Life at 80**

**Idleness boring for widow**

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POTTSTOWN, Pa. (AP) — At 80, the life of Jeanne V. Gutman is accelerating at rollercoaster speed. She finds idleness boring. A widow since she was 59, Mrs. Gutman has a day for almost everything: On Wednesday she helps retarded boys and girls at the Pennhurst State School. On Thursdays she conducts a nursery class at a Methodist church. On Saturdays she teaches art at a Lutheran church. For the Jewish Women's League, of the Mercy and Truth Synagogue of Pottstown, of which she is a former president,

Mrs. Gutman plans parties—"usually about six a year"—at nearby Valley Forge Army Hospital and the Coatesville Veterans Hospital. In 1962, just past 74, she took up painting—"People seem to enjoy my landscapes and works depicting nature"—and has made 51 sales. Three years ago, anxious for a new interest, she started taking violin lessons. Mrs. Gutman moved to Pottstown three years after her husband died in Stroudsburg, Pa., where the couple owned a Pocono Mountains resort hotel. She quickly leaped into volunteer work, taking on the nursery

post first. Through affiliation with the Pennsylvania Association for Retarded Children, this led to Pennhurst where she teaches speech therapy. "The youngsters are so appreciative," she says. "Whenever one of them has a birthday, I bring a cake and order sodas and we have a party. They really enjoy it." Mrs. Gutman, born in New York City, played bit parts in the theater and silent movies as a teen-ager before her family called a halt to her career and sent her to nursing school. "At that time a girl wasn't considered respectable if she performed in plays," she says.

**Long Island railroad hectic for commuters**

NEW YORK (AP) — New York is a great place to visit—unless you have to visit it five times a week via the Long Island Rail Road.

As railroads go, the Long Island is something special. Only a minor portion of its revenue comes from freight, and each day on its 343 miles of track it hauls a quarter of a million commuters.

You have to look behind such figures, however, to get the big picture.

Long Island passengers, dubbed Dashing Dads by the railroad's publicity office are not dashing that fast these days. They have slowed down considerably since the road pulled out of bankruptcy two years ago through its sale by the Pennsylvania Rail Road to the state of New York for \$65 million.

In bankruptcy and under the supervision of a hot railroader named Thomas H. Goodfellow, the Long Island spruced up the morale of passengers and crews. Trains seemed to run more nearly on time. Passengers could ride in engine cabs on occasion, borrow umbrellas on rainy days, choose the color of their stations. They were

even kept advised by loudspeakers about the causes of delays.

So they started to forget old jokes like the one about the would-be suicide who carried a lunch when he lay down on the tracks lest he starve to death before the train arrived.

Then the Metropolitan Transportation Authority took over under Dr. William J. Ronan. He figured he would have remaining problems straightened out in a year or two. But some of his moves backfired.

New trains ordered are not yet in service. Maintenance was cut on old trains, and union men walked out because they said the trains weren't safe. Passengers complained they were dirty and decrepit. There was a "whiskey rebellion" when some of the trainmen balked because road officials were seen cock-tailing, while the trainmen weren't supposed to touch the stuff at lunch. There were strikes and slowdowns and delays in opening doors and shutting doors until 1, like others, began asking fellow travelers, as a matter of routine, "How did you make out last night?"

Finally there was rebellion. Passengers began to organize and one group demanded a ten-point "bill of rights." Another bunch, after weary delays in a cold car, refused to offer their tickets to the conductor. Others here and there followed suit. A few got themselves arrested on that account.

Meantime the road was saying that passengers would have to pay \$16 more a month for commutation tickets if the union's current demands were met. Sixteen a month? That's more than I used to pay altogether for such a ticket, though the tab now runs to \$40.

I suppose I could get away from it all by joining one of those car pools that keep forming and breaking up. But then, how would I read my paper, or make new friends, or kibitz bridge games, or order a Scotch in the bar car? It's hard to do things like that in bumper-to-bumper traffic.

**Sydney Lewis visits the new**



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**In North Carolina**

**State economy registers gain**

RALEIGH (AP)—North Carolina's economy registered a small gain in December, continuing a pattern of small ups and downs that has prevailed for five months.

Economic indicators showing gains in December from November included bank debits, non-agricultural employment, average hours in manufacturing building and loan mortgage loans, and new car sales while building permits and truck sales showed losses.

The Wachovia Bank and Trust Co.'s North Carolina business index rose 0.7 per cent in December to 184.4. This compared with 173.7 in December, 1967.

Wachovia economists said the January gain was "not indicative of a definite trend in the state's economy." They said the economy is expected to continue near the present level until

after the first quarter of this year.

Bank debits, an indicator of the amount of checks drawn on accounts by businesses and individuals totaled \$5.562 billion in December for a 19.6 per cent gain over November and 28.3 per cent rise above December a year ago.

The state's nonagricultural employment showed a small increase of 0.8 per cent in December over November, rising from 1,693,800 to 1,681,000. This was 5.4 per cent higher than December of 1967.

Manufacturing employment showed only a slight gain of 499 from November to December when it reached 699,700. Household furniture and textiles showed gains while tobacco and food and kindred industries registered declines.

Average weekly hours in manufacturing rose from 40.8 hours in November to 41.3 hours in December.

The value of building permits was down slightly from \$25.8 million in November to \$25.5 million in December and compared with \$29.2 million in December of 1967. However construction for all of 1968 rose 13.4 per cent over 1967.

Cash receipts from farm marketings were down again in December. Receipts for all of 1968 totaled \$1.183 billion, down 8.9 per cent from the 1967 figure of \$1.299 billion.

The North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association reported that new car sales rose from 17,166 in November to 18,280 in December while new truck sales were down from 4,214 to 4,020 in the same period.

**Art being taught to patients**

Philadelphia (AP) — Art classes in a hospital? It's happening, and it's working. Judy Gallagher, a 22-year-old graduate of Temple University's School of Fine Arts, decided that hospital patients not totally disabled should have a hobby—like painting, or anything creative.

Agreeing, Moss Rehabilitation Hospital, one of the nation's leading private institutions catering to persons crippled by stroke, heart attack, disease or accident, gave Jud the job.

"The purpose is to prepare a handicapped person, soon to go home where he'll have lots of free time, something to do other than just watching television or reading," said the tall, bouncy blonde.

"And art is something really constructive, and fun, too."

Other hospitals, even nursing homes, encourage patients to draw, or knit, primarily as occupational therapy. At Moss, it's diversional, recreational, morale-building.

Miss Gallagher's classes, for an hour or so once or twice a week in the hospital's solarium, also is attended by former Moss patients. In fact, handicapped persons are sought out—and encouraged to come in.

"We're not trying to develop commercial artists and craftsmen," she said. "We just hope that the person who will be homebound, possibly for many, many months, could develop some kind of art interest that might supplement his income."

The class began last summer. More than 50 patients have participated.

**Segal named publisher of Gastonia paper**

BROWNSVILLE, Tex. (AP) — D. R. Segal, editorial director of the Freedom Newspapers in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, has been named publisher of the Gastonia, N.C., Gazette.

The announcement was made Tuesday by R. C. Hoiles, president of Freedom Newspapers Inc. A spokesman for the news paper group said the appointment was effective immediately.



**Streetcar named disaster**

A streetcar stands jammed into a luncheonette after it had been taken for an unauthorized spin, jumped the tracks and crashed into the building

in Philadelphia. Police charged James Wright, 23, with burglary, larceny and operating a motor vehicle without consent. (AP Wirephoto)