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THE YOUTH PAGE

By Charles V. Stanton

Approximately one year ago *The News-Review* inaugurated its weekly Youth Page. The page has been so successful that a report to readers, I believe, is indicated. The idea for *The News-Review's* special department, devoted to news of teen-agers, originated from a remark by a young man, who made the assertion that news items about "bad kids," outnumbered those about "good kids."

It was my opinion that the conclusion voiced by the young man was inaccurate, but I couldn't prove it. A subsequent study of the newspaper, however, indicated that news items about the "good kids" were materially more in number than the stories about juvenile delinquencies. Favorable news was printed as a part of routine news coverage and as such failed to gain recognition as an offset to the news unfavorable to the teen-age group.

Discussing the problem with members of the news staff, the idea was developed that news concerning young people could be segregated from the general run and could be developed as a special department. It was believed that by consolidating items concerning youth activities the general public would be less inclined to look upon all youth as a delinquent class.

Widespread Interest Aroused

Newspapers everywhere are striving to interest more young readers. Various methods are in use. The majority of newspapers use syndicated features, designed particularly for young readers.

It was the opinion of *The News-Review* staff that a page devoted to news concerning teen-age activities in the area would be of greater public interest than a page filled with "canned" features. We have had no reason to question that decision.

A chief factor entering into the development of our Youth Page was that of the adult outlook toward juvenile delinquency.

From letters to the Editor, conversations with various people, and from public expressions at meetings and elsewhere, it seemed that many adults had the opinion that the great majority of teen-agers were to be classed as juvenile delinquents.

As newspaper people we knew that concept was entirely wrong. We knew that delinquents represent only a very small minority of the youth group. By far the vast majority of teen-agers are young people of whom we can be extremely proud.

With the growth of population, however, juvenile delinquents, though no more percentage-wise, were more in number. Their escapades received publicity and caused the public to believe that these deviates from normal conduct composed a larger percentage of youth population than was actually the case.

Sentiment Change Shown

We can't prove by any statistics that the Youth Page published by *The News-Review* for the past year has been responsible for a change in public attitude. We believe, however, that we can prove the public's attitude has changed.

We can prove it by the fact that we seldom now receive a letter from a reader seriously troubled by the juvenile delinquency problem. It has been a long time since we have had a caller in our office expressing the opinion that all our young people are going to the dogs. Although attention still is given the problem of juvenile delinquency, and many people are at work in an effort to remedy the situation, there is ample evidence that the public now is fully aware of the minority position represented by the delinquents. It is the hope of *The News-Review* that its Youth Page has helped in bringing about this better understanding and relationship.

The page has received much attention and comment within the newspaper field. It recently was given favorable mention in a bulletin circulated nationwide by the American Newspaper Publishers Association and has been reported in many of the trade magazines.

The page has been adopted as the "baby" of Assistant Editor George Castillo, who quite jealously insists of doing the editing himself. That it is a popular feature with the county's young people is evident from the way in which they strive to provide the weekly copy from which the page's content is derived.

The staff at *The News-Review* is grateful for the cooperation the page has received. We believe it has performed a valuable service, not only in disseminating news, but in the broader field of helping to give deserved credit to the "good kids" of the county and to help the adult population to rid itself of some concepts that previously handicapped relations with the young adults.

Poisoned Grain Is Blamed For Dead Birds On Refuge

TULFLAKE, Calif. — More than 500 dead birds have been found on the Tulflake Wildlife Refuge since March 1, Superintendent Tom Horn said here.

Horn said examination of many of the birds disclosed they had eaten poisoned grain. Widespread poisoning programs have been put into effect in Northern California and Southern Oregon in an attempt to deal with the serious infestation of field mice.

"We have counted 500 dead snow geese, three or four white fronts, and a few ducks," Horn said.

There was no appreciable bird loss of between last September and December, when a poisoning program was started in Northern California.

The serious wildlife losses began after farmers and ranchers in the area began their latest poisoning program March 1.

Horn said farmers spreading poison grain to combat the mice could cover it with straw.

In addition, he urged that farmers use rifles and flare gunn-

tion to frighten birds away from their farms.

The U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service also urged that farmers obtain the free ammunition to frighten birds away from poisoned grain.

"One type of ammunition released a little parachute about six inches in diameter with a burning magnesium flare beneath," said Tom Garratt, game management officer.

Birds also are feeding on poisoned grain, he said, because the mice infestation has seriously depleted their natural food supplies.

MILL FORCED DOWN

KETCHIKAN, Alaska — Adverse market conditions have forced the Ketchikan Pulp Co. to order a two week closure of its pulp mill at the end of this month. Vic Haner, resident manager, said warehousing facilities of the mill will be filled by April 1 because the product is not moving to market. Skid on crews will maintain the plant.



—Hal Boyle—

NEW YORK — Many a youthful violinist grumbles rebelliously to his parents, "I'll bet Mischa Elman doesn't practice as much as I do."

