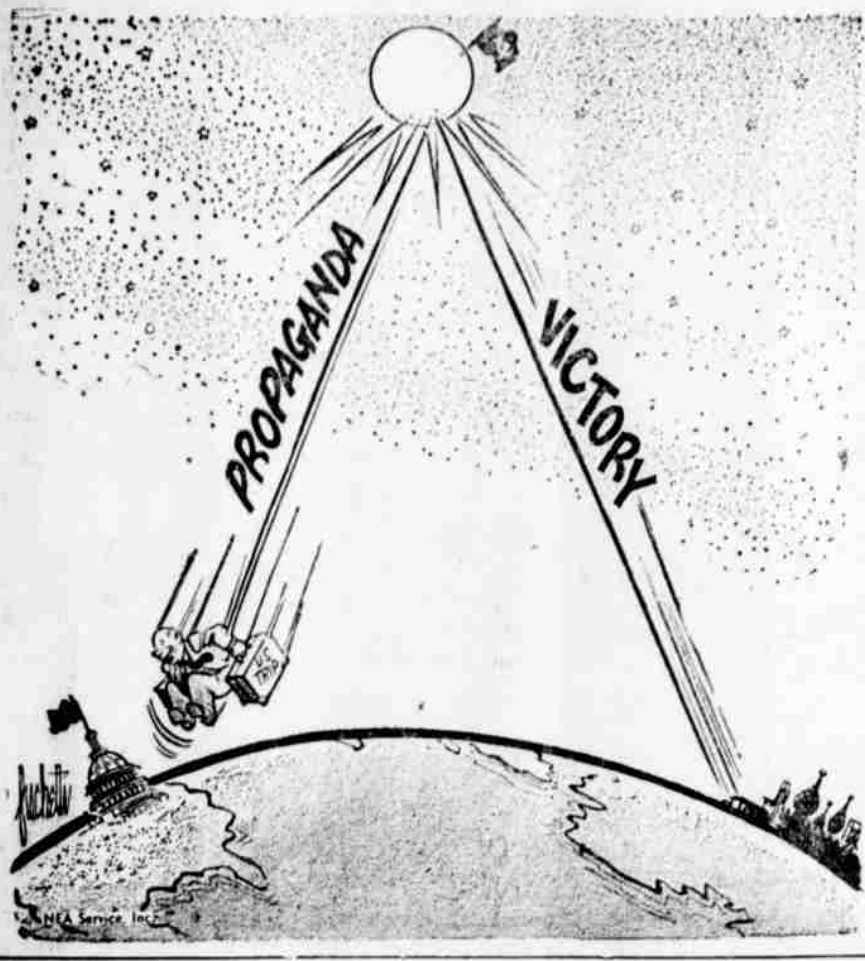


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"Without or with friend or foe, we print your daily world as it goes"—Byron.

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The Glory Days of Logging Fades

Progress continues to take the glamour out of logging. The steam donkey is long gone. The steam lokie is all but gone. Now the era of the high climber is fading and one of these days when Albany of Corvallis holds a tree topping contest, there will be no contestants.

Reports are that steel spar trees, rigged on the ground and then hoisted into place, are cheaper by far than topping a tall fir and rigging it from the ground up. For one thing the wood in a tree big enough for a spar is worth about \$100 and it is ruined for lumber by

spikes being driven into it. It takes much longer to drive a standing spar tree than one of the new steel ones and riggers' pay for the hour is high. A steel spar may cost \$30,000 to start with but it pays for itself in short order.

And this isn't all. The next progressive step in the woods is supposed to eliminate yarding. It will be cheaper, some to bulldoze roads so the trucks can go to the log rather than pull the log to the truck. The time may come when a logger won't have to wear corked boots or chew snoose.

What Money Can't Buy

New York City, near hysteria over a wave of teenage crime which has cost a number of lives over recent weeks, has discovered that it already is spending \$60 million a year to combat juvenile delinquency.

This is just an illustration that the mere spending of money won't cure all ills.

Of course, Americans have long been aware that there are some things money won't buy; such as love, respect, happiness. But occasionally we still are shocked that money poured into a "good cause" doesn't produce the results we expected.

A good example may be found in our spending for education. When Sputnik shocked America into awareness of its missile lag behind Russia, the cry went up for more money for schools. Now

we're beginning to realize that quality of teaching is more vital than plush school buildings and air-conditioned classrooms. Money can't buy genius, but inspired teachers can turn out good scholars who will become able engineers and scientists.

We're all pretty much aware that juvenile delinquency is more likely to be overcome in the home than it is in the city council, no matter how many additional millions are expended.

