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Eugene Editor Finds Nixon In A New Light

Bob Frazier, editorial writer for the Eugene Register-Guard, has not been noted as one of Oregon's leading admirers of Richard Milhous Nixon, vice-president of the United States.

Mr. Frazier, with whom we find ourselves in agreement on matters political more often than not, isn't just sure why he didn't like Nixon. In this we find ourselves in agreement again. Let's just say that Nixon, until fairly recently, was one of those persons who aroused in us a faint feeling of mistrust.

'Now," Frazier notes in a recent editorial, "having read 'Richard Nixon, A Personal and Political Portrait' we're more mystified than ever at our preju-

Our own prejudice apparently began during the Nixon campaign against Helen Gahagan Douglas, when Nixon first ran for the U. S. Senate. Suffice it to say that Nixon's insinuations that Mrs. Douglas was a Communist were somewhat removed from the truth.

But, let Frazier tell his own findings in his own words:

"It's the sort of book that may be called "journalism between hard covers." Nixon's public career is traced against the background of the man himself, the paradozical man who is both gentle Quaker and political climber, both public speaker and shy human being, both good family man and axe-wielding politician. The book covers well the hight points of his career, his early congressional and senatorial campaigns, his role in the 1958 convention, his determination in the Hiss affair, the mutual coolness between him and Chief Justice Warren, the famous "fund," and his tour of South America. The story of his South America trip is

as thrilling as any novel. "The author bears down hardest on the areas where Nixon looks best-Alger Hiss and South America. He treads more lightly when he looks less good—his 1950 senatorial campaign against Helen Gahagan Douglas and his attempts to act as peacemaker between Sen. Joe McCarthy and the rest of the Republicans. The author also insists, to Nixon's great credit, that he is a leading force in keeping the administration overseas-minded. The inference is drawn that the vice

president has, indeed, "grown" tremendously since the day in 1948 that he rather casually agreed to take a flier at running for Congress.

"No man, of course, can be judged save in the climate of his time. Nixon has been vice president in an administration where the president has been regarded as immune from attack. Thus he has become the whipping boy, the administration figure who could be attacked. And he's been eager, even pushy in his climb to a seat next to the throne. Eagerness is not always admired as opponents of Oregon's governor and Oregon's fourth district congressman demonstrate. Yet, we ask, what is wrong with eagerness? Must we always choose between men who play the reluctant dragon, men like Adlai Stevenson and President Eisenhower? Why not turn to the man who really wants the job?

"Much of the opposition to Nixon must stem from his early conduct, his campaign against Mrs. Douglas and his early relations with Senator McCarthy, Mr. Mazo, however, points out that much of the abuse heaped upon Mrs. Douglas was the work of Manchester Boddy and Sheridan Downey, her Democratic opponents in the primary. Her voting record. moreover, did leave much to be desired. Nor can her partisans find pride in her own tactics by which she sought to paint Nixon as a fascist.

"It was probably the McCarthy business which showed Nixon in his poorest light. Although he eventualy broke with McCarthy, there was a time when he was stringing along, sometimes reluctantly, because McCarthy was doing an effective job on the opposition and because Nixon seemed to regard party unity as a worthwhile goal in itself.

"It's too early to say that Nixon is the American people's best choice for president next year. His record and his potential must be assessed against those of other candidates, Republican and Democratic. Our task, as voters, is to look carefully at each candidate and to try to see behind our own prejudices. Books such as Mes Mazo's book on Nixon will be of great help as we go into an election year and face the proble mof separating the smear from the fact.

They'll Still Get What They Want

government should take a hands off attitude toward the steel strike. Now he assigns Sec. of Labor Mitchell as a "fact finder." This means he is yielding to pressure from several sources, including the Democratic leadership in Congress.

Mitchell doesn't need to do any fact finding. As Ike pointed out previously, there are few if any facts about this long foreseen dispute that are not known. But the assignment does serve notice to

Up till now lke has insisted that the both management and the union that the White House is now in on the bargaining and can be expected to bring its powerful influence to bear in forcing a settlement sooner or later.

