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SENATORIAL MISFIT

Charles V. Stanton

Elsewhere on this page today will be found a classic example of political chicanery. I refer to the letter from Senator Richard Neuberger. The senator's calculated sophistry is revolting to the intelligence.

During the election campaign, in which Neuberger eked out a narrow victory, he made dexterous use of Letters to the Editor. Since taking office he has continued the practice. Readers of *The News-Review*, of course, see only the letters appearing in this newspaper or in such other newspaper to which they may subscribe. But if they had access to the exchanges which come across the editorial desk, they would learn that the Senator is spending a good deal of his time writing communications to editors whenever his name is mentioned, either favorably or unfavorably.

Having had some schooling in journalism, he is aware of the political value of the public forum column of a newspaper and artfully uses that facility to advance his name and ideas.

I would have no quarrel with that practice if the Senator would be honest and truthful. But he is neither. The letter appearing on this page today is ample evidence of that fact.

Accuracy Challenged

The Senator challenges my accuracy, then is untruthful in citing the issue.

He says I accused him of trying to get out of debates with Congressman Coon. I made no such statement. In fact the statements to which he refers, appearing in this column in the issue of June 6, assumed throughout that the debates would be held. We did repeat the assertion, accredited to our Washington correspondent, that Neuberger was trying to alibi, which he did.

I did state that Neuberger probably was shocked when someone finally accepted one of the challenges he and his socialistically inclined compatriots hurl about so freely. You will observe in reading the Senator's letter that he does not deny his surprise. He double-talks around it and charges me with accusing him of political cowardice, of which there was not the slightest suggestion.

He also refers to my "abusive attacks." During the campaign I was extremely critical. His actions since election, in my opinion, have fully justified that criticism.

Since his election I have refrained from severe criticism of Senator Neuberger. It was my sincere hope that his elevation to a position of great responsibility would cause him to develop the degree of statesmanship for which his intelligence, personality and general ability so well qualify him.

But his bout with the White House squirrels, his foolish jousting with television makeup, and his latest "dollars for diapers" promotion, indicate he has chosen to continue the "Dennis the Menace" tactics which rendered him impotent in the Oregon State Senate.

Pure Pettifoggery

For pure and unadulterated pettifoggery, the balance of Senator Neuberger's communication is a prime example. Anyone with any degree of intelligence knows that I have nothing to do with Congressman Ellsworth's political activities.

Furthermore, if I did have any influence upon Congressman Ellsworth, the last thing I would suggest or urge is that he permit himself to be used as a straight man for a clown's patter. I would advise him he would be an utter fool to enter into debate with any opponent — the Senator or any other person — who makes a rule, rather than an exception, of untruths, half-truths, distortion, misrepresentation, sophistry and speciousness.

I realize that what I have to say concerning Senator Neuberger will offend many of his supporters.

I make no apology.

I will earnestly defend the right of anyone to disagree with my opinions.

But, so far as I am concerned, any person who will stoop to such tactics as those exhibited in Senator Neuberger's letter on this page is a misfit in any high office in the United States government.

Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP) — Once upon a time there were two little mice, and one was named Oswald — and he whispered to the other, "Harriet."

When he called her name she heard it like the tinkling summons of a three-syllabled bell. "Harriet," he called, and she ran to the wire restraint of her laboratory cage. Across a small space she would see Oswald, running up and down his wire cage and sticking his eager pink muzzle through at her.

She thought modestly, but still excited, that in all her long days she had never seen a mouse with quite such gay whiskers. Her heart rose and fell as Oswald's whiskers did. She felt she must brush them or die.

All of a sudden Oswald and Harriet were plunged into a darkened case. They felt movement, heard the dull plod of feet in sand — and a miracle — light dawned — they saw each other again left alone in a strange house on a strange floor. They scurried to a corner as mice do, and looked around. Why this was heaven, food scattered around and no traps to worry about. The two little mice ran toward each other.

"Harriet!" cried Oswald, and each syllable was a bell tone. "I'll bet you can't gallop like a pony."

"Oh, yes, I can," she answered, blushing. And with no other word she held out her tiny paw, and he took her paw in his paw, and around and around they pranced like miniature ponies. They swirled into the living room, and saw four gangling pe-

No, We Don't Believe in Fairy Stories Any More



Bruce Biossat

In the great flush of emotion that attended the close of World War II, the United Nations, newly born, became the symbol of hope for a bright new world from which war would be banished.

After ten of the most turbulent peacetime years in modern history, the U.N. is still that symbol. But there is a more realistic understanding of its limitation. The U.N. is above all a forum where men of many lands may discuss their problems with one another, and their differences.

Often it has been stressed that the agency gives them this chance to talk. But what is really important is not just that they can talk but that they want to talk in the U.N.

As Walter Lippman has pointed out, no nation has resigned from the U.N. and many more would join if they could. Only Russia boycotted it briefly, returning quickly when it saw the handicap of being on the outside.

The U.N., of course, is a promising sounding board for many countries, most particularly the Communist lands. But it is also a unique outlet for the complaints of small nations against big. And it is the living embodiment of man's desire that nations hereafter shall not go along with each other, somehow, without resort to major war.

In the U.N. negotiations never cease. They may halt for a time, but they always can be resumed. No diplomat is handed his passport and ordered home from U.N. headquarters when talks break down. Diplomats from all member nations can take part in discussions, no matter what offenses may be charged against their countries.

It is not just an association of like-minded peoples, but of peoples of many political and religious faiths. In this very basic sense it is a universal organization.

Because it has remained universal through all the titanic struggles of the cold war, it continues to symbolize men's hopes for peace. The moment it comes to represent only non-Communist lands its universality ends and it becomes in effect a mere alliance.

