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On Collecting Souvenirs

If Americans have one common crotchet it is probably that epidemic form of kleptomania known as souvenir collecting.

This national idiosyncrasy appears in its early stages among very young children. Boys seem to be especially susceptible. Everyone knows that pieces of strings, nails, pebbles, fragments of hornets' nest, bird-egg shells and similar mementos of childhood expeditions tend to accrue in any lad's trouser pocket, and, unless raided by Mamma, are carefully stowed away in boxes or bureau drawers.

Girls soon reveal the magpie instinct, too. Their closets, old candy boxes, bureau tops, what-not shelves and hope chests become caches for an amazing hoard of precious trivalities. They tenderly keep crepe paper nut cups from birthday parties, valentines from the second grade on, the Halloween mask the boy next door wore, hair ribbons, scraps of materials from favorite dresses, the first love's boy scout badge or school letter, movie ticket stubs and the dried-up corsage worn to the first formal dance.

When a young couple sets up housekeeping, chances are the first matrimonial rift will come when he wonders aloud why she wants to save all those old love letters and dance programs, or the states firmly that there isn't room in the apartment for all his autographed pictures of football stars, his first bat and glove, and his beetle collection.

The outcome of this debate is most auspiciously the mutual decision to begin gathering keepsakes together. They become a team, dedicated to the pursuit of bootless booty, and, especially on trips and vacations, this normal and likable couple joins the light-fingered gentry with an avid desire for tokens of remembrance.

Some take a fancy to matchbox covers or menus. Others affect restaurant napkins or ashtrays. Some are fascinated by rocks picked up along the highway, or cuttings from famous rosegardens. Others find chips of public buildings or celebrated statuary most captivating. So, one and all, with glee abandon, they filch and despoil, glean and sack, casually pick up or slyly smuggle away cherished tokens of useless junk. Their attics and cellars, mantelpieces or bookshelves, scrap books or knick-knack holders become crowded cribs and bunkers and museums of worthless rubble.

And how proudly they show it off—if they can remember what it is and where it came from. "This is a piece of marble from the Washington monument, I think," they say. Or a splinter of wood from the spreading chestnut tree by the village smithy or from the lone cypress of Monterey. Or a fragment of Japanese shell from Guam or a piece of the Remagen bridge, or a cannon ball rustled in a visit to Gettysburg or a button from a Revolutionary war uniform purloined in the Tempe Wickes house.

The collection of souvenirs is the special faculty of so many of us that we are practically a nation of frank and open artful dodgers. That's why we have our doubts about this atomic research worker, this Sanford Lawrence Simons the FBI has charged with illegal possession of fissionable material.

There's nothing unusual about a loyal American keeping a bullet issued at Fort Lewis in World War II, or salvaging and saving a piece of metal from the shipyard, or keeping a scrap of aluminum from the airplane factory on his dresser as a keepsake. But when this Simons claims he carried off some plutonium in a glass vial from the atom bomb laboratory at Los Alamos as a souvenir, and then buried it under his house, we have to frown. That alibi just doesn't ring true, somehow. Whoever heard of a souvenir hunter deliberately hiding the bath towel he swiped from the Ritz-Waldorf hotel? Heck, he hangs it over his bathtub, of course!

Wharton to Civil Service Commission

The appointment of Wallace S. Wharton as member of the civil service commission will bring to the commission a man with a thorough knowledge of state government and understanding and sympathy with the protective features

Did Malik Actually Threaten General War? Students of Language, Politics Seek Answer

By J. M. Roberts, Jr.
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst
Students of both language and politics at Lake Success are studying the word of Soviet delegate Jakob Malik in an effort to determine whether he is actually threatening a general war.

Twice during this month of his security council presidency the Soviet delegate has made statements which sound very much that way. On August 3 he said regarding Korea that "the security council and the United Nations face a choice between two paths: the path of peace and the path of war."

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State department experts in the Russian language immediately began studying the words of their context. Sir Gladwyn Jebb of the United Kingdom didn't wait. He started quoting chapter and verse from communist texts to show that when the Soviet speaks most loudly of peace it is preparing

most actively for war. Malik has been doing a lot of talk about that, too, claiming that Russia's policy is one of peace while everyone else is heading down the war road. Jebb pulled the book. He quoted from volume two of the official Soviet history of diplomacy about the "concealment of predatory ends behind noble principles" and "the exploitation of (the idea) of disarmament and pacifist propaganda for one's own purposes."