This will discourage any further attempts by the disputing parties to work out their own salvation. They will wait and see what the White House does. We are still betting that the union, because of its position of power, will get pretty much what it wants in the end.

Khrushchev Wants A State Visit To U.S. To Increase His Prestige

By LEON DENNEN NEA Special Correspondent a state visit to the U.S. a season-the Soviet Premier in Moscow, have obscured Soviet-Chinese reladed Communist diplomat told NEA gave me a similar opinion. He tions but for Khrushchev Red the Kremlin his position is by no President O. Meredith Wilson to Service during a private discussion said be believed the summit meet. China is an unsolved problem and of the West Berlin crisis. The diplomat also suggested:

vitation to Khrushchev to visit the U.S. probably would be extended by Vice President Richard Nixon at the end of his Russian trip or by President Eisenhower himself at a forth

coming summit meeting.

2. That Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko would a deaf ear to Western pleas for some commitment on West Berlin until it is reasonably sure that President Eisenhower will receive the Soviet Premier in the White House. Like all Communist officials

[this diplomat engaged in typical] Red doubletalk. But the meaning BERLIN-It is no longer merely of his words was unmistakable. meeting that Nikita Later, a leading West German He also wants political leader, who recently saw ately provoked by Moscow, might U.S. a season-the Soviet Premier in Moscow, have obscured Soviet-Chinese relaing and the possibility of a trip ever-present danger, to the U.S. lay behind Khrushchev's "Khrushchevy fear

> Why is Khrushchev eager to sit down face-to-face with President Eisenhower?

> In the view of Soviet experts in Germany there are several urgent reasons for this, Said the West German leade

mentioned earlier in this dispatch: "In Europe there is a tend-ency to overlook Red China. But Mao is still there. Like a caged animal he waits, grind-ing his teeth and watching

From Des Moines, Iowa, I. J

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White House?

Letter Writer Thinks Ike Smiles Too Much

By MERRIMAN SMITH UPI Staff Writer

WASHINGTON (UPD) Backstairs at the White House: President Eisenhower receives thousands of letters each week from his fellow Americans, ex-pressing their sentiments on pub-is concerned. This is a term ic affairs and asking eadless questions. Frequently their questions are reflected in letters to reporters assigned to the White

Following is a sampling of recent mail to this reporter, and an attempt at answers.

A reader in Coshocton, Ohio, writes to object that the President grins too much, and seems to think that the newspapers, by printing pictures of the chief ex-ecutive smiling, are doing some sort of disservice. This reader, incidentally, is avowedly anti-Eisenhower. "You apparently are an ad-

mirer of the grinny type of poli-tician." says Thomas Williams of

Reporters rarely Answer: judge presidents or any other politicians primarily on their facial expressions, but Eisenhow-er's face is such a map of his emotions that photographers and reporters alike watch him closely when he's on public view for a clue to the feeling behind whatever he may be saying.

From Elizabeth City, N.C., a person who signs "a tired taxpayer"-"Is it true that President Eisenhower still takes his orders on money policy from George Humphrey (former secretary of

Answer: Eisenhower and Humphrey are old friends and see each other occasionally, not often. Divorcing the question from the personalities involved, it is most improbable that any knowledgeable person would ever give "orders" to any President Life in the White House just isn't that way, regardless of who sits in the big chair.

A President listens to advice. even to urging. It seems true, however, that most of Eisenhower's personal friends are inclined to wait until asked before offering suggestions. The influence on any President usually is a composite, cumulative thing.

From the University of Georgia at Athens: "Will the White House send me copies of the President's

press conference transcripts."

