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Eisenhower and McCarthy

Senator Karl Mundt of South Dakota is quoted as saying that General Eisenhower will "endorse and campaign actively" for Sen. Joe McCarthy of Wisconsin if he is renominated and if McCarthy asks for his support. Senator Richard Nixon, the Republican vice-presidential nominee, followed this up with a statement that he and Eisenhower will support the Wisconsin senator if he is renominated "without endorsing McCarthy's views."

Now what kind of a Solomon-like decision is this—splitting the man down the middle? How can they endorse McCarthy without endorsing his views? McCarthy can't be divorced from McCarthyism no matter what surgical semantics may be indulged in.

Nixon goes on to say: "We recognize that in both the Republican and Democratic parties there is and should be room for individuals who have different views on key issues." Wide latitude, yes; but not wide enough to embrace the fraud of McCarthyism. Only this week the testimony of Paul Hoffman in the McCarthy-Benton suit was made public in which Hoffman, who was a leader in the fight for Ike's nomination, called McCarthy's charges against General Marshall "fantastically false. That should be enough for a stopper for Ike as far as McCarthy goes."

In a press conference Friday Eisenhower faced two ways on the issue. He said he would support McCarthy "as a member of the Republican organization," but he refused to endorse or campaign for "any man who does anything that I believe to be un-American in its methods or procedures." Ike praised Marshall but dodged direct answer on whether he would support McCarthy.

Party loyalty should not be extended to gloss over McCarthy's persistent distortion of the truth; and as far as The Statesman is concerned it will not.

Who's Yipping Against Teen-agers?

Who's putting Oregon and Salem on the map these days? Boys. And what boys! They make up the Salem Legion baseball team, and if there are any extra-nice words still in the bag they should go to those boys and Coach Vince Genna—win or lose come Sunday night.

The Salem team, which seems to have done things the hard way almost from the start, made history at Yakima by winning from Hawaii three times in 24 hours to take top regional honors and become one of the 12 sectional finalists in the nation.

The unfortunate incident at Yakima (in which officials, against all rules, recognized a Hawaiian protest of a disputed play several innings after it occurred, and then ordered the game played again even though Salem won it) was turned into an epic of sportsmanship and will-to-win. The Salem nine could hardly have been blamed had it declined to play again, but that it did play again is to the boys' everlasting credit. And would have been so, even had they lost the playoff. Surprisingly they didn't, despite injuries and fatigue. Now they're in Hastings, Neb., and on Sunday night will go against the California Junior League champions from San Diego.

Only twice before has an Oregon team reached the sectional finals—Silverton in 1930, Woodburn in 1933. Both were turned back at that stage after fine exhibitions. Salem now has a chance to go even further—to the four-team

national finals at Denver. By all means we hope they make the grade, but regardless they're already heroes-in-their-own-hometown.

Incidentally, while it is true that fans attending the Yakima series apparently were pulling for the Hawaiian team to win, no onus whatever attaches to the losers from the mid-Pacific. They had every right to protest the questioned play. Salem undoubtedly would have done the same. Criticism goes only to the officials who recognized it after the legal statute of limitations had run out. So it'll still hands-across-the-sea for the Commonwealth of Oregon and the Territory of Hawaii. We hope our oceanic neighbors are pulling as hard for Salem as we are.

In the meantime, to Coach Genna and his boys, here's to you!

Government Sues Oil Firms

Claiming they overcharged the government on oil from the Middle East the Department of Justice has brought a suit for \$67 million against four big American oil corporations and their subsidiaries. The overcharge was made on petroleum products furnished Europe through the Mutual Security Administration. The charges were higher than for oil from the same fields shipped to America, according to the government's complaint.

The court is the place to settle the dispute. There the defendants will have their day. One wonders though why the government procurement agency did not know what the market prices on oil were before making its purchases. Sometimes the government makes fantastic claims, such as those made against the railroads accompanying a suit for a huge sum on the allegation that the railroads overcharged them for war-time services. The public had better wait to see how the case comes out before jumping to conclusions.

The recent movie "We're Not Married" came to life for an unknown number of American couples who went through a marriage ceremony before a phony judge in Mexico, named Diego Jimenez. They wake up to learn that being married "by Jiminy" won't hold up in the eyes of the law.

