

# Would you believe

(Speaking of unusual foods), the government of Australia says that wild goat meat is fast becoming a popular dish around the world.

Australians have begun herding and slaughtering wild goats in New South Wales and a number of inland cities. Their biggest markets have been the Middle East, Singapore and the West Indies. But recently, European butchers have been clamoring for wild goat too.

One of the reasons why the wild goat meat is becoming so popular is its price. It's being sold wholesale for 45 cents a pound in Australia. (Newsprint)

More and more American motorists are seeing self-service gas stations as an opportunity to help themselves to some free gas.

In Illinois, for example, the number of motorists who drive away without paying has increased by 80 percent since self-serve stations became legal in the state.

Some gas station owners say the "drive-off thefts" could run them out of business. One claims he loses between three and four hundred dollars a month to such thefts.

But curbing drive-off thefts may not be simple. An Atlantic Richfield spokesman says solutions may vary from location to location. And other suggestions, such as asking customers to pay first or installing closed circuit video cameras, may anger honest customers. (Newsprint)

The New York Times reports that drivers who cheat, and buy leaded gas for cars requiring unleaded, may soon force up the price of gasoline for everybody else.

The problem stems from the fact that unleaded gas costs about four cents a gallon more than leaded gasoline. About 32 million cars are now equipped with pollution control devices called catalytic converters. If gasoline containing lead is used in these autos, it fouls up these converters -- frustrating attempts to clear up air pollution.

But about 10 percent of the drivers of those 32 million cars apparently balk at paying extra for the no-lead gas, so they cheat -- and use the leaded anyway. The Environmental Protection Agency is determined to stop this cheating, and is considering a number of ways to do it. They include making it illegal to use the wrong gas; requiring auto makers to install tank filler pipes which wouldn't admit leaded gas hoses -- and different ways of hiking the price of leaded fuel so it matches the price of unleaded. An EPA official acknowledged that some of the penalties would punish the masses for the sins of the few. (Newsprint)

A Michigan school superintendent has ruled that principals may not ask female students about their underwear. The ruling was handed down

last week in the case of Carrie Keech, a junior high school student who was suspended last spring for refusing to tell her principal whether or not she was wearing a bra.

The principal claimed that Keech's braless look was (quote) "distracting" other students and violated the school dress code. Keech and her parents, however, argued that the suspension violated her right to privacy. Principals, they argued, should be concerned with regulating behavior, not underwear.

The Michigan school superintendent apparently agreed. He ruled that the student dress code was designed (quote) to "ban clothing specifically considered distracting to the education process." But he said the code did not give principals the right to go around asking young women what they were wearing. (Newsprint) (Credit: Her Say)

Most bank robbers are not after money -- they're in it for psychological satisfaction, according to a former prison psychiatrist.

Dr. Donald Johnston, former psychiatrist at the federal prison in Springfield, Missouri has interviewed many bankrobbers to find out why they committed their crimes.

Most, he found, were not interested in stealing money for their personal use. Some, he claims, were trying to commit suicide, others were attempting to

become modern-day Robin Hoods and give money to the poor, while many others just wanted to embarrass their wives.

In one case, a man who claims he'd been made miserable by an overbearing wife tried to rob a bank by convincing the tellers that a bottle of cooking oil was nitroglycerine. After his conviction, he got a divorce. And after he was paroled, he remarried. Within months, he was back at a bank brandishing a bootle of cooking oil. (Newsprint)

Radio announcer Wayne McLean is quite a guy. Not only does he host a talk show on radio station CKWW; he's an ordained minister. Wayne recently combined all his talents and managed to pull off a radio first -- he married two myna birds on the air.

The wedding took place in the bridal chamber of the Roe Hampton Hotel in Windsor, Ontario and was broadcast over CKWW. The birds' owner said he sought McLean's services after trying to get two other ministers to marry Raja -- the psychic myna bird and his bride, Rani. But he said the other ministers got cold feet and turned chicken at the last minute. (Newsprint)

A real confrontation between hard-rock fans and disco devotees has finally happened.

A group of about 50 students at Northern Illinois University recently invaded three music clubs

located just off the De Kalb campus.

The students, calling themselves BUZ (or Beta Omicron Zeta), said they were protesting the fact that all three clubs had gotten disco fever, leaving them no place to hear hard rock. They also said they were protesting the "social stigma (that's) attached to disco." According to one BUZ coordinator, "People who can't afford to dress up, or aren't confident doing highly choreographed dances, shy away from" disco clubs.

Wearing ripped T-shirts and other punk regalia, BUZ first invaded the Red Lion and demanded that the disc jockey play Led Zeppelin, the Rolling Stones and Lou Reed instead of Donna Summer, the Bee Gees or the Commodores. Then they moved on to other night spots, picking up about a hundred new supporters in the process.

Club owners, meanwhile, say that the continuance of disco fever in De Kalb, depends on public demand. (Newsprint)

When Moses Minnie went to court in Keetmanshoop, Namibia, he was sure he had the case in his pocket. He was right. When Minnie reached into his pocket and pulled out his left ear, the presiding magistrate promptly convicted Willem Van Wyk of biting it off during a brawl. Van Wyk will be sentenced later; in the meantime the court is holding the ear as evidence. (Newsprint)

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS STUDENT SENATORS

There are three positions for undergraduate students from the Fredericton campus on the University Senate, one-year terms commencing March 1, 1979.

Nomination forms are available from the office of the University Secretary (Room 110, Old Arts Building), or the S.R.C. office.

Anyone nominated as a candidate must be:

- 1) Registered as a full-time student for 1978-79, not in the School of Graduate Studies & Research.
- 2) In good academic standing (i.e. not on academic probation).
- 3) Willing to serve, and have signed an agreement to that effect.

Nominations must be signed by twenty eligible voters (full-time students, registered for 1978-79)

Nominations will close at 4:00 p.m. on January 17, 1979. Nominees have 24 hours in which to withdraw.

The date of the election is January 31, 1979, in conjunction with S.R.C. elections.

James Woodfield  
Secretary to Senate