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Quiet! Maybe They'll Go Away...

## Washington Merry-Go-Round

By DREW PEARSON

WASHINGTON — As one who has been called names by presidents, I suppose I should get sardonic satisfaction from the fact that President Eisenhower was called a "lousy liar" by Congressman Cleveland Bailey of West Virginia. But I didn't. Name-calling in American politics doesn't pay.

However, the issue which caused Congressman Bailey to pop off — namely aid to education — is one of the most important in the nation, and if you know Congressman Bailey's role in the battle for better education, you can understand why he lost his temper.

It so happens that Bailey has been one of the most valiant and faithful fighters for schools in the entire history of congress. For seven years he has struggled to pass a school bill. At the climax of this struggle, just as the aid to education bill was about to come up for a vote, he saw the president do two things which the public didn't know about.

1. — Ike called off his press conference the day before the school bill vote so he would not have to express an opinion on it.

2. — The president also suppressed a vitally important report urging federal aid to colleges just before the school bill vote.

Many months earlier, the president had appointed a "committee on education beyond the high school." Chairman of the committee was a conservative Republican and J. P. Morgan director, Devereux Joseph, chairman of the New York Life Insurance Company. This is not exactly a communist organization and Mr. Joseph is not unfriendly to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

This Ike-appointed committee had finished a painstaking report which was marked for public release July 28 — the Sunday before the house was scheduled to vote on school construction.

While the report did not specifically support the school construction bill, it did make alarming statements about our lagging education.

It cited an "unparalleled demand" by all Americans for better and better education. American education, it said, has entered a "revolutionary phase."

"Without realizing it, we have become a society of students," said this report, headed by one of the most conservative businessmen in New York.

**White House Suppression**  
 Then, after outlining the tremendous need for education, the committee appointed by Eisenhower proceeded to criticize the government for failure to make known the needs of aid for education.

"We have been struck above all else," said the president's committee, "by the astounding lack of accurate, consistent, and up-to-date facts, and by how little this nation knows about its educational enterprise."

This report, which would have helped to enlighten congress on educational needs just before it was to vote on the aid to education bill, was all ready for publication July 28. Suddenly the president held it up. The report was suppressed and the school bill defeated.

After that, the President announced to the public that he had done everything in his power to support the school bill. And after that, Congressman Bailey of West Virginia called him "a lousy liar."

Note 1 — The report on education was later published by the White House Aug. 11, and while the White House will doubtless deny that publication was delayed, they will send you a copy if you write and ask for it.

Note 2 — Bailey was not the only one critical of Ike's stand on the school bill. Vice President Nixon himself made caustic, though private comment regarding Eisenhower's wishy-washy stand on both school aid and the civil rights bills. It was the first time Nixon has been heard to use harsh words about the president.

**Probing Business**  
 If you're a senator investigating labor, or if you're a senator investigating big business it makes a lot of difference.

In order to investigate either group after the senate convenes every morning, you have to get permission of the senate leadership, because senate committees are not supposed to sit while the senate is in session.

Last week an interesting thing happened when Sen. Estes Kefauver was probing the high cost of living and had Roy Blough, fast-talking head of U.S. Steel, on the witness stand to ascertain why U.S. Steel contributed to inflation by boosting prices. Naturally, such important testimony as U.S. Steel's could not be concluded in a single morning, so when the senate con-

## Woman Fails To Yield to HST

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UP)—Miss Willie Mae Dunn of Kansas City was given a ticket Wednesday for failure to yield the right of way. Police said the fact that the person who had the right of way was former President Truman made no difference.

Miss Dunn, 48, and Truman were driving south when the woman's car edged into the inner lane and hooked the left front fender of her car to the right rear bumper of Truman's vehicle.

Truman was a bit late for a lunch engagement, but otherwise didn't seem disturbed. Neither driver was hurt.

**SPEEDS TO JAIL**  
 SOUTH HAVEN, Mich. (UP)—Motorist Wayne Flickenger learned the hard way that haste makes waste. After being given a ticket for speeding, Flickenger sped away again. This time, he was jailed.

At 12 noon, Kefauver asked permission to meet in the afternoon.

Senator Knowland of California, the GOP leader, promptly objected. He had been tipped off by Sen. Everett Dirksen, Republican of Illinois, the member of Kefauver's committee who asked helpful questions of glib steel mogul Blough.

So the Kefauver committee probing U.S. Steel's inflationary action didn't meet that afternoon. But down the hall from Kefauver's empty room, a jam-packed senate racketeers committee got permission to continue its more popular job of probing labor.

## Anti-Spy Measures

The Soviet intelligence colonel, Rudolf Ivanovich Abel, who was indicted as a spy by a federal grand jury on Aug. 7, could face the death penalty. Congress at the close of the 1954 session authorized capital punishment for peacetime spying.

The Espionage and Sabotage Act of 1954 removed the 10-year statute of limitations theretofore in effect. Federal law provides that an indictment for a capital offense may be found at any time, without limitation.

The measure also made sabotage laws effective in time of national emergency as well as in war. And it broadened definitions of what constitutes "war material" and "national defense material" contained in previous anti-sabotage registration, and took into account sabotage potentialities of radioactive, biological, and chemical agents.

The 1954 measure was part of an all-over tightening of internal security laws. Congress at the same time "outlawed" the Communist Party by denying it legal rights. Red-infiltrated groups were deprived of their rights before the National Labor Relations Board.

The outlawry bill was the work of Democrats smarting under charges that the two previous administrations had been "soft on Communism." It was not part of the "anti-Communist" program requested by President Eisenhower and Attorney General Herbert Brownell, Jr.