That Bible Presbyterian who fasted for 24 days on top of a mountain in the Cascades near Yakima while praying for an improvement in the world's condition was a rare Presbyterian. Not often does one go that long without food and drink. Like the other preacher down South who wasted to his death waiting for a Divine message he needed to mix some common sense with his religion.

Actress Helen Hayes and her playwright husband Charles MacArthur were given a deed to a silver mine at Central City, Colo. A new slant to Free Silver.

In finding work for idle hands to do the devil has competition right now from bean growers, hop growers, peach growers. And Mr. U Pick is back in the want ads.

Canada has now been declared free of the foot and mouth disease. As candidates start talking and walking on this side of the line we'll suffer from the disease for a few months.

Rapid Development of Soviet Armed Might Biggest Skeleton in White House's Closet

By JOSEPH and STEWART ALSOP

WASHINGTON — The biggest skeletons the next President will find in the White House cupboard can be summarized described in two sentences. The

United States and the West are now growing stronger but the Soviet Empire is building up its military power even more rapidly. There is no reason for immediate alarm, but there are grave reasons to be alarmed about the future.

The best reason is the fact that the atomic field is the most significant area of change. Soviet output of atomic weapons is massive and increasing. The Soviets are rapidly expanding and improving their means of delivering these weapons to American targets. American air defenses are conspicuously weak. And the Soviet air defense in depth has already, by official admission, rendered the B-36 "obsolete," and is being continuously and vigorously strengthened.

By 1955, in other words, the Soviets may be able to attack this country with crippling effect, while we may be unable to launch an effective counter-attack. This terrible situation need not arise. The technological advances of the last year can prevent it from arising. But what is needed is no mere ounce of prevention. What needs to be done is likely to prove both drastic and unpleasant.

So much has already been suggested in a previous report on the real issues confronting the country, which are not being

discussed in the current presidential campaign. But there are other issues not being mentioned, other vast problems which the next President must also solve. For instance, when the new President enters the White House, he will be overwhelmed by a positive avalanche of skeletons from the cupboard where they keep the problems of our allies.

For these problems, the situation of our major ally, Britain, can serve as a convenient symbol. Very few people have any concept of the next President must also solve. For instance, when the new President enters the White House, he will be overwhelmed by a positive avalanche of skeletons from the cupboard where they keep the problems of our allies.

On the one hand, the British policy makers and most of their American opposite numbers have about abandoned hope of getting Britain on an even economic keel on the present basis of affairs. The fever, they say, did not kill the patient this time, but the disease itself has not been cured and cannot be cured without new remedies. Among the remedies being vaguely and rather nervously discussed are liberalization of American tariff policy to permit Britain to export more to this country; and an Anglo-American stabilization fund to maintain a better dollar-sterling relation. It is hard to imagine two projects more likely to arouse Congress.

By the same token, the spring and summer economic crisis has forced the Churchill government to take a new look at the British defense program. This has led into a new look at the plan for West European defense elaborated by Gen. Eisenhower.

Together with many Air Force planners here, the British now believe that the NATO program must be revised. They want more emphasis on air power,

more emphasis on new weapons, and a reduced call for naval power and ground divisions in the line. Forces so balanced, the British say, will be both better and cheaper. It is hard to imagine anything more likely to arouse the French, Germans and other continental allies than this new concept," as Winston Churchill has called it.

Draw from these facts the obvious conclusion. If the next President is willing to tackle the British problem, he will also have to tackle both Congress and the other Atlantic allies, when he has hardly learned his way around the White House.

If he is not willing, on the other hand, he will still be unable to prevent the British from raising the question of their "new concept" at the NATO Council. He must be ready to see Britain again gripped by her economic fever. When that happens, he must be prepared for the probable fall of the Churchill government and the return to power of a Labor party which Aneurin Bevan increasingly dominates. And he must also be prepared—this unfortunate next President—for Bevan's entirely likely decision to cancel our air base rights in Britain, and thus to cripple the retaliatory strength which is the heart of all Western strength.

This is only a sample more-over. The problem of France, fate of Indo-China and the fate of Free Asia, is almost as serious as the problem of Britain. Over all, this republic has now given strategic commitments of one sort or another to no less than forty-one other nations, most of them on the periphery of Soviet power. And there is no where on this entire periphery, where there is no threat or sign of trouble.

