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STICK TO EVIDENCE

Charles V. Stanton

Seldom do we disagree with the opinions of our "Big Boss," Frank Jenkins, who writes our daily editorial feature in The Day's News.

Jenkins, in our opinion, is an exceptional analyst, with uncanny ability to translate complex situations into down-to-earth language and illustration. His observations, we believe, give readers of his column a far better understanding of the national and international scene than is generally available.

But in his column in Tuesday's News-Review Jenkins took the position that the "Eisenhower directive" is probably a mistake. He referred to the President's order that private conversations about the Army-McCarthy dispute were not to be aired before the congressional investigating committee.

Jenkins contends that it "gives the impression of something wrong that HAS to be concealed." He adds that "Personally, I think it's better to open all the windows wide so that the winds can blow through unimpeded."

Possibly Jenkins is right and we are wrong, but, for once, we cannot agree with his opinion. We believe that the real "meat" of the argument is being overlooked by too many people.

Sticks By Policy

President Eisenhower, since the time he took office, has demonstrated that he believes in clear-cut separation of power between the three branches of government. We're not accustomed to such a program. For 20 years we have been conditioned to a dominant executive branch of government, endeavoring to force its programs and policies upon both the legislative and judicial branches of government. We have even seen attempted purging and packing to achieve this purpose.

Eisenhower, however, has brought his administration back into the constitutional pattern.

Senator McCarthy has invaded the province of the executive and judicial departments in the investigations he has headed. Congressional powers of investigation are limited to ascertaining the necessity for legislation and/or the kind of legislation necessary. It is the province of the executive department to learn whether laws have been violated and to file charges with the judicial department when such charges are found to be justified.

McCarthy's operations have not only included the investigative procedures belonging to the executive department, but he also has "indicted" many persons, often without hearing, in violation of judicial procedure.

Self Advancement Sought

McCarthy is alleged to have used his committee chairmanship to advance himself politically. He has sought, perhaps with the idea of making himself a candidate for the presidency, to embarrass the administration.

Only a few weeks ago political observers were freely commenting on the power conflict between McCarthy and the President. The President was being urged to clamp down on McCarthy.

Eisenhower has kept his hands off the other departments. He must also resist any invasion of the executive department.

The Army is one of the chief agencies of the executive department. The Army alleges it has cause for complaint against the procedures used by the Senator. Naturally the Army would not present its case without clearing in detail with the President and his advisers. Undoubtedly the whole case was thoroughly discussed and all angles explored before the Army was authorized to enter into the dispute.

What was said at conferences where the Army's evidence was analyzed and organized, we feel is no one's business. The investigation is to determine FACTS. Determination must be made from the evidence presented by the Army as to whether the claims of undue pressure are true. The committee, we believe, has no reason to go behind or beyond the evidence.

We believe the President is right in refusing to permit invasion of his branch of government and that he is right in refusing access to the opinions of himself and his advisers, as expressed in a departmental conference.

Hal Boyle

KANSAS CITY (AP)—Anybody who goes back and sits on the front porch of his boyhood will find he really hasn't learned much about life that he couldn't have found out if he had never strayed from that porch.

Any single city block in America, over a period of time, will reflect all the major joys and sadnesses, the defeats and victories, that a man will encounter if he travels the whole wide world to study the fabulous human race. I am sure this is equally true of a city block in Naples, Tokyo, Moscow, Berlin, Paris or Buenos Aires.

The other night I sat all alone under a bright moon on the steps of an old white house my father, now dead, bought 33 years ago. I looked up and down the silent street and wished God had made me a novelist.

For every darkened home along that 600 feet of asphalt cried out with stories of lives, twisted or firm, that would be remembered by many millions—if only Thomas Wolfe had lived in one of the houses, or Balzac, or Thomas Hardy, or Tolstoy.

It is only an average middle-class street—no different from ten thousand others—yet in only a single generation what power of passion for good and bad it has seen!

Every sin that Moses fought against had been committed, and many more, by the people who dwelt there—from wife theft to homicide, suicide, adultery, bribery, robbery and neglect of parents. Yet at any time in the last 33 years I have known this old block there were always—and still are—homes where Jesus Christ could come and feel that, after

"Again—Heads, It's Indispensable; Iails, It's Not"



Peter Edson

NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (NEA)—Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks spoke before the Agricultural Equipment Conference in Washington the other day on his favorite subject, the U. S. economy and the present business situation. Secretary Weeks made the flat prediction that he did not believe there would be any depression in the immediate future.

"I'm willing to back this up with cold cash," he declared.

None of the 30 or more business executives present took his bet.

SECRETARY of the Army Robert T. Stevens isn't the only one who is getting physically and mentally weary of the great TV soap opera marathon on Capitol Hill. The script writers of the Washington press corps are also getting a bellyful of it.

When the hearings began on April 22, there were 150 press and radio correspondents on hand. This was said to be the largest number ever to cover a congressional hearing. But at the end of the second week, the number had dropped to around 75.

SEN. THOMAS C. HENNING, Jr. (D., Mo.), referred to the Army-McCarthy thing in strictly theatrical terms in his speech before the Missouri Young Democratic state convention at Kansas City.

