

## The Power & The Glory

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Over the next few months, short term interest rates are expected to rise. For the first time in more than a year, Treasury bills and notes, as well as Federal Intermediate Credit Banks, and Federal Home Loan Banks issuances will offer better yields, than conventional savings bank deposits.

### COMPARISON

Bank rates are regulated by the federal government. Thrift institutions such as savings banks and savings and loan associations, maximum allowable interest rates generally start at 5.25 percent on regular day-to-day accounts.

The maximum long term savings bank rate of 7.25 percent is for deposits for at least six years. Commercial bank interest rates generally are one-quarter percent less.

### RATES

Rates on three to six months of short term government securities vary and are related to federal monetary policy.

The Federal Reserve Board is concerned about inflation. The money market has gotten tighter. Accordingly, three month Treasury bills are yielding 6.1 percent. Some six month Treasury bills are yielding 6.3 percent.

The yield on these federally secured bills is at least eight tenths of one percent more than the basic rate paid by most saving institutions. Other government security rates are a point more than the daily compounded bank rate.

### TAX EXEMPT

Treasury and federal agency securities are exempt from state and local government taxes. The Banks for Cooperatives (institutions that help finance farm cooperatives and live stock loan associations) and the Intermediate Credit Banks sell bonds each month with maturities of six and nine months.

Federal Agency securities are either direct or indirect government obligations and are more secure than bank deposits protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

### MARKETABILITY

Government securities are readily marketable. Their sale before maturity date may be for less than you paid for them, although this is not always the case.

Premature cash withdrawals from long-term bank deposit accounts always because of federal regulation provide for costly interest penalties.

### NEGOTIABLE

Treasury bills and federal agency securities are very negotiable, and are regarded by money managers as the next best thing to cash.

The minimum dollar purchase on federal securities varies. Treasury bills are sold only in minimum denominations of \$10,000., and sold in denominations as small as \$1,000.

Most commercial banks will order at no charge, new Treasury offerings for established customers. Charges for new federal agency securities will range from \$15. to \$25. per transaction.

### INFORMATION

Financial pages in most major daily newspapers indicate government security issuances and their yields. Moody's Bond Survey is a weekly investment publication that is available source for information, with special telephone numbers for public inquiries listed in the telephone book.

This kind of information is little known in our community. Pass it along.

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## Hypertension in Children

### HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE IN CHILDREN

The National Task Force on Blood Pressure in Children, a committee of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, recommends that all children over the age of three be checked for high blood pressure at the time of their routine annual examination.

At a recent symposium on the disease, a pioneer in childhood hypertension suggested that blood pressure be checked at every visit to the doctor during adolescence. "Our awareness that children and adolescents may have high blood pressure is quite recent," Jennifer Loggie, MD, explained. "Studies establishing normal blood pressure in children were first published only a decade ago.

A small percentage of youngsters with high blood pressure have 'essential hypertension' which is the diagnosis for about 90% of adults with the disease, when no underlying cause can be determined. When a child or adolescent has 'essential hypertension,' there is a strong probability that a parent or sibling is also hypertensive," according to Dr. Loggie.

In time, children with abnormal blood pressure may develop the same organ damage as adults: enlarged heart, possible heart failure, eye changes and damaged kidneys.

Dr. Loggie is Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine and the Children's Hospital Research Foundation. She addressed physicians attending a symposium co-sponsored by Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska, and CIBA Pharmaceutical Company on December 1-2, 1977.

Another specialist, Maria New, MD, Professor and Vice-Chairman, Department of Pediatrics, The New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, at a medical meeting in Toledo, Ohio, November 12, 1977, urged that children found to have hypertension be studied to find the underlying causes of the disorder. She said that by finding the causes, prevention and treatment of high blood pressure may be possible before complications ensue."

Dr. New noted that "children's blood pressure is different from adults, and it normally increases with age, just as weight does." Special age-adjusted charts, techniques and equipment should be used in taking the blood pressures of children and adolescents, she advised.

