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## Wind-up of RFC

Since the Reconstruction Finance Corporation closed its lending window nearly a year ago it has liquidated \$307 million of its assets through collections and through sales to private lenders. In addition it has transferred to other government agencies \$163 million worth of loans and securities it held. But it still has \$283 million worth of investments on hand. RFC as such is winding up its affairs. Further liquidation will be handled by a branch of the U. S. Treasury.

The break-up of its present residue is as follows: \$183 million in business loans, \$26 million in a loan pool with private banks, \$10.5 million in railroad holdings, \$30.3 million owed by banks and \$33 million worth of indebtedness from state or local units of government. It may be assumed that these are the "slow paper" accumulated by the big lending agency which functioned through the depression and the second world war.

One of its slow loans is the \$17 million advanced to Carthage Hydrocol, Inc., in which Guy Gabrielson, former chairman of the Republican national committee, was a principal officer. This went sour, but a big oil company has taken over the property and has agreed to take care of the loan. Undoubtedly as with the liquidation of most other lending agencies there will be paper which even the government may never be able to collect on. However, the RFC did perform a useful function. It distributed credit aggregating well into the billions; and its overall operations will show a profit to the government, not a loss.

In later years the need for its existence was no longer clear. Some of its officers brought it into disrepute by their playing around and politicking. So Congress decreed its end. There is, however, a Small Business Administration which has set up shop with authority to make loans of limited size to business concerns.

Lafferty and two commissioners of Clackamas County have succeeded in delaying the cut of the big melon for the O & C counties of Western Oregon — it's around \$6,000,000. They have appealed the case in which Clackamas County sued two cabinet officers on the controverted land matter. While the matter seems to have been moot by the enactment of the Cordon-Ellsworth bill the county's appeal ties up the distribution of the accumulated sum in the "kitty." There is one comfort, the main issue is settled, the counties are to get 75 per cent of the proceeds of sales from these lands. Having waited a settlement for years, the counties can endure delay of a few more months.

## Analysis Indicates It's Too Early for Any Conclusion That FDR, Jr., Is All Through

By JOSEPH AND STEWART ALSOP

WASHINGTON—A lot of people have assumed that Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., for incomprehensible reasons of his own, has committed political suicide. In fact, if he has done so, it has been for the best of reasons. A couple of weeks ago, New York's Tammany boss Carmine De Sapio announced that he and the other New York leaders had decided to back former Ambassador W. Averell Harriman for the Democratic nomination for governor of New York. De Sapio and his co-leaders claim to control a net majority of the delegates to the forthcoming State Democratic Convention. Thus what they say goes—or it always has in the past.

Yet young Roosevelt almost immediately announced that he would continue his fight for the nomination. This seemed to many people an insanely empty gesture, alienating to no purpose the most powerful figures in the Democratic party in New York. Why did Roosevelt do it?

north of the Bronx ever again." Other upstate Democrats told him the same thing, in equally forceful words. The background of this enraged upstate reaction is interesting. Roosevelt has been campaigning upstate for delegates since the early spring. From the start, he was quite aware that he could always be outvoted at the convention by the city bosses. But he reasoned that he could get so far ahead that the city men would not want to risk a messy fight. Ironically, in his efforts to court upstate delegates, he succeeded all too well.

Upstate Democrats are for the most part lonely figures, huddled together for warmth in overwhelmingly Republican territory. Before Roosevelt, no Democratic candidate for the gubernatorial nomination had bothered to campaign upstate, since Al Smith's first try in 1918. Thus when Dan O'Connell, powerful Democratic boss of Albany, came out for Roosevelt, the upstate Democrats delighted by Roosevelt's unaccustomed attentions fell all over each other climbing aboard the Roosevelt bandwagon.

Then the calls began coming in from the enraged upstate Democrats, who had had the rug pulled out from under them. Calls also came from equally enraged labor leaders, who had not been consulted either and certain considerations began to occur to Roosevelt.

For one thing, it really began to seem that there was at least a bare chance that he might actually win. Even from De Sapio's own balcony, there were hints of revolt. There were other reasons to believe that the leaders' control over their delegates was not as complete as they claimed.

Even so, as Roosevelt has known from the start, it will take a miracle—a sudden stampede, for example—if he is to be nominated. But even if there is no miracle, he will not be badly hurt. He can and will show that he is a loyal Democrat by working hard for his old friend Harriman's election.

Suppose, nevertheless, that Harriman is defeated. Democrats all over the state will remember Roosevelt's last ditch fight for the nomination. They will say that he could have won, and especially if the national elections show a Democratic trend, Roosevelt will automatically become a man to reckon with. As for the big city leaders, Roosevelt's father fought Tammany, too—and by the time he was ready to make peace, he could negotiate from strength.

