

Sales Exceed \$60 Million For Mushroom Business

By REYNOLDS KNIGHT
There's one industry that has really been mushrooming in recent years — the mushroom business.

More and more Americans are finding the umbrella-shaped food to their liking. Consider these figures: In the 1966-67 growing season, U.S. growers harvested 185 million pounds of mushrooms worth about \$60 million at wholesale. In 1962 the crop totaled 165 million pounds and 10 years earlier it was only 75 million pounds.

Mushroom farming is tough. Tender care must be given them while they grow in damp, dark mushroom houses. Farmers spend weeks curing the "soil" in which mushrooms flourish. The soil is a mixture of manure combined with hay and crushed corn cobs.

BUT THE mushroom farmer isn't complaining. As one said, "A few years ago I had to go looking for buyers. Today, they're lined up at my door and prices are the highest ever."

This same farmer recently began construction of a \$68,000 mushroom house which will double his present output of 300,000 pounds a year. Similar expansions are being planned by other farmers.

The mushroom is described as a "tasty, highly nutritious, low calorie food." Mushrooms contain only 66 calories a pound. Cottage cheese contains 390 calories a pound.

Mushroom farmers fervently hope that people will not pick and eat wild mushrooms. As one farmer put it, "every time someone gets poisoned our sales nosedive."

ONE OF THE pressing needs of schools today, in the face of mounting enrollments, is finding ways of providing individualized instruction for each pupil.

To help the classroom teacher, leading corporations are

applying their technological know-how to the problem. One promising solution, developed by Borg-Warner Corp., is an educational system that can perform the teaching functions of computerized devices costing many thousands of dollars and that could be sold to schools for under \$400.

The system consists of a portable electronic unit resembling a small television set, a color film slide and a record synchronized with the slide. The student pushes one of five buttons to select correct answers and advance lessons; a wrong answer causes the machine to repeat the question or instruction.

DEVELOPED with the assistance of classroom teachers in preparing program material, the system has been demonstrated to be effective in teaching basic reading skills and foreign language in a pilot program, said Dr. Donald W. Collier, Borg-Warner vice president for research. Immediate plans are to expand the testing program in several school systems whose pupils represent a wide range of social and economic backgrounds.

A NEW YORK wigmaker says he sold more than 30,000 long-hair wigs to men this year. He insists they are "manly types who just can't wear long hair at school or on the job." Secret swingers, no doubt... Disneyland doesn't like hippies. There's a real against weird dress and "unusually dirty appearance"...

An anti-racism campaign has got under way at Chester, Pa. Bounty hunters are paid 10 cents a tail by the city.

WHAT DO Minneapolis, Madison, N.J., and Margaretville, N.Y. have in common, other than their initial letter M?

At first glance, they would seem to be quite different.

in common, both with one another and with many thousands of U.S. communities: surging school populations. And these three "M" communities solved the problem of where to house their pupils in the same way, by acquiring factory-built relocatable classroom structures from C.I.T. Educational Buildings, Inc., a subsidiary of C.I.T. Financial Corp. Their classrooms are among more than 500 supplied to school districts and colleges from 1965 to the opening of the 1967-68 school year.

Obituaries

Joseph Martella
Rosary will be recited this evening at 7:30 at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel for Joseph Michael Martella, of 226 S. Juanita St., who died here yesterday. A prayer service will be conducted Thursday at 10 a.m. in the mortuary chapel.

Mr. Martella, who had lived in the area since 1946, was born May 14, 1914, in Pennsylvania. He is survived by his widow, Ann; two sons, Edward and Timothy, both of Redondo Beach; a daughter, Anna Martella of Altoona, Pa.; five sisters, Loretta Consalvo of Wilmington; Theresa De Angelis of San Pedro; Katherine Ferrara of Rhode Island; and Eleanor Cecere and Madeline Flavo of Michigan; and four brothers, Anthony, Francis, Christopher, and Alfred Martella, all of Wilmington.