But he's wrong. At 67, Elman, who has no intention of hanging up the fiddle and bow he first clutched in a Russian ghetto at the age of 5, still practices up to three hours daily.

"Some artists, as they get older, lose interest in practicing," he said. "They regard it as drudgery. To me it is still a pleasure. Even in practicing you make discoveries—and it is the discoveries that inspire you."

This is the golden jubilee season in America for the small, sturdy wizard of the strings who has a punkish face resembling one of Santa Claus' elves. But he had been a child wonder in Europe for more than five years when he made his debut here as a mature artist of 17.

Acclaimed as one of the great masters of the violin in this century, Elman has given more than 3,500 concerts. He has a repertoire of more than 600 numbers, and still enlarges it each year. "If you cease doing new things," he remarked, "You cease to grow."

2 Million Records Sold

More than two million of his records have been sold. Some of the earlier ones, made with tenor Enrico Caruso, with whom he used to tour in joint concerts, are now highly prized by collectors.

Chance has played more than a casual role in his long career. When he was 12 he failed to turn the gas jet all the way off the night before his Berlin debut (he had never seen gaslight before), and was overcome by the fumes.

When he was 13, in London, a hot glass of tea he was holding broke and badly gashed a finger of his right hand.

"Had it happened to a finger on my other hand," he remarked, "my career would have ended." All his life he has been unable to indulge in sports for fear of hands. His favorite game, Chess. Asked the most important factors in a concert artist's career, Elman grinned and said:

Entrances, Exits Important

"Well, entrances and exits are important—just as important as they are to an actor. Technical skill is important, of course, but the most important thing is heart. The artist's contact with his audience is through his heart. If he has no heart, he has no contact."

"And work is important. People think a person of genius of great talent doesn't have to work. Actually he has to work harder, because he has higher standards and higher ideals to satisfy. My definition of talent is self-criticism."

Among Elman's pleasant memories is playing in a string quartet with scientist Albert Einstein who, as a musician, was a very fine mathematician.

"But I found his violin playing easier to understand than his theory on relativity," said Elman. Besides chess, the virtuoso has

Missile Launching Sub Commissioned At Vallejo

VALLEJO, Calif. — The Grayback — the first submarine specifically built for launching the Regulus II missile — was commissioned at the Mare Island Naval Shipyard Friday.

The Navy said the Regulus II missile, which has a 1,500 mile range, can be fired at any enemy target around the world by the highly mobile Grayback.

The submarine has a 3,650 ton displacement and is powered by diesel engines. Cmdr. Hugh G. Nott, 36, Bowling Green, Ohio, is commander of the Grayback. It is named for another sub of that name lost with its crew in the Pacific during World War II.

TO CALL FOR BIDS

SALEM — The Oregon Highway Commission called for bids this week on construction of the River at Ontario. The bridges will be on the Old Oregon Trail Highway. Bids will be opened March 27 at Portland.

Indian Tribes Want To Fish Commercially

THE DALLES — Spokesmen for several Indian tribes pleaded with Oregon and Washington fishing officials Friday at The Dalles to permit commercial fishing by the Indians on the Columbia River above Bonneville Dam.

Testimony was heard by members of the Oregon Fish Commission and the Washington State Department of Fisheries.

Indians from the Warm Springs, Umatilla, Yakima and Nez Perce tribes contended that the Indians were there first, and had a "God-given right" to fish without regulation.

Furthermore, they argued, the Treaty of 1855 reserved to them the right to fish by their usual customs.

No attempt to solve the issue was made at the hearing, which was held to obtain information.

Last May the fishing agencies of both states agreed tentatively to permit Indians to dipnet salmon below The Dalles Dam, although commercial fishing has been officially banned above Bonneville Dam.

Friday, the Indians asked for a further relaxation of regulations. This would be to permit gill-netting in drifts above Bonneville during regular commercial open fishing season and further, to permit dipnetting during closed commercial seasons to enable the Indians to sell salmon to tourists.

The Indians asked for the dipnetting on the grounds there was only a very low take of salmon last time.

Thinking It Over

By Robert L. Dieffenbacher, D.D.

(Written for NEA Service)

When some people are urged to go to church they cast unpleasant glances at the hypocrites who pray on Sunday and who sin against their brothers on Monday. Some see only the unworthy who fill a few pews in our churches. They overlook the many who silently follow the will of God seven days a week.

One of the mistakes of many serious Christians is the very silence of their worship. They hide their religion from others. They do not seem to be proud of their association with God. They fail to hear witness for the Master who gives life eternal.

Somehow we must make our loyalties known. We must let others know that God is guiding our every deed and that we are in constant touch with Him. There are many who will not read the Bible, but they would read the Gospel according to You. Our lives must reflect God's presence.

Airman Rides Crippled Plane To Death Friday

DES MOINES — An airman from Offutt Air Force Base near Omaha rode a B25 to his death and three others parachuted to safety Friday night when the crippled plane crashed and burned on a farm southeast of here.

