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COOPERATION DESERVED

Charles V. Stanton

If Douglas County residents exhibited as much interest in all political affairs as has been shown in the appointment of a county sheriff, we could anticipate a much better brand of government.

Selection of a candidate to succeed Calvin Baird, who resigned to accept a federal position, has stirred more interest and controversy than anything that has happened in the political field for a long time.

Insofar as ability of each of the respective candidates is concerned, a toss of a coin could have decided the issue. Each applicant for the appointment could adequately and efficiently fill the job. But the local political pot boiled furiously in the brief campaign preceding the court's appointment of Ira Byrd to fill out Baird's unexpired term.

No one, I believe, will question Byrd's qualifications for the office. On the other hand, all other applicants had equally good qualifications. The appointment, therefore, was made on the judgment of members of the County Court, which, by law, has the final decision.

Court Gets Criticism

Criticism of the County Court for failure to follow the recommendation of the Republican County Central Committee has been voiced by the county chairman. It is obvious, however, that the court members could not agree among themselves and compromised on the nominee who was second in the committee's poll.

The County Court, in defending its position, points out that it is charged by law with the final choice. Appreciation was expressed for the advisory recommendation by the Central Committee, but the court contends it is not bound by any such nomination.

Nor will all members of the Central Committee join with the chairman in criticizing the court's decision. Inasmuch as some were Byrd supporters and are pleased by the appointment. There also has been some resentment expressed about outside pressures upon committeemen and reportedly untruthful statements made concerning at least some of the applicants. Thus there will be at least minority sentiment from the committee on the side of the County Court.

On the other hand, there is room for speculation as to why County Court members could not agree upon the recommended candidate, who unquestionably was fully qualified.

Sheriffs Tenure Stormy

Perhaps one reason there has been so much public interest in the appointment is that the sheriff's office has been a storm center during the time it was filled by Sheriff Baird.

The sheriff had many bad breaks. Some were of his own making, others were not. He had a number of political enemies who capitalized on any opportunity to embarrass him.

Sheriff Baird, in my opinion, was an honest and conscientious officer. He was badly handicapped by political factors.

Serious rifts developed, however, and carried over into the campaign for appointment of a successor.

It is to be hoped that differences can now be resolved and the new sheriff given the cooperation he deserves.

Although some members of the Central Committee are piqued by the County Court's failure to go along with the committee's recommendation, no one, I believe, can honestly question the qualifications of the appointee.

In the interest of law enforcement, he should have an opportunity to demonstrate his ability, and should have cooperation from all factions as he endeavors to restore harmony in the affairs of the office.

Hal Boyle

By MICHAEL GOLDSMITH
For Hal Boyle

LANGENTHAL, Switzerland (AP) — Does your poodle wear a classical or a modern haircut?

If you spurn tradition and shave off all his hair except for "cuffs" on his legs, a tuft on his tail and a "corset" round the middle then both you and your dog are suspect in the eyes of Fritz Ruef, recently elected president of the International Cynological Federation.

Cyno comes from the Greek for dog, and Mr. Ruef probably knows more about the etiquette and society gossip of the dog world than anyone else alive.

Differences over such important matters as a poodle's haircut have led to a great schism among the world's dog lovers, and Ruef is the undisputed leader of the traditionalists.

There can be no argument about a poodle's hair, according to Ruef. "To be a poodle," he says, "a poodle must have lots of hair in front and a crew cut behind. This standard was fixed long ago by the Paris Poodle Club and accepted as binding by all self-respecting owners. It is obvious that a poodle owner who insists on dressing up his dog like a clown cannot claim equal rights in an association such as ours."

One of the main causes of the schism among the world's dog lovers was a dispute over the social register of boxers—the four-legged variety. Traditionally, a boxer's litter is limited to four puppies, and any puppies born after the fourth are destroyed to preserve the quality of the breed.

Unfortunately, Ruef said, base profit motives led to a refusal to kill off the excess puppies.

"They even wanted us to enroll this illegal offspring in our official register," Mr. Ruef exclaimed with indignation. "When we naturally refused, all those who were violating the rules became dissatisfied, and that is how the trouble started."

For a time, the split remained limited to Switzerland, but the rebels soon organized themselves in other countries and Mr. Ruef's International Cynological Federation is now at war with the rebel International Cynological Union in most countries of the Eastern hemisphere. Only the United States, Russia and some relatively dog-less countries are not yet involved, Ruef said.

