

Large And Complex World Thriving Under Sidewalks Of New York City

A person could spend his entire life under New York City and would have to emerge into the open air and sunlight only to be buried.

There is no room for graveyards in the vast, complex, underground world inhabited by thousands and used by millions beneath the steel and concrete skyscrapers. But under the sidewalks of the city are nearly everything else—stores and service facilities of the best hotels and to theaters, restaurants, hospitals, office buildings—every facility needed to live an adequate if not entirely normal life in a region of perpetual artificial light.

So complex is the development beneath Manhattan that no map depicts it and no man knows all that's there.

Buried in the relatively small island are enough telephone cables and wires to string 75 lines to the moon—10,000,000 miles of them—enough cable (81,500 miles) to wrap twice around the earth and tie a bow as broad as the United States.

If placed end to end, the 6,000 cars traveling 140 miles of subways—plus another 100 miles above ground—would span the 75 miles from Manhattan to New Haven, Conn.

There are stories of all kinds below the street level.

Workers digging beneath the island often turn up a long-lost item, such as a forgotten British dagger or a highway's tunnel leading from the Hudson River to what was once a prohibition era speakeasy.

On underground sidewalks, a person can walk the half-mile from Penn Station to Times Square. Pedestrian tunnels from Grand Central Station lead within 5 blocks of the suburban development of Rockefeller Center, which embraces some 20 buildings.

Underground New York has also developed its characters, like legendary Teddy May, the "sultan of the sewers," or Maurice, the "book man."

Teddy May died a few years ago at the age of 85 after spending 50 years working in the sewers of the city. From him, the city got information for the map of a 5,000-mile system which never before had been charted.

Maurice, a gray-bearded book seller, has fought a running battle with concessionaires for years over the thousands of books he keeps stored in subway station lockers.

Remains Of Monk Preserved In Ice

The body of Angelo Visconti, a Salernitan monk, missing for 12 years, was discovered preserved in ice by a squad of Italian Alpine soldiers on maneuvers near Aosta, Italy.

Visconti vanished when he dropped into a crevasse while engaged in climbing Ruto Mountain.

Town Of Old West Too Tough To Die

Some 70 miles southeast of Tucson, Arizona, lies an old western hamlet that resembles a town forgotten by time. Its buildings are old, its streets are quiet and nearly deserted when tourists are not swarming through them. There is little to indicate that this town, called Tombstone, at one time possessed a roaring life.

But close examination of Tombstone's past reveals that the town, founded in the late 1870's by a prospector who struck a rich vein of silver ore, was one of the wildest in the West during a period when the fast draw and mob rule decided what was right or wrong.

Tombstone today is widely known as "the town too tough to die" and aptly so, thanks to a small group of city fathers who have refused to let it become a ghost town.

Nearly every historic landmark has been preserved or restored as a tourist attraction, and the town itself is developing into a year-round health resort. The booming tourist season is highlighted during

a 3-day celebration called "Hell-Rorado," which recreates the days of the 1880's.

When a burly young prospector named Ed Schieffelin made a big strike in the Lucky Cuss silver mine in 1879, the town was born. As other miners and prospectors stamped into the region, followed by those who operated stores, hotels, rooming houses, and saloons.

When Tombstone reached the height of its activity in 1882, about 5,300 persons populated the town, the seat of Cochise County. The silver mines were then producing more than \$5,000,000 worth of ore annually.

Before Tombstone reached its prime years in silver mining, however, a separate chapter in its violent history was begun in 1879 when 4 brothers and a dentist turned gambler came to town from Prescott.

Named Town Marshal

The second eldest brother, Virgil Earp, was named town marshal. The others, James, Morgan, and Wyatt Earp, and John Henry (Doc) Holliday, were gamblers of some note, although they were available to assist Virgil when necessary.

A violent feud developed among the Earp faction and 2 sets of brothers, the McLowerys and the Clanton. It ended the afternoon of October 26, 1881, in one of the most famous episodes in Tombstone's history, the gun fight at the OK Corral. When it was over, Frank and Tom McLowery and Billy Clanton were dead and Ike Clanton was locked in jail.

Water Closes Mines

In 1888 Tombstone's history almost came to an end when water filled all the mine shafts and pumps could no longer work fast enough to keep it out. By the time most of the mines closed, more than \$40,000,000 worth of silver ore had been extracted from the earth.

Tombstone's Boothill Cemetery, one of the top tourist attractions, contains the graves of more than 250 town residents, most of whom met violent death in the town's early days. Billy Clanton and Tom and Frank McLowery are buried there, along with others whose markers are "shot by mistake" and "ambushed by Apaches."

The Tombstone Restoration Commission, which was formed in 1949 to preserve, and in some cases restore, the town's Old West character, has been actively pushing to restore gas lamps to the street, wooden plankings over the concrete sidewalks, and an architectural pattern of the late 19th Century.

Burglar Suspect Gets Head Stuck In Window

When residents of an apartment house at San Diego reported hearing a noise, police had little difficulty in capturing a man they booked on suspicion of burglary.

Police reported finding Larry Lopez trapped with his head stuck under a window that had slammed down upon him.



