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To Smother Voters With Propaganda

The big truck interests are getting ready to smother the voters with propaganda against HB 465 which the legislature passed to increase fees charged big commercial trucks and in favor of the constitutional amendment they sponsored to abolish completely motor transportation fees for highway use. They can well afford to spend a big pile of dough to win this battle for by the referendum alone they have saved well over a million dollars in this biennium. And if they can put over the constitutional amendment and roll more of the burden on small trucks and passenger cars then they will be repaid into the indefinite future for their 1952 outlay.

Joining the Oregon commercial truckers are the teamsters' union, the manufacturers of big trucks and allied interests. They have collected a big war chest. The Oregon Highway Council formed by the truckers is staffed by a lot of high-salaried personnel.

The first big splurge is to be a special section of the Oregon Journal for Sept. 28th. This is the letter about it which has gone out to those associated with the industry:

"Through the American Trucking Association nationally, your own O.M.T.A. and the Oregon Highway Council programs have been initiated to properly publicize the trucking industry and to obtain a more ready acceptance of the industry by the public at large.

"To further the Oregon public's understanding of our industry and our problem, we have arranged with the Oregon Journal to publish a special 20-page truck section in their Sunday, September 28th edition. This section will carry advertisements of the various trucking firms and firms in allied industries... as well as complete editorial material selling the importance of the trucking industry to the economy of Oregon.

"This section will appear at the very early stages of the campaign for our referendum of HB-465 and our initiative on the constitutional amendment we have proposed. It is our hope that this section will act as a giant backdrop for the campaign that will break about that time."

Note that this special section is the "giant backdrop" for their political campaign. It will be followed up presumably with billboards, radio, newspaper advertising, speakers, a button-hole brigade of workers.

The Statesman opposes the truckers in their dual campaign because we believe their program would gravely damage the highway program for Oregon or shift unconscionably the burden from the big trucks to other users of the highways. This view is concurred in by the big majority of friends of the highway program over the state and members of the legislature.

We refuse to believe that the Oregon voters are going to be bamboozled by this spread of propaganda. The outlay of so much money itself will excite suspicion. We are confident the voters of the state, once they understand the issues, will vote 318 X Yes (the truck tax bill) and 331 X No (constitutional amendment prohibiting present motor transportation fees).

Un guarded Moment for Armored Car

The thief who stole \$65,000 from a Brink's armored car in Washington had only a few hours to indulge in his fancy of wealth. He didn't get to count his pile or spend any of it. Like the one-talent man he buried the hoard, only to dig it up for the authorities when they apprehended him.

But what must be embarrassing to the Brink's organization is to have their car entered so deftly. Only the stray recollection by the chief of police of a mislaid guard suit gave the clue which unraveled the mystery. It was hours before the police even got hold of the car that was entered. Coming after the big robbery at Danvers which was pulled when the armored

Eisenhower Fails to Rouse Audience In Opening Speech of Political Campaign

3-24-2 Spartan Edit Eisenhower
By JOSEPH ALSOP

NEW YORK — Hardened political reporters, when listening to political speeches, have a probability of exhibiting a tendency to study the manner instead of the matter. Aging dramatic critics have the same trouble. They have already seen too many plays for their own good, and they tend to like the drama for granted and give their chief attention to the acting.

The fact remains that in politics, communication is the first requirement for success. You can have the best ideas and the most appealing program imaginable. But you will get nowhere if you cannot explain the ideas and put the program over. Judged in these bleak, practical terms, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's American Legion speech — the true opening gun in his battle for the Presidency — was a curiously mixed performance.

What one wanted to learn, of course, was whether Eisenhower had really hit his stride. Here was a man who could, in the old days, truly electrify an audience. Sometimes he would be dealing only in the pleasing generalities about country, home and mother, which army public relations officers love to put in the mouths of their masters. But whatever he had to say, Gen. Eisenhower rarely failed to grip and dominate his audience.

Candidate Eisenhower is not quite the same. He had done his own speech-writing for the American Legion meeting, and the ad-

vance copies showed that he had written a speech with meat and power in it.