J. Christensen
James Wilford Christensen, of 20504 Normandie Ave., died here Monday. A veteran of World War II, Mr. Christensen was born May 8, 1922, in Green River, Wyo.

Mr. Christensen is survived by his widow, Wanda, and a daughter, Debra Ann, both of Torrance.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Stone and Myers Mortuary.

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Under his proposal, the Los Angeles County coroner would be authorized to conduct hearings, but he would perform the function through a hearing officer without a jury, Younger said.

Another change would eliminate any aspects of the coroner's findings which have legal connotations dealing with civil or criminal liability, Younger added.

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"Such findings shall not include, nor make any reference to civil or criminal liability or responsibility."

AT THE REQUEST of the Board of Supervisors, Younger has headed a committee investigating the coroner's inquest procedures for more than a year.

Represented have been the District Attorney, County Counsel, Coroner, Sheriff, Los Angeles City Chief of Police, Los Angeles County Bar Association, Lawyer's Club of Los Angeles County, Criminal Courts Bar Association, Langston Law Club, and the American Civil Liberties Union.

"It is our belief that the changes which this legislation would effect will eliminate the areas which have been subjected to criticism in the past," Younger wrote in his report to the supervisors.

PRINCIPAL criticism of the present system has been directed toward the so-called "justifiable homicide" verdicts. This is a legal finding which is binding on no one and has little practical effect, according to Younger.

In a progress report filed last May with the supervisors, Younger stated, "It is generally felt that the coroner's role should be one of an investigator, with the power to subpoena witnesses where necessary in the investigation, but to eliminate the aura of legal adjudication which presently surrounds the coroner's inquest."

The committee recommendation suggests that the hearing officer qualifications changes which are proposed could be achieved by implementing existing sections of the Government Code. These code sections enable the county to create a hearing officer with the qualifications of having five years of law practice.

Public Works Director Fired by Reagan; Los Angeles Man Tapped

Capital News Service
SACRAMENTO — John C. Erreca, state director of public works and the last person to be reappointed from the old administration, was fired abruptly by Governor Reagan Monday.

Erreca will be replaced in the \$265,000 a year position by Samuel B. Nelson, 65, a Republican, formerly was general manager and chief engineer of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, largest municipally owned utility in the nation.

Erreca was surprised at the move. It had been announced less than two months ago that he would be retained in his position. In fact, since Reagan was elected last November, it had been understood generally that Erreca was one of the few directors who would be retained.

"I FEEL LIKE I had a safe dropped on me," Erreca said. "I didn't know anything about this until I received a letter at 10:15 this morning. It said my successor would be named Philip N. Battaglia, who had been Reagan's executive secretary and top mentor."

Nelson, who is vice president of an internationally known engineering firm in Los Angeles, was with the Los Angeles DWP for more than 35 years. He was graduated from Pomona College and received an engineering degree from Cornell. In 1965, Nelson was named one of the top 10 public works men of the year by the American Public Works Association and Kiwanis International.

Postal Services Day To Be Observed Here

Postal Service Day will be observed throughout the area next Monday, according to Carl L. Backlund, postmaster.

The Torrance Post Office will observe the day with special open activities at the main post office, 2510 Monterey St., from 9:30 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Beginning next Monday, letter carriers will deliver to Torrance householders a kit of eight postal cards which may be returned to the post office to obtain ZIP codes for "zipless" addresses.

"Delivery of the ZIP-A-List kit during the celebration of Postal Services Day is in keeping with the event," Backlund said. "ZIP Code is the key to better service and we want to make it as easy as possible to obtain the codes needed to fill our personal mailing lists."

He said that some 440,000 addresses were ZIP coded during a similar project last year which involved post offices throughout the area.

The cards will be handled as ordinary postal cards and it is expected that some 10 million will be in the mail at the peak of the national ZIP-A-List project.

