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Mr. Truman Has "No Comment"

Washington correspondents had some fun at the weekly press conference quizzing President Truman on the conviction of Alger Hiss and red herrings but got nowhere, the only reply being "no comment." The United Press gives following account of the way it went at the news

"Q.—Mr. President, regardless of the outcome in the upper courts, will you 'turn your back on Alger Hiss?"
"A.—No comment, Then Mr. Truman said that was a nice question. There was a bit of laughter in the crowded, oval

"A reporter barged in with a question about excise taxes.

After a bit of back and forth the conference got back to Hiss.

"Q.—Mr. President, no point in asking other Alger Hiss ques-

"A.—Mr. Truman replied that there was no point in asking any more Alger Hiss questions. He said they were not asked with good intent and that he did not intend to answer them. "Q.—Mr. President, how about a red herring question? "A.—Mr. Truman said there would be no questions on that

here. Q.—Mr. President, do you approve of the statement of Sec-

retary Acheson?
"A.—There was no comment."

Acheson had said he would not turn his back on Alger Acheson had said he would not turn his back on Alger
Hiss although his friend had been convicted of lying and
by implication of spying for the Soviet Union while he
was a high state department official,
But it is already apparent that congress will be more
Gospel, estab-

difficult to hush than the newsmen. Rep. Harold H. Velde lished churches, (R., III.) says the president's refusal to discuss his 1948 a n d converted "red herring" statements about Hiss was "the attitude of souls placed a stubborn man who is still attempting to withhold infor- Saint Paul in mation on an espionage plot in his branch of government from the people and the courts of the land. If Mr. Truman won't make the answers, it is up to congress to pro-vide some answers."

Other congressmen said they will demand that Mr. Truman release the loyalty records of Hiss and explain his previous all-out efforts to hamstring the house un-American activities commission which was trying to expose communists in the state department.

From the time the Hiss story broke in August, 1948, a presidential campagin year, until after discovery of evidence which ultimately led to his conviction, Mr. Truman by the republicans for political purposes. He said the house investigators were headline hunters.

Two Airlines Skipped Salem

Last week-end Salem's airport got all the Portland business for United Air Lines. Portland's field was iced over, so no flights came in or out there.

Saint Paul made a word picture of the church of that early time. But what he said of the church then might be said of the church then might be said of the church today;

"As dying and behold, we live; thave faith Therefore there is laid up for me a crown of right wing."

Other Rumbles

Other signs of the coming explosion are:

1.) "Wild Bill" Langer, the bull-throated independent from North Dakota, was calmly eating in the senate restaurant when GOP leader Ken Wherey

so no flights came in or out there.

The question arises, however, as to what happened to the flights of Western Airlines and Northwest which also operate out of Portland? Since neither airline had faciliies at Salem, neither Northwest or Western used the Salem field.

This brings up an important point that can be used effectively in the Civil Aeronautics Board hearings in another month here. If United is deprived of facilities at McNary field, then United also would be unable to use Salem when weather "closes in" the Portland airport,

At least that would be the case, assuming United used the same reasoning that both Northwest and Western did during last week-end's storm. Lack of facilities of the later two airlines here, tends to discourage them from using the field, which is certainly understandable.

Then if United were barred from Salem, as the CAB originally considered doing, then flights coming to Oregon originally considered doing, then highly coming to Gregorian probably would miss the state entirely during storms, since Salem is the only practical stop outside of Portland. The CAB has a responsibility to the state, it would seem, to do everything possible to give the state adequate air transportation. To act to cripple that service would be to hurt air transportation itself.

A responsibility rests with Salem, likewise, in this particular role of an alternative field for Portland. Certain of the bigger planes that are now coming into operation of the bigger planes that are now coming into operation of the bigger planes that are now coming into operation will not be able to land at Salem even if permission were arose. Friday will not be able to land at Salem even if permission were arose. Friday will not be able to land at Salem even if permission were arose. Friday will not be able to land at Salem even if permission were arose. Friday will not be able to land at Salem even if permission were arose. Friday will not be able to land at Salem even if permission were arose. Friday will not be able to land at Salem even if permission were arose. Friday will not be able to land at Salem even if permission were arose. Friday will not be able to land at Salem even if permission were arose. Friday will not be able to land at Salem even if permission were arose. will become necessary in the future if the airport is to be adequate for the second city of Oregon.

When Salem asks the CAB to keep the city's place in drive to the county seat. ne transcontinental airways a certain obligation to maintain adequate facilities and

Hydrogen Bomb Up to the President

The question of building or not building the super hydrogen bomb has been left with President Truman. Urged by many top military officials, as well as those who co-operated in building the atomic bomb, and in the technological imprivement of weapons. Mr. Truman made it clear that the final decision rests with him alone.

hat the final decision rests with him alone.