The money, heaven knows, is important to a country as far in debt and as heavily taxed as this one. But even more worrisome is our demonstrated tendency to pour in money and neglect to contribute what is required — thought, time, individual attention. We seem to find it harder to put forth required efforts, often, than to write checks. And checks won't always do the job.

Neuberger Talks Horse Sense About Taxes

Our own Sen. Neuberger is the only Democratic leader we know of, outside the conservative South, who talks out loud about the immensity of the national debt burden. No one in politics talks about the eight billion dollars a year which must be paid out in interest on that debt unless he wants to make a painful point, the point being that any new public spending must be paid for out of taxes, not by deficit financing.

In a talk at Oregon City recently Neuberger denounced anew the type of legis-

lator who will vote for all appropriations and against all taxes. He also denounced those candidates for office who promise more spending for various governmental services but avoid the issue of new taxes to pay for them.

Neuberger, who is up for re-election next year, has the political courage to talk about fiscal sanity in public affairs because he knows it makes sense to voters. He was elected to the Senate by people who knew him as a state legislator when he talked the same way.

Eastern Oregonians Answer Poll

How do Eastern Oregon people feel about three pertinent questions asked of them in a questionnaire mailed by Congressman Al Ullman?

Strongly . . . that's how they feel. The solon's public opinion poll that reached into La Grande and every other area community in this immediate two-county section registered the heaviest sentiment on the following mail-back forms:

Revised farm program; effective labor reform legislation; United Nations International Police Force.

The heaviest sentiment in opposition to proposals before the Congress came in the fields of trade with Red China, continuation of the soil bank program, and a Khrushchev summit meeting in the U.S. (The poll was taken prior to President Eisenhower's recent invitation to the Russian leader.)

DREW PEARSON SAYS:

General Had National Guard Plane For Hauling Lobsters

WASHINGTON — Some people have the idea that I get satisfaction out of torturing generals and admirals over airplane junkets at the taxpayers' expense. Actually I don't. I even get into trouble with my wife, who is the daughter of an Army general, grew up in the Army, and says that officers work hard enough to deserve a few perquisites.

Maybe she's right. Nevertheless it seems to me the public is entitled to know about these things so it can judge for itself.

In line with this belief, I had occasion to phone Maj. Gen. William H. Abendroth, head of the D.C. National Guard, to ask him if a National Guard plane had flown 90 chicken lobsters down from Maine for a dinner he gave at his home in Falls Church, Va.

"No," replied the general, "nothing like that ever happened."

"Weren't you giving a dinner for C. T. Newberry, the chain store executive?" I asked, "and serving some nice fresh lobsters just flown in from Maine?"

"No," insisted General Abendroth. "I don't remember anything like that."

"Did you send a National Guard plane out to Wisconsin on July 14 with a large party of Elks aboard?"

"There was a plane went out to Wisconsin, but they were chiefly Washington businessmen aboard, not Elks," explained the general. "They went out to National Guard maneuvers. I think it's a good idea for leading Washingtonians to know more about the National Guard. We need their support."

Pilot Has Another Story
I couldn't disagree with the general on this, but carrying out my role of the hard-boiled investigator, I then called the co-pilot of the alleged lobster plane, Col. William McColl, and asked him whether he had brought 90 chicken lobsters from Kennebunkport, Maine for the General's dinner party.

"Yes, we brought some lobsters down from Maine," Colonel McColl replied quite frankly.

A little later, either General Abendroth and Colonel McColl compared notes or the general refreshed his memory. At any rate, he called back to say that he now recalled that some lobsters had been flown from Maine in a National Guard plane.

"It was a routine flight," he explained, "a training flight and while the pilots were in Maine they brought back some lobsters. They just collected some lobsters and put them in the plane."

"What did they do, crawl all over the plane?" I asked, trying to introduce a little levity.

"Oh, no," said General Abendroth, horrified. "We'd never let them crawl all over the plane."

The general seemed so concerned and like such a nice guy that I hated to pursue the inquiry further. However, regarding the trip to Wisconsin, a check call to the

exalted ruler of the Elks established the fact that the flight to Wisconsin did chiefly have Elks aboard; that there had been another flight to Indiantown Gap, Pa., with the exalted ruler of the Elks, and another where an Elks official was given a flight in a jet fighter and thereafter was called "Ace"; plus another flight to Mitchell Field for a meeting with New York horse show officials.

Worthy Charity Goes Into Red
Some of these flights were in a good cause — namely, the International Horse Show staged by the Elks for the benefit of the D.C. Crippled Children Society. The Elks have worked hard at this, but last year went in the red \$30,000 largely because of the very heavy cost of hiring the National Guard Armory.

