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Teamsters Purge Needed

The gravest feature of the expose now being made by the Oregonian of organized efforts to syndicate vice in Portland is the part played by officials or associates of officials of the teamsters' union in the set up.

It is therefore disturbing to note that no official in the teamsters' union and so far none of its membership has expressed even an interest in the disclosures which involve their own executives.

As though to flaunt Meany, the teamsters threw a big dinner for James Hoffa, vice president of their International, Friday night at Detroit's state fair coliseum.

Margolis Childs, Washington reporter, who has been making a political tour of the country reports from Portland that it was Ralph H. Calks, former Republican national committeeman, who started the push to get Doug McKay to run for the Senate.

Quite a contrast between the two weddings of last week. In a palace and a cathedral a very attractive motion picture star became the bride of a European prince.

Democrats Using Primary Election Figures To Show Eisenhower Beatable in November

WASHINGTON — Since the President's veto of the farm bill, and the recent series of primaries, some Democrats are beginning to say that Eisenhower can be beaten, and even to sound as if they meant it.

Most Democrats still privately believe that there is about as much chance of beating the President as there would be of defeating a suddenly resurrected George Washington.

At least worth reproducing. It falls roughly into five parts. 1. The public opinion polls provide the only solid evidence that the President is invincible.

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Driving Fallacies

In hardly any area of human affairs are statistics gathered so faithfully and weighed and compared as in the matter of traffic accidents.

Some funny things show up when the figures are all tabulated. A booklet put out by Travelers Insurance companies under the title of "Fatal Fallacies" shows some of them.

The booklet concludes: Highway safety is a problem in human engineering. Any attempt to shift the emphasis to mechanical or highway engineering is a failure to place the responsibility where it belongs.

Circus Difficulties

Emmett Kelly made an appearance on a TV program a few nights ago. He is the world famous clown, and the reason he could take part in a TV program instead of the Ringling Bros and Barnum & Bailey circus which was performing at Madison Square Garden was that he had quit the circus.

Advertised as the Greatest Show on Earth it faces tremendous difficulties to keep operating, and a labor squabble may just do it in.

The chapter on "Evasive Tactics," is of interest. Part of it reads, "If a reporter should ask the candidate a direct question about a bribe the candidate is accused of taking, two things must be done immediately.

The U. N. Economic and Social Council by a vote of 15 to 0 postponed indefinitely debate on a proposal to reform the calendar. This was one of the "world calendar" plans in which every day of the month would fall on the same day of the week every year.

Progress on the proposed merger of Long-Bell Lumber Co. with International Paper Co. is "encouraging and favorable" according to the report of L-B president, Jesse Andrews to stockholders at their annual meeting.

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THE CRUEL "SEE"



Comes the Dawn by Conrad Franke

There's a new book out written especially for candidates seeking public office. The book is called "Care and Feeding of Political Reporters." Its purpose is to instruct young and nervous candidates on how to handle questions from newspaper reporters.

The chapter on "Misinterpreting the Question" offers this advice: "Suppose a reporter asks a candidate this question, 'Were you ever convicted of drunk driving?' The enterprising candidate will answer, 'Yes. That is on old klunk I'm driving. I can't afford a better car, I am not a wealthy candidate seeking to enrich myself, but rather an average man of the people, who, though poor... etc.'"

Chapter 6 — on "Stump Questions" — has this to offer. "Frequently a zealous reporter will ask a candidate for precinct committeeman to give his views on solving the Middle East problem. The candidate can always clear his throat and make the following statement: 'I had an uncle once who did some travelling through the Middle East. He took some pictures of some date trees and Arabs. I've got those pictures around home someplace. You come over sometime and I'll show 'em to you.'"

The chapter on "Snowballing the Question," gives this advice. "Frequently an unsympathetic reporter will ask this question, 'How can you favor all those costly schemes and still say you favor a tax reduction?' To this the prepared campaigner answers something like this, 'A wise man once said, you can tax my house but don't lay a hand on my dog. I take this to mean that taxes, benefits, the American flag and this great nation of ours are caught up and deeply entwined in the hearts of men everywhere. Free men, that is, Men who made this country what it is today. Do I make myself clear?'"

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Washington Mirror

Morse Rising Early To Talk to Farmers

By A. ROBERT SMITH Statesman Correspondent

WASHINGTON — It's beginning to look like the fellow who begs Sen. Wayne Morse is going to have to get up awfully early in the morning to do it.

Morse has been rolling out before dawn periodically of late to show quite proudly his herd of Devon cattle on his nearby Maryland farm to every visiting group of Oregon farmers that comes to town.

This past week, for example, a group of Prineville area residents was here to urge Congress to approve the Crooked River reclamation project bill. But hours before the lawmakers opened shop on Capitol Hill the visitors had a 5 a.m. date with Sen. Morse.

The senator and Mrs. Morse had got up even earlier to pick them up at their hotel and drive them out into the country for a look at the Morse herd. After a good farm breakfast, they returned them to their scheduled appointments in the capital.

