



A Scorecard of Smiles—Despite her plight, 7-year-old lung patient Norma Gaston leads in smiles competition with fellow patients in Little Rock, Arkansas, polio ward. The smiles of plucky youngsters and of grown-up polio victims, too, can be broadened by contributions to the 1950 March of Dimes (Jan. 16-31), upon which the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis depends for continuing its assistance to patients.

### Old Salt Claims Stiff Wind Could Get 'Mo' Out of Mud

Washington, Jan. 27 (AP)—The way my captain looks at it, the mighty Mo will stay stuck in her mud puddle on the flats off Hampton Roads until:

- 1—A stiff nor'easter comes along; or
  - 2—They do things my captain's way.
- Eric Just, a merchant marine captain who has sailed the seven seas and more, admits that a good hard blow could get the job done quicker.
- But he thinks his idea, gathered from experience, has merit, too.

"The navy, the army, and the coast guard are doing the job all wrong," he said.

"The captain pushed aside his coffee and drew a diagram on his napkin.

"These guys," said the old salt who came of a long line of seamen from Denmark, "have got all those tugs attached to the stern end of the ship. The way they're doing it, the prop wash from the tugs is pushing against the ship rather than pulling the 57,000-ton battleship Missouri out of the mud.

"I've had a lot of experience of that kind. The thing to do is to put the steel cables on the bow and attach the tugs at that end. Then the prop wash would be to the advantage of the operation."

Captain Just, who went to sea at 19 and stayed there 25 years, once directed the job of getting the S.S. Rollo, of 9,000 tons, off a sand bar in the Bay of Biscay.

"It sounds a lot easier," he said, "but it was the same sort of problem and we handled it like I said."

Captain Just fancied himself a good cook. He learned the business the hard way. He was in the South Atlantic on a square rigger when a gale came up and the cook was washed overboard. During the storm the crew had nothing to keep body and soul together but hard tack and water. When the wind died, the skipper called the boys aft and looked them over. He kind of went zenie-minee-mo. The "m" pointed to Eric Just, who had never even boiled water before. He became "chief cook."

For 60 days he parboiled his face over a coal stove and kept

### Johnson, Bradley Tell Senate Fall of Formosa's Effect on U. S.

Washington, Jan. 27 (AP)—Defense Secretary Louis Johnson and Gen Omar N. Bradley told a senate committee Thursday that the falling of Formosa into "hands of an enemy" would be a matter of "strategic significance" to the United States.

Their attitude on the strategic value of the Chinese nationalists' island redoubt was announced by Chairman Tom Connally, D. Tex., of the senate foreign relations committee.

Johnson and Bradley, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, met behind closed doors with the committee for almost three hours.

Connally's account of the Johnson-Bradley position seemed to place the military at odds with the viewpoint expressed Dec. 23, by the state department. The department said then that the fate of the Chinese island had no strategic significance to this country.

But Connally also said that Johnson "strongly" denied reports of a rift between himself and Secretary of State Dean Acheson of the question of U. S. policy toward Formosa and China.

Connally, in a carefully prepared statement, said that Johnson and Bradley at no time favored "any occupation" of Formosa by the United States.

An outright military occupation has not been suggested by any responsible official, but many republicans have called

### Great Lovers of Screen Seek Equal Rights of Mere Man

(Editor's Note: The senate passed and sent to the house of representatives in Washington Wednesday a resolution for a constitutional amendment giving equal rights to women. Before the amendment can become law, it still must be approved by the house and by three-fourths of the state legislatures. In the following dispatch a number of Hollywood stars give their opinions of such an amendment.)

Hollywood, Jan. 27 (AP)—The great lovers of the screen said today equal rights for women are great, but the next thing the senate ought to see to is equal rights for men.

"The men said they want some aid and assistance from the government in getting equal rights to seats on streetcars, all many and invitations to her parties.

"This is the greatest contribution to masculine emancipation since Henry VIII," Peter Lawford said.

But movie queens feared they'd soon be helping boy friends into cars, going dutch treat, buying them overcoats and engagement rings and eventually paying them alimony.

"I'm different from a man," said Marie Wilson, "but thank God for that little difference."

"It's nothing new anyway," Cary Grant said. "When haven't they had equal rights?"

Robert Taylor said the same thing. "More power to 'em," he added, unnecessarily.

"If this means that I have to go on dates dutch treat," Elizabeth Taylor said, "I claim it's unconstitutional."

Both Bob Hope and Kirk Douglas hoped men would get a few rights out of the deal.

"Maybe now women will start to drive on the same side of the street as men," Hope cracked.

"I'm waiting for the day when a woman gives me her seat on the bus," Douglas said.

"Oh, great," wailed June Allyson, "and just when I had my husband getting up to close the windows in the morning."

George Jessel, head of the Fraire's club, said he guessed they'd have to let the ladies into their masculine sanctuary.

"But if they want to be members," he said, "they'll have to learn the kind of language used in our guardroom."