Decorates Airport

A colorful mural depicting scenes at Los Angeles International Airport is now being exhibited in the passenger channel in Satellite 6. The mural was painted by first grade students at Anza Elementary School following a visit to the airport. Meghan James of Carmel is pictured inspecting the mural.

Public Notice

That on September 28, 1967, at 10:45 o'clock A.M. at front steps of County Court House City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money, the title and interest of said indebted debtor in the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said obligation, with accrued interest and costs.

Dated at Torrance, California, August 13, 1967.
LESLIE R. KEAYS,
MARSHAL,
County of Los Angeles
By C. L. Perkins, Deputy
8611 Greenhawk Blvd.,
Inglewood
11563
W—Aug. 28, 30; Sept. 6, 13, 1967

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
T.O. No. 67-3556
On Thursday, September 28, 1967, at 11:00 A.M. TITLE INSURANCE AND TRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust dated January 20, 1964, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money, the title and interest of said indebted debtor in the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said obligation, with accrued interest and costs.

PH-495
CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS, FICTITIOUS NAME
The undersigned does certify he is conducting a business at 2208 South Sepulveda Blvd., Los Angeles, California, under the fictitious firm name of KELLY'S KAR WASH and that said firm is composed of the following persons whose name in full and place of residence is as follows:
Michael H. Moore, 2513 Apple Torrance.
Dated August 28, 1967.
Michael H. Moore
State of California, Los Angeles County.

PH-496
CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS, FICTITIOUS NAME
The undersigned does certify he is conducting a business at 2208 South Sepulveda Blvd., Los Angeles, California, under the fictitious firm name of PENINSULA AUTO WASH and that said firm is composed of the following persons whose name in full and place of residence is as follows:
LOYD D. TERRY, 21105 LA SALLE TORRANCE, CA.
Dated August 28, 1967.
Lloyd D. Terry
State of California, Los Angeles County.

PH-497
NOTICE FOR BIDS ON SCHOOL SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT AND REPAIRS
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of the Torrance Unified School District of Los Angeles County will receive proposals for furnishing certain school supplies, equipment and repairs as per list and specifications on file in the Business Office, 2336 Plaza del Torrance, California, until 10:00 a.m. and before September 13, 1967 at 10:00 a.m. and will be opened in public at that time and place. Each bid aggregating \$1,000 or more must be accompanied by a certified cashier's check for not less than 5% of the total amount of the bid; provided that if only certain items are to be accepted, the bidder may thereupon substitute a certified cashier's check for the unaccepted items on his bid; and providing further that the firm doing business regularly with the Board of Education may, at the discretion of the Board, be permitted to bid on the above mentioned check file with the Torrance Unified School District, an annual or continuing surety company's bond in the sum of \$25,000.00 to insure compliance with the terms of their signed bids submitted from time to time during the life of the bond.

PH-498
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
On September 28, 1967, at 11:00 A.M., Gardens Valley Escrow Corporation, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust dated January 20, 1967, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money, the title and interest of said indebted debtor in the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said obligation, with accrued interest and costs.

PH-499
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
On September 28, 1967, at 11:00 A.M., TITLE INSURANCE AND TRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust dated April 11, 1964, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money, the title and interest of said indebted debtor in the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said obligation, with accrued interest and costs.

PH-500
NOTICE OF MARRIAGE SALE
FERRY vs. FERRY
Defendant No. 24 813. By virtue of an execution issued on July 24, 1967, I, the Municipal Court of Inglewood Judicial District, County of Los Angeles, State of California, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money, the title and interest of said indebted debtor in the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said obligation, with accrued interest and costs.

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WINNING FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Tobia Tull and their six children inspect the television set which they won as part of a promotional contest sponsored by Gledhill Chevrolet in Wilmington. Tim Tanner, sales manager for Gledhill Chevrolet, made the presentation after the Tull family was announced as winner of the color television set.

