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## Ford's Oldest Son Stranded on Peak

LAKE PLACID, N.Y. (UPI) — Michael Ford, the President's oldest son, was stranded, along with his Se-

The President's 25-year-old son was with several classmates from the Gordon Cornwell Theological Seminary at South Hamilton, Mass., on a planned week-long hiking trip in the state's Mt. Marcy range in the Adirondack Mountains.

The 13-member party, including three Secret Service agents, was stalled in a blinding snowstorm last

ter 14 inches of snow that tore down tree limbs and made travel nearly impossible, that five officers from the state's Environmental Conservation Department trekked in to lead them out.

There were no injuries, a department spokesman said, although all were fatigued and extremely wet when the officers reached them.

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FDR AND MRS. SCHIFF  
Pictures taken in 1945, 1965

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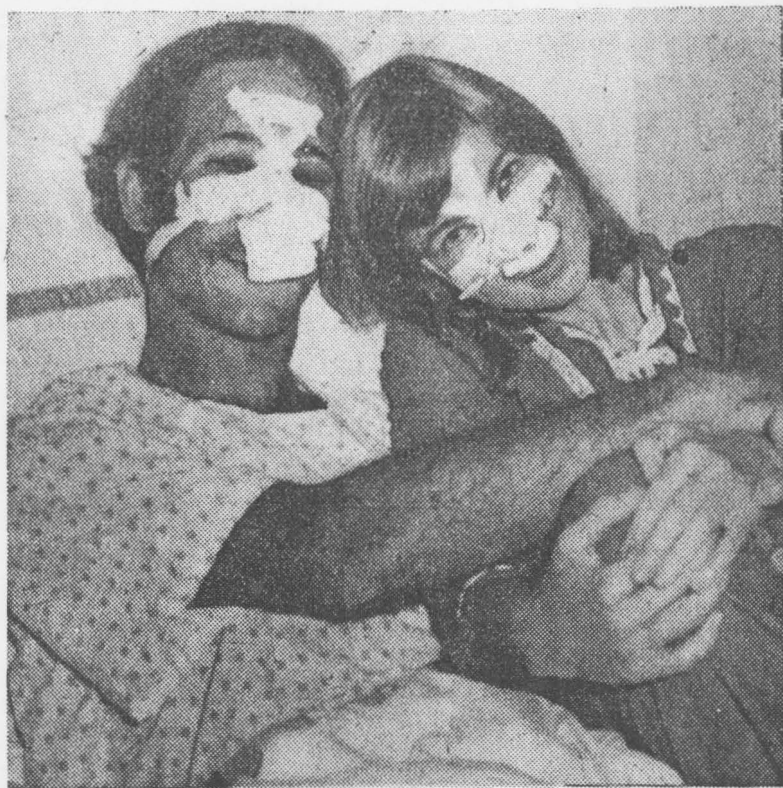
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Eleanor, and Mrs. Schiff's husband at the time, George Backer, knew of the frequent meetings between the President and the newspaper publisher between June 1936 and 1943, Geoghegan said.

The book says the frequent meetings between the two figures often took place in Hyde Park, N.Y., where Mrs. Schiff and FDR had estates, Geoghegan said. They met in Hyde Park in June 1936, after the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia.

The relationship ended in 1943 when Mrs. Schiff found FDR's "sun-god quality wasn't working for me all of a sudden," the book says. Shortly afterward, Mrs. Schiff divorced and married for a third time.

Geoghegan confirmed that the book quotes Mrs. Schiff as being worried about Eleanor Roosevelt's reaction to the relationship and "what the President really wanted. I guess I stayed with him because you don't say no to the President of the United States. Besides, I had nothing better to do."

Charges of violating the law were filed against Bonnie Baking Inc. of Laporte, Ind., by the state Department of Agriculture's food inspection division.

Judge Hammond said that the Bread Pan Law may be "unwise, frivolous and silly" but it still covers bread produced by Michigan bakeries.