Perhaps the reasons that the presidential candidates do not choose to discuss the realities of the task they aspire to, is because the subject hardly bears talking about.

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Comes the Dawn

"Old Oregon," alumni publication of University of Oregon comes through with an interesting report from King Y. Chau, class of '34, now living in Hong Kong. Chau is a red-hot Oregon man, alright. He married an Oregon girl, Pearl S. Tse, '35. And they named their first son Eugene Millrace Chau. No mention is made of other Chau children. But you can't help wondering if there aren't an Emerald Chau, a Dearly Hall Chau or a Hayward Field Chau also at the Chau dinner table these days.

Looks like maybe Lee Gustafson's Salem High footballers may have to eat crow even before the turf-tussle season gets underway. The two crows who used to inhabit Wilson Park and roam over most of the downtown area evidently have increased—because a dozen showed up on the SHS practice field Friday morning.

A man who has a child-like faith in Oregon summers is Tom Gabriel, local attorney. Tom recently tore the whole roof off his house in Manbrin Gardens. And for several weeks the attic stood open to the weather, just daring those little white clouds to cry. Anyway, the weatherman held off the storm clouds, the roof got repaired and there is probably a moral hidden here someplace.

Betty Morely, 1094 Jefferson St., has corn growing 14 feet high in her garden. She needs a stepladder to pick the corn, and she and her neighbors think it is all pretty unusual. Another housewife called the Statesman the other day asking for information on poison spiders. Seems she uncovered a nest of peculiar-looking spiders and managed to bottle one of them for inspection. She reported the spider was bottle white, with stripes, a horn on its head, and an orange-shaped design on its stomach. And, she added, it looked mean.

Dick Wherley, man with the towel at Karr's, was at a local eatery the other night when someone stole his brindle terrier watchdog right out of his car parked outside. The dog is old enough to know better, too. When he discovered the loss Dick said the following reactions set in: (a) He was glad the car was not gone, too; (b) He was sorry he had not taught the dog how to discriminate between friend and foe, and (c) What was he going to tell his kids...

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I do not know as I can make it to the meeting tonight."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "Caucasian"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Succession, substantiate, subterranean, succinct.
4. What does the word "pertinent" mean?

ANSWERS
1. Say, "I do not know that I can come to the meeting tonight."
2. Pronounce ka-ka-shan, first a as in all, second a as in cake, third a as in an, accent, second syllable. 3. Subterranean. 4. Related to the matter in hand. "That is not pertinent to the question."
5. Evanescent.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

by Lichty



"...But Otis has made me the happiest girl in the world, Daddy!... doesn't that prove he amounts to something...?"

Congressional Quiz

Q—Is it true that with favorable action by only seven more states, the Constitution will be amended to limit the federal income tax?

A—No. The legislatures of 29 states have proposed some sort of a Constitutional limit on federal taxing powers. But they have called for different approaches and seven states rescinded their actions. Even after Congress or a Constitutional convention agreed on a proposed amendment, 36 states would have to ratify it before it would become part of the Constitution.

Q—How can the Constitution be amended?

A—Two main steps are required. An amendment must be proposed formally, either by a two-thirds vote of the House and Senate, or by a special convention called by Congress at the request of two-thirds of the states. A proposed amendment takes effect when ratified by three-fourths of the states, through either their legislatures or special state conventions. The convention method has never been used either for proposing or ratifying amendments.

Q—I happen to know a rich man who gets a social security check every month. I thought only people of limited means were eligible.

A—Any retired person 65 years old whose income from wages or salary is not more than \$75 a month is eligible for payments if he worked in an occupation covered by social security. It doesn't make any difference how much he has in the bank. In fact, Federal Security Agency officials after a sample survey estimated that from 50 to 200 millionaires are drawing social security checks.

Q—How diligent were Congressmen this year in going "On The Record"?

A—They slipped. For the fourth straight year, the Senate

showed a decline, while the House dropped from its record 1951 mark. Figures compiled by Congressional Quarterly show Senators voted or declared their stands on an average of 90.2 per cent of the record (roll-call) votes in 1949, but fell to 86.3 in 1952. The House went On The Record an average of 86.4 per cent in 1949, 88.8 per cent in 1951, and 83.7 per cent in 1952.

