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Not Equality Before the Law

President Truman Friday ordered congress and the agricultural department to investigate "and do something about the government's \$50 million potato-dumping program."

The congressional farm leaders were summoned to a White House conference because of the flood of letters received protesting the destruction of some 40 million bushels of potatoes. Senator Elmer Thomas, (Dem. Okla.), who attended the conference said that "if the situation is not corrected it will jeopardize the entire farm support program." He added:

"You cannot explain to the taxpayer why the government is buying American potatoes at high prices and then pulling them off the market when at the same time Canada is flooding the market with lower-priced potatoes, even paying higher transportation costs."

The way it works, in Oregon at least, is that the growers save the top grade of spuds for the government to buy and destroy, and sells to stores the inferior grades for public consumption. The merchants are not to blame for that is all they can buy. And as the government has been unable to sell the huge surplus of potatoes, except at a cent per 100 pounds back to the farmers for stock feed or fertilizer, it decided to destroy them as congress refused

Support prices, unless production control is exercised, naturally produces a surplus of any crop which the government offers a profitable price for. It is part of the political merry-go-round to get votes and establish the socialist state. This is no new experience. It happens right along. There was the same scandal last year when millions of bushels of potatoes were purchased at high prices and destroyed by the government because spuds are a perishable crop and cannot be carried over to fill warehouses.

At the same time despite the fact that the government has already \$100 million worth of surplus eggs on hand and doesn't know what to do with them, the agricultural department states that it will continue through March to support egg prices so that producers will be guaranteed an average of 25 cents a dozen on the farm. This also means the government will continue to pay the producers of dried eggs around 96 cents a pound for their product. The eggs the birds do not worry too much stead of worrying about their ment. In the last two years, the government has accumulated about 73,000,000 pounds of dried eggs. About one-fourth of these are stored in a gigantic cool cave near fourth of the fourth of th Atchison, Kas. The remainder is in various warehouses around the country.

This is what happens in attempts to monkey with the economic law of supply and demand and penalizes all the people for the benefit of special pressure groups, insuring profits for the few from the pockets of the many. It is not "equality before the law."

Dr. Nourse Explains Resignation

In the current issue of Collier's magazine Dr. Edward G. Nourse tells why he resigned as chairman of the president's council of economic advisers. It was because the other members-Leon H. Keyserling and Dr. John D. Clock wanted to play politics and he disagreed with them in the council's proper relationship to the president.

Nourse says that he always believed the council should confine itself solely to a cold, objective, professional analysis of the economic situation without regard to politics whatsoever. The other members were emphatic that the council should come to the president with a single definite policy recommendation and do our best to "sell" it to him. After he had bought it—or taken a different policy line they thought the council should be prepared to testify on the president's policy if asked to do so by the congress.

Nourse denies that his resignation was prompted by his criticism of Mr. Truman's deficit spending policies. He said that, even before he criticized the program, he had submitted his resignation and insisted that it become effective last Nov. 1.

Whenever the council gave the president a report, Nourse said, Mr. Truman's "almost unvarying formula was; 'I'll take this home with me (or on the Williamsburg) and read it with great care. Then we can discuss it further.' But never—from the first annual report of January, 1947, to the third midyear report of 1949-did such a discussion materialize.

One wonders how many of the president's advisers state the defendant their findings "cold, objectively and professionally" and was managent on how many color them politically to conform to the presi- the drunk drivdent's announced policies.

'Ridiculous' Is Hardly the Word

If the Truman administration won't admit it's out to man was guilty, reck the navy, it is doing a pretty good job doing it, and vowed he lyway. wreck the navy, it is doing a pretty good job doing it,

The latest bit of demoralizing guff comes from the rowboat skipper of Nebraska, Secretary of the Navy Matthews. five jurors went to work on the He wants officers and men of the naval branch of the service to "knock off" referring to the big shots as brasshats. ing to swing him over to their Any rude references to officials of the navy are out. Any rude references to officials of the navy are out.

If Secretary of Defense Johnson and his side-kick Matthews keep things up, there won't be any brasshats left in the navy to call brasshats 'cause there won't be a navy worth calling a navy.

\$10 Surprise for Tax Collector

Chicago, Feb. 11 (P)-The government received \$10 it wasn't expecting today.