LEAGUE LEADING IRON WORKS TEAM—The Moorsville Iron Works team of the Midget Football League is unbeaten in their first four games of the season and need one win in their remaining two games to wrap up the title. The team is coached by Tate Mills, Roy Church and Allen Deaton. Members of the team are Bobby Gibson, Donald Beaver, Jeff Shoe, Bobby Waugh, Jerry Edminston, Danny Gabriel, Ricky Gibson, Gary Ham, David Christenbury, Bobby Crabb, Clyde Millsaps, Joe Christopher, Richard Sink, Richard Barker, Donnie Earnhardt, Frankie Thompson, Tommy Mills, Kelly Compton, Chuck Byrd, Mac McCracken, Bill Grier and Glenn Wells.

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If you burn leaves, it is a good plan to burn them in an incinerator with a cover to prevent sparks from rising.

The National Board has these suggestions:

1. Never burn leaves on a windy day.
2. Have the garden hose connected to a water line and ready to use if your fire should get out of hand.
3. Be sure your fire is completely out before you leave it.

Shinnville Road

By MRS. HAZEL McNEELY

—Mr. and Mrs. Grady Vickers and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vickers visited their brother, Mr. Hubert Vickers of Rhonda, Sunday. They went especially to see their nephew. He is recuperating from injuries received in an automobile accident.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. M. McNeely visited Mr. and Mrs. Doyt Hobbs of Cornelius, Sunday night.

—Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Overcash, and Norman, Mr. and Mrs. Speck Overcash and Mr. Harry Overcash of Kannapolis attended the funeral of their niece, Mrs. Carolyn Ziegler Echols of Kernersville. Mrs. Echols was killed in an automobile accident.

—The Young Married Women's Class of the Church of the Nazarene gave a stork shower for Mrs. Paul Williams on Friday, September 28. The shower was given at the home of Mrs. Troy Thompson.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ira Overcash and family of Statesville and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bass of Troutman were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Overcash, Sr., on Sunday afternoon.

—Mrs. Mary J. Lambert, of Moorsville, is recuperating at her home after spending a few days in Davis Hospital in Statesville.

CHARLES PIERCE BUYS REGISTERED ANGUS COW

Charles Pierce, Moorsville, recently purchased 27 registered Angus cows from Blandhill Farms, Pineville.



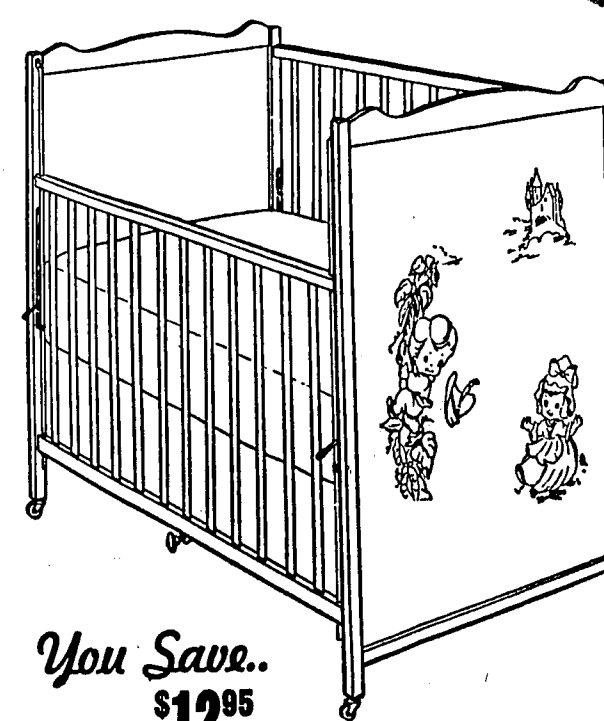
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Judy Carter is a 15-year-old Mocksville resident. She is a diabetic and unable to be as active as she would like. She sits at home and chats with friends all over the Piedmont—via her citizens band unit. She says she'd rather talk to Moorsville folks than anybody, because they're interesting, and because there are so many of them who operate and enjoy citizens band radios.

These are just two examples of the value and growing popularity of CB radio in this area. The little two-way units are popping up everywhere, in businesses, homes, industry, on the farm, wherever people want electronic assistance in communicating.

There are CB fans all over Moorsville, and they are forever chatting with each other and with other operators throughout this section. Sam Brawley, for example, has units in his home, his garage and in his truck. He often contacts friends in nearby towns for help in locating car parts he needs in his garage.

The CB radio not only is handy and useful, it can be the difference between life and death for handicapped persons. Many persons who are physically handicapped drive alone in safety, knowing if they have car trouble that help is as near as their mobile CB microphone. Their radios are as comforting as an able-bodied companion.

Throughout the nation, licensed CB operators are increasing at the rate of 60,000 monthly. Moorsville is adding its share of voices to this exciting replacement and improvement over the old party-line telephones that once let everybody in on what everybody else was doing. A Hoke County lady, who is confined to a wheel chair, uses her CB unit to gather news for her local paper.

It's a great help in adding friends, too. Brawley has a collection of some 300 call letter cards from CB operators in 32 states who have talked with him while passing through this area.

