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Farmers Union's Milk Resolutions

The resolution of the executive board of the Oregon Farmers Union urging the limiting of price-fixing on fresh milk to the producer level comes two years too late. That was a live issue in 1952 when an initiative to throw out milk price control for wholesale and retail selling of milk was before the people. Its defeat left the milk control issue cold until a few months ago when Elmer Deetz of Canby, the come-and-get-it dairyman, protested the application of price control to his gallon-jug operation. (Deetz by the way, is a Republican nominee for the legislature in Clackamas County). Deetz has filed a petition for an initiative to repeal the milk control law but little has been heard from it. It seems doubtful if either the legislature or the people will cancel milk price control or restrict it to the producer level, though some flareup of popular sentiment might result in such a reversal.

The FU resolutions went on to recommend lifting the butterfat content of fresh milk to a four per cent minimum, and to prevent cuts in the basic quotas of dairymen with quotas of less than 50 lbs. The former move has been urged as one way of cutting the surplus production of butter; but it is objected to by some consumers because of fear of "surplus fat" on themselves.

A more serious question arises respecting the small dairyman, whom the FU is trying to protect. This runs head-on into the economic factor of raising the cost of production. One reason given for the relatively higher milk cost in Oregon over California is that here there are many small dairies whose unit costs are higher. This then is reflected in price to the consumer.

We just can't justify preserving the one- or two-cow dairy as a source for Grade A milk, or a four- or five-cow dairy. It is quite unfair to the consumer. This does not ban the "little fellow". He can engage in other types of farming. Economic necessity will force increases in the size of dairies in Oregon. Either that or the consumers will be charged a higher price than efficient and economic operations justify.

The Farmers Union takes pride in protecting the interest of the little fellow in agriculture, which is worthy; but that protection should not extend to penalizing masses of the people.

Port of Bay City favored but Tillamook Bay Port opposed a proposal to put up \$250,000 if the federal government would supply the remainder of the \$1,775,000 required for rehabilitating the Bayocean peninsula. If in a we-furnish-the-horse, for a stew, you-furnish-the-rabbit deal like this the local interests will not come up with the rabbit the project must lack merit. Or have we become so inured to government handouts we refuse to be weaned?

Washington CIO Initiative

Over in Washington the CIO is trying to get an initiated measure on the ballot to lift the benefits paid as unemployment compensation. The bill seeks to raise the minimum benefits from \$150 to \$420, paying \$35 a week for 12 weeks, and would extend maximum drawing periods from 26 weeks to 40. Thus a person who earned \$2,000 in a year could draw \$1,400 in tax-free benefits.

A new gimmick is proposed in the way of "cumulative benefits." It would work this way: For each year a person did not draw unemployment compensation he would be entitled to an additional ten weeks at \$35 a week. Thus a person who had been employed steadily for ten years could then draw a total of 140 weeks' unemployment compensation, or \$4900. That would be \$1,820 a year for more than two years.

Other provisions of the initiative are to eliminate the week waiting period and to impose the tax on employers on the first \$4,500 of wages instead of the present \$3,000. Talk about "robbing chair money" this bill would supply it, "overstuffed."

A Good Reporter

One of the most colorful and capable journalists in Oregon's history is lost with the death in Portland of Ralph Watson, longtime political editor of the Oregon Journal. Watson was possessed of a keen, analytical mind, a lilting prose, and abundance of kindly humor and the integrity to put all his attributes to the best use. Few who die leave more friends.

There will be many glowing eulogies written about Watson but none will be more true of his character than that voiced by a competing reporter after a legislative session a few years ago: "You can't buy him and you can't sell him; he doesn't ask any favors and he gets ornery when someone tries to push him around; I never thought of him as brilliant but I wish I could get my stuff read as much as his — and commented on; he gets into more places and talks to more people without making any fuss about it than anyone I know. He's a good reporter."

There are few finer epitaphs in the reporting world than that.