"Of course, in a very short-sighted and partisan way, we Democrats cannot help being amused at times by the season's smash hit, 'The Republican Roll of 1954.' But chuckle as we may, we sense of the harm this slapstick are always aware, in a grimmer of confusion is doing our nation, both in destroying our unity at home and our prestige abroad. We must see it that this tragic comedy staged by the Republicans has a short run."

SEN. TAFT BENSON, Secretary of Agriculture, now estimates what it costs the government to store surplus farm commodities in terms of the amount of time it takes him to testify before a congressional committee.

When Benson reached page 18 of a long statement he was making to the House Agriculture Committee he said, "Since I started to read this statement, not many minutes ago, American taxpayers have been charged more than \$15,000 for storage of Commodity Credit Corporation-owned commodities."

At that point the secretary had been speaking for approximately 40 minutes. This brings the storage program cost to about \$375 a minute.

THE RAILROAD industry claims to have three U. S. Presidents among its alumni. First was James Buchanan, who had been

to the little girl she had left unguarded. The house of the little boy who coasted down the hill on a sled and ran under a street car.

To make way for a school they have torn down the brick house of the red-haired girl who used to let us younger boys push her back and forth in a tree swing, thus making it impossible for us ever again to love another red-head in this world. It is a double sadness that they have also torn down the brick home in which was born a deaf-and-dumb pal of my boyhood and the little white cottage two doors away in which he lovingly reared some fine kids who could both hear and talk.

Sitting there in the moonlight, I could recall well the tales and gossip of the elders from the time of my childhood. But of all the scores of children who had played in that brief stretch of pavement, I could remember none who was a juvenile delinquent or ever had been sent to jail.

When I mentioned this to my mother, who loves the old neighborhood—although for 32 of the 33 years she has lived in the same big white house she has threatened to sell it and move away—she said: "Wouldn't it really be a terrible world if people weren't getting better?"

head of the Harrisburg, Portsmouth, Mount Joy and Lancaster R. R. in Pennsylvania. Next was Abraham Lincoln, who had served as a lawyer for both the Illinois Central and the Rock Island. The third was Harry S. Truman who worked for a time as a Santa Fe bookkeeper.

President Eisenhower was never a railroader, but he is the son of one. His father worked as an engine wiper for the Katy at Denison, Tex., where like was born.

ARIZONA REPUBLICAN National Committee member Clarence Buddington Kelland has taken an awful pasting from government employers for his magazine article attacking the U. S. Civil Service system.

National Federation of Federal Employees President Luther Steward brands it "a blatant call for a return to the outmoded, inefficient and corrupt spoils system."

Mr. Kelland's shrill demand that the clock be turned back does not, fortunately, represent the clean intention of this administration, which has thus far firmly withstood the pressure of spoils-minded politicians.

Editorial Comment

VALUE OF FISH STUDIES

Astorian Budget

Evidence to support the value of scientific fishery studies, funds for which are sought by the Saltonstall bill from fish import duties, has been dramatically produced in the restoration of the Fraser river sockeye runs.

The complete re-establishment of sockeye runs to former multi-million dollar levels is within sight, Lloyd Royal, director of the International Pacific Salmon Fisheries commission, said recently at the British Columbia resources conference.

A surprising view, and one that remains to be given further study, is Royal's suggestion that dams and the diversion of water are not always responsible for the economic losses suffered by the salmon industry.

Royal believes that the fishery itself may affect the runs. However, the full influence of dams and diversions is still puzzling to biologists Royal reported.

It is believed now that the best escapement comes from the big runs. Twenty percent of the escapement from a heavy run is worth more sometimes than say 80 percent from a small run, studies are beginning to indicate in

the Fraser river region. The catch and escapement of the last three years has been "almost phenomenal," due entirely to an increased rate of productivity of an increasing escapement of an increasing escapement.

The 1953 run was the largest of this cycle since 1917; the 1952 run was the largest cycle run since 1912 and the catch in 1951 was the greatest in the cycle since 1905. Value of the catch of the last three years exceeded that of the preceding three cycle years by almost \$18 million, Royal reported.

"This is a considerable sum, but it is only a start toward the foreseeable goal of re-establishing the original economy of the Fraser river sockeye fishery. The one great Quiescent tributary river is firmly re-establishing itself. The Stuart system of the far north produced over 2.5 million sockeye in 1953, yet the total escapement in 1941, three cycles previously, was less than 12,000 fish. The re-birth of the Fraser sockeye in dollars and cents has truly commenced," Royal said, in the Pacific Fisherman.

Thus, it can be seen, that there is high hope for the restoration of all salmon runs, including the Columbia, which has shown its toughness despite pollution, dams and the flooding of spawning areas.

What is possible on the Fraser might well work on other major salmon streams that have been depleted. If the fishery can obtain funds from import duties, proposed in the Saltonstall bill, then a solution for the industry's economic and biological problems may be found.