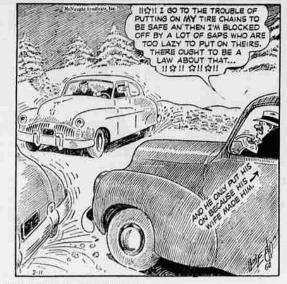
John T. Jarecki, deputy collector of internal revenue whose

main business is accepting income tax returns, said the following letter came with the money:
"I have gone over the enclosed 1040 (income tax form)

very carefully. No tax due this year.
"Nevertheless, I think I should kick in something under the circumstances. In all truthfulness, I am not a dime ahead after all the bills are paid, nor have I been ahead all year.
"But we are eating better than before and no landlord can
put us out of here. So here's ten bucks, and let's build a

Jarecki deposited the money to the treasury's general fund credit. He declined to disclose the name of the sender.

bigger and better A-bomb than the one Joe Stalin's cooking



THE FIRESIDE PULPIT

Happy Robins Don't Worry; Use All Their God-Given Gifts

BY REV. GEORGE H. SWIFT

The robins returned this week to examine the site in our back yard where for many years they had raised their families. They appeared to have had plenty to eat, wherever they were the past three months.

It is amazing how these feathered creatures get along. They

get along without a bank acstorage system, a n automobile or even a tele-

Scripture says Behold the fowls of the air; for they sow

not, neither do they reap, nor gather into Rev. George H. Swift

barns: yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them. in all his glory, was not arrayed and are unable to face the mor-like one of these. Wherefore, row or meet the crisis, if God so clothe the grass of the Not to be worried does not

The birds, instead of worrytinually searching for food, raising families, finding shelter, and using the marvelous intelligence and instincts with which God provided them.

If, instead of worrying, we Why take ye thought for rai-should not anticipate the future a half hour ago, and the only ment? Consider the lilies of the but that we should not be so musician I've seen was a guy field, how they grow, they toil nervous over what the future blowing a bagpine." not, neither do they spin, yet I may have in store for us, that say unto you that even Solomon, we go into a nervous breakdown

field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall thing else to do. There is still
he not much more clothe you?" plenty to do.

Before we decide that because
the birds do not worry too much stead of worrying about their isntly.

Peace of the Pitchforks Reached

Plummer's Cove, Fla., Feb. 11 (F)—A giant oak tree today marked the spot where fishermen's wives and a druggist reached the peace of the pitchforks.

Druggist E. G. Murphy needed no prodding to reach

an accord.

The agreement ended a heated dispute which saw the women arm themselves with pitchforks, seythes, rakes and axes and march on the concrete garage built by Murphy.

In building the garage Murphy closed a 20 foot dirt road leading to one of the best mullet fishing spots on the placid

St. John's river.

The fishermen, who depended on the spot for a living,

wrangled with Murphy fruitlessly and then served an unti-matum: Tear down the garage or we will.

Murphy did nothing so yesterday afternoon the women marched on Murphy. The druggist got the point immediate-

A mass meeting was held under the tree. Murphy agreed e fishermen could tear down the garage. In fact, he said the fishermen could tear down the garage. In fact, he said he would serve them lemonade and sandwiches while they

KRISS-KROSS

5/6 of Municipal Court Jury Were Mighty Stubborn

By CHRIS KOWITZ, Jr.

It had been a long and tiring case in Salem Municipal court, and the six jurors had been in deliberation for over two hours. Defendant, judge, attorneys, witnesses, etc., all waited patiently for the jury to make up its mind and announce a verdict.

Inside the jury room, one man was holding up the proceedings.

Five jurors were convinced ing charge. But sixth member of the panhis decision.

The other Chris Kowitz, Jr. one-member minority attempt-

the other five jurors and said disgustedly, "They're the most stubborn group of people I've auditorium. When he following: "Maybe," cracked someone, his paws and wrote (yes, wrote— "Bow stubborn group of people I've auditorium. When he following: "Claration of the could be auditorium. When he following: "Claration of the could be a following: "Claration of the could be a following: "Claration of the could be a followed by the could be a followed by

une: Thomas Stokes national

Harry Collins, recently-retired telephone exec, is a long-time boxing fan. His interest in the pugilistic sport began many years ago, when Harry was in grade school.

are Mrs. Ogden Reid, president card held in Salem. As such, he coln's great principle—civil—So the psychiatrist called back of the New York Herald-Trib- naturally gains free admission. rights; Nebraska's Ken Wherry, the comedian and said:

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Somber Eyes of Abe Lincoln Stare Down at GOP Rally

By DREW PEARSON

Washington—The deep-set eyes of Abraham Lincoln stared somberly down from a huge portrait. Below him milled 12,000 people, some trying to speak, some trying to gnaw chicken bones, some hoping to dance, some trying to look plebeian-all celebrating the republican party's determination to take a new lease on life at one dol-

lar a throw f or a box supper. The man who once guided the Republican par-ty — and the n a t i o n through its most perilous crisis looked down on sight. What he

thought, nobody knows. But here is what he

A slightly frantic woman, bejeweled and in a fur coat, try-ing desperately to eat a chicken leg. She was elbowed on both sides. Her hat was askew. Her fixed smile had a pained look. Periodically, a hoarse voice in the stand above shouted, "Sid-down you. Down in front." She shuddered, but gnawed. Sen. Owen Brewster, as harassed and perspiring as a busy grocery clerk, trying to squeeze through to the press table. His bald head gleamed but his voice retained its sense of humor. "We simple little republicans support . . . ," he said. A loud boom from the high-school band drowned out the rest. Nobody cared anyway.

