



W. W. Rosebraugh—"a good thought should never die."

Author of 'Quote for the Day' Disclosed as Former Pastor, Councilman and Businessman

Have you noticed the little "Quote for the Day" paragraphs on The Statesman's editorial page lately? The new thought-provoking feature, which already has attained wide readership, is a strictly home-grown, non-commercial idea. The "quotes" are provided by W. W. Rosebraugh, head of the Salem fur company which bears his name, who has selected them from many sources over the last 20 years.

The Bible is a fertile field for such quotations. In fact, it was the Bible from which Rosebraugh, as a one-time minister in the United Brethren (now the UEB) church, first drew the inspiration to collect and pass on whatever phrases he found to be of value.

Field Widened
But his field now has widened. An avid reader, Rosebraugh includes in his collection scores of passages from "Crossroads," an inspirational periodical for Bible schools; U. S. News and World Report; Reader's Digest and dozens of other mediums of expression.

He now has an estimated 2000, carefully chosen, and every month one of them appears each day atop a memorandum booklet which the Rosebraugh company sends to customers and other friends in many parts of the nation.

Rosebraugh, always keenly interested in theology and philosophy—as well as history which he once taught at Philomath college, traces a keen interest in mankind to "the devout Christian family in which I was raised." He is a native of Charleston, Ill., but came to Oregon "with my wife, two children and \$700" a half-century ago.

Former Minister
He was a minister for five years after coming west—"and I didn't quit the ministry because I quit Christianity; I quit it when I was asked to manage a fur company, which I later acquired; I have never ceased being a Christian."

"One object of my life has been to demonstrate that a modestly successful business can be conducted on Christian principles. This I humbly hope has been done."

Rosebraugh has been a member of the First Presbyterian church for many years and still teaches a Bible class—"it's been 60 years since I started doing that and I've been doing it ever since."

Served on City Council
In the more than 40 years he has resided in Salem, Rosebraugh has served on the city council; helped form the planning and zoning commission of which he now is chairman, and has been active in many civic affairs.

And saving quotations is not his only hobby. He and his wife are enthusiastic flower fanciers, as their home at 490 E. Miller st., shows.

"I have drawn much inspiration and assistance from the brief paragraphs of quotations I've saved," Rosebraugh says. "If they are helpful to others in this confused world in which we live, I am glad. A good thought should never die. Indeed, it never will die if it helps one to change from the evil way to the good way."

Crackdown on Tacoma Vice Said Mounting

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 18—(AP)—Tacoma, branded yesterday in a private investigators' \$4,000 report as a city where vice is rampant, is cracking down on everything from church bingo games to dominoes in a confusing crusade tonight.

The man who was fired last night as police chief because he didn't clean up the town—Anthony M. Zatkovich—still hangs his hat in the chief's office and tonight was a one-man morals squad.

But he isn't his own boss. Four other men will be named to the vice squad Monday, probably with one of them being appointed head of the squad by Public Safety Commissioner James T. Kerr.

The city council fired Zatkovich last night. Today Kerr appointed him "acting chief." Mayor John H. Anderson exploded, and ultimately Kerr said the chief's job was vacant and Zatkovich was assigned to the morals squad.

Two former morals squad members will get new assignments Monday.

"We're closing up the town immediately," said Zatkovich, 37. "We're enforcing the law to the letter. That means no more church bingo games, private club and lodge domino and card games, no punchboards, no pinball payoffs of any sort, and no bookmaking on the horses."

Zatkovich first hit the headlines as a leader of a "vigilante" police group which staged vice raids without authorization. He was named chief May 14 and says he had closed all known bootleg joints by June 8 and that none are operating now. He also says there are no known houses of prostitution flourishing, nor have there been for some time.

Students Told to Clear Up Status With Draft Boards

Student-registrants in selective service have only until Monday to clear their status with their local draft boards to allow them to be deferred to continue their education, state selective service headquarters has announced.

Principal thing to be checked is the certificate of scholastic standing, a form which must be filed by the school they plan to or are attending.

The registrant must make arrangements with the school to file the form and request his local draft board to consider his deferment.

Smyths to Leave For Salt Lake City

Mr. and Mrs. George J. Smyth, Salem residents since 1926, advertised in The Statesman one day, and so will be leaving soon to make their home in Salt Lake City.

After coming here from Pocatello, Idaho, Smyth was associated with E. A. Bradfield in the lumber business. He also has been in the grocery and other retail businesses.

Laborite Says British General Election Set

DARTFORD, Eng., Aug. 18—(AP)—A labor member of parliament said tonight he believed Prime Minister Attlee would call a general election in Britain for October 25.

The prediction by Norman Dodds, parliamentary private secretary to the minister of labor, coincided with most forecasts made by conservative party spokesmen.

Addressing a labor party rally in his home constituency here, Dodds said "without disclosing any inner cabinet secrets I can tell you that, among the powers-that-be in the cabinet, they are divided almost equally between holding an election in October, 1951, or in June, 1952."

"My prediction is that it will be October, 1951."

