

OUT OUR WAY

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE

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Woman Facing Murder Charge At Grants Pass

GRANTS PASS (UPI) — Mrs. Frances McCurdy, 49, Grants Pass, was arraigned in Circuit Court Tuesday on first degree murder charges in the butcher knife slaying of her son and daughter 11 years ago.

The woman recently was released from the state hospital at Salem, and two indictments against her were returned by the Josephine county grand jury.

The McCurdy children, Pamela, 11, and Paul, 9, were killed with a butcher knife in a Grants Pass motel. The mother was arrested later in Portland, charged with murder in the death of the boy and subsequently committed to the state hospital.

Mrs. McCurdy's attorney, Gene Brown, told the court Tuesday that his client still was "unable" to enter a plea. He also said she appeared to be under the jurisdiction of the state hospital yet and filed for dismissal of the charges.

Circuit Judge Edward C. Kelly postponed a decision until June 15. District Attorney Max McMillin filed for dismissal of the original indictment against Mrs. McCurdy returned in 1948, and Judge Kelly postponed a ruling until June 15 so arguments could be heard.

AFTER A SNAPPY WINTER

Old Vermont Ruminator Puts The Market In Perspective

By ELMER C. WALZER UPI Staff Writer

NEW YORK (UPI) — In these days of market warnings of dire things that might be ahead, the old Vermont ruminator firmly says: "I don't think the rise is over."

Humphrey B. Neill, after a snappy winter spent in ruminating, emerges into the crisp, sunny atmosphere of Vermont to put the stock market picture into perspective.

"Trends do not rush up and flop down," he says. "They take time at the tops to unwind, and time at the bottoms to wind up." He points out that in both business and market momentum carries on beyond the point of heavy demands. Demands from consumers and demands from shareholders may reach an exhaustion level but the indexes will still rise or remain on their heels, he says. Spending and speculation are both contagious, says Neill, and he adds that each stimulates the other — and each depresses the

other, too. So here we have forecasters doubting a rising trend. But if the public is in a spending mood "they pay no attention to the predictions. Folks will go on spending their dollars until something more drastic occurs."

Together: "If at the same time, speculative fever is rising, it abets the spending sentiment — and they spiral aloft together. That is what we have been witnessing in the last several months."

He finds that contagion hasn't died out and hence he does not see how he can make a prediction as to the end—either in time or extent — of the current bull market. Trends in spending and speculation, he says, are supported by a bullish credit and monetary situation. He notes the money supply continues to climb and there is a credit build-up that indicates a continuing boom, subject to interruptions and "surprise attacks" such as shifts in policy by the money managers.

This sort of flat statement is not Neill's usual method. He's a contrarian. The art of contrary thinking, he points out, consists in training your mind to ruminate in directions opposite to general public opinions; but to weigh one's conclusions in the light of current events and current manifestations of human behavior.

Just to keep his record straight, he tosses in a contrary pattern to follow in one's forward ruminating. "Putting it bluntly," he says, "here is the antithesis I believe

contrarians should study and check: "The super boom of the sixties, so blatantly predicted (books written about it), is SUSPECT." And he has something to say also on gold. Gold withdrawals, he feels, are causing greater uneasiness among the amateurs than among the professionals.

Loss of Gold Not British: "The pros," he says, "see the vast upheaval and disorder that would follow any change the U.S. might institute in the price of gold, whereas the general onlooker thinks mainly of the local aspects and the speculative repercussions." Loss of gold isn't bearish, he holds.

He sees monetary events moving in two directions simultaneously: a tightening of money, more costly to borrow, and attractive levels for investment here of foreign capital that should retard the outflow of gold if not reverse it. And one little item entitled contrary thinking can untangle twists in the news.

The theory of contrary opinion is timely in that it is an aid to comprehension," Neill observes. Frequently when something I read doesn't click, doesn't register as it should, I turn it around, or over, and it begins to make sense. You might almost say that some things are clearer from their opposite meanings.

To illustrate, don't you think we get a clearer impression of Kremlin tactics and strategy when we turn Khrushchev's strutting remarks and boasts threats upside down to see what may be underneath?