Recognized "federation" dogs—says Ruef—are a distinct social cut above the upstart "union" dogs—not to mention the untouchable class of dogs who don't belong to any organization. "Federation" dogs are rigorously forbidden to have any social contacts with "union" or unorganized dogs. Misalliances do occur, Mr. Ruef admitted, but the offspring doesn't have a dog's chance of inclusion in any social register recognized by the federation.

In Switzerland alone, the dogs' social register, Hundstammbuch, lists more than 33,000 blue-blooded dogs born since 1900. The annual supplements to the register are handsomely printed by the printing works Ruef runs in Langenthal.

The federation is recognized as the ruling body of the dog world by dog lovers' associations in nearly every non-Communist country of the Eastern hemisphere. American dogs have a separate organization.

Asked whether this meant that American or Russian dogs are not



GOT THE REAL STUFF—These 74 children in the Garfield School at Garfield, Utah, have a right to grin. They just learned that when they were innoculated last year they all got the real Salk anti-polio shots. None were given inactive vaccine.

Peter Edson

WASHINGTON — (NEA) — Whether or not the Chinese Communists begin their attack on the Nationalist-held off-shore islands of Matsui and Quemoy this month or any time within the next 90 days, Adm. Robert B. Carney, U. S. Chief of Naval Operations, is believed to have performed a real public service in calling attention to the danger.

Without such a warning, the United States would have run the risk of another attack that would have caught this country completely off base.

It is, of course, the American tradition to let its enemies strike the first blow. The Maine has to be sunk in Havana Harbor, the Lusitania has to be sunk by a U-boat, the whole Pacific fleet has to be attacked in Pearl Harbor or the Communists have to cross the 38th parallel in Korea before public opinion decides it has to get ready to fight.

The question may be speculative, but it is not beyond the realm of probability to ask if the U. S. fleet would have been concentrated in Pearl Harbor Dec. 7, 1941, if some high military official had issued a loud, public warning of impending Japanese attack three weeks before?

ADMIRAL CARNEY, IN HIS now famous background briefing with a score of Washington reporters, issued such a warning with respect for Matsui and Quemoy and even Formosa. There is no excuse for any U. S. forces to be caught napping in this area.

There has been some inclination in Washington to censure Admiral Carney for sounding this alarm. He has been accused of wanting to force the United States into a war. Nothing was further from his mind.

The admiral had just made an inspection trip to the Formosa Straits area. He had conferred with Adm. Felix B. Stump, commander of the Pacific fleet, and Vice Adm. Alfred M. Pride, commander in the South China Seas area. He had the benefit of their latest intelligence reports.

JOHN FOSTER DULLES, Secretary of State, was at the Formosan capital when Admiral Carney was there. Secretary Dulles came back and made three statements, warning of the danger of war over Formosa. The secretary softened his warnings with expressions of hope for peace, however, and they didn't get over. When Admiral Carney said it in blunter language, it registered.

What made it appear like a conspiracy to involve the United States in a war with Communist China was that on the weekend after Carney and Dulles spoke out, Senators William F. Knowland of California and Styles Bridges of New Hampshire both sounded off on television programs. They took the stand that the United States could not make further retreats in the Far East without losing all of Asia.

The truth of the matter is that neither Senator Knowland nor Senator Bridges knew in advance that the war was going on the air. Neither knew it was Admiral Carney who had issued the then-unfettered warning of Chinese Communist attack on the off-shore islands by mid-April.

FAR FROM CENSURING ADMIRAL CARNEY for his role in these proceedings, or putting a black mark on his record, events are piling up to make him look better all the time.

Even if there is no war at all, it may be Admiral Carney's warning that will convince the Chinese Communists of the danger of attack.

And if the attack does come — this month or in the next three months or in the next year — Admiral Carney will have the last laugh and be the hero. He will be the man who was way out ahead and right.

New Extradition Order Required By Appeals Court

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — The court of criminal appeals Wednesday said Texas couldn't turn David F. Hagler Jr. over to Oklahoma on an order already issued, but said the decision would not bar his extradition on a valid warrant.

Hagler is charged with murder in Oklahoma in a second-degree slaying where the victim has never been identified, and where Hagler was first believed killed.

He has been free on bond in Fort Worth, Tex., on appeal from the extradition order.

The victim of the slaying was found in a burning station wagon near Davis, Okla., Oct. 10, 1954.

