

Good Morning top of the news

POSSIBLE RAIN. Heavy clouds forming over the Tucson area bring a 30 per cent chance of rain before nightfall. Forecasters are forecasting today, along with cooling temperatures. The high today should be in the high 30s, and the low tonight in the low 20s. Yesterday's high was 48, and the low was 42.

The lowest temperature in the nation yesterday was in Aberdeen, S.D., with 19 below zero. The warmest was in San Francisco, Calif., and Berkeley, Ariz., both with 72. Details on Page 4A.

local

MORE TICKETS FOUND. Another batch of unpressed traffic tickets—257 of them—was found in a drawer in an Anderson County, S.C., cabinet that had not been opened because it was stuck. The discovery brings the total of unpressed tickets found to 2,360. Page 1B.

NEW HOMES. Camella Westcott, 10-year-old, 100-year-old, and 100-year-old, from Tucson, willing to give her animals a home. Westcott has been taking in the homeless cats and dogs, but cannot be forcing her to slow down. Page 1B.

NEW TORO MANAGER. Rich Donnelly, a former minor league catcher, is named manager of the Tucson team of the Pacific Coast League. He can't wait to come to his new job. Field after managering in a tiny park in Sacramento last year. Page 1F.

DEAF OLYMPICS. Rene Stupp, 20, practices writing three hours and runs 10 miles every day. Vicki Krenkel, 17, is a sports addict adept at volleyball, basketball and track. Both are deaf and both are on their way to the Deaf Olympics to be held the summer in Bucharest, Romania. Page 1C.

national

UA RERUFFED. A proposal to allow the University of Arizona and Arizona State University to compete in the Pac-8 football race by 1978 failed to deal with a Western Athletic Conference president's meeting in Salt Lake City. But planned expansion by the WAC might make easier for the two Arizona schools. Page 1F.

SLUR APOLOGY. Paul Rand Duot, a member of the Federal Trade Commission, apologizes to Arab-Americans for his use of an ethnic slur against Ralph Nader, but he refuses to apologize directly to Nader, and some members of Congress call for his dismissal. Page 3A.

SARKIS WARNING. President Carter tells Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin that the U.S. is not going to back down in its support for dissident Andrei Sakharov. Page 12A.

MONDALE RETURNS. The U.S. vice president finishes his 14-day mission abroad, saying that relations with U.S. friends are good and optimistic. President Carter meets him at the airport and says Mondale did a superb job. Page 1A.

GAS LINE BACKED. The Federal Power Commission endorses a plan to build a 6,000-mile-long natural gas pipeline across Canada. The plan is backed as the best of three proposals to bring the fuel from Alaska's North Slope. Page 5A.

ASSASSINATIONS COMMITTEE. After being assured that individual rights will be protected, the House Rules Committee decides to keep the House Assassinations Committee alive for at least two more months. Page 1A.

EDWARD ALB. "I've always been a fan of the fact that people turn their backs on each other and turn off," says the Pulitzer Prize-winning dramatist in an interview. But his latest concern is that such disengagement is "the cue 'it all levels.' So he plans to 'do little auto-making' in future works. Page 6C."

JACK ANDERSON. Evidence shows that the Great Coffee Storage has been converted to justify a wheat in 1976. The State Dept., meanwhile, has been quietly circumventing congressional efforts to "reduce the huge profits of the foreign coffee producers. It looks upon the extra profits as a form of foreign aid, modern explain. Page 1D.

MORE PROFITS AT ATAT. The American Telephone & Telegraph Co. reports a 21.8 per cent increase in net earnings for 1976, but the company's chairman says the \$1.2 billion is not enough. Page 7F.

global

CHINA ATTACK. In a sweeping attack on China's economic system, a new wall poster in Canton charges that over the last 19 years China's economy has been badly outperformed by Japan and that because of China's low standard of living, social order has broken down. Page 1A.

BIRTH RATE. Population experts, among the government of statisticians for a long time, at last have reason to be optimistic. Figures show a worldwide drop in births, indicating a stabilizing population. Page 1F.

NUCLEAR NEEDS. The outgoing president of the International Energy Agency says that nuclear power is the only way to meet the world's energy needs until other sources become available, despite the risks involved. Page 1F.