Jebb quoted the communist minister of defense in Hungary as saying on April 12 that true pacifism had to be wiped out among party members before it could be wiped out among the masses.

Jebb reminded Malik of Stalin's statement in 1939 that France and England had attacked Germany. The Britisher went on at length about Soviet use of Hitler's "big lie" technique.

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Better English

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "A young lady wishes to talk to you."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "vitriol?"
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Necessarily, eventually, cruelly, solely.
4. What does the word "coerce" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with em that means "high rank?"

- ANSWERS
1. Say, "A young woman wishes to talk with you."
 2. Pronounce vit-ri-ul, both Vs as in, u as in dull, accent first syllable.
 3. Necessarily. 4. To compel to any action; to enforce. (Pronounced ko-ers, e as in obey, u as in us, accent last syllable.)
 4. Members of the assembly were coerced into voting against the bill. 5. Eminence.

Dogs, Little Man Catch Hank's Pen

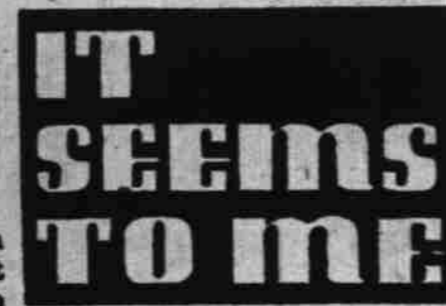
By Henry McLemore
STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Aug. 23—To conform to the public's conception of a newspaperman, a new newspaperman must always carry a pen and pencil. As my burning desire is to be taken for a newspaperman I always have a pen and pencil ready. In Stockholm I have used both and in the following paragraphs, you will read what I jotted down when I was not too busy wrinking my clothes, crushing my hat, and generally making myself disagreeable-looking in order to further my appearance as a member of the Fourth Estate. Funny, isn't it, that in all the plays and movies which plant the picture of a newspaperman in the public's mind, no newspaperman ever appeared.

But to get on with my notes, lifted from the notebook without change:

All department stores and restaurants have chains where patrons may hook dogs while shopping or eating. . . Stockholm dogs are well-mannered. . . Have seen chow, boxers, pekes, cockers and bulldogs fastened side by side, but have yet to see a dog fight. . . American dogs would be scrapping all the time, especially my dogs, Dinah and Bumble. . . They would be almost certain to be licked in a fight. . . Swedish dogs look stronger, healthier than USA dogs, especially Fla. dogs. . . Must remember to bring Bumble and Dinah over for a few weeks of skiing.

Credit still good at Morris Plan? . . . If not, hit McAdam for buck or two.

Do my ears deceive me in Stockholm? . . . Why are busy streets so quiet? . . . Asked man in cafe and he told me it is against the law to blow an auto-



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(Continued from Page 1) addition to the gate receipts. That hasn't been the experience on regular games. Some leagues ban televising. Some colleges do not permit visual recording of football games because of decrease in attendance—why pay five or ten bucks to get an endzone seat when you can sit in the living room and see the game on the screen?

Radio went through a similar experience but voice broadcast of athletic contests is now common. Maybe managers of athletic and sports events will find that after an initial drop-off, attendance will be stimulated by TV for subsequent games. After all there's nothing like being in the stands and "feeling" as well as seeing the big game.

Mutual has announced three local outlets for the world series TV, New York, Chicago and Boston. It seems safe at this writing to add Detroit and Philadelphia to the list. Surely some west coast station or stations will take it on. Oregon however is still a blank on the TV map. Our fans will have to listen to the radio or read newspaper accounts of the series unless they journey to a TV range or get ducats to the series.

Eight hundred thousand dollars—that's a lot of dough. Just how many whisks will have to be amputated with Gillette blades to keep the till level?—Here I am giving G . . . free newspaper advertising. Maybe I should go back and delete the name and say "a prominent manufacturer of tools for home shavers." But news is news and Gillette is Gillette; and I'll be satisfied. . . If Detroit wins the series.

