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A Mrs. or an Engineer

We aren't in the recruiting business but from the figures before us it would not be unseemly to present the conclusion that, in more ways than one, women appear to have a tremendous opportunity in the engineering school of Oregon State College.

For one thing, during the winter term there are 1233 students in engineering — four of them women. And this is Leap Year, too. But even more important than romance — assuming there is any such thing — is the job demand for women engineers.

Dean George W. Gleason says industry wants the feminine viewpoint, particularly in such fields as civil, mechanical and chemical engineering. And women aren't barred, either, from the agricultural, electrical and industrial branches, by any means.

Engineering-trained women also are always in demand, the dean says, for technical librarians, editors of technical brochures and magazines, and as secretaries in engineering firms. Yet less than 100 ever have enrolled in OSC's engineering school and less than a dozen have graduated.

There are some 7000 women engineers in the nation, and their starting salaries are comparable with men's. Seems like quite an opportunity, girls, but when you're outnumbered 300 to 1 it looks from here like there's more chance you'd end up a Mrs. than an engineer. But you could be both!

Australia Still Growing Up

Whatever else in the way of opportunity is offered in the fast-growing Downunder country of Australia, true religious liberty apparently is missing in spots.

A team of evangelists notified its Tulsa, Okla., headquarters that the insurance company handling liability for its giant 18,000-capacity tent-cathedral had advised cancellation of engagements at Melbourne because of the interference of "organized gangs."

There is no indication that police protection had been refused, nor that the government in any way condoned interference with religious worship. It might be concluded, therefore, that the hoodlumism is confined to a vicious minority with which all countries are afflicted from time to time — particularly those which grow up as a veritable melting pot of all races, creeds and colors.

Grow up they do, however, eventually, and the unfortunate Melbourne experience can hardly be regarded as more than a straw in the fading wind of Australian conflict over the meaning of freedom.

It's the Year of the Monkey

It was quite a week end for the thousands of Chinese and Chinese-Americans in this country, and the fire-breathing dragons which snaked their way through the Chinatowns of such cities as New York, San Francisco and Honolulu once more attested to the deep-rooted traditions of the ancient Chinese civilization.

Sunday was the first day of the Year of the Monkey, the year 4653 according to the lunar calendar used by the Chinese people, and from all accounts it was appropriately observed — in Chinese costume but largely American style.

New York's colorful parade was punctuated by the usual giant firecrackers, as were the lines of march in several other cities which put a kings-X, for the day, on municipal ordinances. San Francisco's parade was a little possibly not much less noisy, because the chief of police last week decreed that anyone caught selling, buying or shooting off firecrackers would land in the hoosegow, New Years or no New Years. But in all Chinatowns there were family reunions; the usual paying off of the year's debts; games of dice and pai gow wherever they were tolerated; open-house in homes and businesses. In some, too there were the traditional religious ceremonies and the worshipping of ancestors reminiscent of the old China.

Chinese and Chinese-Americans in this country in the main are fine citizens, whether or not they qualify for that term in the legal sense. They have seen the nation of their family nativity fall beneath a surge of power-autocracy but they have their own life here now, and they can work and hope and be thankful that in the land of their adoption there are no confiscation of property or knocks on the door at midnight.

It would be interesting, as well as saddening, to know just how many hours are wasted in organizational wrangles over which candidate to support when, as a matter of fact, no organization in Democratic America can deliver more votes than its individual members want to give anyway. Our secret vote at the ballot box still reigns supreme.

Back in South Dakota there was a leak in the gas line which caused an explosion in Washington.

Editorial Comment

BOY SCOUT WEEK

Nobody who is in touch with any of the media of communication could very well miss the fact that last week was Boy Scout Week throughout the country. The Boy Scouts yearly receive a fanfare of attention on the anniversary of their organization's incorporation, Feb. 8, 1910.

In joining the round of congratulations, we would add the reminder that while, for most of us, scouting is a familiar institution that we gladly support with an occasional contribution and with a birthday salute, there are those upon whom it makes much heavier demands. The counselors, scoutmasters, assistant scoutmasters, leaders and committeemen who give up an evening, or more, every week to the direction of Boy Scout troops are men who should not be forgotten. Their interest in the training of youngsters to become physically fit, self-reliant and responsible citizens and their patience in facing up to the almost overpowering energies and animal spirits of two or three dozen boys in scout meetings are indispensable in making the Boy Scout movement the effective program it is. —San Francisco Chronicle.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"What with the money Roscoe's buried in our garden in seeds and fertilizers, he's way ahead of the Government on that soil bank idea!"

