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## IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

As an assist to National Library Week some 46 national periodicals have given space to special articles on libraries, books and reading. A very practical one is that in the March issue of "Better Homes and Gardens" which offers a section of the nucleus of a good home library. While public libraries open a far wider wealth of literature and reference material than is possible in the private home, there is need for books in the home too, both for reference and for reading. The "Better Homes" lists are principally for reference, and they are offered in \$20, \$100 and \$200 "packages," all obtainable from the publisher's book stores.

I am going to borrow two of these lists for today's column. The \$20 book list includes:

- Holy Bible (preferably with a dictionary and concordance)
- Dictionary
- Columbia Viking Desk Cyclopaedia
- Encyclopedia of World History, Lainger
- Atlas of World
- World Almanac (annual)
- Complete Works of Shakespeare
- New Standard Book of Etiquette
- Popular Medical Encyclopedia, Finbels

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## Vote Date Postponed By Cubans

HAVANA (AP)—The Supreme Electoral Tribunal Thursday night ordered postponement of Cuba's general election from June 1 to Nov. 1.

The election date had become an issue between President Fulbright Batista's government and critics who wanted to delay the voting in view of a suspension of civil rights that limits campaigning.

The government suspended civil rights to combat activities of rebel leader Fidel Castro and other unrest.

Batista is backing former Premier Andres Rivero Aguero for the presidency. He resigned from the premiership early this month to make the race.

Batista's current term ends next Feb. 24. But Castro has threatened to open "a fight to the finish" if the Batista regime stays in power through April 5.

There are three opposition candidates for the presidency.

They are former President Ramon Grau San Martin of the Autentico party, Carlos Marquez Sterling of the Free People's party and Alberto Salas of the Union party.

Public gatherings are forbidden under the suspension of constitutional guarantees. The best channels open to the candidates are radio and TV appeals.

## Spring's Debut Follows Form

The weather was reasonably springlike Thursday evening—as it should have been. For spring officially arrived at 7:06 p.m.

The official arrival was sort of anti-climax as Mid-Willamette Valley weather has had a springy flavor much of the winter thanks to unusually mild conditions.

Partial cloudiness and scattered showers are expected for the first full day of spring today and the showers will continue through Saturday, weathermen here said. Temperatures are expected to remain mild.

Forecast for Northern Oregon beaches today is showers and partial clearing.

## Scientists 'Not Utilized'

LOS ANGELES (AP)—The United States aircraft and missile industry has failed to utilize 25 to 30 per cent of its scientists and aeronautical engineers, missile expert Werner von Braun said Thursday night.

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## Sen. Morse Visits Salem, Sees Drop In Tax in 90 Days

By CONRAD FRANGE  
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U.S. Sen. Wayne Morse, in Salem on a visit Thursday, predicted some sort of federal tax cut within 90 days.

The senator, who emphatically told newsmen he favored emergency deficit spending as a means of curing the economic recession, did not specify what type of tax relief would be forthcoming.

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"Reducing taxes and pump priming will not break Uncle Sam. He is not only solvent, but exceedingly wealthy. Spending some of this national wealth, when it is necessary, is sound fiscal policy."

"Since this depression is federally caused, it should be federally cured."

He said chances are good for congressional approval of legislation extending unemployment benefits. He added that the government's plan to extend benefits to persons who already have drawn the maximum should be accomplished by flat grants to the states, rather than by loans.

Supports Gov. Holmes

The senator, who said he didn't favor the role of a "political punch," pledged his full support to Gov. Holmes in his re-election bid for the Democratic primary gubernatorial nomination. He also said he would support Attorney Gen. Robert Y. Thornton, Democratic candidate for the congressional seat now held by Republican Walter Norblad.

Sen. Morse, who arrived from Washington early Thursday to participate in a Jackson Day dinner Saturday night in Portland, met with county political candidates in Salem at noon Thursday.

Later he attended a reception in his honor at Silverton, where some 65 persons called at the American Legion Hall. He then returned to Portland.

