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LEAVE IT BLANK

By Charles V. Stanton

Upon occasion we have difficulty preparing this column. (Maybe some people would be happier if we didn't.) But today, for example, we put off the task until the last moment. Then, with printers yelling for our copy we sat down to dash off a deep observation on world economics. As we started composing our notes . . .

Just a minute please, here comes a caller.

Well, the caller left. Took about an hour. He's running for office and we had to listen to a couple of his speeches.

Nice guy though. We like him. Might even vote for him.

Where were we? Oh yes, we were just getting ready to compose an epic on politics. Now where did we put those notes? Well, guess that was some of the paper we tore into shreds while demonstrating what we'd like to do to communists in our governments.

Let's see if we can get back some of the ideas we were putting down.

Just a minute, please—telephone.

Lady wanted the names of several Oregon newspapers. After we gave them to her, she wanted to know where she could find a list of all the newspapers in Oregon. Seems she had an Oregon Blue Book, but didn't know it listed them. Oh well!

Now let's see, we were going to write something about the—what was it? Oh yes, we remember—the printing industry.

Now where did we put those notes?

Just a minute please.

Printer wants to know when we'll have our copy ready. It'll just be a minute now.

Now where are those notes? What was it we had in mind? Oh yes—the Korean war.

What did we have on those notes? Was it from today's dispatches, or was it some comment on what Nimitz had to say about remnants of the old Jap army? Well, either one will do. We'll make some more notes and . . .

Just a minute please—telephone.

Secretary just called to tell us there'll be a meeting of the Roseburg Rod and Gun club board of directors and we'd better be there because we've missed a couple of meetings.

Doggone! He's right. We have passed up a couple of sessions. Better go this time.

Well, better get at the job of filling up our column. Let's see. We were going to write something about—what the heck was it? Oh yes—fishing. We'd better compose some notes. . . .

No, we don't need notes to write about fishing.

But that gives us an idea!

"Hey, Copy Boy."

"Tell the printer we won't have any copy for our column today."

"Leave it blank."

"We're going fishing."

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

(Continued from page One)

stooges are long on man-power. With the aid of Russia, they are becoming militarily strong. These North Koreans we've been fighting for nearly two months are nobody's duck soup. They're tough and competent fighters. When the time comes to face them, we'll find the Chinese communists tough and competent fighters.

These stooges of Russia are so distributed over the world that to fight them we'll HAVE TO FIGHT ALL OVER THE WORLD. Fighting all over the world is staggeringly expensive. Expensive in dollars. Expensive in men.

Russia obviously hopes that we'll wear ourselves out fighting her stooges all over the world, and when we've worn ourselves out fighting her stooges she'll step in

and deliver the finishing blow—as the matador, when the time comes, finishes off the bull.

If we're going to upset Russia's hope, we've got to be good. We must be good. We must be strong. We must be DISCIPLINED. Wage-price-rationing controls are DISCIPLINES. That is the only excuse for them. They are disciplines by the use of which we can make ourselves strong enough TO BEAT RUSSIA. If we're going to have them at all, the quicker the better.

This is what it all boils down to: For the first time in our national existence, WE FACE A FIGHT FOR SURVIVAL. Facing a fight for survival, we'd better overlook nothing that will help to make us strong enough to survive.

went for 29 cents per pound. I read in one of the Portland papers this morning that the top Angus, weighing 900 pounds, sold for 61 cents per pound, and a Hereford went for 60 cents at the Grants Pass fat stock 4-H auction; and I'll bet they weren't any better than our own.

I can see now why Grants Pass is getting stronger all the time. It's getting stronger all the time. It's getting stronger all the time.

It seems to me that our merchants are breaking faith with the kids when they don't support them any better than that and it certainly won't bring them back another year.

So let's get behind the 4-H and other clubs and show the kids that we are just as progressive here as at Grants Pass.

A. C. MCGHEHEY
Roseburg, Ore.

GRID IMMORTAL DIES

HAMDEN, Conn.—(P)—Major Frank B. Butterworth, 79, one of Yale's football immortals and two-time All-America fullback, died Monday at his home here after a brief illness.

Butterworth was an outstanding star of Yale's 1894 eleven.