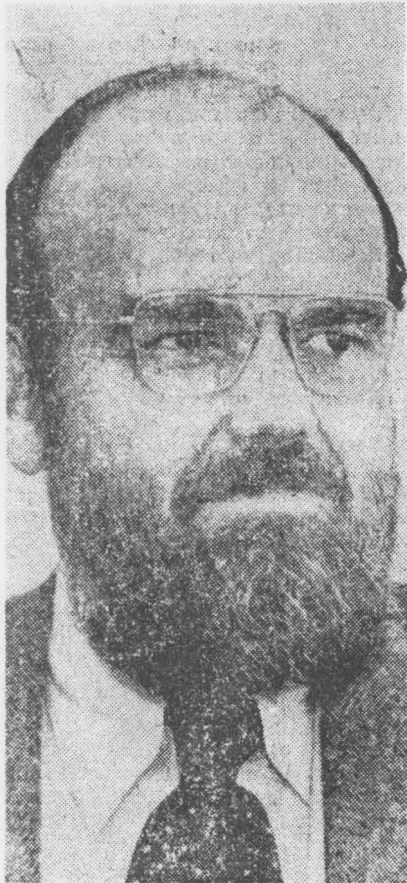
The law regulates pan size in order to assure bread sold to consumers is of similar weights. Hammond said the law is designed to prevent consumers from thinking that a longer loaf is a better buy than a shorter one when both weigh the same.

During the trial, Bonnie Baking's president testified it would cost his firm \$50,000 to replace 2,500 bread pans to comply with Michigan law.

## Mike's high adventure

Michael Ford, the President's 26-year-old son, was in a hiking party that was lost last week in the rugged Adirondack Mountains during an unusual spring

## Personalities



Associated Press

*John Ehrlichman*

Bing Crosby, 72, in Columbus, Ohio, to play in a golf tournament, was rushed to a hospital to have a piece of

President Ford's eldest son, Michael, 25, was stranded in a freak snowstorm in the Adirondacks last week while hiking with



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## President's Son Finds Mountain

By GARY SPENCER

President Ford's oldest son, Michael, 25, last week went hiking on Street Mountain with a highly-organized and electronically-equipped party of 15 which slipped into the woods as quietly as a doe at fawning time.

Despite the surveillance of the Secret Service and Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) officers, Adirondack weather and wilderness humbled them as the combination has thwarted and imperiled thousands of hikers over the years.

Conservation Officer Charles Reynolds, one of the four men who went to the aid of the distressed group, said:

"They couldn't have made it out in one day under their own power.

"They were very humble. The old mountain had humbled them."

Michael Ford and his companions were in a tough and possibly dangerous situation on Street Mountain last Wednesday. After enduring three days of rain and a heavy snowfall near the summit of the mountain, about six miles south of Lake Placid, the party made its way to the Adirondack Loj with the help of local conservation officers.