"I don't want to smoke cigars, go to stag parties, pay alimony, wear jockey shorts, get five o'clock shadow, pick up the check or buy some guy an engagement ring," Shelley Winters said. "Now we gals will have to take half the blame for everything."

Broadway actresses were inclined to agree with their skeptical colleagues on the west coast.

Carol Channing, hailed as a star for her performance in the musical "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes," said:

"If I had any more rights than I enjoy now I wouldn't know what to do with them. I'm a status quo girl, myself."

Those were the views, too, of Nancy Andrews, the star of "Touch and Go."

"Don't we already have equal rights?" she said. "Women are doing all right. We don't need any more assistance from the government."

Scout Groups Meet—Willamina—The Scout council and Scout troop leaders met at the home of Mrs. George King, Girl Scout Troop 1, north side, met Monday evening at the home of their leader, Mrs. Otto Hein. A good attendance was reported, and after the meeting refreshments were served by Joyce Huddleston and Nancy Buswell. The next meeting will be held January 30.

New Telephone Ideas Shown Salem Students—Salem high's student body viewed the latest telephone ideas in a national telephone assembly held Friday afternoon.

Some of the newest scientific inventions were displayed and explained to the large group of students. The Pacific Bell Telephone company which sponsors the public relations tour has added new ideas to the program which was returned from last year by popular demand.

Merlin Schulze, ASB president, presided over the assembly and Principal E. A. Carleton gave the opening talk.

### Dance to Raise Fund for Polio

"Let's Dance That Others May Walk" is the slogan adopted for the "March of Dimes" benefit ball to be held at the Crystal Gardens, the night of January 31, under the sponsorship of the Salem Elks lodge.

A brief program signifying the close of the 1950 "March of Dimes" campaign, with prominent local officials and personalities appearing, will be a feature of the evening's entertainment.

Both floors of the Garden will be in use with Bill DeSouza's 10-piece orchestra providing dance music on one and Pop Edward's old time musicians on the other.

Tickets for the dance are on sale at Cooke Stationery, Brown's Jewelry, Burright's Cleaners, Tyndall's Pharmacy and Hale's Jewelry. They are also available from "March of Dimes" chairmen in Salem, Woodburn, Mt. Angel, Silverton, and Stayton.

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### Unit Liberal in Polio Policy

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, supported by funds raised through the annual "March of Dimes" campaign, has taken a liberal attitude in recent years in its interpretation of financial needs, it was pointed out by county officials Friday.

The Marion county chapter has stood ready to pay all or part of hospital costs, medical and surgical fees, appliances and physical therapy. Furthermore it has not required that families making requests from the foundation, lower their standards of living.

Calling of a physician immediately is highly essential if any member of the family suspects polio, officials state. "Good medical and nursing care will help the patient in the course of his illness. If you anticipate making a request to the local chapter for financial assistance, save all bills and present them to the secretary with your request."

The executive committee meets the first Thursday of the month to transact necessary business. Chapter officials are: Mrs. David Wright, chairman; E. J. Church, vice chairman; Albert Arpke, treasurer; W. J. Stone, M.D., medical adviser; Miss Lucille Satter, secretary.

Amity—During American Boy Scout week, a Cub Scout pack will be organized in Amity, with John Stuller, a member of the high school faculty as Scout Master. The high school gymnasium has been selected as the place for the Boy Scout Court of Honor in Amity February 8.

### Founders, Benefactors Day To Be Celebrated February 9

Willamette university's mid-year academic convocation to be held Thursday, Feb. 9 at the First Methodist church will be known as "Founders and Benefactors day," according to announcement by President G. Herbert Smith.

Participants in the chapel program, to which the public will be welcome, will include Jason Lee, administrative assistant to the state tax commission; Russell Tripp, Albany, student body president; Jack Gunn, Monmouth Collins scholar; the university a capella choir and Dr. Smith.

Honored at the convocation will be Jason Lee, pioneer missionary, and the late E. S. Collins, former member of the board of trustees and long a devoted friend of the university.

In making the convocation announcement, President Smith explained "it is the plan of the university to repeat this convocation annually and each year to honor two additional people who have served with distinction in the upbuilding of Willamette."

The convocation will be held annually on a date as near to February 1 as possible. On that date in 1842, a public meeting was held at the Old Mission house to consider the needs of the Willamette valley community for an educational institution. From this meeting grew the inspiration to establish Oregon institute, forerunner of Willamette university.

Jason Lee, the tax commission employe is not a close descendant of the early pioneer of the same name. However, he was reared near Baker, Ore., and his family has long been closely affiliated with the Methodist church. He is a student of Oregon history.

Card Evening Held—Butteville—A group of friends of Mrs. Alf Nelson spent an evening with Camasta February 1 at the Nelson home, while their

husbands attended Masonic lodge at Donald. Refreshments were served later. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Lorin Giesy, Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Yeary, Mr. and Mrs. Erven Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Yergen, Miss Donna Yergen, Mrs. Rebecca Thamer and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Miller.

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