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ALL FOR THE BIRDS

Charles V. Stanton

Approximately two dozen birds have upset the plans of the Army's "Fly Boys." Those same birds have alerted hundreds of thousands of people. They have called forth a statement from a cabinet officer. They have resulted in the expenditure of large sums of money.

They are whooping cranes, the rarest of North American birds. Near extinction, following great abundance in past years, these cranes are being given the utmost attention in efforts to prevent this species from going the way of the passenger pigeon.

Last year only 21 whooping cranes were counted in their winter habitat in Texas. This year, if the flock survives its migration, there will be 26.

Robert P. Allen, an authority on the whooping crane, tells of the birds in the current bulletin from the National Wildlife Federation.

Whooping cranes spend their summers in northern Canada. There they young are hatched. Migration to Texas begins in September and continues through October and early November. Their flight is over Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. They winter in the Arkansas National Wildlife Refuge in Texas.

Army Plans Repulsed

When the Army Air Force recently announced plans to establish a photoflash bombing range adjacent to the national refuge in Texas, a storm of protest went up from conservationists throughout the country. So vigorous was the objection, the Army was forced to abandon the proposed site.

Along the 2500-mile migration course residents have enlisted in the fight to protect the whooping crane. State and provincial conservation departments, civic groups, Audubon societies, garden clubs, sportsmen's organizations, Scout and Camp Fire groups, farm clubs, and many others have joined the protection forces.

Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay recently called attention to the current migration and warned bird hunters to use extreme care in their shooting to prevent destruction of any of the rare birds.

That protection is needed is shown in the fact that, despite intense public interest, the flock has barely held its own. Since 1939, according to Allen's report, the total of 60 young birds have been brought safely to the Arkansas Refuge, while 56 cranes, adults and young alike, have been counted as lost during the same period.

It is believed, Allen states, that most of these losses take place during migration, particularly when hunters are out along the flight lines.

Nesting Grounds Located

This year's migration will have better protection. It will be followed closely throughout the entire 2500 miles. This is made possible because, after a ten-year search, the whooping crane's nesting grounds have been found.

The Canadian Wildlife Service, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Audubon Society and other organizations have been conducting organized and intensive search for the past ten years to find the spot in Canada where the birds spend the summer. This year a flying biologist found the birds. Ground parties went into the remote wilderness in northwest Canada. They counted a total of five youngsters hatched in June. Included were two sets of "twins." In the previous 16 years only seven sets of twins have been reported on the winter range. Only once, in the winter of 1939-40, have as many as two adult pairs reached the area with two youngsters each.

Last fall, for the first time since protection efforts began, the whooping cranes returned to Texas without a single young bird to add to their dwindling numbers. This fall, all along the 2500-miles of the flyway, watchers will follow the migration, with the hope that the five youngsters, as well as the parents, will make the journey safely.

It is indeed interesting that in this country, deeply concerned with many critical problems, the fate of two dozen birds can arouse such nationwide solicitude.

Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP) — The United States Army will lose a hero next week but keep a legend.

The hero is Maj. Gen. William F. Dean, one of the bravest and best-loved officers in American military history.

The legend this holder of the first Medal of Honor won in Korea leaves behind him is the epic story of the valor he showed on the battlefield and his fortitude during more than three years as a prisoner of war.

At 56, Gen. Dean, a one-time street car conductor and policeman, is winding up a brilliant 32-year military career. He will retire Monday as deputy commander of the 6th Army after a final troop review in his honor at the historic Presidio of San Francisco.

No man has better earned retirement, but thousands of veterans will hate to see him go. He has been truly "the soldier's soldier," exemplifying in both deed and manner the best that is taught at West Point, a school Gen. Dean never attended himself.

Although some of his men revered him almost as if he were a 49th star in the flag, the general shrank from being publicly labeled a hero.