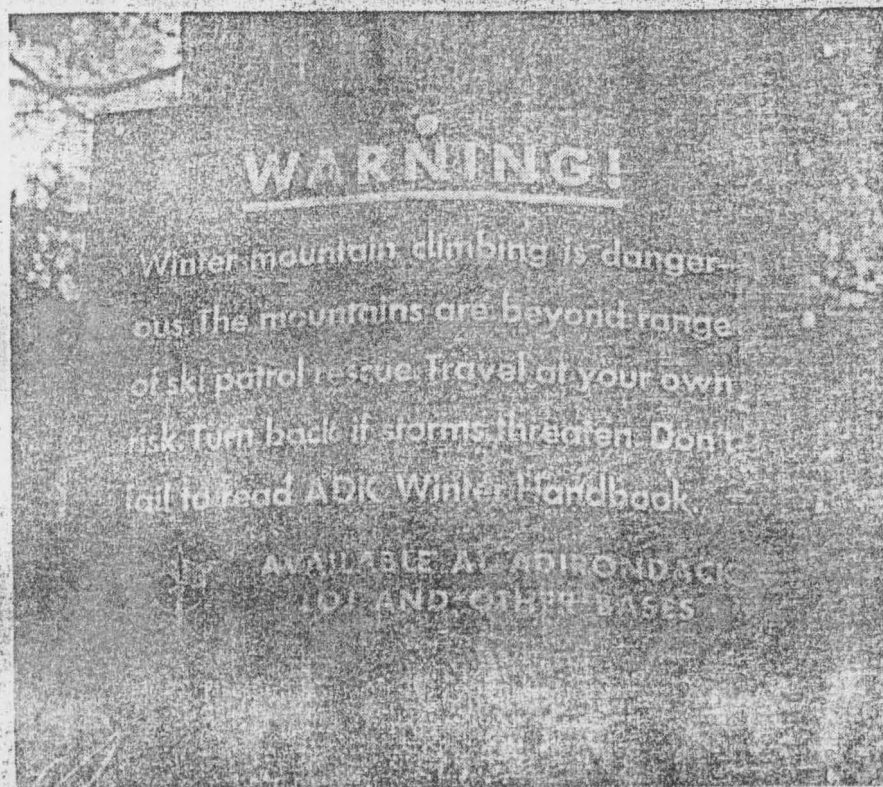
Mr. Ford's party consisted of nine students and three instructors at Gordon-Cornwell Theological Seminary, located at South Hamilton, Mass., and three Secret Service agents. There were three women in the group.

Conservation Officer Reynolds said:

"They were pretty beat. All of them were soaking wet.

"They spent three nights on Street, and you can't move around much up there. It's thick with stunted growth, there's a lot of blow-down and it's quite steep."

Michael and his companions were camped on the South-East corner of the mountain, about 600 feet below the summit. It started raining Monday, and the snow began on Tuesday night.



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(MIKE FORD)

LAKE PLACID, N.Y. (UPI) -- MICHAEL FORD, THE PRESIDENT'S OLDEST SON, WAS STRANDED, ALONG WITH HIS SECRET SERVICE GUARDS, IN A FREAK MAY SNOWSTORM ON ONE OF NEW YORK'S HIGHEST MOUNTAINS LAST WEEK AND HAD TO BE RESCUED BY CONSERVATION OFFICERS, IT WAS DISCLOSED YESTERDAY.

THE PRESIDENT'S 25-YEAR-OLD SON WAS WITH SEVERAL CLASSMATES FROM THE GORDON CORNWELL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT SOUTH HAMILTON, MASS., ON A PLANNED WEEK-LONG HIKING TRIP IN THE STATE'S MOUNT MARCY RANGE IN THE ADIRONDACK MOUNTAINS. THE 13-MEMBER PARTY, INCLUDING THREE SECRET SERVICE AGENTS, WAS STALLED IN A BLINDING SNOWSTORM WEDNESDAY NEAR THE TOP OF 4,000-FOOT MT. NYE, ABOUT FIVE MILES SOUTH OF LAKE PLACID.

THE AGENTS RADIOED FOR HELP, BUT IT WAS NOT UNTIL THURSDAY MORNING -- AFTER 14 INCHES OF SNOW, WHICH TORE TREE LIMBS AND MADE TRAVEL NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE -- THAT FIVE OFFICERS FROM THE STATE'S ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT TREKKED IN TO LEAD THEM OUT.

THERE WERE NO INJURIES, A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID, ALTHOUGH ALL WERE FATIGUED AND EXTREMELY WET WHEN THE OFFICERS REACHED THEM.

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By MELISSA HALE

The group—led by Dr. Ensworth, Gerald Hartis, an instructor with the Outward Bound Program, and Paul Mitchell, an instructor with Wheaton College outdoor program—had originally planned to include in their trip such activities as river crossing, rock climbing and a solo.

"Everyone had a winter parka, and we urged them to have wool. We encouraged dacron over down. The few that had down got wet."

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