Q—Did many lawmakers make perfect scores in going on record on roll-call votes?

A—Only one Senator, Olin D. Johnston (D S.C.) went On The Record on 100 per cent of the 129 roll-call votes this session. Nineteen made their stands known at least 98 per cent of the time. In the House, 25 members—nine Democrats, 16 Republicans—voted or declared their stands on all of the 72 House roll calls.

Literary Guidepost

By WILLIAM GLOVER
THE SHOALS OF CAPRICORN
by F. D. O'Malley (Harcourt, Brace; \$4)

The lands and isles of the western Indian ocean are less familiar to armchair travelers than most of the other corners of the globe, since they are off the steamship lanes which the author travelers like to follow.

But hidden in the lonely thousands of miles between Zanzibar and India are scores of coral atolls, archipelagos and vestigial colonies of imperialism, all loaded with the stuff of vicarious adventure, exotic sights and (since only smaller sail vessels form bonds of trade and intercourse) truly "out of this world" atmosphere. Into these lush places moved O'Malley, a scientist on a marine expedition in 1947, eager to escape the humdrum of post-war London.

It was a fortunate combination of man, place and opportunity. O'Malley, a doctor of zoology and today Principal Scientific Officer in the British Colonial Service, is also a man of literary ability, calm humor, and introspective wit. He knows how to put a travel book together, how to pace his reader's attention, and—most difficult for many a traveloguer—convey to his audience a coherent and continuous impression of where they have been with him.

The first portion of the volume takes you around and through the history, topography and society of Mauritius; later he travels on the Seychelles, center of the expedition's two-year work, and explores in similar vein.

O'Malley is more than just the recorder of travels in far-off places. He has brought to his writing the yield of a questioning attitude on his walks and talks with natives and officials, and has put on paper some degree of penetrative and interpretive effort, so that you understand as well as observe these peoples who, in the quaint way of humans, believe their "Shoals of Capricorn" are each the center of the universe, and all the rest of us are of somewhere in a by-pass out of the main stream of events.

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owners of timber lands. Assessments are made and collected through the county officials. Some of these associations have gone out of business and the work in those areas is administered directly by the state forester's office. The private associations work in close connection with the state forester who has authority to intervene and take over control of fire fighting.

A considerable portion of the two and a half million came from federal sources. Under the Clark-McNary act the government contributed \$658,000 last year. Also the Bureau of Land Management contracted with the fire patrol association (this year directly with the state) and paid a substantial sum for protection of its lands, chiefly the O & C lands, which are scattered through other ownerships.

In theory a fire starting in logging operations is an operator's fire. He is required to jump it and put it out. The fire warden of the local fire patrol association has the responsibility of taking over the fire if he sees the operator is failing to do the job. In practice now the warden is encouraged to move in promptly and get the fire under control. This division of responsibility among the operator, the fire patrol association and the state forester has resulted in the past in considerable time lag which added to fire losses.

Liability for damage caused by fire due to an operator's negligence is well established in law. In 1935 the Silver Falls Timber Co. obtained a judgment against Eastern & Western Lumber Co. for over \$250,000 on such grounds. Proof of negligence on the part of the operator is required and the state will have to bring in supporting evidence in its case against the E. K. Wood concern.

All of which merely underscores the need for caution and vigilance in the woods and for prompt action to put out fires. Judgments will not replace the burned timber, the scorched earth and the lost equipment. Progress is being made in educating loggers and the public of the dangers of forest fires and in improving equipment and techniques for fighting fires. The line of authority from the state forester down is being recognized more clearly. In my own opinion it should be made complete by making the fire patrol associations branches of the state forestry department.

Stayton Girl Arrested at Crash Scene

An 18-year-old girl, a Stayton area teen picker, appeared on a drunk charge in Marion County District Court following an auto smashup near Stayton Wednesday.

Marion County Sheriff's deputies said they arrested Arlene Berry after the girl was found walking along the road a short distance from the accident. Police said the girl's car was found to have struck and broken off a power pole on the Stayton-Marion road about a mile west of Stayton. Her two companions, a boy and a girl, were not apprehended, police said. They said Miss Berry told them her companions were not at fault. The girl was arraigned in district court Thursday and will appear Aug. 28.

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