However, hopes shouldn't be raised too high for funds from this source. The Bureau of the Budget has previously opposed the earmarking of funds for a specific industry. It is known that the agriculture department, which has received some of these funds in the past, will oppose the Saltonstall bill if it ever gets on the floor, and the opposition from the farm-state senators can be powerful, if not fatal to the plan.

Hearing Is Scheduled On Reduction Of Bail

SALEM (AP)—The State Supreme Court Tuesday scheduled a May 27 hearing for the plea of Wey Him Fong and his wife, Marjorie, for reduced bail.

The Fongs are held in Portland with bond set at \$15,000 each on charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor—Diane Hanks, 16, Portland, who disappeared early in January and was found dead near Washougal, Wash., late in February.

The Fongs are accused of serving alcoholic drinks to the high school girl, who stayed with the Fongs the night before she disappeared.

The Fongs said the bail set for them was excessive.

Arms Shipment To Guatemala Called Threat

WASHINGTON (AP)—A State Department spokesman said Tuesday shipment of arms to Guatemala from the port of Stettin in Communist Poland could be brought up under an inter-American security pact as a threat to the security of the Western Hemisphere.

Press Officer Lincoln White said such action could be taken if the arms shipment, which the State Department reported officially Monday, was regarded as a threat to inter-American security by one or more of the American republics.

White emphasized that he was not predicting action by the United States. Monday's announcement simply said the State Department "considers that this is a development of gravity."

The matter has been a source of concern here, in part at least, because Communist organizations are regarded as having considerable influence in Guatemala and on the Guatemalan government.

Earlier Tuesday, American authorities said they were convinced Moscow has turned loose Communist agitators to foment strife in Central America.

South Is 'Law Abiding'; States Negro Worker

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Texas senator said Tuesday on a television show there may be "some intimidation" in some parts of the South over the Supreme Court outlawing school segregation, but a Negro leader asserted "the South is law abiding."

Sen. Price Daniels (D-Tex.) said: "The reason for segregation is to keep the peace. In some areas where we have hot-headed individuals of both races, we may have some intimidation."

Walter White, executive secretary of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People, said: "The South is law abiding," then forecast the decision would be accepted quietly "unless there is deliberately fomented trouble."

Both men were interviewed by Charles Collingwood on the "Morning Show" over the CBS-TV network, but not during the same program period.

Nixon Says Be Thankful Of Surplus, Not Shortage

WASHINGTON (AP)—Vice President Nixon said Tuesday Americans should be thankful they live in a country where the farm problem is one of crop surpluses and not shortages.

Nixon said he developed a full appreciation of the value of surpluses during a tour he and Mrs. Nixon made of the Far East last year. He related they encountered widespread food shortages, hunger and long working hours by farmers.

Nixon spoke at ceremonies in which the Agriculture Department honored 144 of its employees and 13 work units for outstanding achievements and long service.

Peery Medicals

BY W.K. PEERY

We mentioned in our last article the wisdom of counting our milestones and called attention to one of the great milestones in history, that of the mechanical food refrigerator.

This week we discuss the family wash. Nothing less. With automatic washing machines and modern laundries that do everything but fold the sheets and place them in the linen closet, we get into a sort of take it for granted state of mind.

As a yard stick to domestic progress let's do a washing with grandma on the banks of the Umpqua just, say, eighty years ago. Had you mentioned to her an automatic hot water heater, or an electric iron, or a self rinsing washer and drier, you could just as well have said aurora borealis backwards for all it meant to grandma. She lived in a different age.

Her modern laundry was a lean-to against the side of the cabin that also served as a woodshed. Her hot water heater was an immense iron or copper kettle that hung on a tripod about eighteen inches above the ground. Her heating system was the wood fire beneath the kettle, built with wood that she had no doubt cut herself.

Her soap was no modern detergent, but was the product of her own hand, made by leaching hardwood ashes in a trough. The resultant liquid that drained off was lye. This she mixed with the proper amount of fats she had skimmed off hog meat or mutton or beef. She brought this to a boil, poured it into a flat pan and allowed to cool. The result was a

muddy brown bar of soap, that would peel the enamel off a modern automobile. Yet grandma used it to wash his grimy hands, not to mention shaving lather. No wonder all the old timers wore beards.

Nevertheless grandma used this soap in her wash water. She brought the water to a boil and added the proper amount of soap. For she ran through the white cloth. Of course they had to be boiled, with grandma punching them vigorously with a stick all the while.

If the weather were extremely hot she would in all probability do her ironing outside as well. She would lay a flat rock in front of the fire and place her "sad iron" with the smooth surface to the flame. In cold weather she would heat the irons the same way in front of the fireplace.

We forgot to mention that grandma usually had running water. It ran down the Umpqua or the creek alongside the smoke house. All she had to do was carry it in a bucket. You will find some of her wooden water yokes on display in the Oregon Historical Society museum. Grandma got pretty tired, but she never complained over much. All her neighbors had the same chores and there were no arguments over which was the best method of washing machine. She never fretted about the wringer being out of order, as she wrung everything by hand. Nevertheless she never suffered from hysterics and a sense of frustration because she couldn't get a plumber or electrician to do something went wrong with the wash half completely.

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