Time Flies:

From The
Statesman Files

10 Years Ago

Feb. 13, 1946

Five outstanding men of Willamette university were chosen for membership in Blue Key, national honor fraternity, it was announced by the university. Those from Salem were: Vernon Bartsch, Gaylord Howard and Gilbert Kister.

Entraining for San Francisco will be Miss Muriel White and her sister, Miss Mary White, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert White. Muriel will sail on the Lurline for Masterton, New Zealand, where she will be married to Ron F. Buick.

A couple of skunks got in Farmer George E. Cockrell's meat house at Pampa, Tex. Cockrell left the door open, hoping the visitors would leave. They didn't. So Cockrell attacked — successfully. But the skunks' counterattack cost him 1,000 pounds of meat.

25 Years Ago

Feb. 13, 1931

Preparations are going forward for the celebration of The Statesman's 80th anniversary of beginning publication, which occurs March 28, 1931. R. J. Hendricks, editor emeritus of The Statesman, noted Oregon historian, will cooperate on the history features.

Willamette university's basketball team, defending last sea-

son's championship title, fought to a second successive northwest conference championship in basketball by defeating Whitman, 38 to 21, at the Willamette gym.

One of Hollywood's most romantic love affairs came to light when Virginia Vallie and Charles Farrell were secretly married. The young star couple sailed on an Italian liner for a European honeymoon.

40 Years Ago

Feb. 13, 1916

Salem High school defeated Astoria High at basketball by a score of 23 to 17. Daryl Proctor, forward for Salem, starred for the Cherry City team, making five field baskets and three fouls. The game was fast and kept the crowd on its feet.

David R. Francis of St. Louis, secretary of the interior in Grover Cleveland's cabinet and former governor of Missouri, has been offered the post of ambassador to Russia. President Wilson has urged him to accept.

The new Moore building on Court Street near Liberty is rapidly nearing completion. The upper floor will be used by Miss Minnetta Magers who will have living quarters in a portion of the upper floor and will conduct her music studio in some of the rooms.

Red Balloon Fury Termed Propaganda

By WILLIAM L. RYAN
AP Foreign News Analyst

The noisy Soviet fretting about American balloons is mainly a propaganda show for domestic consumption in advance of the Communist party's 20th Congress which opens Tuesday. While it has some external purposes, too, the main objective is to re-frighten the Soviet people.

From the doings of the party congress this week, the Soviet public will be able to sense what is in store. There will be disappointment. In the main the Russians are going to be told they have a long time to wait before the flowering of promises made to them over these many years.

Diplomats thought the timing of the Soviet propaganda show on the balloons a bit odd, inasmuch as Premier Nikolai Bulganin was industriously engaged in sending sweet-talk notes to President Eisenhower. However, a little world peace goes a long way in Moscow.

There can be too much world peace, and it can cause the public to ask searching questions. If peace is so distinct a possibility, they could well ask, what are they waiting for? Why not divert some of the vast expenditure for guns and heavy industry into consumer channels and let them live it up a bit?

The enthusiasm with which the Kremlin latched onto the balloon issue and its failure to tell the public of the soft American reply were significant. They presented to the public what purported to be an incontestable proof that "warmongers" in the United States still were intent on aggressive spying in the U.S.S.R.

President Eisenhower might be a man of peace—but there is an election coming up, and the President may not even run for office. What happens in the United States when Eisenhower is no longer president and the "monopolists" return to full control?

The Kremlin can now argue that this is no time for relaxation of vigilance, no time to loosen belts and take things easy. The danger ahead, the Russians are told, is real and the only answer is more and more production that will build "the might of the Soviet motherland."

It would be no surprise now if the Communists organized "protest" meetings all over the U.S.S.R. to denounce the American balloons. That was the procedure exactly four years ago when the Communist leadership in Moscow and Peiping accused the United States of carrying on germ warfare in Korea.

After the intense campaign, which lasted for months, most of the Soviet people appeared to believe the charges.

There are incidental external purposes to the anti-balloon campaign. First, the Soviet military seems wholly convinced the weather balloons are tied up with actual American military intelligence. Second, the campaign is a convenient excuse for the Russians—who now have diplomatic relations with West Germany—to build a fire under the Germans and force them to eject the Free Europe Committee.

And third, the Russians want other countries to accept the idea that the United States military is an unending menace to world peace.

Safety Valve

Objects to Presentation
To the Editor:

I would like to comment briefly on the editorial entitled "Backfire in Al Sarona Hearing," which appeared in the January 24, 1956 issue of the Oregon Statesman.

I am sure that you must not have had a transcript of the testimony of Clarence A. Davis, under secretary of the Department of Interior before you when you wrote the words "the clear and forceful statement" of Mr. Davis, because that record shows that his testimony was anything but clear and forceful. As a matter of fact, under questioning by counsel and members of the subcommittee. Undersecretary Davis succeeded only in further befuddling the issues and the only clear testimony given by him was to the effect that his decision was based upon hearsay and an assay report handed to him by Congressman Harris Ellsworth.