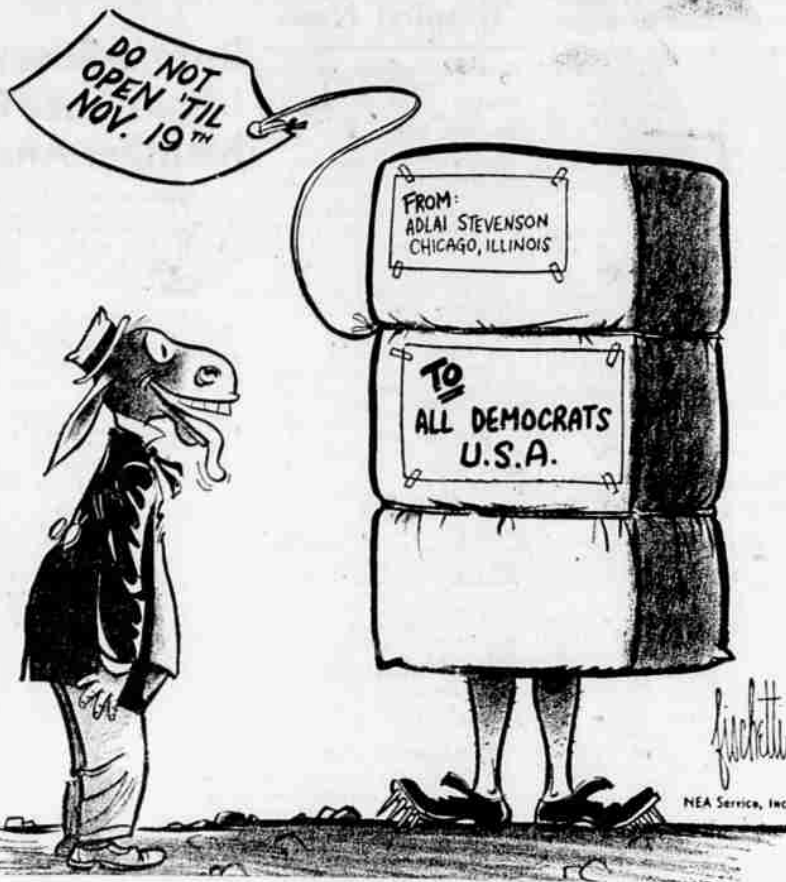
"I'm just a dog-faced soldier," he always insisted.

He was, too. His men liked him for that. But he was something more also. He was a general of the old type, a commander who, when the going got really tough, liked to go up front and lead his men in combat personally.

That style of leadership presumably went out of style after the Civil War, but it never went out of style with Dean. Where his troops needed him most, there he was.

In the Second World War he won

Wonder What It Could Be?



Fleet Commander Says Russia Has Modern Armada

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The commander of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet declared Thursday Russia has constructed a modern navy "which appears to be designed for the purpose of isolating Europe from North America."

Adm. Jerauld Wright told a Navy Day luncheon that the Soviets have been constructing their sea force at the maximum rate which their industrial capacity can stand.

He said isolation of Europe from North America in line of war would drastically reduce the defensive capabilities of each.

"From seventh place in 1940, the Soviet navy as a world naval power now is second place in numbers of ships. Her submarine fleet, now numbering over 400, is double the size of all the submarines of all the navies in the world and ten times the size of the submarine fleet that faced Britain in 1940."

Adm. Wright, who also heads the Allied Atlantic Command, made up of the navies of the United States, Canada, Great Britain and all the NATO European nations which border on the Atlantic, continued:

"Russia's large fleets of cruisers and destroyers are modern first-class ships. None are in mothballs. She lacks only carriers to make up a modern navy; but, in part compensation, she has a shore-based naval air arm of over 3,000 long range naval planes—mostly jets."

Adm. Wright said the Allied Atlantic Command was organized "to counter the threat to the security of the United States and her NATO allies which is posed by this ever increasing Soviet navy."