Not Unconstitutional

A law student at Willamette, David E. Card, sets us right on the constitutional question of use of evidence obtained by wire-tapping. We had condemned it as a violation of the Fourth amendment. Card cites an opinion by Chief Justice Taft in the Olmstead case in 1928 when the court held that wire-tapping was neither search nor seizure and was not a violation of the Fourth amendment. However there is a statute passed by Congress which greatly restricts the use of communications intercepted by wire-tapping, though this does not apply in state courts.

The opinion written by Taft drew a vigorous dissent from Justices Holmes, Brandeis, Butler and Stone; and our dim memory led us to assume that this was the majority view. We thank Mr. Card for his correction, but still think that wire-tapping is nefarious business, an unwarranted invasion of a person's privacy.

Arriving in Hong Kong from Formosa the Secretary of Defense said, "The biggest problem confronting us is to determine whether we are fighting a national movement or Communist aggression." Correct, but it has taken Washington a long time to discover this.

West German Chancellor Adenauer Facing Political Crisis From Within Own Coalition

By BRACK CURRY
BONN, Germany (AP) — West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer won a resounding victory over his opponents at the polls only last September, but he already faces a political crisis.

The challenge to Adenauer and his European unity policy does not come this time from the left—from the anti-Communist Social Democrats or from the Communists.

It is right within his own coalition and even within his own Christian Democratic Party.

Adenauer is now back from the meeting of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, where he had talks with the French on the sensitive question of the Saar. The future of this small but coal-rich district has been for a long time the most troublesome issue between France and Germany.

The degree of success of Adenauer's conversations on the Saar is not clear. The West German government has claimed a basis of agreement was reached. The French denied that. The solution envisioned in Strasbourg involved "Europeanization" of the Saar.

The Free Democrats—one of the coalition parties in Adenauer's Cabinet—have announced their decision to fight the Adenauer solution. This right-of-center party feels it has an issue of great emotional appeal to the German people.

They have made their battle cry the slogan: "The Saar is German and must remain German."

The Free Democrats' divergence with Adenauer came after the party had come out in open opposition to Adenauer on another question. They flouted his firmly expressed views by sponsoring a plan to send a West German delegation to Moscow to discuss possible establishment of formal diplomatic relations.

Many West German and Western occupation officials here feel the time is fast running out for Adenauer to win parliamentary backing for "Europeanizing" the Saar. Public opposition to what many Germans call "concessions" to the French is increasing.

These officials say this trend in sentiment arises directly from the two-year delay by the French in acting on twin treaties of vital interest to the West Germans—one restoring West German sovereignty and the other creating a European Defense Community.

If the French ratify the EDC treaty before the summer recess of the National Assembly, then Adenauer probably can still muster sufficient public and parliamentary support for a Saar settlement.

But if the French fail to act soon, there is considerable doubt whether the 78-year-old Chancellor can stand by his policy of cooperation with France on the Saar and EDC.

Officials here are in agreement that the Chancellor clearly has lost control of the Free Democrats.

This has shattered the united front of the four coalition parties. The question now is how long the Adenauer coalition can exist with Adenauer following one foreign policy and the Free Democrats another. Free Democratic leaders say they have no intention of bolting the coalition. But there is some speculation that Adenauer might boot them out.

This, however, would expose his policies to attack in Parliament by a powerful phalanx of the opposition: the Social Democratic Party and the Free Democrats.

The socialists, who have 151 seats in the lower house (the Bundestag) of the West German Parliament, oppose Adenauer's entire foreign political program.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



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THE COCAINE MUTINY



Time Flies FROM STATESMAN FILES

10 Years Ago

May 24, 1944

Harold Bell Wright, who left the pulpit to become one of America's famed fiction writers, died in a LaJolla, Calif., hospital. He was 72.

Organization of a Salem Shrine Club, successor to the club which flourished here 15 years ago, was completed with Potentate Tommy Luke of Al Kader temple presiding.

Ernest Hemingway, American author who suffered injuries in an automobile accident, was reported progressing well at the London St. George's hospital.

25 Years Ago

May 24, 1929

L. Carlos Meier, who seven years ago left Salem after serving as organizer for George Guthrie at the old Oregon Theatre, has returned to the Elsinore.

Bill Tilden and Frank Hunter swept through the opening round of singles in straight sets and, paired together, reached the semi-finals in men's doubles at the French international tennis championship tournament.