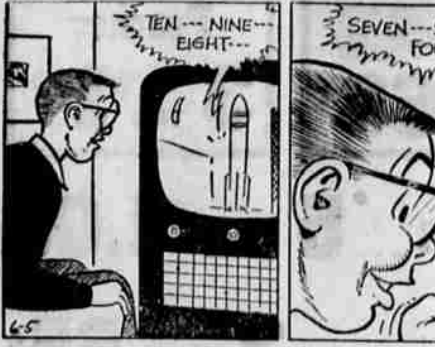
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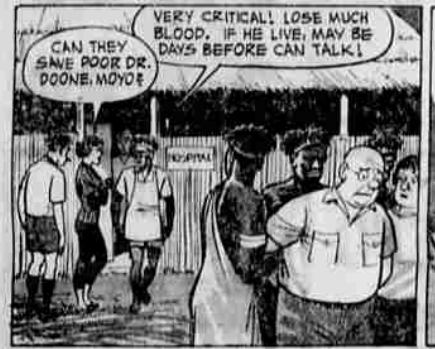
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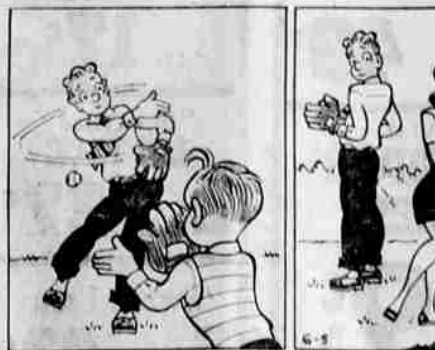
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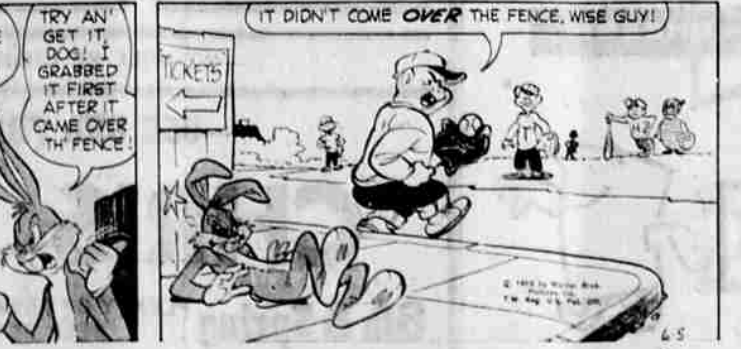
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'Excessive Costs' Found By Congressional Auditors

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Comptroller General Joseph Campbell told Congress that his auditors have unearthed \$30,000,000 in "excessive costs" used in fixing prices of Air Force planes.

Campbell, financial "watchdog" for Congress, said that most cases of "unreasonably high" prices on contracts and subcontracts stemmed from faulty procedures by the Air Force and its contractors.

He said the Air Force has acted to improve these procedures but he called for more action to "further strengthen" controls over pricing of contracts, as well as subcontracts.

Campbell's report summarized the findings of 14 studies by his auditors of contracts and sub-

contracts for planes, which have been submitted to Congress during the past 12 months. It was prepared by his staff for presentation to a House armed services subcommittee.

He said that some of the 14 cases showed that estimated costs used in fixing prices were "excessive" by about 17 million dollars, which, unless adjusted, would boost government costs by \$6,340,000.

In other cases, Campbell said, prices were negotiated without enough consideration of cost information which was available. He said that in these cases the selling prices totaled \$58,700,000, about \$13,900,000 or about 30 per cent above costs.

Campbell said all 14 reports dealt with "inadequate use of cost data" in negotiating contracts by the Air Force, and in determining subcontracts by the prime contractors.

He said the subcontract prices are important because the prices paid to the contractor by the Air Force usually include them.

Contractors involved in the study included Boeing Airplane Co., Seattle; Rheem Manufacturing Co., Downey, Calif.; Friden, Inc., San Leandro, Calif.; Menasco Manufacturing Co., Burbank, Calif.; Firestone Tire and Rubber Co., Los Angeles; Goodyear Aircraft Corp., Arizona Division, Litchfield Park, Ariz.

