

A Thurmont mountaineer—she loves it

By TOM FERRARO
THURMONT, Md. (UPI) — If Mrs. Mae Carbaugh wanted to, she could probably move into a comfortable home for senior citizens. But she doesn't want to. She prefers living the rugged life of a mountain woman.

Mrs. Carbaugh, 78, lives in a battered trailer on a slice of land on Blue Ridge Mountain in rural Frederick County, overlooking a winding creek.

Her estate, in addition to

the green and silver trailer, includes a wooden outhouse and three nameless cats.

"No, this isn't the greatest," says the scrubby old woman. "But it's home, and here I'm the boss."

"I get up when I want to, go to sleep when I want to and eat what and when I want to."

She is known here as the "cat woman," apparently because of her fondness for feline pets.

She wears ragged clothes,

gets water from the creek and harvests and eats wild plants. She also occasionally panhandles from curious passers-by and has been a target for some menacing kids, particularly on the night before Halloween.

Her trailer is dented and its windows boarded, bearing the scars of past skirmishes with the kids.

She moved here in a beat-up bus on a rainy June day in 1954. "I had no place else to go and this seemed like

a good place. I haven't left because I haven't found any place better."

Her home is located just off Md. 82, five miles from the presidential retreat of Camp David.

About her only regular company is a social worker from nearby Frederick who has recently been stopping by to help Mrs. Carbaugh go shopping and a farmer who helps her get firewood. Her trailer is warmed by a wood-burning stove.

Some town folks who don't like the eyesore she creates and a few people worried about her health have suggested she move into a home for senior citizens.

"You mean for old people," she shoots back, bearing a toothless scowl. "No way."

"Friend, you can't be yourself in a place like that. You can't do what you want to do and you can't eat what you want to eat. I take care of myself here."

Nixon knew of hush fund earlier—tape

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Judiciary Committee heard a tape Tuesday which sources said indicates President Nixon discussed the Watergate cover-up four days earlier than he has publicly said he learned of it.

No member would comment publicly on details of evidence heard in the closed sessions. But sources said a tape recording of Nixon listening to other tapes and commenting on them confirmed earlier claims that the President talked of White House involvement in the cover-up as early as March 17, 1973.

Nixon has said he first learned of the Watergate cover-up on March 21, 1973, when John W. Dean III, then White House counsel, told him.

The comments came after members returned to their hearing room from a lunch break. Members commenting after the morning session, when only part of the tape had been played, said it was ambiguous and unclear.

One committee source said the tape of Nixon's talking to several aides on June 4, 1973, confirmed a statement made May 21 by committee Chairman Peter Rodino, D-N.J., that Nixon's remarks on the tape about the March 17 discussion "includes a

discussion of the Watergate matter and possible involvement of White House personnel and others."

Earlier, commenting on the morning session, Rep. George Danielson, D-Calif., said he heard Nixon, on the June 4 tape, talking about March 17 and March 21 conversations with Dean.

Danielson said there was mention of Watergate in the President's comments about the March 17 tape. The White House has denied there was any such discussion of Watergate matters on that tape; a partial transcript of which has been released.

But Danielson also said nothing in the portion of the tape heard so far had demonstrated presidential knowledge of the cover-up on the 17th.

Rep. Don Edwards, D-Calif., also said there was mention of the conversation of the 17th and said, "There's some ambiguities in it" regarding whether Nixon knew of the cover-up on that date.

The committee hopes to complete its hearings of evidence by Friday. Next week it is scheduled to consider procedural questions.

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In Azores

Crowds mob Nixon at stop

LAJES AIR BASE, Azores (UPI) — President Nixon, homeward bound and pleased with the progress of his search for peace in the Middle East, arrived here Tuesday night for a rest and a meeting with new Portuguese President Antonio de Spínola.

The President's party landed at this mid-Atlantic island seven and a half hours after

being given a royal sendoff by the King and Queen of Jordan in Amman, the final stop of the five-nation "journey for peace."