PAT ROARK, above demonstrates the proper attire and pose required of contestants in the style review contest, held in Umpqua park Friday as part of the Douglas County fair. Although Pat did not win the event, she placed high in final judging and the quality of workmanship and design shown by her dress is an indication of the competition this 4-H club girl contest produced. Pat is 14 years old, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Roark, Roseburg. She will enter senior high school in September. (Jaul Jenkins photo)



Prejudice, simple prejudice, kept me, for years, from taking any interest in the gaudily colored, paper-backed, twenty-five cent books ubiquitous nowadays. Then one day a title caught my eye. Amazed to discover such a book in the shelves, I began to really see the pocketbooks. And to buy copies. I was thinking, the other day, what a boon some of the books I have seen offered for a quarter would be for the young student. To be sure a nicely bound book is more satisfying. Who can pick up a beautiful book without a feeling of pleasure?

But if three dollars more or less are needed for something else, the handy little pocket-size volume can serve very well indeed. I saw a copy of Roget's Thesaurus, the other day. Think of a tool like that for twenty-five cents. What if the young person has not yet discovered its value! If some thoughtful adult puts it within his reach, sooner or later it will become a tool almost as indispensable as the dictionary.

I like to think of the labor and love that went into the making of the Thesaurus. The first edition was published in 1828. In 1869, Dr. Roget was still at work on the enlarged edition when he passed on, leaving the task to his son, John. In 1908 the son laid down his share of the work and joined his father. Thereupon the grandson of the first Roget, Samuel, took up the work. My copy is the 1910 edition. Perhaps later issues may have additions, but in essence the work, a monumental work, is the same. It might increase the interest in it if a young person knew the story. Of course he soon learns that Thesaurus is merely Latin for treasure, and treasure is just what it is in a moment of need. Other tools are in the pocket-size books. A young artist friend found two of special interest to her. The

N. Y. Newspaper Strike Ends; Both Sides Claim Gains

NEW YORK—(P)—The 10-week strike against the New York World-Telegram and Sun ended Tuesday and the newspaper said it would start publishing again next Monday.

Striking CIO American Newspaper Guildmen voted 270 to 90 to accept a two-year contract worked out Saturday.

Picketing that closed the plant when the strike began June 13 stopped immediately after the vote.

Both sides claimed gains in the compromise settlement.

The terms call for a freeze on economy firings for the first year, with advance notice and the privilege of arbitration in the second year; pay raises up to \$10 a week for a top minimum wage of \$120 a week; and guaranteed "maintenance of membership" for the guild.

Other terms were a 35-hour week, improved holiday, vacation and military leave clauses, and extra premium pay for night work.

The guild failed to get the "nine out of ten" union shop it sought, but the maintenance of membership gives it approximately a four out of five majority among nearly 500 eligible employees. The guild also accepted modified terms in some of the other fields.

The strength of the guild strike by 400 news and business department workers hinged largely on the action of the AFL mechanical unions, which followed up a mutual support pact with the guild by honoring its CIO picket lines.

After the AFL workers—nearly 1,000 strong—refused to enter the plant June 13, the management suspended publication.

It was the first such suspension in New York City newspaper history.

Astoria Clerks Get Pay Raise As Walkout Ends

ASTORIA—(P)—A compromise agreement has ended the strike of the AFL Retail Clerks' union. Ted Farris, union business agent, said the new agreement gives a boost of 7.5 cents an hour in the pay scale for variety store employees and 5 cents for department store clerks, retroactive to July 17. The union had asked a 10-cent boost for the variety store workers.

He said there were "good gains" in working conditions but did not say what they were.

The strike brought picketing at three stores of the 21-employee retail association group.

Plaque To Kathy Fiscus Dedicated To Vigilance

LOS ANGELES—(P)—A plaque in a children's hospital testifies today that little Kathy Fiscus may not have died in vain.

The parents of the girl who fell to her death in a San Marino well were spectators yesterday as her sister, Barbara, 10, unveiled a bronze marker reading:

"Kathy Fiscus, Aug. 21, 1945 April 8, 1949, in whose memory eternal vigilance in the field of child safety is hereby dedicated."

Contributions from 20,000 persons were received by the parents and turned over to the hospital, which has \$3,732 left after plaque expenses.

The members, elected for three-year terms, are: Blaine McCord, Woodburn, first district; John Mohr, Hood River, second district; Robert Leedy, Portland, third district; and Frank B. Reid, Eugene, fourth district. The board has eight hold-over members.

Crushing Of North Koreans Will Force Russia To Alter Plans For Offensive In Asia

BY ELTON C. FAY

WASHINGTON—(P)—What will Russia do when her North Korean satellite begins to lose the war?

Reverses for the Red Korean army will force a decision by the Soviets on whether to move openly into the Asiatic war or bide their time for another day when the stakes could be greater and the odds better.