Thornton Renews Charges Against Commission

SALEM (AP) — Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton renewed this week his charges of misconduct in the state liquor administration.

He listed again, in a press statement, several instances in which he claimed liquor commission personnel accepted and solicited money from distillery representatives.

Thornton's evidence earlier was submitted to the Multnomah County Grand Jury, which made no indictments. The Grand Jury said it had heard many rumors and reports, many on administrative matters, but found no evidence of crime.

The Democratic attorney general also demanded that Republican Gov. Paul Patterson clean house in the liquor commission.

PLEDGES NEUTRALITY

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Parliament Wednesday adopted a constitutional law, pledging the Austrian Federal Republic to remain forever a neutral state.

peared, and I was amazed at the depth of feeling his men had for him. Some even broke into tears when they spoke of him. They felt as if somehow they had let him down.

During his long ordeal as a prisoner kept in solitary confinement Dean's reddish hair turned gray. He counted flies and worked mathematical problems in his head to keep from going crazy. Once, fearing he would lose his mind or break under torture and reveal the secret of America's plan for the defense of Japan, he even plotted suicide.

Since his release, Dean has shown a remarkable sympathy and understanding of the problems of American war prisoners. With a rectitude painful to behold he has resisted attempts to lionize him, even implied he was a darn fool ever to let himself get caught.

All to no avail. He has proved himself a hero on many battlefronts, and whether he likes the idea or not, he will live as a top hero in his nation's annals. It is difficult for any honest man with a sense of humor to regard himself as a hero, but heroes are as necessary to the human race as food and water.

One thing about Gen. Dean is certain: He never liked being a desk soldier, and nobody is likely to give him a swivel chair as a going-away present.

Peter Edson

WASHINGTON (NEA) — The Eisenhower Cabinet has now swung under the table any consideration of whether the convalescing President can delegate powers to Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

It appears the Republicans are counting on President Eisenhower's complete recovery and full resumption of his duties.

The decision that it would not be necessary to give an opinion on this delegation-of-powers question was made by Deputy Attorney General William P. Rogers and Department of Justice Legal Counsel J. Lee Rankin.

Attorney General Herbert Brownell Jr. has not overruled it. There is not even a Cabinet plan to sponsor legislation in the next Congress, clarifying what Article II, Section Five of the Constitution means. This covers the "inability to discharge the powers and duties."

Congress has clear authority to deal with this matter. But it has never defined what constitutes a President's inability.

The question has been a subject of debate since the assassination of President Garfield in 1881. It was discussed for a short time after President McKinley was shot in 1901.

When President Woodrow Wilson had a stroke in 1919, Vice President Thomas R. Marshall said the President had asked him to call a Cabinet meeting. Marshall all disclosed that he had asked the sheriff of his home county in Indiana whether he — Marshall — should assume the duties of Wilson. The sheriff replied that in his opinion, Marshall was actually President. But Marshall never assumed those powers.

The matter was fought over again at the end of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's third term, when he was obviously just as sick a man as President Eisenhower, or even sicker.

Two Principal Matters are involved.

One is the President's authority to sign executive orders, promulgate and official papers. They number as many as 200 a day.

The second unclear area involves delegation of powers. Cabinet officers and other agency heads are now believed to have authority to handle most of the administrative matters which they have customarily handled to the President in the past.

Controversial questions like farm policy, inter-departmental squabbles or foreign affairs will be taken up at Cabinet or National Security Council meetings.

In perhaps 10 per cent of the administrative actions, Cabinet officers and agency heads cannot

Oregon Young Farmer Visits Welfare Secretary

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two of the top young farmers in the United States paid their respects Thursday to Secretary of Welfare Folsom.

They were Dan Dunham, Lakeview, Ore., newly elected president of the Future Farmers of America, and Joe Moore, Granville, Tenn., the organization's 1955 Star Farmer of America.