Twenty photographers trying to shoot a trio of republican leaders balancing boxes on their knees and picking at chicken bones. . . This was a shot for the front pages. . . Homespun Joe Martin looked like he really enjoyed it, but Sen. Homer

CHERUBIC CAPEHART

On the platform sat Indiana's Sen. Homer Capehart, looking for all the world like a dejected for all the world like a declaration of luck.

middle-aged cherub. The left of luck.

side of his lip dooped sadly. . The Saturday Evening Post, at his side a quartet sang val- which boasts that it's ahead of iantly. "We ought to applaud the news, ballyhooed an article them for effort," chirped some- on Bill Rogers, the senate invesone. . . Capehart, who had arriv-tigation committee sleuth, after ed too early by an hour, sat Rogers had already resigned to a prisoner. He could not es-join the law firm of ex-army

cape, but neither did he applaud
.. Squeezing through the crush came Guy Gabrielson, the friendly GOP national chairman. Ab Hermann, the old major-league ball player, ran interfer-ence for him, while Mrs. Gab-rielson clutched a dainty orchid to prevent it from being bruised in the crowd. Sen. Margaret Chase Smith of Maine reached down to greet Mrs. Gabrielson. She wore gardenias.

Ex-Congressman George Bender, senator Taft's lustiest cheer leader, was in seventh heaven, "I didn't know there were this many of us left in the world," he velled, looking down at the crowd. George's fancy bosom heaved with pride. Gone were his memories of the "Win With shirts that he sent to friends as a gag after Dewey's defeat. . . Master of Ceremonies defeat. Master of Ceremonies a misfit. He cou George Murphy wheezed play-fully into the mike. "Shake friends belonghands with the girl on your ed to radio complett. No, now, don't hold it too edians, who left. No, now, don't hold it too edians, long."... The lady in the fur have a monopcoat, still clutching a half-nib-oly on talking bled chicken leg, put her hand dogs. What a life they led! All

VAGUE COLLEGE PROF

Sen. Ken Wherry, full of oeans and bounce, pushed through the crush. . . A cry from the crowd:
"Is that Wherry?" "What's left the day off.

The comedians would then go the six and quote what the

columnist: Owen Roberts, for-mer United States supreme court justice; Robert Patterson, like a faculty adviser at a fratcourt justice; Robert Patterson, ex-secretary of war; and Russell ernity initiation. He was happy, Davenport, one of the top officials of Columbia Broadcasting but a little dazed. From around his neck hung a big cardboard company. added to his appearance of be-

ing a lost soul in a strange world. One section in the grandstand strong silent type." resembled 5th Avenue's Town-send Old Age club--elderly but ears ago, when Harry was in send Old Age chito-elderly but well, hover fred. The only crade school.

Harry employed his ingenuity ing for Fred Waring's band to tory, so he had plenty of free og ain admittance to the first start. A great cry swung time. Night after night he one-member minority attempting to swing him over to their side in order to get the unantimous vote required for a verdict.

On into the evening hours they argued. Finally they had to give up without reaching a verdict.

As the jurers left the room, the man who was responsible for the split decision looked at for the first start. A great cry swing time. Night after high to tory, so he had plenty of the tory, so he had plenty of the tory, spling the tory, so he had plenty of the tory, spling the tory, so he had plenty of the tory, so he had plenty of the tory, spling the tory, so he had plenty of the tory, so he had plenty of the tory, spling the tory, so he had plenty of the tory, spli

Several hours later, he could "they stayed home and ate cavstubborn group of people I've
ever seen."

Steve Anderson, local attorney now on a trip to the East to
handle so me affairs for the
Young Republicans, is conducting a luncheon and visitation
ing a luncheon and v

wno traded civil rights for a Who traded civil rights for a Montana power line: Capehart, who opposed preparedness; Washington's Harry Cain, the spokesman for the real-estate lobby..." I realize," said Tobey lobby. . . "I realize, same wryly, "I'm with strange com-

WEAT LINCOLN THOUGHT

cated, can long endure.