Mark Cam, 94-year-old negro ex-slave, who friends said knelt in prayer every morning for 64 years before a picture of Abraham Lincoln, died in a hospital at Spokane, Wash. He was held in such esteem that county commissioners closed their offices.

40 Years Ago

May 24, 1914

This was the hottest day of the year in New York City. Several prostrations from the heat were reported when the mercury rose to 95.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Bishop of Pendleton are receiving congratulations up the arrival of a daughter. Mr. Bishop is the son of the C. P. Bishops of Salem.

Mount Crest Abbey Mausoleum, which has been under construction in City View Cemetery, is completed, with dedication set for May 30. A unique feature will be the depositing of historical data not to be opened until the year 2914.

Important Talk Due at Manila On Indochina

WASHINGTON (AP) — A top level exchange of views on the Indochina situation is expected to result from a meeting in Manila between Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson and American military and diplomatic officials in the Far East.

Wilson, who left Washington on May 11 for an inspection-consultation swing through the western and central Pacific, is due in the Philippines Monday for talks with President Ramon Magsaysay and Philippine military leaders.

These conferences will revolve primarily around the U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty, but while in Manila Wilson presumably will hold separate meetings with several U.S. officials who have been following developments in southeast Asia.

Expected to be included among these is Maj. Gen. John M. O'Daniel, head of the U.S. Military Advisory Mission to Indochina.

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IT SEEMS TO ME

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skill as an artist or caricaturist. He must have an awareness, a sensitivity, to the pith of the event which is reported in type. He must catch it not only in relation to other events but to "eternal verities" for the cartoonist is essentially a monitor, — a propagandist even. Herblock qualifies, as his great popularity attests.

The surprise of the book is not the selection of cartoons, but Herblock's "free-style monologue" which provides a connecting narrative for the art reprints. His pen is dipped in the same bottle of acridulous wit as his crayon. He makes his typewriter work like a scalpel on the men and the trends of our times. The test is an authentic "Inside Washington" without the gossip. He exposes the sham, the hypocrisy of political craftsmen in and out of office who infect and infect the precincts of the national capital.

For our readers' enjoyment we snatch some samples from Herblock's monologue, enough, we trust, to prompt many of them to buy the book for the whole composition, both words and drawings. Here are the quotes:

Apropos of the D.A.R. conventions: "The Daughters evidently think highly of their ancestors—at least as ancestors, although they and the ancestors probably couldn't stand each other if they were contemporaries."

The "permanent, long-run Committee on Un-American activities, which is sort of the Tobacco Road of public hearings, . . ."

Of Stalin: "I'm willing to give the devil his due, but it doesn't seem to me that this dictator be longs in the deity class even in the Powers-of-Darkness department. I just don't think the old boy rates it. He's not that good."

"Hardly anybody who is anybody around here would be seen in public any more without a foreign policy, and some of our more prominent senators have a different one for every day of the week."

"Our national-election politics is often referred to as a 'great game,' but that's an understatement. Actually it's our Number One spectator sport, and something of a substitute for a national sweepstakes. Only half of us may be interested in government enough to vote, but everybody speculates about who might be elected; and the saying that 'any American boy can become a President' is partly a reflection of the national interest in jack-pots."

Of Presidential candidates: "The office seeks the man, but naturally anybody with a high regard for that office doesn't want to see it stumble around in the wrong direction meeting up with the wrong fellows."

"When the majority tries to break a filibuster by calling for all-night sessions, it's also important to be able to continue standing and talking while in a state of semi-consciousness—an ability which some have developed to a remarkable degree possibly from

The defense secretary bypassed Indochina on his present trip, and O'Daniel would be able to give him the latest assessment of the critical military position of the French and Vietnam forces under pressure of advancing Vietminh communists.

Officials here thought that also present at the Manila sessions dealing with the whole broad problem of defense in the Pacific world, as well as with the Indochina crisis, would be Adm. Felix B. Stump, commander-in-chief in the Pacific, and Raymond A. Spruance, former admiral and now U.S. ambassador to the Philippines.

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