Answer: No. Your best bet would be to clip the transcript from one of the metropolitan newspapers that regularly car-ries the blow-by-blow account of the President's sessions with re

QUOTES FROM THE NEWS

United Press International

WASHINGTON - Rep. Silvio Conte (R-Mass.), on the House of Representatives' rejection of Presdent Eisenhower's request for 500 nillion dollars for the developnent loan fund:

"I think it is no exaggeration to say that it (the request) got just about the same attention as skunk at a picnic.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark - Gov Earl K. Long of Louisiana, or school desegregation: "If you leave it to the Negro children, they'd rather be with their kind,"

KRISTIANSAND, Norway-Ste ven Rockefeller, son of New York Gov. Nelson Rockefeller, on his romance with Anne Marie Ras-nussen, a former maid in the Rockefeller's New York apart

"I like Anne Marie for what

FALLS CHURCH, Va. - Mrs. Asyukiko Tamashiro, a Japanese American from Hawaii, on being school here because of her race "This will really be a sbock for the folks back home.

"Khrushchevv fears and respects recent decision to cancel his trip to Scandinavia. His Scandinavian the other NATO powers and would dictator's lieutenants. nan politician said.

He would like, in effect, to re-peat the Stalin-Hitler pact-with the U.S. cast in the role of prewar Nazi Germany. "Does this mean than Khrush

hev would seek an understanding with "capitalist" America against his Red Chinese "friend and partr?" I asked the experts. They said that this is highly

peculative. However, there is no dothat Khrushchev feels that he holds all the cards on Berlin and that he can exploit the status of the beleaguered city

for important agreen the U.S.

Some experts on Russia be lieve that Khrushchev, who has achieved power late in life, is a The West Berlin crisis, deliber status seeker.

In Stalin's time he never achieved high rank among the tour would have taken up the like to come to terms with the educated miner who did not join Harper's Magazine entitled "When month of August."

Harper's Magazine entitled "When the Communist Party until he was I Learned I Had Cancer." 24. Khrushchev was always treated with contempt by the so-called "intellectual veterans" of com-

RED ALLY ELECTED

PALERMO, Sicily (UPI)-Silva

tonomous island's government

unism. He has since defeated most his opponents. He has received the staged accolades from Albania to Poland. He has at his disposal tools of military power that Stalin never had. Yet his political authority, not only internationally but also in the Communist world

is not yet fully established. For his own self esteem and for the prestige it will bring him, he wants to sit as an equal with the President of the U.S.—symbol of power and authority in the world at large.

Epps Memorial Scholarship Milazzo, 56, a "rebel" Christian Democrat who has allied himself Is Established with the Communists, Tuesday was elected president of this ap-

WASHINGTON (UPI) - Estab lishment of a \$500 memorial schol-arship at the University of Oregon in honor of the late Oregon Demo-cratic Chairman David C. Epps was announced today by Sen, and Mrs. Richard L. Neuberger.

means as secure as he has led have the scholarship fund assign-some Western visitors to believe ed to the school of physical education. He added the money came from income received by Neuberger for a recent

Neuberger said Epps was a close friend during his days on the Oregon campus and also was an outstanding baseball and bas-

ketball player. Since his election to the Senate Neuberger has provided similar scholarships at 11 other Oregon institutions of higher education from his writing income.

Justice Says Threats Made On His Life

VANCOUVER, B. C. (UPI) -Justice A. M. Mason of the British Columbia Supreme Court said here Tuesday that he had been threatened with death in connec tion with contempt of court pro ceedings against three top offi-cials of the Ironworkers Union

Mason said he received the threat in an anonymous letter which directed him as to what findings he should make in the proceedings before him.

Three members of the union were alleged to be in contemp for failing to obey an order issued by the judge last month. The order, which was ignored, was an injunction directing the union to instruct its members to return to work on the second Narrows Bridge here

AMBUSH SUSPECTS HELD
BEIRUT (UPI) — The government announced Tuesday night
that it had arrested 49 persons suspected of complicity in the as-sassination of Lebanese Parliamentary Deputy Maim Mougabgab. Mougabgab, a strong sup-porter of former president Cawas fatally mille Chamoun, wounded in an ambush Monday

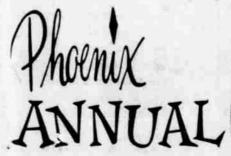








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