Mixing politics and taxeswould put to use all our Godgiven faculties, we too might glassy. . "My boss," complainable for the support of the support of

making agree-ments with the secretary Kenneth Royall.

ber eyes of Abe Lincoln still stared down at the political party he had helped to spawn. Eighty-seven years before he had stood at another rally—at Gettysburg—where he told fellow republicans: "We are testing . . Whether that nation or any

are still remembered But will supper. . .Only time will give the answer.

while congress is scratching for more tax money, the U. S. Tax Court, key agency for collectcoming up for appointment in June, while four judges over 70 are holding office only by pres-idential dispensation. Tragedy is that congress provides no realization" that pensions for tax court judges. When they retire, after years of poorly paid work, they are out

BY CLARE BARNES, JR.

White Collar Zoo

The song leader roared out: "Hail, hail the gang's all here, what the hell do we care." Senator Tobey laughed and moved

Above him the deep-set, som-

nation so concieved and so dedi-The hazards which he outlined are still there. The principles he emblazoned on men's minds who now profess his faith? That was the big question asked from the sidelines at the famed box

CAPITAL NEWS CAPSULES

How Big Was the Purse?

POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

a misfit. He couldn't say a word.

for some reason or other prac-tically anything a talking dog

"Why don't you wise up, Rover?" the other dogs told him. "There's no future in being the

Well, Rover tried. The only

All his canine

they had to do was toss off a

says sounds funny.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Feb. 11 @ Readers wanted to know

how big was the purse and how small was the dog today after this ad appeared in the Chattanooga Times:
"Lost—Black purse containing lady's Boston buildog, male.

Rover's Story Proves If You

Can't Make Small Talk-Yelp

New York (49)-Once upon a time there was a dog named Rover.

And he felt he had a bone to pick with life. He was the lone-

wow!"

liest dog anywhere.

The reason was simple. In a world of talking dogs Rover was

In making this startling announcement Mr. Acheson told a disclosed by publication of ex-cerpts from his news conferen-ces during that last four years of his life. Many times he expressed the belief that Russia would cooperate for peace.

Friend of a friend . . . looking for a job

Futility of Dealing With Reds

Finally Officially Recognized

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

Secretary of State Acheson's declaration which bases America's anti-communist strategy squarely on a policy of power is official recognition at long last of a situation which has existed since the birth of communist rule in Russia.

MacKENZIE'S COLUMN

press confer-ence that four

years of exper-ience "h a v e

progress todawrds world

peace, simply by

Russians, is im

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True, hopes for cooperation were given a fillip when the Red Comintern, or general staff for world revolution, was "dissolved" in 1943 as a concession to the democracies. However, It's very in- DeWitt Mackenzie teresting to note that this the revival of the comintern in is a sharp deviation from the the shape of the "Cominform" views held by the late president in 1947 made it clear that Boltzmus the shape of the "Cominform" in 1947 made it clear that Boltzmus the shape of Franklin D. Roosevelt, a fact shevism is doing business at the

The fact that communism will respond only to strength was established way back in 1919 when Lenin founded the comintern. This was flat and fair notice that communism not only was going to rule in Russia but by force if necessary. And each by tote in necessary. And each succeeding year has emphasized that only an insurmountable barrier of military power apparently could prevent war parently could prevent war from growing out of the situa-

ations of many people. Force isn't an ideological answer to communism. It must be combatted with the virtues of

Communism "Look, why don't you here dian in America who owns a "non-talking dog?"

At first the comedian said. ism also was a dynamic meson-At first the comedian said, gy—a develish one, of course, "who ever heard of such a but still one which took a power-thing?" But then he thought it ful hold on the imaginations of over and said, "Why, it's the idea many people.

of the century! Come on, Rover." Well, they went on the air and Rover, the non-talking dog, became an international sensation. The comedian would ask, "Who is, it still has to be implemented is, it still that the democracy to which they subscribe is the supreme ideal. But no matter how great an ideology is, it still has to be implemented in the lady Legen you with

Democracy is rather a loose term for a collection of supreme Anne. They just wanted to quote Rover. "You know what Rover says," one fellow would remark. And the other'd bust out laughing and say, "Bow organization.

munism strikes us as lying largely in its methods of intens-

This is recognition of the simple fact that the young folk of today are the politically con-

small talk-yelp.

him," was Wherry's answer. Sen. Alexander Smith, the gray, former Princeton of the air, and quote what the dogs said, and everybody would as the last night?" and Rover would just die laughing. It didn't have answer, "Bow wow!" is a wonderfully constructed piece of machinery, but it won't It panicked the nation. Peorun unless somebody starts and ple forgot all about Rin-Tin-Tin, steers it.

> ideas. Its weakness, if any, may be in lack of coordination and The great strength of com-As Rover and his master

ive organization. An outstanding example of this lies in the sys-tematic organization of children and youth in various movements designed to catch the fancy of the young.

scious citizens of tomorrow

Of course, communism, nazism and fascism all are dictator-

the moral of the state of the s young people, so can democracy.