He strode onto the platform in the convention hall looking every inch the image that America has of him. His mere physical presence — his look of being a big man, at once strong and broad-gauged — brought the waiting Legionnaires to their feet in a storm of cheers.

But when the cheering died and he began to speak, he somehow appeared shranked. He has never had the practiced political orator's trick of building up citizens and drawing out applause. But now he almost seemed to throw his points away. It was an effort for him, one felt; it was a necessary duty rather than a pleasure, to be there and to tell his story. Occasionally he would lose himself, for a paragraph or two, in what he had to say; and you could feel the crowd beginning to respond and glow. But then he would look worried and ill at ease again; and the response would die away.

The speech was not a failure, by no means. It told its story of an American exposed to terrible perils; and it made its appeal, for an America strong and united, capable of defying any threat. It conveyed Eisenhower's innate largeness and simplicity. It was almost re-assuring, just because it was so un-artful. But none the less, the fact had to be faced — this speech did not grip or dominate or really electrify an audience that was visibly waiting and hoping to be swept off its feet.

One saw, of course, the reasons for Eisenhower's uneasiness on the platform. When he spoke in uniform, it was a brilliant but amateur performance — a mere interruption in a quite different career. But now he was suddenly

car attendants stopped for coffee, one would think that Brink's would forbid leaving a car containing funds unguarded. Yet the pair on duty went into the hotel for lunch, trusting to the lock on the door to keep their load of currency safe.

Concerns engaged in the transport of money must be under a constant strain. They have to deal not only with faithless employes but with carelessness. It is easy to get a duplicate made for a key; and the holder of one waits only for a favorable opportunity to make a haul and get away.

Undoubtedly the operators will tighten up their rules; one man on duty with the car at all times; close accounting for keys; frequent changes of locks or combinations. But until they do provide better security for their risk insurance on money carriers will continue high.

Governor Shivers and Attorney General Price Daniel of Texas are sputtering over Adlai Stevenson's refusal to string along with states' rights on control of offshore oil lands. Whether they will head a bolt is not clear, but Texas looks like Ike's best bet to break into the Solid South. It will not be easy, even with Shivers and Daniel defecting.

Lebanon may be one of President Truman's whistle stops this year. On this visit to Oregon he probably will not repeat the "I like Old Joe" remark he made at Eugene (that "logging camp high in the Cascades") in 1948. Well, Harry's the President and Oregon will give him a cordial welcome if he comes.

The season for family reunions, outdoor picnics, and backyard barbecues draws to a close. It's been a good season for them too, with comfortable temperatures, and freedom from flies, mosquitoes and yellowjackets. The evening picnics, however, have missed the extra hour of daylight except in DST territory.

The Albany Democrat-Herald warns Ike he'd better "rally round" McCarthy or find himself on Joe's list of subversives. And why not? Isn't he a friend of General Marshall's whom Joe accused of selling us out in China? Guilt by association!

The Clackamas County Fair is on this week at Canby. Easy to get to — just go through town on 99E and turn left before going under the overhead bridge. They always put on a good show at the Canby Fair.

To succeed Ellis Arnall as Price Stabilizer the Economic Stabilizer has named Tighe E. Woods, who has been rent controller. Good name for the job. If Putnam thinks anyone is overcharging he can just say, "Sic 'em, Tighe."

Georgi Malenkov will be the "keynote speaker" at the Communist party convention in Moscow on Oct. 5th. He is sure to "point with pride" to CP achievements and "view with alarm" the opposition of the imperialist, capitalist USA.

Bob Ruhl of the Medford Mail-Tribune, credits Col. McCormick of the Chicago Trib. with the "courage of his delusions." Well said.

The government will buy up a lot of frozen turkeys because of the turkey surplus hoping this keep the prices from thawing out.

Headline writers had a field day over the nudist convention in New Jersey. With us No Nudes is Good Nudes.

professional, with everything depending on how he performed.

Then, too, he was and is a man whose greatest power flows from his sincerity. Yet in these last weeks he has been pulled and hauled from dawn to dusk. He has been asked to make cheap compromises by every Republican politician from Maine to California. He has been persuaded to continuously to indulge in the little tricks and petty, fraudulent appeals of the slick political operators. And this sudden exposure to the seamy side of politics must have made him doubt whether, after all, it was a strength to be sincere.