Marriage Licenses

- Issued Aug. 28, 1967
Frank Edwin Nelson, 19, of 326 E. Renton St., and Carolyn Jean Driscoll, 19, of 1529 Stanford Ave., Redondo Beach.
Robert James Simonsen, 21, of 3100 N. Ohio, and Carol Ann Francis, 20, of 207 Harbor Hills, Lomita.
- Issued Aug. 29, 1967
Stephen Yankovic, 29, of Gardena, and Lora Lucille Hutchens, 23, of 3534 Oak St., Lomita.
James Arthur Rankin, 28, of Los Angeles, and L. O. Lo Gal Swelgite, 21, of 1028 Leaden.
James Jerry Conrad, 28, of Rolling Hills, and Anita Ann Carrano, 21, of 2630 Gramercy Ave., Wendell Omond Perry, 18, of 322 W. 117th Place, Inglewood, and Linda Jo Jones, 19, of Los Angeles.
Mark Harvey Wallis, 23, of 4027 W. 242nd St., and Joanna Phinney, 22, of Palos Verdes Peninsula.
James Arthur Rankin, 28, of Wilmington, and Kaye Lynette Marks, 20, of 2601 Narbonne Ave., Lomita.
- Issued Sept. 6, 1967
Roy Gus Chasman, 45, of 2104 S. Normandie, and Diane Marie Fetrow, 45, of 2104 S. Normandie.
George Donald Loty, 42, of 2222 S. Normandie, and Sandra Louise Michael, 40, of 2222 S. Normandie.
Samuel S. and Terri Ann Evans, 23, of 2925 Samuel St., and Charles Frankiewicz, 44, of 4400 Centinela Ave., Inglewood, and Lora Evelyn Sponenburgh, 43, of 5019 Mirada Drive, Torrance.
- Issued Sept. 7, 1967
Jerry LeRoy Deal, 23, of 1448 W. 215th St., and Sharon Diane Patrick, 18, of Wilmington.
Waldemara Kreshka, 36, of 3817 W. 11th Place, Inglewood, and Doris Mae Noble, 35, of Hermosa Beach.
Gerald Earle Taylor, 23, of 3263 Ladena Ave., and Vivia Kravka Brill, 25, of 2633 Ladena Ave.
- Issued Aug. 30, 1967
Daniel Walter Winkler, 23, of Los Angeles, and Joan Camille Britra, 22, of 221 W. Regent St., Inglewood.
Robert George Foster, 21, of 2206 W. 10th St., Inglewood, and Janice Kay Kerr, 19, of 2850 W. 102nd St., Inglewood.
Gery Richard Sassen, 24, of 4923 Imperial Highway, Inglewood, and Phyllis Ann, 21, of Rossmore.
Lawrence Henry King, 28, of 3630 W. 102nd St., Inglewood, and Judy Amelia McHenry, 21, of 3220 W. 102nd St., Inglewood.
John Wallace Galt, 41, of 41204 Carson St., and Rita Helen Henry, 23, of 3315 Carson St.
William James Wood, 42, of Long Beach, and Yvonne Jo Gray, 37, of 2644 Eshelman Ave., Lomita.
- Issued Aug. 31, 1967
Michael Henry Quinlan, 20, of Gardena, and Kathleen Sue Crowley, 19, of 2148 Anna Ave.
Walter Scott Hansen, 21, of Burbank, and Linda Jean Williams, 17, of 2606 W. 183rd St.
Robert W. Allen, 19, of 21635 Palos Verdes Drive and Sandra Sue Hill, 19, of 2025 Anna Dr.
- Issued Sept. 7, 1967
Joseph O'Brien Courver, 22, of 2083 W. 25th St., Lomita, and Annette Catherine Givens, 20, of Gardena.
Michael Frank Constantine, 23, of 2638 Ocean Ave.
Daniel Angelo, 19, of 1103 Hunters Drive, and Jean Allison, 20, of Redondo Beach.

IN REPORT TO BOARD

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