After a brief ceremony at the Lajes airport, Nixon was nearly mobbed by a crowd composed of the families of American and Portuguese military personnel attached to the base.

Only his head and his outstretched arms were visible, and children were crying in the crush. Nixon, his hair disheveled from the incident, shook as many hands as he could reach before returning to his car.

Spínola, a dapper man who wears a monocle, greeted Nixon when his plane arrived at 5:10 p.m. EDT. Nixon shook hands with him at the foot of the ramp, but obviously did not know who he was and continued down the receiving line. Upon realizing the oversight, Nixon moved back to greet him more cordially and lead him to photographers.

Nixon said he was "very pleased" that his first stop en route back to the United States "is in a friendly country."

"I look forward to the first opportunity to talk with you about our relationship," Nixon said.

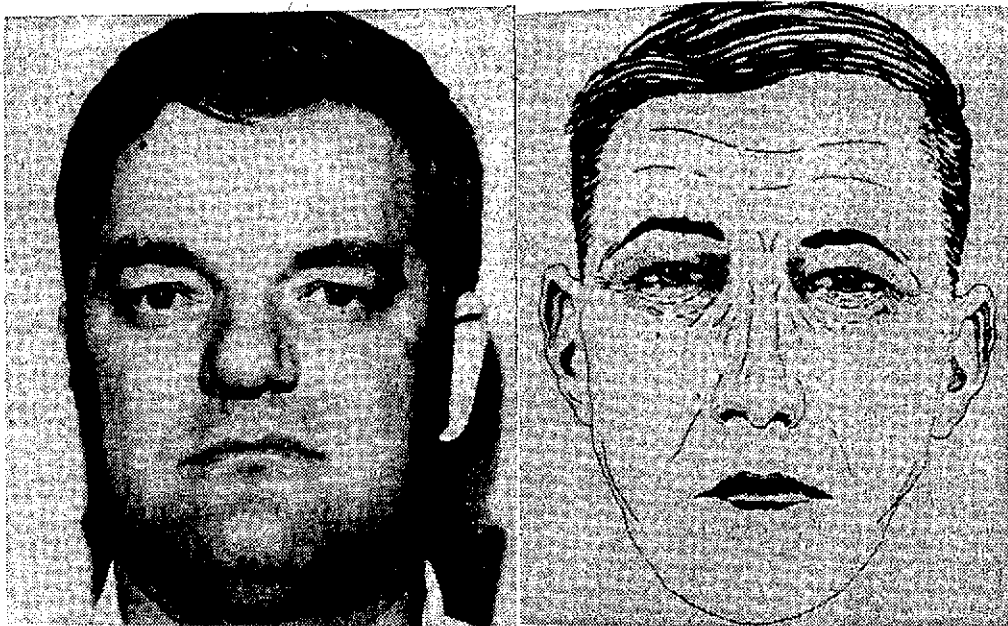
Spínola said he was most happy to meet Nixon, the first chief of state he has met since taking office two months ago.

Press Secretary Ronald L. Ziegler told reporters that Nixon feels "the diplomacy on this trip has opened the door to peace in the Middle East and the nations in the area now have an opportunity to walk through that door."

Alexander M. Haig, top Nixon aide, indicated that an effort to achieve further Israeli withdrawals in the Sinai area will be the first order of business although Jordanian King Hussein made a special appeal for help in achieving a disengagement of his forces and Israel's along the Jordan River.

The size of the task still facing negotiators was demonstrated when Israel announced that her planes had attacked five Palestinian guerrilla bases in Lebanon even before Nixon left Jordan.

Nixon is scheduled to stay overnight at the home of Brig. Gen. William P. Comstock, commanding general of the air base.



Mayor Varner Paddock "in person"

Hizzoner as "drawn" by detective

'How 'bout his eyes?'

"You say he has some lines under his eyes and a straight hairline?" Hagerstown Police Detective Richard Hannan asks as he carefully starts putting the composite of the unknown man together.

"How about his eyes?" he continues.