Editor to Head Committee on Vets' Affairs

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—(AP)—Paul C. Smith, San Francisco editor, was named today chairman of a new independent veterans committee which will work for a streamlining of the government in the interests of economy and efficiency.

He called especially for a re-vamping of the veterans administration to end "confusion, red tape and unconscionable delay in service to veterans."

Formation of the new committee was announced by the citizens committee for the Hoover report. This report, prepared by a commission headed by former President Herbert Hoover, called for far-reaching reorganizations in the federal government. About half of its recommendations have been enacted.

King Reduces Prison Term of Greek Romeo

ATHENS, Greece, Aug. 18—(AP)—King Paul today cut the prison sentence for Crete's modern Romeo, Costa Kephalyonnis. But Costa still won't be free to rejoin his Juliet until November 3.

Costa carried off dark-eyed Tassoula Petracozeorgi a year ago to the rugged Cretan mountains and married her. Their families had long been enemies. Costa was sentenced to two years in prison for illegal possession of weapons last February.

King Paul cut the sentence to 14 months. Under the old legal code this would have meant Costa was free right now, with time off for good behavior and double time credited for imprisonment in a rural jail. But unfortunately for him, a new code has come into effect since he was sentenced.

Tassoula is visiting an uncle in Macedonia.

The Kephalyonnis tribes were jubilant over the commutation. However, a friend of Tassoula's father, George Petracozeorgi, said: "He has washed his hands completely of the whole affair. There is no chance of his changing his position and blessing them."

Grain Prices Rise and Fall

CHICAGO, Aug. 18—(AP)—Grain prices advanced and fell to create a mixture of gains and losses this week.

The U. S. department of agriculture's crop forecast of less than 1,000,000,000 bushels sent wheat prices up last Monday to the highest mark of the week.

But another crop report, this one from the Canadian bureau of statistics, predicting bumper crops of wheat, oats and rye, sent the market back down again.

The week ended with wheat 1/4 lower to 3/4 higher, corn 1 1/2-2% higher, oats 2 cents lower to 3/4 higher, rye 2 3/4-4% lower, soybeans 1/4 lower to 3 cents higher and lard 3 cents lower to 15 cents a hundred pounds higher.

Warren Prepares Gambling Report

MIAMI, Fla., Aug. 18—(AP)—Florida's Gov. Fuller Warren is preparing a report on gambling and racketeering in Tennessee, Maryland, New Hampshire and Wyoming, the Miami Daily News says in its Sunday edition.

The newspaper said the report would be released simultaneously with the final report of the U. S. senate crime committee, which is expected to blast Warren for his refusal to honor its subpoena.

Committee Chairman O'Connor (D-Md.), who issued the subpoena, said the committee wanted to question Warren about any knowledge he might have of crime in Florida and about reports of huge donations to his campaign.

Drought Costs Lumbermen \$7,000,000

EUGENE, Aug. 18—(AP)—The dry spell in the Eugene area of the Willamette valley has cost lumbermen and farmers an estimated \$7,000,000, a survey indicated today.

The loss in timber from forest fires and in wages to lumber workers because of operation closures forced by the weather was estimated at \$5,000,000.

Farmers placed damage to crops at \$2,000,000. They estimated that Lane county forage, seed and grain harvests had been cut by one-third and other crops have suffered. Irrigation wells on some farms are dry.

Eugene has had no rain for 87 days. A trace was recorded in June and .01 of an inch in July.

But the hot weather has boomed the soft drink business. "There's never been anything like it," Jack Forster, soft drink plant manager, said.

Newsman to Join U.S. Wage Board

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—(AP)—Thomas F. Coman, a working newsman for 26 years, will become a public member of the wage stabilization board on September 1, when Chairman George W. Tay-

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Stock Market Starts Driving Toward Peak

NEW YORK, Aug. 18—(AP)—With renewed vigor, the stock market this week again started punching its way toward 1951 peak price levels.

The rise was hampered by the railroads. Buyers were reluctant to step forward while railroad officials were expressing their keen disappointment over the smallness of the recent freight rate increase and while freight business itself was falling.

And there was still that Wall Street belief, held by one segment of the financial community, that the bull market is weakened by lack of vigorous support from the rails.

Nevertheless progress was made. The Associated Press average of 60 stocks advanced 70 cents on the week and stood at \$96.90 at yesterday's close. That is only 90 cents away from the 1951 peak.

The industrial component of the average advanced a strong \$1.70 and utilities were up 50 cents. But the railroad component moved contrary to the tide and lost 30 cents.

Since the low point of this year June 29, the market advanced five straight weeks, fell back last week, and then resumed the climb this week.

Cpl. Moorhouse Released from Marine Corps

Cpl. Richard Moorhouse, who entered active duty with Salem's marine reserve unit last August, has been discharged from the marines and returned to Salem. He arrived in the city last week after being discharged at San Diego.

Moorhouse was in Korea from March to July with the first amphibious tractor battalion of the First marine division. Before his active duty he was in the reserve for three years, while employed as a bricklayer.

He and his wife and their 17-month-old daughter are residing at 4830 Wolf st. Moorhouse is the son of Mrs. Babel Sherman of Salem.

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