High blood pressure affects two and a half to five percent of all youngsters screened to date, Dr. New reported, and the disease presents "a public health problem."

## MUSICAL FARCE

The cast for "A Funny Thing Happened On The Way to The Forum" has been named at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. The musical farce will be presented in the Judy Bayley Theater Feb. 16 through 26. Robert Durgan directs this uninhibited comedy.

In a show that is pure burlesque, a Roman slave named Pseudolus, played by Art Engler, resorts to glorious trickery to gain his freedom. Engler appeared as the hilarious Walter Hollander in "Don't Drink The Water" last season. He and a company of Roman buffoons slap gag on gag.

The production brings a number of familiar faces to the Bayley stage. Glenn Cassle, who recently appeared as Lenny in "The Homecoming," will portray the slave Hysterium, Marguerite Hall, the Irene Ryan acting nominee, will play the domineering wife os Senex, portrayed by Bill Campbell. Jack McCallum, as Hero, is madly in love with the virgin Philia, played by Dolly Coulter.

Rom Watson is Lycus, a buyer and seller of courtesans. Cast as his stable of prostitutes are Rosalind Moreland as Panacea, Nancy Nelson as Tintinabula, Leslie DenDooven as Vibrate and Cindi Satterfield as Gynnasia. Jo Burton and Judy Kaie portray The Geninae.

The production also features Joe Wheeler as Erronius and Craig Lindberg as Miles Gloriosus. Ned Hill, Robert Kidd, and Kevin Stein, as The Proteans, complete the company of buffoons.



## Library Notes

by Bill Ludwig

The West Las Vegas Library constantly receives new books which are useful and relevant to our community and to our patrons. I have selected a few of the most recent books as a sampling of the new and interesting materials coming into the library; please come by the library, at the corner of "D" and Jackson, to see the many others.

Liebers' Guide: How to Organize and Run a Club by Arthur Liebers.

Billed as the only book available on the subject, this is a long overdue manual on everything from writing by-laws to raising funds for clubs of all sizes. It is a perfect companion to Theodore Caplow's How To Run Any Organization, also available at the library.

What Every Pregnant Woman Should Know by Gail Brewer.

The subtitle of this book tells the whole story: "the truth about diets and drugs in pregnancy." This book has an important message for anyone who is pregnant or expects to become pregnant: how to reduce the risks of having birth-defective children and increase the health and life potential of every mother and child.

My Soul Is Rested by Howell Raines.

This is the story of the civil rights movement in the South, as told and experienced by the people who participated in it, the greats and the unknowns. It weaves together an incredible web of courage and violence and faith to help reveal the change the South has undergone during those turbulent years.

The Lifelong Learner by Ronald Gross.

For anyone who believes he has room to grow and ability to learn, this timely book is filled with ideas and resources for self-development, including such unconventional tools as do-it-yourself colleges, TV, libraries, learning networks, personal journals and learning brokers.

The Ashanti Doll by Francis Bebey.

This novel of Africa brings the reader closer than ever before to the real lives of the people caught up in the clash between the new and the traditional worlds of Ghana, by a young author who has already received a Grand Prix award in France.

The Race Bomb by Paul Ehrlich.

Once and for all, the myth of race and intelligence is put to rest by this perceptive and knowledgeable examination of the so-called scientific attitudes which have promoted racial inferiority. This famous author and biologist demolished their theories and clears the air for rational approaches to our social problems.

Marvin & Tige by Frankcina Glass.

A young Black woman of Atlanta Georgia has written this moving novel of two lonely yet unlikely people brought together in an extraordinary relationship -- an eleven year old, street-wise Black boy and a white advertising executive dropout.

All Your Medical Questions Answered by Lester Coleman, M.D.

In a new and very practical book published by Good Housekeeping, Dr. Coleman answers the questions you have wondered or worried about in regard to your health and your doctor.

Management for Your Church by Alvin Lindgren.

How a church identified its mission, or its programs and manages its budget is discussed by the author of this new book. Special chapters are included on interaction with the environment and the pastor as church manager.