Standard Oil company has inAt the closed meeting of the senate military committee formed Marion county officials with the atomic energy commission held Friday, statements urging hydrogen-bomb construction came from such sources as Dr. Harold C. Urey, a scientist who helped build the first A-bombs; Bernard Baruch, author of the Ameri-can atomic control plan that Russia rejected in the United Nations, and Chairman Carl Vinson (D., Ga.), of the house

Indications are that congress may yet first be notified of the president's decision—if he says "yes"—through a of the Monmouth Chamber of thy—Meet me on the main floor request for an appropriation. The legislators were un. Commerce, and Ralph Caley, co- of the Elsinore—Marge."

Sen. Harry F. Byrd (D., Va.), top leader of the demo-cratic economy bloc, said: "As long as we have the atomic bomb, we should have the very best and have a plentiful supply of them. I do not see how we can make any other than an affirmative decision.'

Chairman David E. Lilienthal of the atomic energy commission has been quoted in some sources as being adverse to construction of the weapon. But he said that statements on his views have been "inaccurate and some of them just plain absurd." He specifically denied a report that he has offered to go to Moscow to negotiate directly with Josef Staling Josef Stalin on new atomic controls.

Parental Problems



THE FIRESIDE PULPIT

Words of St. Paul Ring True Today as They Did Originally

BY REV. GEORGE H. SWIFT

Rector, St. Paul's Episcopal Church

It would be difficult, if not impossible, to appraise the work of Saint Paul, whose conversion the church celebrated on Jan-

uary 25th.

What Saint Paul did after he was converted on the road to Damascus gave the faltering young church the "spark" which made it "click."

and which carried it over the first shock of

souls placed
Saint Paul in ner George H. Swift
the church's hall

of fame as the world's greatest

interpret Christianity in a way that makes it plainly applicable

sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; As poor, yet making many rich; As having nothing, and yet pos-

According to its critics, the church has been dying for fifteen hundred years. Yet it goes on, ever increasing in numbers and strength: always poor, yet making man rich; as having no-thing, yet possessing all things of real and lasting importance.

Saint Paul's writings, as found of fame as the world's greatest
Christian missionary. Then, too
Saint Paul left more writings
that have survived the test of
time than did all the original
12 apostles together.

The words of Saint Paul have
survived the test of time because
they ring true! Somehow, they
interpret Christianity in a way
interpret Christianity in a way
interpret Christianity in a way.

Saint Paul's writings, as found
in the New Testament, should
in the New Testament

Saint Paul had a great soul, a trained mind, sound convictions, to our own everyday experience, and the strength of character to act. He must have had a crystal-

Lets Sleeping Dogs Lie

Burlingame, Calif., Jan. 28 (0.9)—A thief who believed in letting sleeping dogs lie tiptoed through kennels housing 30 canines last night and took \$1000 from the Burlingame Animal hospital without setting off a single bark.

KRISS-KROSS

Old Man Winter Timed His Storm to Fit Court Docket

By CHRIS KOWITZ, Jr.

Old Man Winter must have a copy of the Marion county circuit court docket. At least he schedules his storms to comply

Circuit Judge George R. Duncan lives near Stayton and drives to Salem every morning. The snow has slowed Duncan down somewhat during the last are last aurant in Salem. The two gents aurant in Salem. The two gents

three weeks, but he was not completely stymied

until Friday.
The judge arose Friday viest snow storm and found it

impossible to their Kewits, Jr.

He notified the courthouse of his situation. A quick check of the court docket for that day revealed that there was not a 13th street greenhouse in Salem cure the comsingle trial or hearing scheduled is owned by a man named Plant. mon cold. for Duncan's court.

Standard Oil company has informed Marion county officials that the maximum price on asphalt oil for road surfaces is being sliced from \$25 to \$20 per for Could this be a hint that

Praise for Salem Bus Drivers

OPEN FORUM

around his run safely.

farmers who recently submitted a petition asking for a weed control district in Marion county may be enlightened to know that projects along that line are now in force in five Oregon counties, and proving successful in each case. The counties are great tumult Clackamas, Curry, Tillamook.

The nearly 600 Marion county

could pass for twins.

for Duncan's court.

Old Man Winter may take a The A. C. Friesens of coute Who wants it
Old Man Winter may take a 5 report that their seven Cheselot of cussings lately, but it can't peake retriever pupples are doPne umonia, be said that he isn't cooperative with the legal profession.

be said that he isn't cooperative ing fine on their daily bottle feedings of milk formula, and

People leave notes in the safety valves. ton. Could this be a hint that gasoline and fuel oil prices are due for a slash?

People leave notes in the darndest places. One was scribbled with lipstick in bold letters across the face of a mirror at the corner.

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WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Republican Gripes May Be Just Forerunner to Blast in GOP

By DREW PEARSON

the republican party.