The youths showed Folsom the citation which they accepted at a military review Wednesday on behalf of their organization from Maj. Gen. John H. Stokes Jr., commanding officer of the military district of Washington.

TREMOR HITS

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — A strong earth tremor shook Vicuna in the Province of Coquimbo this week but there were no reports of damage or injuries.

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In The Day's News

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all the cotton it needs and won't buy any more high priced American cotton.

If we go on spending all our time and thought on how to get more money, the time may come when we will price American goods out of the world markets. That would be bad.

At Lincoln, Neb., Congressman Wayne Aspinwall of Colorado told the annual convention of the National Reclamation Assn.

"We should keep foremost in our minds that opposition to reclamation, rather than decreasing over the years, has increased. This increase in opposition has come in spite of valiant work by this organization and others interested in putting life giving waters to use."

He added: "Much of the opposition to federal reclamation comes from the HUMID AREAS" — that is, the areas that have more water than they can use and want to get rid of it.

Let's take a sharp look at that situation.

When surplus water is taken off wet soil, they call it FLOOD CONTROL and Uncle Sam pays the WHOLE bill.

When water is put on arid soil they call it IRRIGATION and while Uncle Sam advances the money to build the irrigation works the users of irrigation water PAY IT BACK.

I'd say that if the areas that have too much water want Uncle Sam to go on paying the whole bill for flood control they'd better quit objecting to irrigation of arid lands, in which Uncle Sam merely advances the construction money and requires the beneficiaries to REPAY IT.

Speaking of water put to beneficial use on arid land, there is our new Oregon Grassman of the Year — Lloyd Gift, of Langell Valley.

I wish every opponent of irrigation could see what Lloyd has done with irrigation water here in our own Southern Oregon. Starting with worthless land covered by scabgrass and sage brush—about as sad a sight as one could hope to see—he has converted it into beautiful pasture land where fat cattle stand knee-deep in lush grass.

These once worthless acres are now about as lovely a sight as anyone can hope to see.

Some two centuries ago, Jonathan Swift said in his Gulliver's Travels:

"Whoever makes two blades of grass to grow upon a spot of ground where only one grew before deserves better of mankind and does more essential service to his country than the whole race of politicians put together."

Well, Lloyd Gift has made a BILLION blades of grass grow where NONE grew before. He has done it with the magic of irrigation water. I'm quite sure he has done "more essential service to his country" than ALL the windy and wordy political farmers put together.

Baker Courthouse Staff Requests Saturdays Off

BAKER (AP) — The county court sent a petition asking it and noting that surrounding counties including Grant, Malheur, Union and Umatilla close on Saturdays. Courthouse employees have pre-

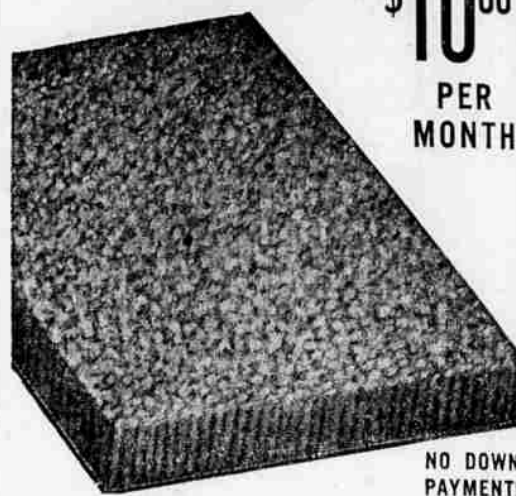


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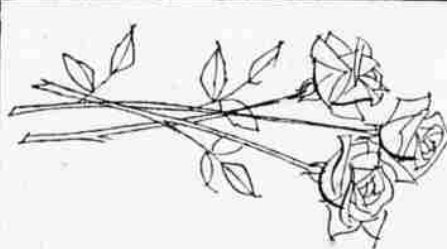
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