This doubt about the value of his own sincerity is, plainly, Dwight Eisenhower's real handicap as he begins his vital campaign. Yet the record of the last ten days suggests that Eisenhower has the inner toughness that he needs badly.

In the sphere of domestic policy, he has defied the backward-looking, to declare frankly and forthrightly that he means to retain and continue the programs that have benefitted great groups of Americans in these last twenty years. In the sphere of foreign policy, he has defied the venomous partisans, to be truthful and honest about such grave problems as the Korean war. And in the sphere of his relations with his own party, he has defied the unprincipled extremists, to condemn the character assassins and the witch-hunters.

If he can stick to this line he has chosen — if he can resist the temptation to win easy cheers by telling the extremist minority what they want to hear — Dwight Eisenhower can become a formidable campaigner between now and election day.

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MISSISSIPPI BUBBLE



Your Health

By Dr. Herman Sundesen

Allergic Tests First Step in Treating Case of Asthma

Many asthma sufferers today can find relief from the wheezing and coughing that makes their lives so miserable. These people are allergic to certain substances in the air, or perhaps they may be sensitive to certain foods.

Doctors are able to discover the irritating substances, which must then be avoided or screened out. To do this, it may be necessary for the asthmatic person to move to a different climate.

Certain types of bronchial asthma, however may not be due to an allergy. In these cases, the antibiotic drugs have given relief to many.

In bronchial asthma, it is thought that the large tubes in the lungs (bronchi) become narrowed, inflamed, and swollen. This condition makes it difficult for the person to breathe and brings on severe wheezing.

Many people with this disease do not show an over-sensitivity to any certain substances which would account for their trouble. Special skin tests are made on such people in an attempt to try to discover an allergy, but their reaction is just about the same as that of any normal person. Furthermore, if they move to a different climate they do not show any improvement, even though their diet and surroundings may be completely changed.

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

A person who first develops bronchial asthma after the age of forty is more apt to have this type of the disease, which is not traceable to an allergy. Some doctors have suggested that it may really be due to an internal disorder, perhaps a chronic bronchial infection.

However, anyone who has asthma, at any age, should be tested for an allergy, just to make sure. Then, if there is a definite allergic cause, steps can be taken to correct it.

In those cases where bronchial asthma is due to an internal infection or other internal reasons, it is usually possible to relieve the wheezing and other distressing symptoms. Such treatment, however, does not remove the real cause of these disturbances.

If there is an infection, it

should be treated with the proper antibiotic drugs. Sometimes, inhaling fine dusts containing antibiotics, such as penicillin or streptomycin, will destroy local infections in the lung.

Once the inner infection is destroyed, drugs like aminophylline, adrenaline, and iodides can be taken to relieve the symptoms. The hormones known as ACTH and cortisone have given some relief even in very severe asthmatic attacks.

Asthma always requires the physician's attention. He will decide in each case just what type of treatment should be utilized. **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

F. O. C.: Can you tell me what causes a person to be a midget? Is it true that premature babies are midgets?

Answer: The exact cause of all types of midgets is not known. One type is known to suffer from chondrodystrophy, a condition affecting the cartilages in the body. Another type evidently is hereditary. Such persons were not necessarily premature babies. Certain types of individuals are abnormally short because of disturbances of the glands of internal secretion.

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Hollywood On Parade

By GENE HANDSAKER

HOLLYWOOD—"The Story of Will Rogers," a romanticized biography of the late cowboy humorist, comes through as a pretty charming movie. This is due mainly to the expertly directed acting of his son, Will, Jr., and the liberally-voiced, down-to-earth philosophy of the elder Rogers.

Forty-year-old Will, Jr., who portrays his dad, is certainly no great actor. He "might have done some plays in high school," he says, but he has never appeared in a movie before and doesn't plan to again. He is obviously a one-role performer—as his dad, whose acting, likewise, was not his greatest ability.