A senator's snort plus troubled questions are portents of trouble.

The snort came from that merry old soul of republican conservatism, the delightful and brainy Eugene Millikin of Colorado, at an out-

raged gathering of minority senators. Senator Millikin, an impor-tant looking

with huge, bald head listened with

an amused twinkle to gripes hurled at

the republican national committee. Then snorted: 'The trouble with snorted: "The trouble with the national committee is they are living in an antediluvian age."

Coming from millionaire Senator Millikin, this is ex-tremely significant, yet it's ty-pical of the reaction of moder-ate republicans to the high, wide and handsome campaign by the party's right wing

sional campaign committee. He sional campaign committee, rise sional campaign committee, rise inquired of republican friends:
"What can I tell my son? He wrote from college that he's considering leaving the republican party because he thinks it does not offer anything for youth."

'Progressives' Advice Unheeded Two "progressive" republi-cans have answers, but so far they haven't been listened to. Scholarly Sen. Irving Ives of N-w York advises: "To attract the support essential to our success, we republicans must stand for things. We must show that we have genuine solicitude for the welfare of all the peo-ple. The reactionaries are liv-ing in a dream world and can only destroy the reactionalism. only destroy the republican party at a time when there is a tragic need for an intelligent opposition to the fair deal.'

Similar advice comes from the young, hard-hitting Massachusetts senator, Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., who says: "We need a positive program to win elec-tions. This means a fight to prevent the party from falling completely into the hands of the right wing."

plosion are:

1.) "Wild Bill" Langer, the Di Salle Is Comer bull-throated independent from Mike Di Salle, vigorous young mayor of Toledo, was said of the cannon with a

wherry aroused angry snari.
"They're trying to read me Cleveland.
out of the party," he said, "and there goes one of the so-and-tumble scrap for the democratumble scrap f

tickets for the Lincoln day "box supper" at the Uline arena in Washington. Senator Morse sent the tickets back with a note, "I cannot afford to spend this money. I need it in my own campaign, and I am quite sure I will not receive any financial support from the national com-

Acidly commented Senator Lodge: "This is a new low from the high of Abraham Lincoln. There are too many big-time lobbyists mixed up in this af-fair. This is not the way to win confidence in the party.'

Note—What GOP strategists seem to forget is that in order to win elections they have to woo away democratic votes. It isn't enough merely to get the same number of republican votby the party's right wing against "me-tooism."

Another troubled question was raised recently by Vie Johnston, conscientious man-of-all-work for the GOP congress and been Gov. Earl Warren of Call-work for the GOP congress the constitution of the democratic and the signal campaign committee. He "Henest, Henest" republican nominations. "Honest, Honey"

Vice President Barkley was introducing his lovely wife around in the office of his good friend, Senate Secretary Les Biffle, The Veep came to Bif-fle's secretary, bowed and said, "This is Betty Darling."

V...h a twinkle and a wink at Mrs. Darling, Barkley said merrily, "That's her name, honest honey."

Oklahomans 'Down' on Thomas Gruff Sen. Elmer Thomas, the Oklohoma dude, is catching it plenty back home for gallivanting around Europe and his crusremarks about Sweden.

A sample is the blunt com-

ment of Mayor Earl Ward of Pryor, Okla. This community, with the help of Sen. Bob Kerr and the congressional delegation, put up a real campaign to get the \$100,000,000 air force wind tunnel laboratory. When Oklahoma lost out, the

when Orlanoma lost out, the mayor said to Rep. Mike Mon-roney: "I want to thank you, Mike, and Bob Kerr, too. But what I want to know is where was Elmer Thomas in our hour of need? I'll tell you, He was off fooling around with the Swedes in Sweden and getting mad because they didn't bow low enough to him."

North Dakota, was

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ing in the senate restaurant
when GOP leader Ken Wherry
strolled by. The mere sight of
Wherry aroused Langer to an
DiSalle grabbed the potent support of Mayor Tom Burke of
Cleveland.

Result will be a rough-andthe democra-

there goes one of the so-andtumble scrap lot the so's who'd like to do it. But I'll the nomination between Di
show them. I've been stomping Salle, who had made labor
up and down North Dakota and peace history with his Toledo
the people don't want to go
management council, and "Jumback to McKinley."

pin' Joe" Ferguson, the state

2.) Republican regulars in Oregon backed up by lumber The young mayor is a comer. Interests and a \$150,000 campaign kitty are preparing a 90-day "blitzkrieg" against progressive Sen. Wayne Morse in the GOP primary.

3.) Last straw for many republicans in congress was a demand that they buy blocks of relations.

POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

Let's Save the Common Cold By HAL BOYLE

NewYork-(P)-Have you noticed what science is up to now? It's trying to destroy man's best friend—the common cold.