Some such line of reasoning undoubtedly led Roosevelt to defy the leaders. It remains to be seen how this reasoning works out in practice. But it is not the reasoning of a fool. And those who shudder at the mere sound of his name may as well face the fact that it is still much too early to count young Roosevelt out of big-time politics.

## Reed President Resigns

Reed College is to have another president. Dr. Duncan S. Ballentine who came out from Massachusetts Institute of Technology about three years ago to head the college has tendered his resignation. He says he reached this decision some months ago, so it was not hastened by the recent Velde committee hearings in which three Reed professors were quizzed by the committee. Two of them have been continued on the faculty and one was dropped by the trustees.

Ballentine says he found resistance to change in the status quo too deep-seated to permit him to make the changes which he felt are necessary. This has its roots in the liberal tradition surrounding Reed College. As it has developed the president was a sort of chairman of the board, with little authority over the operations of the school. The faculty asserted its claim to authority in faculty matters, and even student discipline was not within the president's prerogative, as Dr. Ballentine found out.

The college was started that way. It's first president, William Trufant Foster, wanted it to be a place where the winds of intellectual freedom might blow freely. Withal, however, it developed as a genuine center of learning where brain rather than brawn has been exploited. It is now the responsibility of the trustees not only to find a new president, but to define or redefine what his functions are. Reed College is too valuable an institution to be wrecked through dissension over internal policies.

## U.N. Membership

The ninth session of the United Nations General Assembly opens today in New York City. Before it convenes, however, it is clear that owing to the veto of the USSR no applicants for membership in U.N. will be admitted at this session. A special membership committee will report that the political climate is such that there is no prospect of gaining approval of any nation for membership. There are 14 countries which seek to become members. The Soviet Union has vetoed admission of any unless it could put over a package deal and get more of its satellites admitted.

The other vexing question which will arise early in the session is the seating of Red China. It looks as though the opposition, headed by the United States, will prevail again this year. Once this is settled the U.N. will get down to business on its new agenda.

Statesman correspondent A. Robert Smith, reporting from Washington says that Secretary of the Interior Douglas McKay enjoys telling how on his recent trip to Alaska a farmer gave him a box of assorted vegetables which he had converted into a delicious salad aboard his dining car on the Alaska railroad. So that is how one gets a good salad on the Alaska R.R.—have your dining car and a farmer who furnishes choice fresh vegetables. We'll testify that in the regular dining car where a concessionaire furnishes and serves the food, the meals are terrible, worst we encountered in Alaska.

That bank cashier who cashed \$417,000 worth of checks not covered by cash in the bank, "all for the benefit of the customers" is the prize example of a "bleeding heart." Evidently he didn't think about protecting the interests of depositors.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT



"... And if elected, I promise not to wait for my fellow Senators to act... I shall investigate my activities myself..."

## IT SEEMS TO ME

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so drastic a course as that. Most of the other states are waiting for the formal decree before determining a course of action.

The border states, Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland and Kansas will comply with the ruling. Kansas has begun to and some local communities in the other states also. The District of Columbia where the Negro proportion of school children runs over 50 per cent is readjusting its organization in the effort to meet President Eisenhower's hope that it may be a model for the other areas in racial integration.

Alabama and Louisiana may incline to resist desegregation. Other states like Arkansas, North Carolina, Texas, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia are sort of "coasting" although their officials and leaders are devoting a great deal of thought to the problem. Oklahoma is in a different category. It was not settled until 1889 and has never had race segregation against the Indians who make up a large part of the population. It will work out its solution along with Kansas and Texas.

What is of great significance is the action of a group of Southern leaders to set up the Southern Education Reporting Service "an objective, fact-finding agency established by southern newspaper editors and educators with the aim of providing accurate, unbiased information to school administrators, public officials and interested lay citizens on development in education" arising from this Court decision. Chairman is Virginius Dabney, editor of the Richmond Times-Dispatch; vice chairman Thomas R. Waring, editor of Charleston News and Courier, and the executive director is C. A. McKnight, editor of the Charlotte, N. C. News. The organization has received a grant from the Fund for the Advancement of Education, to be expended by the George Peabody College for Teachers at Nashville and is publishing a paper, Southern School News, giving accurate and unslanted news reports on what the region is doing with respect to carrying out the Supreme Court ruling. This should prove of great help to Southern educators and editors and legislators as they tackle this problem.

