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Mrs. Muriel Humphrey agrees to fill the senate seat of her late husband - Hubert Humphrey until November. The Minnesota senator died of cancer on January 13. "I expect to work hard and diligently in a fashion that Minnesota has come to expect. I will work toward ideals which Hubert worked and lived for."

A 6 to 9 foot blackened crater - believed caused by the impact of a huge chunk of the Soviet (nuclear-powered) satellite Cosmos 954 is located about 200 miles east of Yellowknife, Canada. The bird tumbled out of orbit on January 24. Two men on a dog sled found the fragments. Radioactive contamination is a concern.

A deadly blizzard hits 14 states including Ohio. Governor James Rhodes called it "the worst blizzard in the history of Ohio." President Carter declared a federal state of emergency for the state.



Bette Midler - set to perform at the sold-out Front Row Theater Cleveland - instead sings an impromptu performance for 30 persons in the lounge of a snowed-in motel. Both her shows at the theater were cancelled because of the storm.

President Carter says he favors an agreement with the Soviet Union to prohibit the launching of low-flying satellites carrying radioactive materials. "If we cannot evolve those fail-safe methods, then I think there ought to be a total prohibition against earth-orbiting satellites with nuclear materials aboard."

Accidental Suicide - **Terry Kath** (31) - lead guitarist and vocalist for the rock group "Chicago" is killed when he placed (what he said) was an unloaded gun to his head and pulled the trigger. Kath brought two guns to a friend's home. According to the friend, Don Johnson - he first put an empty .38 to his head and played Russian roulette. After that, he picked up another gun - a 9mm and placed a clip into it - telling Johnson - "Don't worry - it's empty." Kath was an original member of the group - founded as "The Chicago Transit Authority" about 10 years ago. He leaves a wife and a son.



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Danny Seraphine - Chicago's drummer - says the group "will continue because I'm sure Terry wouldn't want us to stop."

Los Angeles Rams quarterback Joe Namath says his career as an NFL player is over after 13 years. Namath was with the New York Jets for 12 years before signing with the Rams last year. The quarterback has had four knee operations during his 13 years. "I don't know for sure what I'm going to be doing, but I'm not concerned. I've got some other people, such as my manager, Jimmy Walsh looking around for things for me to do. The right things."

The average salary for an NFL quarterback is over \$34,000 more than the average for all players - just over \$89,000 per year.

Franklin Jacobs, a sophomore at Fairleigh Dickinson University sets a world indoor high jump record of 7 feet 7 1/4 inches

At a National Religious Broadcasters Assn convention in Washington - **Anita Bryant** said that if she confronted homosexuals - "I would say that God loves them, that I love them, but I'd have to tell the truth - that homosexuality is a sin. I never said that I set myself up as a judge for anyone. But as a mother of four, I have my rights too." As she spoke, about 1000 homosexuals demonstrated outside the hotel.



"Alfa Romeo Spider Veloce. The Great Thrill Machine For Only \$9,295. Driving may never feel this good again."

Bestsellers - "The Black Marble" - Joseph Wambaugh, "The Silmarillion" J.R.R. Tolkien "The Honourable Schoolboy" - John le Carre, "The Thorn Birds" - Colleen McCullough, "All Things Wise and Wonderful" - James Herriot, "The Second Ring Of Power" - Carlos Castaneda, "The Amityville Horror" - Jay Anson, "The Complete Book Of Running" - James F. Fixx

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Television news – Home Box Office, the pay television system available in a million homes, says for the first time in its five-year history, it is in the black. HBO is also known for its musical “Standing Room Only” specials. In recent months, it has presented complete concerts of Bette Midler, Helen Reddy and Gladys Knight. HBO now has more than 400 cable and master antenna affiliate systems located in 45 states. In 1976, it had close to 600,000 subscribers.