The court's decision Wednesday was based on the fact that Gov. Allan Shivers' extradition order was not presented in evidence during trial proceedings in a habeas corpus hearing.

During the course of the case's early investigation, Hagler's finances flew from Germany to be with him, and one man whose name figured in the case killed himself.

There was no immediate comment from Oklahoma officials whether they would seek a new extradition warrant.

Hagler turned up in Waco, Tex., a few days after his ex-wife's station wagon was found containing the corpse, saying he remembered little of the previous week-end because he was drunk.

Oklahoma officers contended Hagler seemed to make it appear that he had been killed to collect insurance.

Frank St. Claire, 47, of Irving, Tex., a former business associate of Hagler, fatally shot himself in December last year. He had told officers that Hagler had conspired to get a body from a morgue for \$50 and burn it as part of a \$200,000 insurance swindle.

allowed to associate with European dogs, Mr. Ruef said: "Such unions are very uncommon. I can not remember that such a case was ever described on our register, but of course, there may have been liaisons of which we were not informed."

Mr. Ruef, a round, balding little man of 68, is proud of his position as the world's number one dog lover.

But his career contains a hidden tragedy. He does not have a single dog of his own.

"As a young man, I bred Irish terriers and dachshunds," he said. "But now I have to devote every spare minute to my organizational work, and have no time left for dogs of my own."

New Crops Experimented With On Diverted Land

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Kern County Land Co., which conducts extensive farming operations, reports it is experimenting with corn, soy beans, castor beans, sunflower and safflower in an effort to find the best crops for land diverted from cotton and sugar beets because of acreage quotas.

Last year 40,854 acres were harvested under crop share leases. The total included 15,153 acres of cotton, reduced from 23,262 acres in 1953 because of acreage controls. A further cut will be made this year.

Much of the land diverted from cotton in 1954 went into sugar beets, with the company acreage totaling 3,096 against 611 in 1953. This year acreage controls have been applied to sugar beets.

Cotton and sugar beets are high revenue crops. They will have to be replaced, on the diverted acres, by crops with lower profit margins.

Theorist Says Snow Had Part In Developing Man

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Some experiments with chimpanzees have convinced a Virginia medical scientist that snow played a part in the development of man from apelike ancestors.

The experiments involve a loosely constructed theory that snow and cold made man's ancestors uncomfortable, caused them to stand upright to escape the chilling wetness; that the upright position made their adrenal glands work harder because of the unnatural stress involved, and that the erect position resulted in an increased demand by the brain for blood. With the increased blood supply the brain developed and the creature became the upright progenitor of man.

Ocean Shipping Mounts In Portland This Year

PORTLAND (AP) — Ocean shipping mounted at Portland in the first quarter of the year.

The Portland Merchants' Exchange said tonnage went up 24 per cent above the total in the first quarter of 1954. The cargo totaled 2,772,358 tons, much of the gain in incoming petroleum and cement. There also were gains in lumber and grain exports.

In The Day's News

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ture he wanted to paint clear and sharp in his mind's eye and his fingers fairly itching to get it all down on canvas.

At that particular moment, an interruption was about as welcome to him as a display of poison oak.

Did he display his impatience? He did NOT.

He doffed his hat and listened all the way through the serenade. Then he thanked the serenader and went back to work. Salvatore Stala went away walking on air and feeling that his life had been fittingly rounded out.

He will tell the story to his grandchildren and they will tell it to their grandchildren.

Sir Winston IS a great man, you see. Little things like that are a part of the quality of greatness.

But let's get back to the grind of everyday affairs in a period of cold war between two ideologies.

In London, allied officials disclose that Russia has called for a Big Four declaration guaranteeing the independence, integrity and neutrality of Austria — after a treaty for Austria is signed.

It sounds wonderful, doesn't it? Especially for Austria.

Under the setup that is proposed, Austria would become another Switzerland. She would forswear WAR. She would forswear offensives and defensive alliances and would settle down to running her own affairs, untroubled by wars and rumors of wars.

What a pleasant future to contemplate.

What is Russia up to?

Well, she is just doing a kindly deed for the Austrians. She isn't setting up an area of peace and tranquility in the hope that the rest of the world will be impressed to the extent of giving up the idea of war.

The chances are she is saying to West Germany:

"See what WE are doing for Austria. We are preparing to make her a land of peace and plenty where the dread specter of war will be unknown. These Western nations you are balling around with want to ARM YOU so that in the future you will be doing THEIR FIGHTING FOR THEM."