The time for Moscow's decision apparently is coming nearer.

The swift and long advance of the North Korean army has grown down to at least a temporary halt. The build-up of strength by American forces, with more help from other United Nations members in the offing, is underway. An offensive to destroy the Korean Red military force is in prospect for the months just ahead. And it is then Russia will have to decide.

She will have to weigh the possible effect on other nations within the Soviet sphere of defeat for her Korean Communist state against the risks of taking a direct hand in war with the United States and United Nations.

Russia, for reasons of her own, may conclude the time to move isn't now but later when her military strength is even greater. Meanwhile, using the Korean situation as material for her peculiar propaganda technique.

Some officials at high level in Washington incline to the belief that Russia doesn't want to provoke a world war until later, when she is fully prepared.

Soviet Needs More Time
The timetable they use in these guesses varies considerably—from two to five years.

The Soviets have an immense army—some estimates range around 4,000,000—which is equipped with superior tanks and excellent artillery. They have a large tactical air force for support of the ground army.

But the Russians may want more time to improve and augment weapons in the highly technical category.

Another two or three years may be needed for them to stockpile a larger number of atomic bombs. They have the beginning of a long range bomber force for delivery of the bombs, but may need considerably more long range bombardment aviation.

They have begun a huge expansion of their submarine fleet. Although the Russian undersea fleet may number as many as 300 submarines, only a small portion of that fleet is believed to be of the modern high speed type, equipped with snorkels for long underwater cruises.

R. E. Olds, Auto Pioneer, Nearing Death At 86

LANSING, Mich.—(P)—Automobile pioneer Ransom E. Olds was reported still "critically ill and weakening" at his home today.

Mr. T. I. Bauer said the 86-year-old industrialist was suffering from the complications of old age.

Olds founded the Reo Motor Car Co. and the Oldsmobile company, now a division of General Motors Corp., and he produced a practical low-priced car ahead of the late Henry Ford.

Since leaving the automobile business he has had financial interests in hotels, apartment houses and office buildings.

Olds was taken ill in July and has been bedfast since then.

Army Calls Additional Reservist Engineers

WASHINGTON—(P)—The army is calling to duty an additional 570 reserve captains and lieutenants of the engineer corps.

They will be called on an involuntary basis and will be in active service by Oct. 13, the army said.

This brings the total of recalled officers in all army branches to 8,432.

The army said this new summons doubles the quotas of engineer officers to be brought back to active duty from each of the six army areas.

The quotas include: Sixth army area 60 captains and 114 lieutenants.

FINED FOR SPREES

Three Medford men were fined \$50 each for being drunk on a public highway, reported Justice of Peace A. J. Geddes. They were Emmett Escall Brown, 35, James M. Hamilton, 28, and Ivah Elmer Guthrie, 49. The men were arrested by the sheriff's office.

Training Deadline For GIs Off For Postwar Period

Veterans who have started training under the G. I. bill and who are prevented from completing their courses because of re-entrance into the armed forces will not be affected by the July 25, 1951, training deadline date, according to the Veterans administration.

The VA has announced that these veterans will be allowed to resume their training within a reasonable period following their release from active service, even though they are not back in school until after the statutory deadline for entering or reentering training.

The July 25, 1951, cut-off date applies to all World War II veterans discharged before July 25, 1947. They are required to be in training within four years of the end of the war, and training must be completed by July 25, 1951.

Veterans serving during the period of the Korean emergency must show satisfactory progress and conduct during previous G. I.

bill training in order to resume training on their discharge from active duty. Training will be limited by the extent of their remaining entitlement to educational benefits.

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FROM THE NEWS OF 61 YEARS AGO

HELD UP
The Coas Bay Stage Is Stopped
By a Lone Highwayman
The Coas Bay stage was robbed yesterday afternoon on the mountain about 20 miles out from Roseburg. The stage left here in the morning with James Denning, driver, and when within a quarter of a mile of the summit of the coast range, a masked man stepping from behind a stump, and presenting a pistol ordered the driver to stop, which, being taken by surprise and unarmed, he did . . .

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Shades of Jesse James. To think highwaymen were active here in 1889!
Modern highwaymen don't rob stages—they steal automobiles. If your car isn't insured against theft you're inviting heavy loss. New cars are valuable—to the thief as well as the owner. Better see us and find how inexpensively you can insure your car and other valuables against theft. Remember—Noah built the Ark BEFORE the flood.

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