HERON IN EUROPE. Police in Western Europe report the use of heroin spreading at an alarming rate and with it the number of deaths caused by overdoses or impurities. Distribution of the drug, which originates in Southeast Asia, is relatively easy because of relaxed border controls among members of the European Community. Page 6B.

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Adamson says he was offered \$75,000 reward

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PHOENIX — Before John Adamson was arrested for the murder of reporter Don Bolles, a Phoenix police detective offered him \$75,000 in reward money for information that would solve the case, Adamson testified yesterday.

He also testified that he had never heard Gov. Raul Castro's name mentioned in the case.

And, when he testified last week about a "thing" in Mexico, he said, he was talking about an airplane, not a plane. He did not mean to indicate that the government has any part of the ownership of the plane, he testified.

Adamson, who confessed last month to the June bombing of Bolles, testified under continued cross-examination in the preliminary hearing for two alleged accomplices, Phoenix contractor Alex A. Dandag and Chandler plumber James A. Robinson.

Adamson was arrested the day Bolles died, 11 days after the June 1 car-bombing in Phoenix.

Phoenix Detective Marcus Aurelius approached him about the reward money, Adamson said. Aurelius "doublet what he was doing," said Adamson, but "suggested twice the reward."

Police sources said Adamson immediately rejected the offer. Aurelius has since been promoted to sergeant and transferred to the cadet patrol division, working the night shift.

A comment on Adamson's statements could not be obtained from the Phoenix police chief's office.

The reward fund, now totaling \$17,500, includes \$2,500 offered by Phoenix Newspapers, Inc., Bolles' employer.

It was not made clear in the questioning by Phoenix attorney Perry Foreman whether Adamson could legally collect the reward, who authorized the offer, and who would pay the other \$7,500 above the reward fund.

William R. Shover, spokesman for the newspapers, said a committee of judges, which has not been named, will decide who gets the reward.

The only guideline is that it be paid for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the death of Bolles, Shover said.

The preliminary hearing for Dandag and Robinson, who face charges of murder and conspiracy, is expected to be completed today, the sixth day.

Castro's name came up yesterday during questioning of Adamson by Superior Court Judge Edward C. Rapp, who said he wanted to clarify some issues.

Adamson last Thursday about an offer before the bombing of a chance for him to escape to Mexico afterward.

In many news reports, he was quoted as saying to a two-man plane, and adding that "Kempner and the governor have had that thing down in Mexico."

Many reporters concluded that Adamson meant Castro and Kempner Marley, millions are rancher and liquor dealer.

Castro flatly denied "any interest in anything," with Marley.

The "thing" was variously interpreted as a plane or a plane.

Yesterday, Adamson said he had never heard Castro specifically mentioned. He "did assume that it was the governor of Arizona," that Dandag referred to when he spoke of the "governor," in referring to him out of the hearing, he said.

Adamson also testified he had intended to say that it was Marley and Dandag who owned the plane. He quoted Dandag as saying Marley and Dandag had said the plane to fly silver in and out of the country.

Adamson has said previously that Bolles' murder was instigated by Marley. He said Marley was angry over not being able to return his appointment by Castro to the Arizona Racing Commission. Bolles had written unfavorable stories that contributed to Marley's resignation.

Adamson also testified yesterday that he remarked about the "governor" had nothing to do with the fugitive former governor of the state of Sonora, Carlos Armando Boland, or with Phoenix attorney Neal Roberts. Attorney associates of Roberts say he has a

nickname of "the governor" dating back to when he was elected governor of Boy State while in high school.

Adamson invoked the Fifth Amendment right not to incriminate himself, and raised his attorney-client privilege several times in defense against the state's attorney, David Erickson, attempted to learn the source of some \$2,000 that Adamson said he had after the bombing.

At one point, Adamson said he got part of the money from Roberts for his part in the attempted bombing of a Phoenix building housing the Indian Health Service. Roberts owned the building.

It was Roberts who had Adamson flown to Lake Havasu a few hours after Bolles was fatally injured. Adamson returned to Phoenix the next day.

Adamson also attorney Stephen Scott of Phoenix offered to defend him in the case for \$25,000 cash paid in advance. Adamson said he refused the offer but did have nearly \$5,000 in cash at the time. The amount included \$5,000 he said he had been given by Dandag.