But Congress did pass one specific bill requested by the President, stripping citizenship rights from Reds convicted of subversive acts.

The measure most desired by Brownell was a bill to permit use of wiretap evidence in federal courts. The House passed such a bill in a form distasteful to the administration, requiring federal court approval of the Attorney General's request for permission to tap telephone wires in suspected cases of espionage, sabotage, and crimes against "national security." The measure subsequently was bottled up in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Congress, however, did approve at the 1954 session another measure much desired by Brownell, though not in the form Brownell requested. This gave federal courts — not the Attorney General — authority to grant immunity against self-incrimination to witnesses whose testimony might be needed in cases directly affecting the national security.

Brownell at the 1955 session requested a Defense Facilities Act which would permit F.B.I. screening of all persons working in or having access to defense plants. And he repeated his request for the legal use of wiretap evidence in national security cases.

But these and other internal security measures were sidetracked with the creation in 1955 of a Hoover-type commission to study the adequacy of laws on espionage, sabotage, safety of public and private defense installations, and protection of government secrets. This commission's report, issued last June 23, concentrated heavily on the last of these areas.

However, the commission did make certain recommendations for tightening industrial, atomic energy, port, air transport, passport, and immigration security. And the commission came out flatly for a wiretap law in the form requested by Brownell. It called the case of Judith Coplon — freed in 1951 because evidence against her was gained by wiretapping — "a prime example of a legalized miscarriage of justice."

## Coincidences

There were many coincidences in the lives and in the deaths of two former Bend residents, Charles J. Monahan and John H. Jeffries.

They were born in the same year. They spent a considerable part of their lives in Bend. They died the same day, one in San Francisco, the other in Portland. They were buried the same day. Services were held in the same chapel, an hour apart.

They spent the final years of their lives in the same city, Portland. Their obituaries appeared, side by side, in the same issue of The Bulletin.

This list of coincidences could be lengthened. Both were friendly men, both were good citizens, both were well liked in the community, Bend, that was so long their home.

## Dive-Bombing Birds

Nighthawks, considered by some to be heralds of autumn in the plateau country of Oregon, are on the wing again.

Fact is, these interesting night birds have been around since early June. But only recently have they become "noisy and nasal."

These are the birds that swoop from the sky on the trail of insects in flight. As they plunge earthward, at times from great heights, their wings make a strange booming sound.

Their harsh screams add interest to their spectacular plunges.

For some undetermined reason, nighthawks frequently confine their activities to the sky above cities. Possibly this is due to the fact that human activity on the ground keeps insects in the air — the medium in which the nighthawks hunt.

Incidentally the nighthawk is a thoroughly misnamed bird. It is not a hawk at all. It is a member of the bird family called the goat sucker.

And, of course, it does not suck goats. But it is an interesting bird — a dive bomber of the twilight hours.

## Quotable Quotes

I have never been a spy before. I don't know where I found the courage to do it the first time, but believe me, to tell the truth, I don't think I could do it again. — Movie producer-composer Boris Morros, on his 12 years as an American counter-spy.



## Letters--

to the Editor

To the Editor:

I have been reading the columns in papers and the people's opinions about the Aug. 10 atomic testing in Nevada.

1st) Mr. Stenkamp feels sorry for the Japanese and their fatalities. Well Japanese didn't feel sorry for our American boys in Pearl Harbor in 1941.

2nd) Mr. Stenkamp says the Russians are testing their bombs on their own soil without endangering anyone. Mr. Stenkamp forgot something, that Russia is holding all other nations under its claws. Those people do not have a chance to protest!

How do I know? I came from one of those countries. Russia would like us to believe its propaganda. Maybe some Americans do, but I do not believe.

I was under the Nazi and Communist too long. So I am very familiar with their methods of treatment.

As to the other letter to the Editor with criticism toward Sgt. Dearborn, I agree about the way the Communists could and do infiltrate the various controlling society and religious organizations.

And I am 100 per cent back of Sgt. Dearborn. He spent some time in the service of our country and through his training should know what he is talking about.

Let's all take an inventory of ourselves before we criticize our country and those who serve it.

As an American citizen it is my duty to defend America. I owe that to my family, my country and to the rest of the free nations. Until there is freedom for all, and until Russia stops using its cloak and dagger methods it will be necessary for the U.S.A. to be prepared, and as yet the only weapon of fear for Russia to stop them from attacking is the powerful atom bomb.

God bless America!!!  
 Sincerely,  
 Mrs. W. L. Hensen  
 Bend, Oregon,  
 Aug. 14, 1957

**MUST WEAR SHOES**  
 EVORA, Portugal (UP)—The days of the "barefoot boy with cheek of fan" are numbered in the districts of Evora and Portalegre. After Sept. 1, people going barefoot will face penalties of up to two weeks in jail.

## India Celebrates Its Independence

NEW DELHI (UP)—India celebrated its 10th independence day by carting away statues reminiscent of British rule and releasing some 15,000 convicts from civil and military prisons.

For most Indians, the observance also marked the 100th anniversary of the Indian mutiny, which is now regarded here as this country's "first war of independence."

The Mahasabha Party, an orthodox Hindu group, angrily boycotted the centennial celebration. Mahasabha leaders say it should have been held May 30, date of the massacre at Meerut that touched off the mutiny.

Premier Jawaharlal Nehru, ignoring technicalities, told a crowd of 200,000 at a flag-raising ceremony outside Delhi's historic Red Fort that today is a day of "special significance" in Indian history.

Nehru declared that India "wants friendship with all countries"—even Pakistan, with which this country has been continually at odds during its 10 years of independence.

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