The 25-year-old veteran with the force silently begins drawing cards from the force's Identikit. Slowly the face of the unknown man takes shape . . . first, the hairline, then the eyes.

The wooden kit contains hundred of cards with different noses, eyes, ears, hairlines and hairstyles. Each year, Hannan says, it is updated to keep in line with the different styles.

"We really don't have any cards with thicker hair on the sides," he says. "You see, that can always change because the criminal can get a haircut. But he can't change his hairline."

Hannan has been working the Identikit since the department began renting it for \$200 a year from a San Francisco firm four years ago.

"Okay, now for the nose and lips. If you can identify those two, plus the hairline and chin line, then you've got a pretty good case for an identification," Hannan says.

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'It can't happen to me'

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third in a series of articles covering the problem of contaminated well water in Washington County.)

By CARROLL WATTS

Apathy — the attitude that "it can't happen to me" — marks the feelings of most Washington County citizens questioned recently about the widespread problem of contaminated well water.

Reluctant to talk, most people interviewed drew back into their shells when asked about the possibility of sewage polluting the well water they drink.

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Tim, Fred and Faith (l. to r.) prepare to smoke out bees and begin their sticky harvest

In federal report

Coed sex classes proposed

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The administration Tuesday proposed regulations to integrate sex education classes and improve athletic opportunities for college women but said it would not enforce them until some time next year.

The rules on school employment, admission and treatment of students were drafted to implement legislation enacted in 1972.

They would apply to some 15,000 public school systems, from pre-school through graduate school, receiving such federal aid as funds for reading instruction and research grants. Except for military

schools, most private religious schools and traditionally one-sex schools, the rules would apply to almost 2,500 colleges receiving federal aid.

"This is the next step in our country's continuing effort to assure equality of opportunity for all citizens in pursuing their full potential through education, and it's long overdue," Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger of Health, Education and Welfare said in announcing the proposal.

But the 80-page proposal was purposely vague, and took no position on such issues as alleged discrimination against

girls in school textbooks and other instructional materials.

Weinberger, at a news briefing, said for example he expected most sex education courses to continue operating as they do now, with separate classes for girls and boys.

After the briefing, his legal advisers issued a clarifying statement saying that under the rules no school receiving federal aid could offer separate classes for males or females including sex education, physical education, home economics and industrial arts.

Weinberger acknowledged that the most controversial

issue, and the one which has generated the most mail to him, is the question of women participating in college athletics.

While colleges would be required to give coeds greater opportunities to participate in sports—such as improved coaching, locker rooms and travel—they would not have to field mixed-sex teams nor equalize spending for women, he said.

"The disruption of American athletics that many people predicted will not take place," Weinberger asserted. "The rules do require that colleges realize the aspirations of American women."

Donald Munson eyes state House

By CARROLL WATTS

Donald F. Munson announced his candidacy for the 20 state House of Delegates District seat Tuesday night before an audience of about 60 people at the Venice Motel.

Munson, a Republican, is stepping into the race against Democratic incumbent Richard Grumbacher and Republican Robert Barnhart.

The 20 district includes Cedar Lawn plus Hagerstown's Wards One, Two, Five and two precincts of Ward Four (Rowe's Bingo and Broadway School.)

"I am running because the more I talk to the people of this area, the more I am convinced that they feel government is unresponsive to their own concerns and problems," Munson said in his opening speech.

"People have the feeling that government and politicians have forgotten them. We must find new ways of providing jobs, of providing a more equitable tax base, and of restoring the public's confidence."



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Good morning

About the day . . .

Today is Wednesday, June 19, the 170th day of 1974. There are 195 days left in the year.

On this day in 1968, more than 50,000 persons took part in a "Poor People's" march in Washington, D.C.

About the weather . . .

Today: Mostly sunny and warmer with high in the low and mid 80s. Partly cloudy and warmer tonight. Low in the 60s. Chance of rain is 10 per cent today and 20 per cent tonight.

Past 24 hours: High, 78; low, 55; 8 p.m., 72.

Thursday: Partly cloudy and warmer with high 85 to 90.

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