This is where General Abendroth enters the picture. He is both chairman of the International Horse Show and a member of the three-man board which governs the National Guard Armory.

A onetime cavalryman, the general loves horses — even if he has taken to the air to get lobsters down from Maine for dinner parties. As chairman of the International Horse Show, the general is promoting a very worth-while and noble enterprise which the nation's capital is proud of. However, when the horse show is staged in the National Guard Armory of which the general is a governor, the Elks, who are footing the bill for the horse show to help out crippled children, complain that they are being overcharged.

"The amount of rent is exorbitant," complained Exalted Ruler Edward J. Doyle in a letter to Washington Elks. "The armory board has raised the rent from the original figure of \$12,000 to \$16,000."

The Elks were tabbed \$1,000 a day for the main armory floor, \$1,000 a day for the basement to house the horses, plus \$500 a day for moving in, \$500 a day for moving out, plus various charges for carpentry work, cleaning up, etc. The total bill was \$31,000.

According to General Abendroth, however, these charges are fixed. They can't be reduced for one and not for another. The new exalted ruler, James Peake, agrees with this.

Some Elks, however, wish that their members, who are not afraid of hard work, were permitted to do some of the cleaning up, guarding, and carpentering instead of having it farmed out with a 10 per cent overriding commission paid to the armory. And since the taxpayers' money is used by General Abendroth for free airplane rides around the country, they wish some of it could be used to reduce the high tab charged them by General Abendroth and the armory board.

Anyway it's a good horse show for an important charity and maybe the Elks will make some money this year.

Nikita's Sales Talk To Red China On Peace Disregarded

By PHIL NEWSOM
UPI Staff Writer

The Chinese Reds lost little time in demonstrating they are not wholly in accord with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's current peace campaign.

Khrushchev gave it the "hard sell" in Peiping.

This is not the time, he said, to "test the stability of the capitalist system by force."

At another point he told his Communist Chinese allies: "We must do everything possible to preclude war as a means for settling outstanding questions."

But scarcely were the words out of his mouth before Marshal Lin Biao, Red China's new defense minister, rose beneath a canopy of low-flying jet fighters and bombers to announce, "we will definitely liberate Taiwan and other islands."

Confer In Secret
In Lin's audience was Ho Chi Minh, whose Communist satellite Vietnamese state continued its radio blasts against the United States and the little pro-Western Indochinese state of Laos.

Throughout, the Chinese had no criticism but little praise for the hopeful communique which concluded the President Eisenhower-Khrushchev talks at Camp David.

For the better part of the following four days—longer than the Khrushchev-Eisenhower meeting—Khrushchev and Chinese Red leader Mao Tse-tung conferred in secret.

On Sunday, Khrushchev left Peiping for the Soviet Siberian port of Vladivostok. There was no communique, no announced results of the long secret sessions. Just the usual Communist platitudes of friendship.

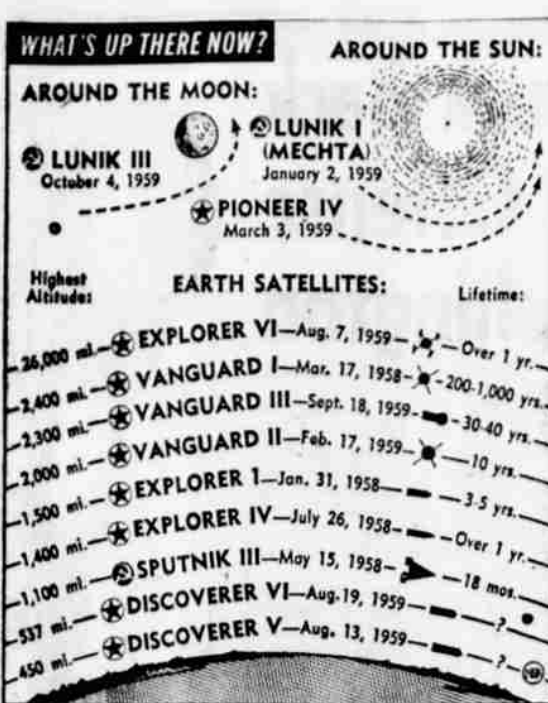
NEWS CHUCKLES

United Press International

KEEP THE CHANGE
SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — Two funmen escaped in a getaway car after a fast-paced hotel holdup during the week end. They took the entire contents of the cash box — 11 cents.

BUSY FIVE YEARS
NOTTINGHAM, England (UPI) — Peter Tapsell said he was so grateful for his election to Parliament that he would visit every home in his constituency during his five year term. The constituency contains 22,000 homes, which averages out to 85 homes a week.