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Within a few months the Court will deliver its decree setting forth the steps which must be taken and presumably giving the time allowance for putting the decree into effect. With a measure of patience and forbearance on all sides the practice of segregation will be brought to an end, and that, I hope, without any such absurd resistance as the abolition of public schools. That would be a form of community suicide which surely the intelligence of Southerners will not permit.

## Time Flies

FROM STATESMAN FILES

### 10 Years Ago

Sept. 21, 1944  
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gast are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Stefan Paul. (Mrs. Gast a prominent club woman now makes her home in Portland.)

Two important appointments fell to Justice George Rossman of the State Supreme Court here, while attending a meeting of the American Bar Association in Chicago. The judge was elected vice president of the American Judicature society and named to the committee on administrative law.

American airborne troops in a dramatic coup seized the vital lower Rhine bridge at Nijmegen intact and British tanks raced over it and deep into Holland through enemy defenses.

### 25 Years Ago

Sept. 21, 1929  
Eleven friends of Major John Coolidge entertained with a bachelor dinner in celebration of his coming wedding to Miss Florence Trumbull, daughter of Gov. and Mrs. John H. Trumbull.

A new automobile entrance at the state fair ground will be in operation this year. This is the 17th Street entrance which has been used for pedestrians only.

Everett Lisle, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lisle, left for Spokane, where he accepted a position as a YMCA secretary. He graduated from Willamette University and Chicago Y.M.C.A. college.

### 40 Years Ago

Sept. 21, 1914  
A bride-to-be greatly entertained before her marriage to Earl McMechan of North Yakima, Wash., was Miss Lola DeLong. Miss Gertrude Erickson entertained with a shower, a few of the guests were Miss Lenore Staley, Miss Velma Hoover, Miss Anna Yantis and Miss Lucille Belle.

Cards have been received in Salem announcing the birth of a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Thurlow Tyler-Smith at Sheridan. Mrs. Tyler-Smith was Maude Hawley Young.

The navy's great wireless plant at Arlington, Va., was put out of commission by a wind storm. The antennae were blown against the towers and the circuit grounded.

## Your Health

By Dr. Herman Bundesen

### DIABETIC NEEDS SPECIAL CARE FOR LEGS AND FEET

Amputation of one or both legs is often the result of poor foot care on the part of the diabetic, especially in older people. More is required of these people than simple diet care and insulin shots.

Good treatment of the feet is extremely important, for gangrene is 40 times more common in diabetic persons than in other people. They have an increased tendency toward hardening of the arteries and a greater susceptibility to infection. They are also more subject to severe forms of neuritis of the legs.

In diabetes, the pancreas, a gland located below the first part of the small bowel, does not give off enough of the hormone known as insulin. Insulin is necessary for normal tissue metabolism and the normal use of sugar within the body. When it is lacking, excesses of sugar appear in the urine and in the blood.

The person who suffers from diabetes must maintain cleanliness and explicitly follow his physician's instructions about foot treatment. He should refrain from dangerous self-treatment of his feet and should take special precautions against any injury that could occur to his legs. If any injury does occur, he should also have prompt medical care.

In a recent study of diabetics who had to have amputations, because of hardening of the arteries or gangrene, 30 per cent of the amputations were found to be due to personal neglect.

Diabetics should try to prevent foot infection by daily bathings of the feet, and the feet and legs should be gently washed with soap and water daily. The feet should then be carefully dried, particularly between the toes. Soft, clean, thick socks protect the feet from trivial injury and absorb perspiration. Tight shoes or even walking on creased shoes may be a risk.

If any infection at all develops, the patient should immediately place himself under the care of his physician. It is only in this way that many diabetics will save their legs from amputation.

Question and Answer  
Mr. M: I have hay fever and have neglected to take my desensitization shots this year. How can I now get relief?  
Answer: The antihistamine drugs can offer you much relief during the hay fever season, when used under the direction of your physician.

## Jet Airliner's Speed Said Near Sound

SEATTLE, Wash. (UP)—America's first jet transport, the Boeing 707, will approach closer to the speed of sound than any transport has before when put through more performance tests soon, Boeing officials said Monday.

The big, swept wing tanker transport prototype, laid up since Aug. 5 when its nose wheel assembly was damaged in a ground accident, will be put through a continuing program of flight evaluation during the coming weeks.

Boeing's test crew, headed by the company's chief test pilot, A. M. "Tex" Johnston, said the 15 million dollar privately built plane will be flown to the speed at which it reaches its "buffet boundary," the first indication the speed of sound is being approached.

The plane already has flown at speeds above mach .8, or four fifths the speed of sound, Boeing said. Within eight days after the maiden flight July 15, the strato-tanker, or stratoliner in the commercial version, had climbed to 42,000 feet.