In reference to your statement that "laws then prevailing" in respect to timber was not a factor for consideration in the decision, followed by the bracketed statement "they have since been changed to provide protection to government timber," you have evidently been misinformed. The change in the law to which you must refer is the Anderson Bill passed by the first session of the 84th Congress (Public Law 167). The provisions of that act do not protect timber after claims have gone to patent, as happened in the Al Sarona case.

This letter is written in the belief you would not knowingly be a party to misstating facts surrounding a flagrant giveaway of a valuable part of our national forests by evading established administrative rules, regulations and procedures.

James E. Murray,
U.S. Senator,
(Chairman of Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs)
Washington, D.C.

Your Income Tax

Information Offered on Your Federal Taxes

TAXPAYER ASSISTANCE

Use of telephones to secure information regarding income tax returns is increasing. The majority of the calls are being made between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. each day, and although additional trunk lines have been installed, some taxpayers are getting the busy signal at tax offices.

Busy taxpayers will find their calls promptly handled, if they call before 10 or after 3, any day

of the week. Stated R. C. Granquist, district director of the Oregon district.

On February 3 last year 63 thousand returns had been filed for this district. As of the same date this year, only 44,700 forms 1040 and 1040A have been filed. By greater use of telephone service available many individuals will be able to file their returns immediately. In those cases where a refund is due, the early filer generally gets his refund at an earlier date.

Large Staff

"A trained and augmented staff of employees is available at the larger district offices to take care of counter service, principally on Monday's but to the extent necessary on other workdays of the week," the District Director stated, adding, "In addition, monitors are stationed in these larger offices to answer questions and assist each taxpayer who has problems in preparing his return."

In most field locations where only a small staff is maintained, assistance is available on Mondays. Employees in the field remain in their office all day on Mondays principally for such taxpayer assistance work. Taxpayers in these areas can telephone daily, or if necessary visit the office, if problems are complex.

Both Signatures Needed

A considerable number of income tax returns filed to date jointly by husband and wife are being received with only the signature of the husband. Both husband and wife should sign the Form 1040 if a joint return is being filed, even though the wife may have no income or deductions.

Intelligent questions asked by taxpayers in making telephone calls to the office, a spokesman stated, indicate very definitely that taxpayers are finding out they are able to prepare their own returns this year with very little difficulty, after having read carefully the new printed instructions accompanying their Form 1040.

Joan Crawford Enters Hospital

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Jan. 26 — Actress Joan Crawford entered a private hospital Saturday for treatment of a neck injury suffered aboard the liner Italia while en route to Jamaica for a holiday. The nature of the injury or how it occurred was not disclosed.

Pd. Adv.

People 60 to 80

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Republican Political Strategy Calculated to Exploit Major Divisions in Demo Ranks

By JOSEPH and STEWART
ALSO

WASHINGTON — At this point in the current session of Congress, one thing is already apparent.

The Eisenhower administration's legislative program is a masterpiece of political strategy in an election year.

The program is brilliantly calculated to exploit the deep divisions in the Democratic party.

As a result, the Democrats, in control of both Houses, are paralyzed on a whole series of politically potent domestic issues. As one of the shrewdest observers on Capitol Hill has remarked, "The Republican candidate is going to have a dandy time denouncing that no-good, do-nothing Democratic 80th Congress."

Take the school issue. The Democrats were prepared to exploit this emotionally charged issue, by passing the Democratic school-aid bill as almost the first order of business in the House.

But the Administration came up with a bill of its own, thus preventing the Democrats from claiming the sole glory for helping the school children. At the same time a Democrat, Adam Clayton Powell of New York, threatened to introduce an amendment forbidding Federal aid to non-segregated schools.

The Republican House leaders, Joe Martin and Charles Halleck, passed the word to support the Powell amendment, thus almost assuring its passage — and also, of course, assuring the bill's being filibustered to death in the Senate. But this will leave the Republicans in a happy situation.

They will be able to claim credit for supporting the Powell amendment with Negro voters. At the same time, they will be able to pin the blame for murdering the school aid bill squarely on the Democrats. In this situation, the Democratic leadership have kept the school bill off

the floor, while they wrestle with their agonizing dilemma.

The same kind of paralysis affects the Democrats on other issues.

The President has announced that he means to ask Congress for legislation to establish a civil rights commission, to inquire into racial discrimination. The Southerners immediately made it clear that they would filibuster this modest proposal to death.

Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, for example, wrote his constituents that he would speak on the issue, while there was "breath in his body."