MYRA WEAKENS
OXFORD, England (UPI) — Twelve nurses in this University City today revealed a sleight setback in their new no-dates club. The newly-elected club president, nurse Myra Davies, who had promised to lead the girls to culture instead of boys, resigned after she had been out with a undergraduate two nights in a row.



COSMIC CONGESTION—Year III of the Space Age got off to a spectacular start when Russia sent a rocket—Lunik III—around the moon. If it manages to stay in orbit, it will bring to two the number of current Russian earth satellites, as against eight American. Both countries have an artificial "planet" circling the sun. In the two years since Sputnik I, the U.S. has launched 12 successful earth satellites (out of 16 tries); Russia three. Several U.S. attempts to hit or circle the moon have failed; Russia hit the moon once (Lunik II). Any Russian failures are not known.

Many Thousands Of Pilgrims At Fatima Shrine

FATIMA, Portugal (UPI)—Pilgrims by the hundreds of thousands were in Fatima today to observe the 42nd anniversary of the 1917 visions of the Virgin Mary seen by three Portuguese children.

A long, winding candlelight procession opened the impressive rites Monday night. These are repeated on the 12th and 13th of every month from May through October.

It was in those months that the three illiterate shepherd children insisted they had seen and spoken with the Virgin Mary.

Warnings passed on by the children included the "necessity for much prayer and penance" and a hint of things to come.

In their understanding, the penance called for consisted mainly in "performing one's daily tasks well."

The special Roman Catholic services and masses through the night vigil culminate at high noon in a Solemn High Mass. It was at noon that the children reported they had their monthly rendezvous with "the beautiful lady from heaven."

QUOTES FROM THE NEWS

United Press International
BRASSCHAAT, Belgium—Group Capt. Peter Townsend, former suitor of Britain's Princess Margaret, after being asked by newsmen where his forthcoming marriage to Belgian heiress Marie-Luce Jarnage would take place: "We would like to marry as discreetly as possible, but I realize it will be difficult with you guys around."

CHICAGO — Capt. Cy Thompson, 39, of Toronto, pilot of the Trans-Canada Airlines Viscount that circled Chicago for two hours with a faulty landing gear, then landed safely, describing his decision to try for a belly-landing: "I had ample time to make a decision. It was a normal emergency."

ROME — Pope John XXIII, stating in his first speech in English that he believed the Roman Catholic Church would soon beatify Mother Elizabeth Sontag, American convert-founder of the U.S. parochial school system. "And now, repeating the thoughts expressed in Latin, we wish to tell you in your own language of the pleasure it gives us to be able to share with you this happy occasion."

HERSHEYVILLE, Ill. — Chief Deputy Sheriff Melvin Leach, disclosing that James Palmer, 21, already accused of two "mad dog" killings in the Midwest, had blurted out a confession to a third slaying in Tennessee: "We were discussing the murders and shootings, and he apparently just decided to tell me about the one in Tennessee, too. I don't know why he took me into his confidence."

OBITS

United Press International
UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (UPI) — Dr. Wheeler Pedlar Davey, 73, retired research professor of physics and chemistry at Pennsylvania State University, died Monday.

NEW YORK (UPI) — Henry William Felt, 85, former president of J. P. Felt & Co., electrotypers, died Sunday.

WATERTOWN, Mass. (UPI) — Dr. Isabelle D. Kerr, 78, a Boston nose and throat specialist, died Monday.

the place" whenever Sinatra crooned. The La Grande Tigers, riding an unbeaten football record, were prepping for the "big game" against Pendleton.

Statement of Condition
OCTOBER 6, 1959

The United States National Bank
OF PORTLAND

RESOURCES	
Cash on Hand and Due from Banks	\$ 155,197,138.53
United States Government Bonds	246,823,885.60
Municipal and Other Bonds	80,731,848.67
Loans and Discounts—Net	393,045,982.98
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	1,380,000.00
Bank Premises (Including Branches)	13,062,819.99
Customers' Liability on Acceptances	23,549.86
Interest Earned	3,352,796.43
Other Resources	746,247.61
	\$ 894,364,269.67
LIABILITIES	
Capital	\$ 23,000,000.00
Surplus	23,000,000.00
Undivided Profits	24,085,571.91
Reserves for Interest, Taxes, etc.	7,095,808.04
Acceptances	23,549.86
Dividends Declared	747,500.00
Deposits	802,973,949.68
Interest Collected Not Earned	7,559,651.57
Other Liabilities	5,878,238.61
	\$ 894,364,269.67

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