Apparently getting up with the cows pays off for Morse. In Oregon last month a reporter for the Eugene Register-Guard was told by a returning farmer about getting the red carpet treatment from Morse the cattleman.

The Prineville visitors had a disquieting forecast for the Morse camp. They predicted Phil Hitchcock would defeat Doug McKay. Morse hopes McKay will win.

Washington is still chucking over a quip left behind by Doug McKay. He was part of the original Eisenhower cabinet until he resigned to run for the Senate. The original cabinet had been dubbed the "eight millionaires and a plumber" because it was made up of well-to-do business-

County Voter List Delayed

Complete tabulation of voter registration totals won't be completed for several more days, it was announced Saturday by the Marion County clerk's office.

Personnel of the office continued the task of compiling figures on Saturday, which normally is an idle day at the courthouse. Complete tabulations have been delayed by the heavy influx of last-minute registrations on deadline day last Tuesday.

Republicans from the 48 states and territories who were in town this past week for a high powered campaign strategy conference couldn't avoid the most outlandish display of political gadgets, knickknacks and gags that indicated what lies ahead in this presidential election year.

In the hotel where they met, the GOP politicians were given the big sales pitch by the manufacturers of campaign buttons, stickers and what-have-you. They were showing virtually anything they could print those famous letters on, I.K.E.

This included such visors, pens, book matches, beer can openers, bracelets and even sheer hosiery for the gal who is so dedicated to the cause that she wants to tell every man who looks at her ankles that "I Like Ike."

One clever auto sticker designed to be splashed across the back bumper of the family car was a parody on the warnings about not passing on the right. At one end it showed an elephant and the words, "Safe side." At the opposite end it showed a donkey and the inscription, "Suicide."

THE NOSE KNOWS TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP)—In a 6-1 decision, Florida's Supreme Court upheld an arrest by an officer who said he smelled fermenting marsh. In the majority opinion, Justice B. K. Roberts wrote of the odor of marsh "there is nothing else in the world I ever encountered that smells like it."

Active Clubs Hear Talk By Hitchcock EUGENE — Philip Hitchcock, Republican candidate for U. S. Senate nomination, flew here Saturday to speak after a day of campaigning in Portland and Beaverton.

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There are indications that the army has no intention of letting a war develop until it has an industrial backing comparable to that of the United States. And that, observers guess, is going to take at least 10 or more years.

The Communists have never set a timetable for world revolution. Their chief objective now is to dull Western defensive measures, weaken the Anglo-American entente, lull the free world to sleep, so that at the end of those years Russia may act as she pleases.

Molotov's strident voice is poor when it comes to lullabies.

McKay Backers Open Quarters The Marion County McKay for Senator committee has opened campaign offices at 330 Court St., according to County Chairman Kenneth Potts.

Women volunteers under Mrs. Edward E. Roth will man the office in support of former Interior Secretary Douglas McKay who is seeking the Republican nomination for U. S. Senate.

Downgrade of Molotov May Be Illusion

By J. M. ROBERTS AP News Analyst

Reports that V. M. Molotov is being downgraded by the Soviet hierarchy indicates a realization that they could never sell the "new look" as long as they used Stalin's old hammer.

His record of intransigence is too long, his inability to see anything he does not wish to see is too great. The things he has said about the West and its leaders have been too bitter ever to be forgotten.

When Molotov talks about cooperating for peace, in the Middle East, or elsewhere, he just isn't believed.

Khrushchev & Co. aren't having much luck selling the "new look" anyway. World diplomats warn that it is more "look" than anything else, and some prefer to call it the "smile offensive."

When Molotov succeeded Maxim Litvinov as foreign minister in 1939 everyone read the sign correctly as meaning that Russia was abandoning cooperation with the West. The pact which gave Hitler a free hand for war against the West soon followed.

But when Hitler turned against Russia, Litvinov was called out of hiding to re-establish close relations with the United States. He did such a good job that the cold war, which began throwing its shadow long before the end of the hot war, caught American policymakers flatfooted. The Russians work that way, using football's two-platoon system.

It may not be true that Molotov is being downgraded. It may be that he will be placed in a position of reserve merely for the sake of the "new look," available for recall to the front lines whenever the hierarchy wants to throw a few "Molotov cocktails."

Khrushchev himself pulled a typical "Molotov" when he opened the current London conference with his reference to Russia's possession of the A-bomb, and her ability to fly to London in 3 1/2 hours. Dictatorships, whether they be personal or collective, always seem to need such tactics from time to time.

Even if Molotov is being downgraded, as is the memory of his late master, Stalin, it would mean a sincere disavowal of belligerency by the hierarchy. It would mean that he is not in step with current tactics.

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Ex-State Civil Service Leader Tells Assignment James M. Clinton, former director of the State Civil Service Commission, will leave Monday for Richland, Wash., where he has a temporary position to set up a pay and classification plan for that city's employees.

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