Some Democrats darkly suspect that the Administration means to spring still more civil rights proposals, in order to exploit further the North-South split in the party. But it is not only on civil rights that the Democrats are paralyzed.

President Eisenhower has proposed broadened coverage for the minimum wage. But many Southerners bitterly oppose this, too, and it is expected to come to nothing. The President has also recommended that the provisions of the McCarran Immigration Act, an emotional issue among minority groups, be "re-examined." But it is most unlikely that the Democratic leadership will even attempt to revise the act.

Then there is revision of the Taft-Hartley Act, and the President's modest health re-insurance scheme, both of which will almost certainly be blocked. Al-

together it is easy to see why the Democrats press the farm issue so lovingly to their bosoms — it is just about all they have got.

But even here they may be disappointed. The present expectation is that 90 per cent of parity will be tacked onto the Administration farm program, with the help of Republican votes. And the belief is growing that the President may sign the bill, on the grounds that it is on balance good legislation, despite the parity provisions.

Thus even this favorite Democratic issue may be aborted. And if Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Benson then resigns in protest — as he has indicated — it will cause remarkably little pain in the breasts of farm state Republicans.

Finally, the Democrats are somberly convinced that the Administration will spring a vote-getting tax-cut towards the end of the session. To be sure, the shrewdly-led Democrats may also have a trick or two up their sleeves. But they are obviously in danger of being backed into a corner on many issues and, already it is clear that the Administration has been putting on a remarkably sure-footed and sophisticated political performance, in sharp contrast to the clumsiness of the first couple of years.

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IT SEEMS TO ME

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then the government should do the job. As to thermonuclear power and direct conversion of radiation energy (instead of the heat-transfer from present reactors) the committee admits it hasn't enough information to venture an opinion.

Other peaceful uses which should expand are in medicine and health, in agriculture, in propulsion in transportation and in general industrial operations.

As might be expected with a newspaperman as chairman (and considering the frank views of Chairman Sen. Anderson of the Joint Committee) emphasis is put on making more of the knowledge about atomic energy available "to the maximum number of people."

The report urges the JC to re-examine the concept that atomic information in all fields is "born" classified. To quote:

"... we believe that this concept is not compatible with the expeditious action required to permit rapid development of peaceful uses of atomic energy; and that therefore this concept should be limited to the design, manufacture or utilization of atomic weapons."

Congress is responsible for the legislation under which the AEC operates, though charges have been made that the AEC is even more guarded in its release of information than the law requires. Sen. Anderson has been trying to open up a lot of AEC data for general civilian use.

This committee wants the United States to press with plans to bring atomic power to other nations, and recommends a series of regional conferences for immediate establishment of realistic goals for installing AE plants in specific countries. This would follow up and accelerate the program which the United States first advanced in United Nations in 1953 and promoted at Geneva in 1955.

It seems to add-up to this: More money spent for research on the peace-side of atomic energy; greater freedom of information from government laboratories. Putting this in the "public domain" will help independent scientists to pursue their research. Secrecy should be limited to the strictly military side of atomic energy use.

The committee report dashes the hopes of those who had hoped they could run their automobiles with a capsule of atomic energy:

"Atomic-powered civilian automobiles and commercial trucks and buses are not technically feasible today and apparently will not be in the foreseeable future."

Other areas appear practical but entry into an atomic age depends on the speed with which we can solve the many problems and hazards which now confront the men engaged in atomic research for peacetime uses.

Reserves to Hear Lecture On A-Weapons

An illustrated lecture on the tactical use of the Army's atomic weapons will be presented to Salem area units of the Army Reserve at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Armory, 775 Airport Rd.

The lecture is to be given by two combat-experienced infantry officers from the Sixth Army. They are Lt. Col. Dayton F. Caple, battalion commander of the 71st Infantry Division's 5th Regiment, and 1st Lt. James M. Leslie, light aircraft pilot of the 2nd Infantry Division. Both are stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash.

The two-hour demonstration will cover types of atomic bursts and their tactical uses and impact of atomic devices on future operations of the ground and airborne forces. Members of all Armed Forces Reserve components are invited to attend the lecture.

Easter Seal Campaign Due Next Month

Easter Seals will go into more than 33 million American homes during the 1956 Easter Seal campaign, according to an estimate by the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults, commonly known as the Easter Seal Society.

The annual nationwide appeal, which marks 35 years of service, will open Saturday, March 10, and continue through Saturday, April 10.

Millions of appeal letters and sheets of the seals will be sent through the mails throughout the campaign. The seals, which this year depict a crippled child beside an Easter lily, will finance hundreds of direct services to crippled children and adults in each of the 48 states and territories.