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## Military Pay Jump Passes House Group

WASHINGTON (AP)—A bill raising military pay scales was approved by the House Armed Services Committee Thursday and routed toward the floor.

Under Rules Committee clearance, the bill will be considered by the House Monday. A vote is expected Monday or Tuesday.

A companion measure, also designed to keep more good men in the service, is pending in the Senate Armed Services Committee.

In the House committee there were no votes against the measure and no adverse criticism. Twenty-nine committee members voted to approve the bill as it came from a subcommittee yesterday.

If enacted, the measure would mean a pay raise for practically all career servicemen with two or more years of active duty. Those in their first two years of active duty would not be affected.

It also would authorize the different services to grant extra pay raises for certain skills and proficiencies. The nature of these skills and proficiencies would be decided by the services themselves.

In addition the bill provides for a six per cent pay increase for retired personnel.

## Spending Week Decree Requested To Fight Slump

COLUMBIA, S. C. (AP)—Most of us observe this year round without a chance to argue the point, but the South Carolina Legislature would like to make it official.

The Legislature sent a resolution Thursday to Congress and President Eisenhower urging that March 21-April 5 be designated National Money-Spending Week.

The resolution called the recession "an unfortunate state of mind" and said all that is needed "to stem the tide is confidence and the abolition of fear."

## PUC Chief Threatens Power Boss

Public Utilities Commissioner Howard Morgan threatened Thursday to prosecute President Thomas E. Roach of Idaho Power Co. if he ignores the company's application for permission to issue \$20 million worth of long-term securities.

Morgan made the threat in a letter to Roach. The commissioner said newspapers had quoted Roach as saying he intends to ignore Morgan's order.

The company wants to issue the securities to help finance construction of the three dams of the Snake River that were licensed by the Federal Power Commission. The state, however, never has acted on the company's application for a state license to build the dams.

In the letter, Morgan said that the law provides maximum penalties of five years in prison and \$20,000 fine for failure to abide by Morgan's order. Then Morgan wrote:

"If you choose to disregard the applicable provisions of Oregon laws, I shall have no alternative but to report your action to the attorney general of this state for such prosecution of your actions as may be appropriate in the circumstances."

## 125 Employees Of Hospital in Seattle Strike

SEATTLE (AP)—One hundred and 25 employees of Swedish Hospital, this city's largest private hospital, went on strike Thursday to back demands that Hospital Workers Union Local 901 be recognized as their bargaining agent.

Raymond Farwell, administrator of the hospital said: "Our operations are essentially normal, with the exception of our laundry department. Other provisions are being made for handling our laundry."

Picket lines set up by the striking non-professional housekeeping, dietary and nursing employees were being ignored by the hospital's 1,000 other employees, but the delivery of everything except essential medical supplies was suspended.

Gene Hooper, president of the local union, and Farwell both pledged that nothing would be done to endanger the 265 patients who were in the hospital when pickets began their patrol at 5:30 Thursday morning.

## Junior Musicians Pack for Road Trip



Salem Junior Symphony members come in all sizes, but it doesn't affect their music. The group had a final rehearsal Thursday afternoon before leaving Sunday for Los Angeles to perform at a national music educators' conference. Following the rehearsal, the junior musicians began packing. Ralph McEldowney (left) and Charles Bell are in foreground. (Statesman Photo) (Story on page 19.)

## Vanguard I May Orbit 30 Years, Expert Says

NEW YORK (AP)—The little Vanguard moon may be up in space for as long as 30 years, a consultant to the Navy project said Thursday.

Dr. Paul Hergert also predicted the life of Explorer I, the Army satellite, would be about 5 to 10 years. It originally had been predicted it would be up from 2 to 4 years.

The actual life of the Vanguard moon can not be predicted with any certainty until it has been observed for at least a month, he said.

It took some three weeks of observations to make the prediction of Explorer's lifetime.

Dr. Hergert, director of the Cincinnati Observatory, met with newsmen and scientists attending a symposium on celestial mechanics.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (AP)—The Moonwatch team at Kirtland Air Force Base reported it spotted all of the earth's artificial satellites in less than an hour's time Thursday.