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Rincon High fire — Russell Kingsley, 41, a Tucson District One security guard, was hospitalized for smoke inhalation last night in a fire that gutted a language classroom at Rincon High School.

Judge convicts and developer on 11 charges

Corona de Tucson developer Robert Edwin Brown was convicted in federal court yesterday on 11 charges of securities fraud involving millions of dollars and one charge of mail fraud conspiracy.

In his two-week, non-jury trial, which ended yesterday, Brown was acquitted on seven other securities and mail fraud charges.

U.S. District Judge James A. Walsh set sentencing for March 14 and allowed Brown to remain free on \$30,000 bond until he is sentenced.

Each of the 11 convictions carries a maximum five-year prison term or \$5,000 fine.

Corona de Tucson, a community of about 80 families, in 17 miles southeast of Tucson, south of Interstate 19 on S. Houghton Rd. It was started in 1961.

Brown, president of the now-bankrupt Corona de Tucson, Inc., took over development of the subdivision in 1971 and has since then, according to trial records.

In addition to Corona de Tucson, Brown owns two other developments, a subdivision in northwest Arizona and three others in Florida.

Indictments against Brown involved fraud in the operation of all the projects, not just Corona de Tucson, federal attorneys said.

The projects are Lake Mead Rancheros in Arizona, and St. John's River Estates, Key Colony Heights and Ridge Manor Estates in Florida.

According to AUSA, Atty. Joseph G. Davidson, who prosecuted Brown, the developer sold "contracts" to investors on mortgages that never existed. Brown forged contracts of sale for lots in the developments that he represented as sold, then sold long-term "contracts" to investors for immediate cash, Davidson said.

Loans to investors on the Corona project have been made.

Both houses approve the compromise, the legislation could reach Carter by late this afternoon.

Cold weather still plagued the Midwest and East yesterday, although temperatures crawled into the teens and 20s in some areas. But the cold kept fast-moving factors churning and prompted warnings of higher heating and fuel bills.

Under the gas bill compromise, reached by a House-Senate conference committee that met for less than half an hour, the House would abandon its effort to get a price ceiling provision in the bill.

In exchange, assurances would be written into the measure that higher prices received for natural gas bought during the emergency period would not trigger higher price increases in the unregulated interstate market.

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Boy, 14, files suit for right to wed

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A 14-year-old boy has sued the Salt Lake County clerk for denying him a marriage license because of his age.

Frank Warty, asserted he is not the state law that prohibits marriage for a male under 16 is discriminatory since it allows females to marry at 14.

The suit was filed through his mother, Charlotte Warty.

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Debts rob Mammoth of fire protection

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MAMMOTH — There were no fires in the 100-year-old Mammoth Fire District yesterday. And it's a good thing, because Mammoth's financial problems have been there since the first fire.

Some 700 homes within the district, 30 miles northeast of Tucson, are without fire protection because firemen have refused to work until they are paid. The district's insurance policy was lapsed Monday when the district could not make a \$200 premium payment.

Arizona Atty. Gen. Bruce Babbitt will receive an appeal today from Pinal County on behalf of the district. Pinal County Atty. James Don is asking Babbitt for an opinion on whether the Governor's Emergency Fund.

Fund can legally be used to finance the district until July, when the current budget year ends.

The district was turned down in a previous request for help on the ground that the fund is intended for relief in disasters resulting from natural causes.

Don said in his letter to Babbitt that a fire in Mammoth now would be a disaster. The last fire reported in Mammoth was 1964, when a small area outside the district was burned by a lightning strike.

The Mammoth district includes the town of Mammoth and a small area outside the town limits. Monday was the last day the 14-member district board met. The board is the state's Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund.

Mammoth firemen have said they will not answer for less than the insurance coverage.

"I really don't know what we will do if a fire breaks out," Fire Chief Tony Armenta said yesterday. "The men say they won't risk their lives if they are not covered."

Armenta says he is optimistic that funds will be found. He blames the district's financial troubles on unexpected repair bills for two weeks ago. It was a false alarm, and the trucks and a smaller truck used to fight both fires.

Armenta estimates that the district needs between \$2,500 and \$3,000 for utilities and for the fuel of the fire trucks. He also needs \$1,000 for outstanding bills, including salaries for the firemen.