Upon resumption of flight testing, the 707's four Pratt and Whitney JT-3 turbojet engines will be shut down to determine the lowest speeds at which the airplane can be safely controlled with one or more engines out of operation.

The airplane will also be pulled out of a dive with such force that the structure will be subjected to 80 per cent of the design limit.

Boeing announced recently that the Air Force will buy a "limited number" of the tanker-transport.

## Dulles Plans Unveiling of Atomic Plan

WASHINGTON (UP)—Secretary of State John Foster Dulles will formally unveil America's new atomic pool plan this week in a major address before the United Nations General Assembly, informed sources said Monday.

They revealed that Russia has ignored an 11th-hour invitation to participate so that the free world now has no recourse but to go ahead with the project alone.

Dulles is expected to lead the fight against Red China's admission to the U.N. where the ninth General Assembly session opens Tuesday and to make his speech Wednesday or Thursday. He spent the weekend at his Lake Ontario retreat getting ready.

No Reply  
A State Department official said Monday that "the Russians have not replied to our last note one month ago on the atomic pool proposal." And even if a reply should come, officials now feel certain it would not be favorable.

Dulles probably will make a strong point of Russia's "indifference" when he outlines the atom-for-peace proposal. He is expected to point out that Russia's refusal to join means the pool cannot be as effective nor as closely tied to the U.N. as President Eisenhower originally hoped.

For one thing, experts pointed out, this country must keep much firmer control of atomic materials it makes available for pool projects than would be necessary if Russia also were contributing. Some diplomats also feel there should not be a close tie with the U.N. where Russia might be able to kibitz on Allied plans.

Mr. Eisenhower said in a Labor Day statement that the United States and six other allies—Britain, Canada, Australia, South Africa, France and Belgium—had agreed to set up an international atomic agency. The aim is to harness the atom to peaceful projects that will better mankind.

## Wife's Jewels Said Sack's First Concern

PORTLAND (UP)—Detectives testified Monday that George Sack's first question after viewing the body of his wife in the morgue was what became of her jewelry and personal effects.

The Portland apartment house owner is on trial here charged with first degree murder in the death of his wife, Goldie, last Feb. 16.

Her body was found two days later in a clump of bushes on the outskirts of Portland.

The state is attempting to prove that Sack killed his wife because of marital difficulties and because she had a legal interest in his business affairs.

Sack has denied any knowledge of how the woman died.

## Activities Resume At Oregon State

CORVALLIS (UP)—Student week activities continued Monday at Oregon State College with an estimated 1700 freshmen and new transfer students on the campus. Dormitories and living groups opened Sunday.

Registration for both new and old students is scheduled Friday and Saturday. Freshman enrollment is expected to show about 120 more than were registered at the end of last year's period. That figure was 1,611.

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## It's me... GROUCHO in the POST

Millions are reading and talking about the life story of Groucho Marx in The Saturday Evening Post. Last week's issue was a sell-out. Get this week's Post today, and start laughing at My Old Man Groucho, by his son, Arthur.

## NOTRE DAME'S TERRY BRENNAN

Fans were amazed when Leahy's job went to a 25-year-old lawyer with no varsity coaching experience. Fred Russell reports on The New Wonder Boy of Notre Dame.

## Government Limits 'Set U.S. Apart'

Limits on the federal government and the rights guaranteed to states and individuals are what distinguish the United States government, it was declared Monday by Supreme Court Justice William C. Perry.

The Oregon justice addressed Salem Chamber of Commerce in a Constitution Day message. The program was sponsored by Marion County Bar Association.

"The government of the United States is not a concession to people from someone higher up; it is the creation of the people themselves," Justice Perry said in his talk on the constitution and bill of rights.

The documents, he stressed, reflect an inherent respect of one man for another.

The speaker was introduced by Reginald Williams, president-elect of the bar association.

It was the chamber's opening luncheon in a series of weekly programs for the membership at the Marion Hotel.

## Reception to Honor New City Teachers

New teachers on the faculties of Salem schools and Willamette University will be honored at a reception sponsored by the YMCA and YWCA from 8 to 9:30 p.m. at the YWCA.

Program leaders said the informal occasion is undertaken to give the newcomers an opportunity to find out about the YM and YW, as well as obtain information about churches and Salem generally in contact with persons outside their profession. Board members and executives of both YM and YW will be on hand to meet the teachers.

BOTTLED TOBACCO  
MAYSVILLE, Ky. (UP)—Allen Reed stuck four pop bottles, neck down, into his tobacco plant bed to hold up the canvas cover. A flourishing young plant has grown into each of the bottles.

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