Will, Jr., a Beverly Hills newspaper publisher and ex-congressman, looks like his father. His drawl is similar, and he has mastered his dad's mannerism of dropping his head forward and peering from under an overhanging lock. And he capably imitates his father's rope tricks in this story of a cowboy's rise to Ziegfeld Follies and movie star, newspaper columnist, aviation exponent, and a nation's pet philosopher.

Jane Wyman is attractive in an undemanding role as Rogers' wife Betty, upon whose series of magazine articles the film is based. James Gleason is a theatrical promoter who puts Will into vaudeville, where he finds his jokes are a bigger hit than his rope tricks. There are shots of Al Jolson, Fanny Brice, and Eddie Cantor. Noah Beery Jr., the pilot, Wiley Post, with whom Rogers crashed to death in Alaska.

Director Michael Curtiz has done an excellent job of making a non-actor seem like an actor in this warmly entertaining film. Wild, wacky, and full of impossible slapstick, "Son of Paleface" is a funny sequel to Bob Hope's western adventures in "Paleface." This time Bob is the screwball offspring of the character he played before. Jane Russell is the shapely queen of the saloon floor-show and leader of the stagecoach robbers. Roy Rogers and Trigger are federal agents trying to track her down.

Hope chugs around the prairie in an explosive jalopy, finds his father's fortune in a moosehead, and shoots it out with Indians. He drives off a cliff but opens an umbrella, like a parachute, to land on another plateau. It's real gooky—and lots of fun.

LEG MONEY STOLEN INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — There's no place a man can hide anything these days. Fred Parker, 85, told police someone stole a paper sack of money he pinned to his artificial left leg before going to sleep in a rooming house.

GRIN AND BEAR IT by Lichty



Flyer Forced Down on Main St. at Mongold

CAMP MONGOLD — When Clyde Wells of Mill City circled over Mongold last Sunday in his light plane, low on gas and separated from home base at Gates by dense fog, he spotted a welcoming committee equipped with ambulance and fire truck.

Leo Fitzgerald, Camp Mongold fire chief, was happy to report his emergency equipment was not needed when Wells, returning from Redmond's buckaroo breakfast, landed his plane safely on Mongold's main street.

Residents of the town were somewhat relieved when the plane took off safely for Gates Monday afternoon. Wells was not available for interview but he may be feeling he had a firm grip on luck.

Two Dead in Klamath Wreck

KLAMATH FALLS (AP)—A two-car collision nine miles south of here killed two men and injured two other persons early Tuesday. The dead were identified as Eldon E. Phair, 31, Tulelake, Calif., and Lyle Ray Brown, 29, Merrill, Ore.

Phair's wife, Florence, and Patrick O'Shea, another passenger in Phair's car, were treated for injuries at a hospital here.

Brown was alone in his southbound car. Phair, driving the other car, died in a hospital an hour and a half after the cars sideswiped and crashed into a ditch. The accident occurred on Oregon Highway 39.

Blood Requirement Heavy in Korea

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Gen. Mark Clark says American troops in Korea "have almost everything money can buy. But they certainly need more blood."

"Whole blood is one of our most pressing requirements," he wrote Mayor Elmer Robinson of San Francisco.

Gen. Clark, now commanding Far East forces, formerly was stationed in San Francisco as commander of the Sixth Army.

Six Salem Men Win Promotions

Six Salem men have received promotions in the 9414th Volunteer Air Reserve squadron.

Promoted to captain were William W. Bartholomew, Thomas Brubeck and Donald M. Townsend. Named first lieutenants were Ernest E. Boock, Benjamin F. Evans and Donovan F. Morisky. Two Minnville men, Stewart R. Keller and Wallace L. Mekkers were also promoted.

Promotions were based on attendance at training sessions and points earned through squadron duties and correspondence courses, according to Sgt. T. E. Rowell, air force liaison officer.

Kin of Salem Woman Recovering From Polio

MEDFORD — Tommy Hensley, 7, has been recovering in a hospital here from polio which killed his father, William Hensley, 32 last week and left his mother hospitalized with the disease at Eugene. The other three children in the Hensley family apparently were not affected. Hensley was a brother of Mrs. Kenneth R. Robinson, 375 Columbia St., Salem. The Hensley family resides at Central Point.

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