The first sightings were of the components of the newest satellite, the Navy's Vanguard.

The Army's Explorer I satellite was sighted at 5:29 a.m.

Russia's Sputnik II passed over in the interval between the Vanguard and Explorer sightings.

Meanwhile, at Cape Canaveral, Fla., the Army has mounted the Redstone first stage of its Jupiter-C rocket upon a mobile launching stand in preparation for a new satellite launching attempt, probably within a week.

## Storm Fails to Halt Weekly Newspaper

CHESTERSTOWN, Md. (AP)—Thursday was deadline day for the weekly Kent County News, but a heavy snow snapped power lines and left the newspaper without electricity.

Editor Bill Usilton was not dismayed. He went across the street to a farm equipment agency, borrowed a tractor, hooked it up to his press and rolled out a 20-page edition.

The parents of the Escrey boy brought suit in Jackson County Court, which issued a restraining order to prevent the governor from commuting the sentence. This order is temporary.

The case has been transferred to Marion County Circuit Court, where Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton has asked that the suit be dismissed on grounds that the court lacks jurisdiction.

## House Votes Farm Price Props Freeze

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House Thursday voted a one-year freeze on farm price supports and planting allowances. Advocates called the bill an anti-recession check on the decline in the farm economy.

Republicans and a handful of city Democrats waged an unsuccessful fight to kill the bill or limit it to dairy products. They were outvoted 210-173 by Democrats and dissatisfied corn belt Republicans.

On final passage, 166 Democrats and 44 Republicans voted for the bill, 51 Democrats and 141 Republicans against it.

The bill now goes back to the Senate to compromise differences over the time period.

Democratic leaders in the Senate said they planned to try to accept the House measure and speed it to the White House. Sen. Knowland of California, the Senate Republican leader, said no such plan had been discussed with him.

There is a wide expectation that President Eisenhower will veto the bill.

The House version would stay pending price support cuts for 1958, holding the supports at last year's levels. Planting allowances for 1959 would be held at no less than this year's acreage allotments.

The Senate-passed version contains no time limitation. Its freeze would remain in effect until repealed or superseded by congress.

## Adenauer Ignores Soviets, Agrees to A-Missile Bases

BONN, Germany (AP)—Chancellor Konrad Adenauer declared Thursday that West Germany's soldiers will be armed with atomic weapons and missile bases will be built on German soil if the Atlantic Allies think that necessary.

Adenauer and his lieutenants put on a spirited defense of their policies in the Bundestag after receiving from Soviet Ambassador Andrei Smirnov a new memorandum raising again the question of an East German-West German federation.

The note accused the Bonn government of being more interested in getting U.S. nuclear and missile weapons than in German unification.

Government speakers again rejected the idea of federation, which would give the Eastern Communist regime an equal voice in German affairs. They coldly turned down opposition demands for a ban on atomic weapons and missile bases in Germany.

Adenauer argued that West Germany is a member of NATO. If NATO says Bonn's soldiers should have the most modern weapons, then West Germany would be withdrawing from NATO if she refused the technical advice of NATO military experts.

## Storm Crams 600 Persons In Tiny Cafe

Heavy Snowfall Blocks Turnpike in Pennsylvania; Food Supplies Short

MORGANTOWN, Pa. (AP)—One of the season's worst snow storms left more than 600 persons stranded Thursday at a small restaurant on the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

People were everywhere—sleeping on floors, sitting huddled against walls, standing or leaning. There were at least half a dozen babies under a year old in the group.

During the day-long ordeal an Ohio man died. He was George L. Bliss, 61, of Rocky River. Bliss collapsed after making his way through drifts from his car to the restaurant.

The Brandywine Restaurant is located on the toll road at the Morgantown interchange, about nine miles south of Reading.

No food supplies have reached the restaurant since Wednesday. Until darkness fell an Air Force helicopter ferried to the haver motorists, bus passengers and truckers stranded along the super highway.

The turnpike has been closed from Harrisburg to the New Jersey state line—111 miles. Highway crews were attempting to reach the restaurant but huge drifts made it improbable they would succeed before morning.