And it is more than talking for fun and profit. Plans are underway to organize a stronger CB club in this area. One of the club's first projects will be starting a REACT service. That means Radio Emergency Associated Citizens Teams.

It has been proven in other sections of the state that these REACT operations are a boon to policemen, firemen and all charged with seeing to the public's safety.



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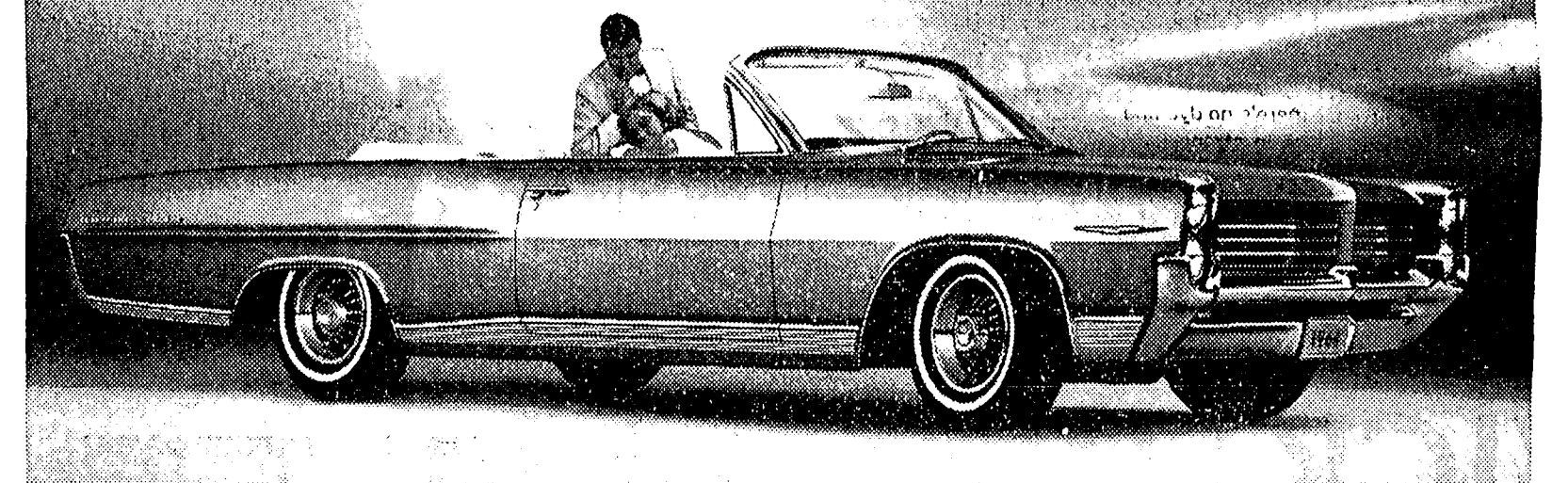
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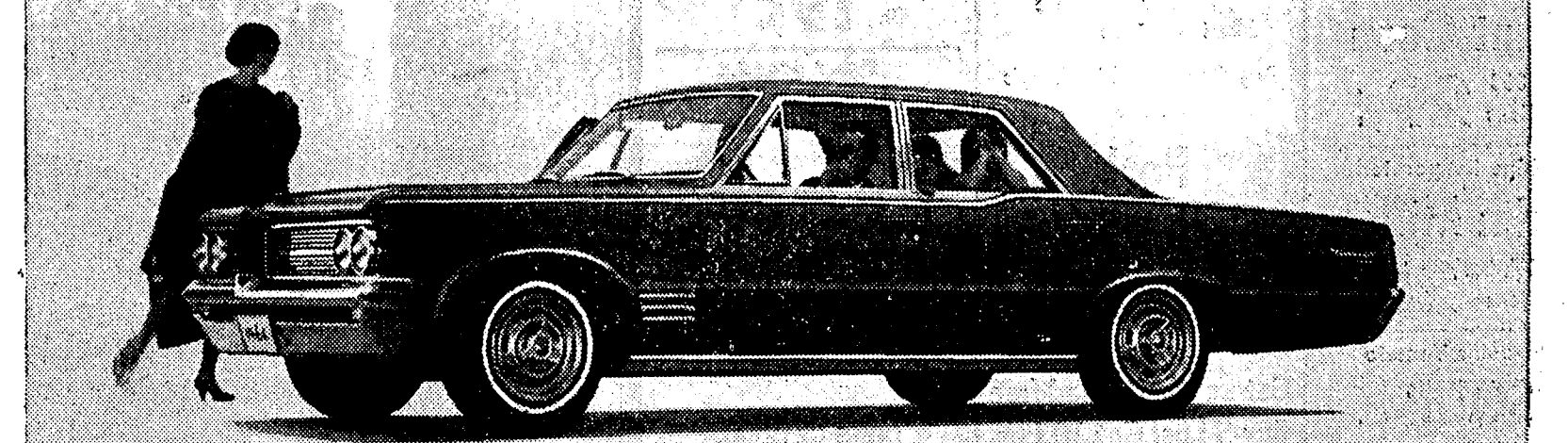


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