Tuesday Night TV - CBS -Debut- CBS Reports, MASH, special-The Kraft 75th Anniversary Special ... NBC -TV Movie ... ABC - Happy Days, Laverne and Shirley, Three’s Company, Soap, Family ... PBS - Hollywood Television Theater,

Action: The October Crisis 1970

Debut - CBS Reports - Bill Moyers anchors this first in a series of monthly broadcasts.

MASH - Radar becomes a disc jockey over the PA System - boosting morale after a glut of patients arrive at the 4077th.



The Tonight Show - **David Brenner** guest hosts.

CBS breaks off talks to rehire Harry Reasoner if it received a telegram from ABC telling the network to lay off their anchorman. Reasoner left CBS in 1970 to join ABC.

TV Rankings - Happy Days, Laverne & Shirley, **Charlie’s Angels**, Love Boat, Little House On The Prairie, Fantasy Island, The Dark Secret of Harvest

Home, Barnaby Jones, Starsky & Hutch, Quincy, Eight Is Enough, Barney Miller, Three’s Company, The Bermuda Depths, All in the Family, Alice, 60 Minutes, The Waltons, Welcome Back Kotter. ABC wins the week with a 22.0 rating and 34.0 share ... NBC - 20.2 rating and 31.2 share ... CBS - 18.8 rating and 29.1 share.



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At the movies –

The Gauntlet - Clint Eastwood, Sondra Locke

The Goodbye Girl - Richard Dreyfuss, Marsha Mason, Quinn Cummings

The World's Greatest Lover - Gene Wilder, Carol Kane, Dom DeLuise

Close Encounters Of The Third Kind - Richard Dreyfuss, Teri Garr, Melinda Dillon

Heroes - Henry Winkler, Sally Field, Harrison Ford

Saturday Night Fever - John Travolta

The Turning Point - Ann Bancroft, Shirley MacLaine

Walt Disney's Pete's Dragon

Annie Hall - **Woody Allen, Diane**

Keaton, Tony Roberts

Telefon - Charles Bronson, Lee Remick

High Anxiety - Mel Brooks, Madeline

Kahn, Cloris Leachman, Harvey Korman,

Dick Van Patten

The Choirboys



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Thank you Neil Simon
for making us laugh about
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RICHARD DREYFUSS • MARSHA MASON

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Written by NEIL SIMON • Produced by RAY STARR • Directed by HERBERT ROSS

Music Scored and Adapted by DAVID GATES • Screen "Goodbye Girl"

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On the charts:

"Stayin' Alive" - The Bee Gees
"Just the Way You Are" - Billy Joel
"You're In My Heart" - Rod Stewart
"Baby Come Back" - Player
"(Love Is) Thicker Than Water" - Andy Gibb
"Short People" - Randy Newman
"How Deep Is Your Love" - The Bee Gees
"We Are the Champions"- Queen
"Sometimes When We Touch" - Dan Hill
"Turn to Stone" - Electric Light Orchestra
"Here You Come Again" - Dolly Parton
"Emotion" - Samantha Sang
Dance, Dance, Dance (Yowsah, Yowsah, Yowsah) - Chic
"Sentimental Lady" - Bob Welch
"Blue Bayou" - Linda Ronstadt
"Come Sail Away" - Styx



Top Albums -

Saturday Night Fever - Soundtrack
The Stranger - Billy Joel
Running On Empty - Jackson Browne
News of the World - Queen
The Grand Illusion - Styx
Rumours - Fleetwood Mac
Foot Loose and Fancy Free- Rod Stewart
Aja - Steely Dan
Simple Dreams - Linda Ronstadt
All 'N All - Earth, Wind & Fire
Born Late – Shaun Cassidy
French Kiss – Bob Welch
I'm Glad You're Here With Me – Neil Diamond
Draw The Line – Aerosmith
Down Two Then Left – Boz Scaggs



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Simple Dreams – Linda Ronstadt