This is rank ingratitude to an ailment that has helped more people than it has hurt. For modern society is built on the common cold, real or imaginary, and it fills many necessary func-

raging in medi-cal circles as whether the



influenza, bronchitis, asthma these are real diseases that

same arguments as those who stay healthy. Social hypocrisy advocated prohibition 30 years demands that there be a fashago. The main argument is eco-ionable acceptable minor illness

To the Editor: Ever since we've been in Salem we've heard shetland ponies.

nothing but growling about the bus service and drivers.

I, for one, would like to put my word of appreciation in for them during this storm. What nonsense, really! What nonsense, really!

How many "colds" are caused by germs? Only a fraction—as most physicians know. A cold is really a camouffage name to describe hangovers, laziness, deep fatigue, spring fever, an unwillingness to face problems at the office, a temporary re-I ride on the Browning avenue bus every morning, and our driver always has a cheerful "good morning" for us as we get on. He hasn't been able to keep on schedule but he has gotten

treat from the bugle call of duty, or just a desire to play hookey and go to a ball game. Will any drugs, anti-hista-mine or otherwise, cure all these things? Well, that is the real problem of the common cold.

At present, if you don't want to play bridge or attend a boring cocktail party, you just put a towel over your mouth, go to thephone, and mumble to the

"Sorry, cad't make it, got a

Right now the plain, every-day cold is a better excuse than The misguided people who day cold is a better excuse than want to get rid of it use the television to stay home — and nomic—that colds cost some to bail people out of trouble \$420,000,000 a year in lost they don't want to get into.

wages.

The idea is that, if colds are folks will have to develop anstopped, people won't miss other ailment—one that might work and they will have \$420,- really make them sick For peo-000,000 more with which to buy homes, orchids, toy trains and shetland ponies.

ple—such is the power of mind over germs—usually do develop the ailments they pretend to have.

BY CLARE BARNES, JR.

White Collar Zoo



MacKENZIE'S COLUMN

India's Statehood Symbol of Fast Changing Times in World

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

India's arrival at full statehood—complete in all respects as a sovereign republic which is answerable to no foreign power—is symbolic of our rapidly changing times.

This transformation, involving more than three hundred million souls, has in the main been effected within the past

generation. Evhave been pri-vileged to wit-ness this epic development at close range, it seems almost

un believable mighty change could happen within the compass of so short a time.

I'm taking you back to 1916-17 when I made my first visit of several months to India. It

England itself. It had to be, because under it were some 600 native princes of unlimited wealth who had the power of life and death over their hum-ble subjects. Such potentates bowed only to superior power and splendor.

The imperial Durbars were things of wonder. Nowhere else ever had been seen such displays of opulence — the mountains of priceless jewels, the clothing cunningly woven of solid golden threads, the ele-phants' caparisons which were worth the ransom of a king.

That was the dazzling part of the picture. Beneath this blaze of glory there were of course various strata of society which

their "betters." Poor devils, these untouchables were far less fortunate than the gaunt-bellied, wild dogs from which they got the name of pariah.

Those still were days of considerable child marriage. Women had little or no place in publication, under which the stigma for "untouchability" is outlawed. Whither now? I have traveled widely on the India peninsula and studied the people. I believe their capability for advancement is unlimited.

India may well become the leader of the whole orient.

lie life but for the most part were kept shut away from the outside world. When they ap-peared in public they were closely veiled—all except the lowest classes.

That was the picture a generation ago. But education was spreading, and the people were beginning to feel a political consciousness.

A little Hindu named Gandhi was tramping the highways and byways, preaching the tenets of the sermon on the mount, and of several months to India. It was an Arabian nights adventure into the middle ages.

The vast peninsula was presided over by the British vicero; as representative of the king-emperor, and the regime was far more regal than that in England itself. It had to be, be across the realizable tenets of the sermon on the mount, and instituting the urge for political masses. Working with him were eager followers like the great step of India.

Well, you know the rest of Well, you know the rest of the story. Progress has surged byways, preaching the tenets of

across the peninsula and we now have the independent na-tions of India and Pakistan. Both are playing their part in world affairs.

The princes have been depos-ed and their subjects have joined the free peoples of the new nations,

India ranks among the great manufacturing countries of the globe. Education has swept the peninsula, for both women and men. Women are discarding the vell, and you see young men and girls walking the streets together. Religious bigotry has lessened lessened.

When I first visited India I made a friend in a distinguished of glory there were of course various strata of society which Hindu writer, I was entertained reflected the education and culture both of their own ancient India and of the outside world. I was an "unbeliever." Four But then came the lowly masses, the vast majority of whom always were hungry.

At the very bottom were some 40,000,000 or more Hindu untouchables who were so low that they didn't even have a place in the caste system. They

place in the caste system. They ed Gandhi. She also promulgat-were the pariahs, condemined to ed her new republican constitu-be the emptiers of nightslops for tion, under which the stigma

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