You're in the wrong company. You'd better cut loose from the wicked, warmongering West and come over with us."

DAR Condemns Atoms-For-Peace Proposal Of Ike

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Daughters of the American Revolution Thursday condemned President Eisenhower's atoms-for-peace plan.

The President in a United Nations speech Dec. 8, 1953, proposed creation of an international atomic pool, with a stock of fissionable materials, to aid in development of peaceable uses of nuclear energy. He urged the step to reverse "the fearful trend" of the atomic arms race.

Since then the proposal has been watered down to one for a clear information for peacetime atomic information.

The DAR in convention here did not mention the Eisenhower plan as such.

But without discussion and amid applause it unanimously adopted a resolution urging "immediate abandonment of all such plans."

The resolution declares a DAR belief that the pooling of atomic information and resources among nations constituting the U. N. would have the effect of "investing" in immeasurable potentials for the destruction of the United States of America by its openly avowed enemies.

The resolution calls for this country instead to concentrate its efforts on "further study of application of all available measures for the protection of our nation against the facilities which our enemies have already acquired, and when they deem it expedient, will unhesitatingly employ."

WORDING SILLY

SALEM (AP) — After the Senate approved Thursday a bill to permit use of green lights on fire escapes, Sen. Carl Francis, Dayton, cited as silly the following language in the present law:

"The light must not at any time be permitted to be out of order and when out of order must be immediately repaired."

Editorial Comment

From The Oregon Press

MIDDLE CLASS 'IN THE CHIPS'

Albany Democrat-Herald

Our good columnist George Sokolsky, who generally manages to be interesting and informative (even when we don't quite agree with him) had an incidental statement in one of his pieces the other day which makes us wonder rather incredulously. "The middle class in the United States," he said, "is exceptional in that it includes many laborers who in Europe would be of the proletariat. It might roughly be described as those who earn from \$10,000 to \$50,000 a year. A very large part of the American people are in this category."

"Roughly described" is about right for Mr. Sokolsky's hasty analysis. Statistics in the 1955 World Almanac make the description rough indeed. The national per capita income in 1953, as supplied by the Department of Commerce, was \$1789. The Pacific coast per capita, \$2 higher than that of the middle eastern states, was \$1986. In the southeastern states the average was \$1159.

Base on this and on our own personal experience and observation, we'd say the columnist's figures show the average man's income above the average; that is, if his term "middle class" is meant to convey the idea of a median or average and is to include "a very large part of the American people."

Lots of our friends who have been including themselves in the so-called middle class — which we thought took in probably a slight majority of us all with luck at that \$10,000-to-\$50,000 range and wonder if, after all, they have not been submerged into the proletariat. It's going to take a lot more inflation than we're likely to get to boost our average income into Sokolsky's "middle class" bracket. About that time there just wouldn't be any proletariat. We'd all have been "levelled up" into one grand status of poverty.

SENATORS AT LARGE? Eugene Register-Guard

Former President Harry Truman moved quickly to scotch reports that he wanted to run as vice president on a ticket with Adlai Stevenson in 1956 but it brings to mind an interesting thought.

Throughout the history of our nation we have taken little advantage of the wisdom and experience of our ex-presidents. Unlike the case with the English where ex-presidents may continue to serve in the House of Commons, only two ex-presidents have served in Congress. John Quincy Adams, President from 1825-29, ran for the House, was elected and served from 1831-47. He died on the House floor. Andrew Johnson, who succeeded to the presidency upon the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, ran twice unsuccessfully, once for the Senate and once for the House. He was finally elected to the Senate on a third try in 1875, but served only four months until his death on July 31, 1875.

Sir Winston Churchill, the grand old man of world politics, will continue to be heard as he continues to hold a seat in the British House of Commons. This points up one of the big differences between the British parliament system and our system of division of power between the legislative and executive branches. The British chief executive is an extension of the legislative arm. He holds his office by being the recognized leader of his party and by virtue of holding a seat in the Commons.

It would seem to be of value if our ex-presidents could be senators-at-large with the power to vote, though, perhaps, not on organization of the Senate. Certainly, Mr. Hoover and Mr. Truman could have contributed to the welfare of the nation as members of the United States Senate.

THERE'LL ALWAYS BE A DOWNTOWN Medford Mail-Tribune

While population growths and other considerations have brought considerable movement of some types of business to the suburbs, cities and towns will always have their downtown sections. This is the opinion of Henry G. Waltemade, president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, as expressed at a recent meeting of the San Francisco Real Estate Board.