Rhythm and Blues favorites –

Our Love – Natalie Cole

FFun – Con Funk Shun

Ooh Boy – **Rose Royce**

Galaxy – War

Reach For It – George Duke

Dance Dance Dance – Chic

Which Way Is Up – Stargard

Serpentine Fire – Earth, Wind & Fire

Lovely Day – Bill Withers



Top Country hits –

My Way – Elvis Presley

What A Difference You Made In My Life – Ronnie Milsap

Middle Age Crazy – Jerry Lee Lewis

Out Of My Head And Back In My Bed – Loretta Lynn

To Daddy – **Emmylou Harris**

Take This Job And Shove It – Johnny Paycheck

You're The One – Oakridge Boys

Lonely Street – Ray Allen Jr.

I Just Wish You Were Someone I Love – Larry Gatlin



Top British hits –

Mull of Kintyre – Wings

Floral Dance – **Brighthouse & Rastrick Band**

Love's Unkind – Donna Summer

It's A Heartache – Bonnie Tyler

Don't It Make My Brown Eyes Blue – Crystal Gayle

How Deep Is Your Love – Bee Gees

Let's Have A Quiet Night In – David Soul

I Will – Ruby Winters

I Love You - Donna Summer



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Music television – Group W is planning a daytime show called “Everyday” and will include **Tom Chapin** (brother of Harry) as a regular. Another regular will be comic Murray Langston (The unknown comedian).

Music news – The 1970’s have seen a sort of “Australian” music invasion with artists such as Helen Reddy and Olivia Newton John, not to mention the Bee Gees. Samantha Sang is the latest with her hit “Emotions.” She’s 24 but has been around a while. When she was 15, Bee Gee Barry Gibb wrote and produced a single for her called “Love Of A Woman” – a hit in Europe.

Roy Orbison is listed in serious condition though resting comfortably at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville where he underwent hope heart surgery.

David Geffin says he’ll teach a music course at Yale this spring. He’s winding up a five-year stint at Warner Brothers. Will he stay?

Motown Records asks a Superior in Los Angeles to rule that they have exclusive rights to exploit the name – the Supremes – in every way possible, based on its pact with **Mary Wilson Ferrer**, leader of the group. She petitioned over the discontent with her association with Motown. Among her complaints she claimed she had coined the name Supremes and Motown was depriving her of her rightful share of the moniker.



Jimmy Buffett joins the cast of “FM” – a new film about a rock radio station. Buffett’s role, which has him performing live in a club, was shot last week at the New Coconut Grove of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles.

Radio news - New York’s WNEW, WNBC, WKTU and WCBS ban the single “Short People” by Randy Newman.

Dave Hull lands the 10p-2a slot at KMPC, Los Angeles. Speaking of Los Angeles – KFI is now full-time top-40 after buying out Hilly Rose’ talk contract... KHJ is down to a 3.5 (12+) arbitron rating. Rival KTNQ gets a 2.1.

Top-40 legend Joey Reynolds is out of radio for now and operates a graphics shop in Los Angeles.

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Chicago's WCFL, once a top-40 station is going back to pop music. It's picking up the syndicated "Entertainers," – a blend of MOR and contemporary soft-rock artists such as the Carpenters and John Denver. The station went beautiful music in 1976. Other stations are jumping on the service.



The Supreme Court agrees to decide whether the FCC has the right to restrict broadcast of language it defines as "indecent" during hours when children are in the audience. The case was originated in 1974 when a "Seven Words You Can't Say On Radio Or TV" **George Carlin** album was broadcast by WBAI-FM in New York. The FCC eventually came up with a ruling against use of "patently offensive" words depicting "sexual or excretory activities and organs."

B-100 (KFMB-FM) is now #1 in part because of a mobile disco operation, which prowls around the area. Listeners know it as the B-100 "Boogie Machine." Last year, the Boogie Machine with two separate unites operating in the field, did 120 different dances 65 different schools.