Astute statesmen on both sides of the Iron Curtain want to keep it universal. Especially since the great advances in nuclear weapons, they feel the insistent pressure of ordinary folk the world over against any course that should plunge the globe into war again.

The U.N. is their meeting ground. They fear to abandon it. For to do so would be to admit failure when such an admission might spell doom for all civilization.

This is why the U.N. has endured through the tumultuous years 1945-1955. This is why it has survived the disillusionments and disappointments of those who saw it at the start as some sort of magic preserver of the peace.

It is not a peace enforcement agency, and as now constituted cannot be. For the U.N. has no enforcement arm of its own, and any of its great powers may veto punitive action against itself or any lesser nation dependent upon it.

Realistically, we of the free nations do not count on the U.N. to safeguard the peace. The NATO pact and all the "cold" defensive pacts serve that objective. But we, like our adversaries in Moscow and Peking, understand that armies and alliances are not enough today, that men yearning for peace demand that their hopes be built here.

Paste that in your hat.

ADLAI'S SON WEDS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Miss Nancy Lewis Anderson and Adlai Stevenson Jr., son of the 1952 Democratic nominee for president, were married Saturday. He is 24; she is 21. They will live in Cambridge, Mass., where he is a student at Harvard Law School.

Reader
Opinions

Sen. Neuberger Proposes Statehood Issue Debate

WASHINGTON, D.C. — (To The Editor) — Ordinarily I do not reply to your abusive attacks but I feel your readers are entitled to the truth about the recent editorial in which, without a single fact to go on, you accused me of trying to get out of the debates with Congressman Coon.

On the exact day that your editorial was received at my office, I had written to Mr. Coon suggesting that we set down a definite set of dates for appearances in various Eastern Oregon towns, so that the events definitely would be held.

That is a measure of your accuracy. You stated in your editorial that I was shocked when Coon accepted my challenge. You inferred that I was disappointed over the acceptance.

Inasmuch as you seem to be accusing me of political cowardice, I wonder how you, as the editor of the *Roseburg News-Review*, would like to arrange a debate in the city of Roseburg between your political friend, Congressman Ellsworth, and me?

Mr. Ellsworth's recent vote against statehood for Alaska and Hawaii, which I consider a vote inimical to the best interests of the Pacific Northwest, or any other topic of comparable importance. I also suggest that some outstanding educator or religious leader of Roseburg serve as moderator of the debate. I will support statehood for Alaska and Hawaii, of course, with Mr. Ellsworth in the negative — for that is the way he voted in the House.

You have accused me falsely of "bluffing," so I feel sure you will be glad to argue Congressman Ellsworth to debate me in your own community.

RICHARD L. NEUBERGER
United States Senator

Junior Chamber National Awards Are Announced

ATLANTA (AP) — Jaycees from Minneapolis took top organizational honors as the U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce ended its 53th annual convention.

The Harold A. Marks Memorial Award for general organizational excellence went to Minneapolis. Receiving the Clarence H. Howard Award for the most impressive year in general achievement were:

Cities of more than 100,000 population: Minneapolis, first; Dallas, Tex., second; Evansville, Ind., third; and Portland, Ore., fourth. Cities of 25-100,000: Bellingham, Wash.; Lansing, Mich.; Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Boise, Idaho.

Cities of 10-25,000: Sidney, Ohio; Warren, Pa.; Port Angeles, Wash.; Logan, Utah.

Cities under 10,000: Lansdale, Pa.; Richfield, Utah; Hagerstown, Ind.; Dallas, Ore.

The fiber of jackpine is as long as the fiber of the Southern (loblolly) pine.

In its jackpine forests—regarded for a century as worthless—Southern Oregon has a perpetual source of raw material out of which an important industry can be built here.

Portland (AP) — The accidental firing of rockets from a parked jet plane at the Portland Air Base Monday, was caused by a faulty electric circuit cable, investigating officers reported Friday.

The rockets did some two million dollars' damage, destroying two other parked jet fighters. No one was hurt, although one of the rockets bounced off the roof of a house a mile away.

Li Col. Emer McTaggart said a safety cable had short-circuited, firing the practice rockets. Modifications to prevent recurrence were made here and recommended for all F8D jets.

Washington State Takes Exception To Ruling On Dam

OLYMPIA (AP) — The State of Washington took exception here to the recommendation of a Federal Power Commission examiner in the Hells Canyon controversy.

Examiner William J. Costello recommended last month that Ida ho Power Co. be authorized to build Brownlee Dam.

He rejected a plea by public power advocates that the Hells Canyon reach of the Snake River be reserved for a high level federally financed dam.

Gov. Langlie's power consultant, Holland Houston, said Costello's decision was based on an all-hydro electric system and failed to take into consideration the over-all development of the entire area, using both hydro and steam power.

Houston maintained it would not be economically wise to build Brownlee Dam, the proposed high level Hells Canyon federal dam, or any other high-priced dam that stored water for use in low-water years.

Methodist Conference Approves \$150,318 Budget

EUGENE (AP) — A budget of \$150,318 for the coming year was approved here by the Oregon Methodist Conference.

More than half the total, \$80,187, will go for conference benevolence. In other action the conference: Gave official sanction to Nov. 13, 1955, as Willamette University Sunday in churches of the Oregon Conference.

Named the Revs. Ray Balcomb, Medford, and Olin Parrett, Portland, as ministerial alternates to the jurisdictional conference.

PARAKEET FOR PIDGEON
CASPIAN, Mich. (AP) — Roy Siew, in a newspaper Friday and promptly found a stray parakeet in his only located the bird's owner—Joe parked car. He advertised his find Pidgeon.

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