The real estate expert told his hearers that alarmist predictions of decentralization should not cause too much worry, that changes are to be expected in the downtown area of any city or town but that the "downtown" is going to stay and is going to grow.

Waltemade cited downtown New York City as an example of such growth despite the crowded conditions which have long prevailed. There, he said, the downtown section is still growing and new air conditioned office buildings, renting for \$7 to \$8 per square foot, are under construction.

More important than the changes in the business location picture, Waltemade stated, is the boom in home modernization and improvement now sweeping the country. This trend, he declared, considered in all its phases, represents nearly as big a business as new home production.

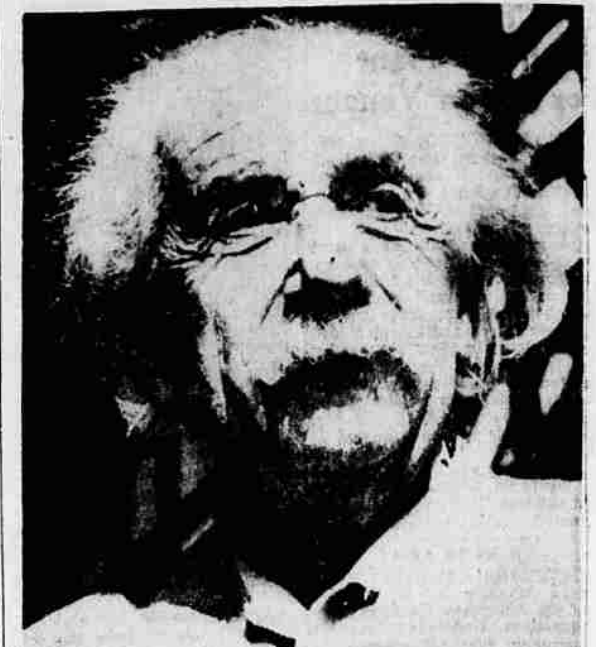
Fraternity And Sorority Candidates Sweep Offices

CORVALLIS (AP) — Fraternity and sorority candidates swept the top offices in the annual Oregon State College student body election Wednesday with John Rice, Corvallis, winning the presidency.

He defeated Phil Carlin, Portland, 1,449 to 841.

Jerry Thomas Portland, was elected first vice president, and Linda Courtney, McMinnville, second vice president.

Named president of the Memorial Union, student activities center, for the coming year was Bob Ewalt, Corvallis.



EINSTEIN DIES—Dr. Albert Einstein, father of atomic theory, died in Princeton, N. J., of a gall bladder ailment. He was 76.

Corsi Quoted As Saying Ethiopians Were Better Off Under Rule Of Mussolini

By JOHN CHADWICK

WASHINGTON (AP) — Edward Corsi was quoted in a State Department communication made public Thursday as saying in Europe last January that the Ethiopians were in better hands under Mussolini than they are now. Corsi denied he said it.

With Corsi in the witness chair of a Senate judiciary subcommittee, committee counsel Eleanor Guthrie read a cable she said was sent to the State Department on Feb. 1 by Roy Wade who accompanied Corsi on the trip.

Wade complained about Corsi's behavior and remarks and quoted Corsi as making the crack about the Ethiopians during an inspection visit to Greek refugee camps. "It's entirely ridiculous," the Italian-born Corsi declared. "There is no reason why I should tell a Greek anything favorable to Mussolini. I have more sense than that."

Corsi, a prominent New York State Republican, was fired Easter Sunday by Secretary of State Dulles who had retained him in January as a \$14,500-a-year special advisor on refugee problems.

In leaving, Corsi angrily charged that the Eisenhower administration's program of admitting 214,000 refugees to this country by the end of 1955 was being "sabotaged." The senators are looking into his charges.

Corsi testified that when he joined the State Department Jan. 10 he found "no arrangements were made for me to do any kind of job." He said there was "no office for me" nor any secretary.

Corsi also said wryly: "I was just an interloper in the department. They never told me where the pencils were. They never told me where I could sit and they never said hello to me."

Corsi said arrangements had been made, however, for him to leave for Europe Jan. 20 on an inspection trip.

Wade, who accompanied him, was an aide to R. W. Scott McLeod, administrator of the refugee program.

Corsi said Wednesday McLeod's "security gang" has wrecked the program and engineered his dismissal.

Once he got to Europe, he said,

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