Most of this money went to neutral countries, Nixon declared. But he insisted the money was not being used to "buy" friends. It was being used to keep these countries strong and independent.

They get aid from us and then go Communist. Why continue?

In a long answer Nixon tried to point out that there was never any criticism of the military aid program. It was the billion-dollar economic aid package that brought the big bucksterism experiment here in years.

Eric Johnston, the movie czar, arranged it at White House suggestion. Fifteen tycoons like Ernest Breech, of Ford, and Frank Pace, of General Dynamics, agreed to pick up the check for the costs. They ran about \$12,000 for the day, including the free lunch addressed by ex-President Harry Truman and the evening banquet addressed by President Eisenhower.

All of the dozen speeches delivered during the day were in favor of bigger and better foreign aid, naturally.

If this oratory influences any of the 250 congressmen and 75 senators who did not attend the conference, the powwow was a success.

BUT IN A question-and-answer session, right after lunch, some of the guests asked some pretty rough questions.

For instance, Warren H. Atherton, Stockton, Calif., former American Legion commander, wanted to know how come the U.S. was financing big dam constructions in places like Asia and Africa when all new starts on U.S. reclamation projects were stopped?

Vice President Richard M. Nixon, presiding, said this was a political question so he'd answer it. His full answer can't be given in this space, but in conclusion he said:

"In World War II we had no reclamation starts and nobody complained. We were fighting a war for survival then. We are doing the same now. It isn't a military war — it's an economic war. And we must make sacrifices at home now to win the war of survival launched against us."

AN ANONYMOUS rough question sent up for answer was, "What can be done to assure the American people that our foreign aid program will be conducted with greater efficiency?"

New Director of International Cooperation James H. Smith Jr. fumbled the answer on that one by saying that he had just analyzed the 69 specific criticisms against his administration. He had found only four cases in which ICA had made mistakes and 40 in which the mistakes were not the fault of U.S. personnel. He didn't go into the other 25 cases.

Vice President Nixon took it from there to save it. He cited the case of the Iranian program which has been criticized. Nixon maintained it was better to go ahead, even if there was some waste, than to stop the program and let Iran go Communist.

AT THE WINDUP of the two-hour session Vice President Nixon tried to lump several embarrassing questions and give them a big buildup answer:

"Why do we contribute to foreign medical socialization? Isn't it foolish to spend capitalistic dollars by the billion on children who will grow up in Communist countries?"

Foreign aid has made us no friends. We're just soft touch-

IN THE DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

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In this supposedly gloom January of 1958 there ever were employed before with the exception of January of 1957.

Put that way, it sounds better. It all depends on whether you look at the doughnut or at the hole.

President Eisenhower says he rejected a drive to beat Russia into the air with an EXPERIMENTAL atom-powered plane because he thought a "crash" program to be first in the air would delay development of a more important objective — a COMBAT-TYPE atom plane.

His statement is made in a letter to the congressional subcommittee on atom research and development, which had criticized the President's decision on the grounds that the delay might give the Russians another disastrous propaganda victory.

Members of congress, of course, have a perfect right to criticize the President. As a matter of fact, they SHOULD criticize the President whenever they are reasonably sure he is wrong.

President Eisenhower isn't always right, and he may have been wrong in this particular instance. But at least he is generally recognized as the world's foremost soldier, and it is a fairly reasonable conclusion that the judgment of the world's foremost soldier in a purely military matter such as this might be better than the judgment of civilians.

It is true that Sputnik was a big propaganda victory for the Russians. It lifted them high up in the world's thinking and lowered us in the world's thinking. But Sputnik wasn't a WEAPON. It didn't drop

any bombs on us. A nuclear-powered combat plane IS a weapon. If we wasted time on a propaganda stunt and the delay resulted in the Russians getting into the air first with an atom-powered combat plane, it would be bad.

The point I'd like to make here is that we must be DISCRIMINATING in our reading of the news if our reading is to do us any good. Otherwise, we can't form accurate judgments for ourselves.

You should read editorials in this and other newspapers with similar discrimination. We editors think we know everything, and it is a part of our job to offer our opinions on what is going on. But don't take what we say as gospel. Before accepting it, TEST IT WITH YOUR OWN INTELLIGENCE.

Facts — the TRUTH — are the most important thing in the world. As a nation, one of our greatest dangers is that we know so many things that aren't so.

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Science Shrinks Piles New Way Without Surgery

Finds Healing Substance That Relieves Pain, Stops Itching as it Shrinks Hemorrhoids

New York, N. Y. (Special) — For the first time science has found a new healing substance with the astonishing ability to shrink hemorrhoids, stop itching, and relieve pain — without surgery. In case after case, while gently relieving pain, actual reduction (shrinking) took place. Most amazing of all — results were so thorough that sufferers made astonishing statements like "Piles have ceased to be a problem!" The secret is a new healing substance "Bio-Dyne" — discovery of a world-famous research institute. This substance is now available in suppository or ointment form under the name "Preparation H." At your druggist. Money back guarantee.

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