Here's the situation as described by Bob Finucane, sports editor of the Chester Pa. Times, who is among the stranded.

Every Available Space Said Filled

"The situation was becoming serious—the inadequate facilities of the restaurant were not holding up. There was a danger food would run out. People were everywhere, sleeping on floors, sitting huddled against walls, standing, leaning—nearly 700 people I'd estimate."

"There were children running around and there were at least half a dozen babies under a year old."

"Then Dr. Robert Lombard of Marietta, Lancaster County, stood up and said, 'We've got to get organized because it looks like we'll be here a long time.'"

"Everybody turned to help immediately. A first aid unit was set up under the direction of Dr. Ralph Daroff, a Philadelphia osteopath."

"The Rev. C. E. Hopkins, of the Episcopal Divinity School in Philadelphia is washing dishes."

"Dr. J. C. Hudson of Chambersburg is helping and his daughter June, 21, a student nurse, is assisting in the first aid station."

"Among the standees are a number of theatrical entertainers who plan programs. The entertainers are headed by Frankly Avalon, one of the current teen-age rock 'n' roll favorites, another group popular with the teen-agers called Danny and the Juniors and the Storey Sisters."

## East Seaboard Crippled By Storm; Power Fails

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

One of the worst winters in years bowed out Thursday, with a final, nasty blow at the Eastern Seaboard. A storm swirled in from the Atlantic and dumped up to two feet of snow on coastal areas. (Picture on wirephoto page.)

The wet snow and accompanying wind gusts of up to 75 m.p.h. wrought havoc with communication and power lines.

Washington had its worst power damage since the early 1950s. It even hit the White House.

In five states and the District of Columbia, nearly a million homes or business establishments were without electricity for various lengths of time.

Power failures delayed some Pennsylvania Railroad trains out of New York's Penn Station. Trains and planes in many sections were running late or not at all.

The storm almost duplicated in character and course a snowstorm of last Friday that badly crippled vast sections of the coast.

Six deaths were directly attributed to the new storm.

Spring made its debut at 10:00 p.m. EST under the most miserable of conditions.

Community Crippled

Southern New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania were virtually crippled as telephone and power lines came down under a burden of snow and the driving impetus of gale winds.

Virtually all of southern Jersey was without electricity, with more than 500,000 homes darkened.

## On the Brighter Side . . .



Trail's End Tenderfoot Scout Alan Blanchard, 1875 Berry St. SE, returned from an overnight camping trip Thursday, and from the look on his face had a wonderful (but tiring) time. He is shown taking it easy amid a pile of camping equipment while waiting for a ride home.

## The Weather

Today's forecast: Partly cloudy with scattered showers through Saturday; highest temperature today near 60, low tonight 42. (Complete report page 2)

## Nunn Execution Due Next Friday But Postponement Seen in Legal Tangle

Billy Junior Nunn is scheduled to die in the Oregon State prison gas chamber a week from Friday for the murder in Jackson County of 14-year-old Alvin Escrey.

But the odds are that he won't, even though prison Warden Clarence T. Gladden is proceeding with plans for the execution.

The execution probably will be delayed while the courts decide whether Gov. Robert D. Holmes can commute the sentence because of the governor's opposition to capital punishment.

## Worse Than Hurricane

Philadelphia reported conditions there worse than in the big 1954 hurricane.

The Pennsylvania Turnpike was closed for 111 miles.

Baltimore had about two feet of snow in some sections. Highways and city streets in that area were barely passable.

Washington had up to 10 inches of wet snow, and there, again, power failures were widespread.

The storm came from the Atlantic off the Carolina coast and then moved northward along the seaboard into New England.

New York City got a steady, driving wet snow but most of it melted as it hit the ground and traffic conditions were nearly normal there.

Airline flights by the score were canceled at Los Angeles and Philadelphia airports. One of those grounded was the lord mayor of Dublin, Ireland, James Carroll. He missed a luncheon date with Boston city officials.

Heavy snowfall was the forecast as far north as Maine.