GRIN AND BEAR IT



Farm Youngsters Open 4-H Show



More than 100 youngsters were on hand at the state fairgrounds Wednesday when the 1950 Marion county 4-H club fall show opened for judging of the best cattle, sheep and poultry. Shown readying their helpers for the judging competition are, left to right, Robert Schafer and his 2 1/2-year-old Jersey, Pewee; Sam Myer, and Spotty, 6 1/2-month-old Guernsey, and Gary Daly and Jewell, 16-month-old Holstein. All are members of the Middle Grove "Milkers of Tomorrow" 4-H club. Donald Bassett is their leader. (Statesman photo.)

Public Records

MUNICIPAL COURT

Gerald L. Carper, 1870 N. Cottage st., charge of assault and battery dismissed.
Melvin Mass, 3835 Midway dr., and Mack C. Hartman, Salem route 3, each held on forgery charge.

PROBATE COURT

Alois Imper estate: Order confirms sale of real property.
Arthur F. Hobart estate: Hearing on final account set for September 25.

Frances Udelle estate: Hearing on final account set for September 23.
Edward L. Boas estate: Order authorizes administrator to sell real property.

Harry Reed estate: Order authorizes administrator to sell personal property; estate appraised at \$3,768.75.
Nils Gustaf Zetterberg estate: Hearing on final account set for September 25.

Orval Dale Tull, jr., estate: Appraised at \$3,985.74.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Edwin K. Chilcott, 35, logger, and Vollet Leon Knutzen, 32, bar tender, both of Albany.
Ralph F. Bochsler, 20, farmer, and Louise Jean Lulay, 18, both of Mt. Angel.

Wilbur N. Haller, 25, logger, and Sally Winslow, 18, both of Stayton.
Bruce William Short, 23, logger, and Florence Tonette Hall, 21, clerk, both of Tonia.

CIRCUIT COURT

Clarence R. Hammett vs Minnie Hammett: Defendant files answer to complaint.
Ruth Smith by Amy Louise Phipps, guardian ad litem, vs Raymond Leroy Smith: Complaint seeks annulment of marriage performed Oct. 17, 1948, at Lakeside, Wash., alleging defendant at the time was already married.

Florence Ethel Behen vs William Mortimer Behen: Decree of divorce grants plaintiff custody of minor child, \$50 monthly support money, \$50 monthly support money and \$500 judgment for money advanced to defendant.

First National Bank of Month vs Aaron King and others: Plaintiff files reply to answer of defendant King.
Pioneer Trust company vs Cyrus H. Holler and others: Defendants Holler file answer to complaint.
Edna Roth Reiter vs Jack Melvin Reiter: Defendant files answer to complaint.

Malcolm R. Reid vs Robert R. McLane: Plaintiff files reply to defendant's answer.
State ex rel Edward O. Stadter, jr., vs Earl T. Newbury et al: Defendants demur to complaint on grounds court has no jurisdiction and complaint does not state facts sufficient to constitute cause of action; plaintiff's motion for preliminary injunction denied, and case taken under advisement following arguments.

Thomas Djabrow, 200 W. Ewald ave., charged with non-support, continued for plea to August 24, held in lieu of \$500 bail.
Conrad Krag, Salem route 9, charged with driving while intoxicated, continued for trial to September 7; he has pleaded innocent and is free on \$350 bail.

VOTE ENDS STRIKE

NEW YORK, Aug. 23—(AP)—Striking employees of the New York World-Telegram and Sun here voted 270 to 90 to end their 10-week walkout.

SCHOOL AID APPROVED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23—(AP)—The house passed Tuesday a bill providing federal aid for school construction in districts with swollen attendance due to federal activities.

End of notes taken in one day. Willing to accept Pulitzer Prize is no ceremony. . . Can't stand fuss and feathers. . . Not used to it.
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Legislative Highway Group Slate Meeting

Members of the legislative highway interim committee have been called to meet in the Mulholland hotel in Portland September 15. State Representative Ralph T. Moore, committee chairman, announced Wednesday.

Moore said this meeting would complete a series of meetings held at strategic points throughout the state for the purpose of discussing highway problems with local residents.

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