Bess Truman Released In Excellent Health

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UPI) — Mrs. Harry S. Truman has been released from Research Hospital, where she underwent surgery for a benign tumor May 18.

She rode to her home in nearby Independence in an automobile, accompanied by the former President.

A hospital spokesman said Mrs. Truman's condition was "excellent."

DAILY TV LOG

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THURSDAY		
6:00	Newsbeat	News & Sports
6:15	Leave It To Beaver	Doug Edwards
6:45		Invisible Man
7:00	Zorro	Jeffa Collins
7:15		Dorringer
7:30	Real McCoy	
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8:00	Pat Boone	Zane Gray Theatre
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8:30	Indianapolis "500"	Playhouse 90
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9:00	Man Without A Gun	
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9:30	Burns & Allen	
9:45		
10:00	Nightbeat	Bold Venture
10:15	Jack Paar	
10:30		Night Edition
10:45		Late Show
11:00		
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11:30	Dateline Europe	
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FRIDAY		
7:30		Cont. Classroom
7:45		
8:00	On the Go	Dough Re Mi
8:15		Treasure Hunt
8:30	Sam Levenson	
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9:00	I-Love Lucy	Price Is Right
9:15		Concentration
9:30	Top Dollar	
9:45		
10:00	Love Of Life	Tic Tac Dough
10:15		
10:30	Search for Tomorrow	It Could Be You
10:45	Gathering Light	
11:00	Across the Board	Queen For A Day
11:15	Pantomime Quiz	Haggis Haggis
11:45		
12:00	Musie Bingo	Young Dr. Malone
12:15		From These Roots
12:30	Romper Room	
12:45		
1:00	Day in Court	Jimmy Dean Show
1:15		Truth or Conseq.
1:30	Gabe Storm Show	County Fair
1:45		
2:00	Beat the Clock	Matinee on Six
2:15		
2:30	Who Do You Trust	
2:45		
3:00	Am. Bandstand	Brighter Day
3:15		Secret Storm
3:30		Edge of Night
3:45		
4:00	Popeye	Cliff Carl Show
4:15		
4:30		Early Show
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5:00	Bugs Bunny	
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5:30	Mickey Mouse Club	
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Side Glances



"Who's for a final salute to yesteryear with a chocolate fudge banana split?"

Names You Know

ACROSS

1 Mrs. Eddie Cantor	32 Ridiculous	34 Spheres	35 Action
4 Football's Walter	35 Redacted	36 Legal matters	37 Foreteller
8 Actor, Franchot	37 Bustle	38 Superlative suffixes	41 Greek letter
12 — and feather	39 Superlative suffixes	42 Seal	43 Slid
13 Wings	40 Superlative suffixes	43 Slid	44 Lullies
14 Stratford-on-	41 Greek letter	44 Lullies	45 Anger
15 Cotton gin man, Whitney	42 Seal	45 Anger	46 Monster
16 Most fastidious	43 Slid	46 Monster	47 Fencing sword
18 Directed wrongly	44 Lullies	47 Fencing sword	48 Individual
20 Two of Henry VIII's wives	45 Anger	48 Individual	49 Sawyer and Dewey, for instance
21 Tit for	46 Monster	49 Sawyer and Dewey, for instance	50 Cape
22 Remainder	47 Fencing sword	50 Cape	51 Baseball's Garver
24 Leave out	48 Individual	51 Baseball's Garver	52 Seeger
26 Tear	49 Sawyer and Dewey, for instance	52 Seeger	53 d'hotel
27 Weep	50 Cape	53 d'hotel	54 Name
30 French lady	51 Baseball's Garver	54 Name	55 Insect worms

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1 Entry in a ledger	26 Placed again
2 Surrealist	27 Location
	28 Poems
	29 Military student
	30 Places
	31 Mobs
	32 Fissures
	33 Get free
	34 S-shaped
	35 Comforts
	36 Gael
	37 Num suffixes
	38 Therefore
	39 Natural state
	40 Minor rocks
	41 Sea eagle
	42 Chayyam Act
	43 — Franklin