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## DOUGLAS MACARTHUR'S CREDO

General Douglas MacArthur is observing his 74th birthday Monday, January 26. He was born in 1880 in Arkansas, son of Lt. Gen. Arthur MacArthur who was then stationed there, and who, like his son, was a foremost military hero of his time, both of whom have had most adventurous careers and left their marks on history.

The Capital Journal is in receipt of a fine calendar-sized naturally colored presentation of "General MacArthur's Credo," with portrait of Douglas MacArthur topping a gallery of heroes, which include George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Sir Winston Churchill and Herbert Hoover. It was sent by Basil Brewer, the fighting editor and publisher of the New Bedford, Mass., Standard Times.

Because of universal interest in Douglas MacArthur, army commander of the victorious U.S. forces in the Pacific during World War II, pacifier of belligerent Japan afterwards and supreme commander in the Korean war until his sudden removal by President Truman, his creed is published in full:

Youth is not a time of life. It's a state of mind. It's a test of the will, a quality of imagination, a vigor of emotions, a prominence of courage over timidity, of the appetite for adventure over love of ease.

Nobody grows old by merely living a number of years. People grow old only by deserting their ideals. Years wrinkle the skin but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul. Worry, doubt, self-distrust, and despair . . . these are the quick equivalents of the long, long years that bow the head and turn the growing spirit back to dust.

Whether 70 or 16, there is, in every being's heart, the love of wonder, the sweet amazement of the stars, and the starlike things and thoughts, the undaunted challenge of events, the unflinching childlike appetite for "What Next?"

You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubt, as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fear, as young as your hope, as old as your despair.

So long as your heart receives messages of beauty, cheer, courage, grandeur and power from the earth, from man and from the Infinite, so long are you young.

When all the wires are down, and all the central places of your heart are covered with the snows of pessimism and the ice of cynicism, then, and only then, are you grown old indeed, and may God have mercy on your soul.

"Live everyday of your life as though you expected to live forever." —Douglas MacArthur.

To paraphrase Shakespeare it is evident that "stings and arrows of outrageous fortune" have not soured MacArthur and "Age hath not withered nor custom staled his infinite variety."—G. P.

## KEEP RED CHINA OUT

The envoys of the western powers went to Berlin in good faith, with "open minds," hoping against hope that Russia's attitude would be quite different than there was any reason to believe it would be.

There may yet be ground for hope. It is too early to say that there isn't. But the first words of Russia's Molotov don't suggest that there is much to hope for.

What did Molotov say? That nothing would be accomplished without the inclusion of Red China to make a "Big Five" conference. Whether he is prepared to insist upon the point isn't certain. If he is the conference is as good as dead before it even begins. For there are two good reasons Red China doesn't belong in this conference.

First, and reason enough by itself: This is a European conference, designed primarily to see if something can be done about Germany and Austria. The western powers want a treaty covering these countries, providing for their restoration to the rank of independent nations, with a withdrawal of foreign occupation forces. They want a united Germany, which Russia will oppose, but the conference should at least determine whether any agreement is possible. Red China has no interest whatever in this question or any others relating to Europe.

Second, the western powers have had enough experience negotiating with Red China in Korea to know that it is just a waste of time and effort. The Chinese are even more unwilling than the Russians to agree to anything. They are past masters of the old oriental art of stall.

If we want nothing accomplished at Berlin, Red China could help us. If there is any constructive end sought the farther China stays away the better.

## BEN HUR LAMPMAN

It was something of a surprise to note that Ben Hur Lampman, who died Sunday, was only 67. It seemed to men and women who were not new to Oregon themselves that he had been part of the Oregon scene since its very beginning.

Mr. Lampman was a native of Wisconsin, who began newspaper work in North Dakota and came to Oregon with his family, locating at Gold Hill where for a short time he published a newspaper.

The big city beckoned the talented young man and he joined the Oregonian in 1916, first as a police reporter, soon to become an editorial writer who wrote as no one else ever did or will.

Ben Hur Lampman was loved by a great circle of reading fans who never knew him personally, but who really did know him through his unique writings, which Oregonians have always regarded as distinctive to this state.

Fortunately he wrote books as well as newspaper copy for today, and if it is good for a few discerning persons' scrapbooks, so his words will live on in the literary saga of Oregon. Well deserved recognition as poet laureate of Oregon was conferred in 1951 by our own Governor McKay, but this tribute had already come from the hearts of Oregon's people.

## THE DIVORCING ROOSEVELTS

The Roosevelts are a remarkable family, both branches in fact. They have set many records. Franklin D. Roosevelt's children have however, set one record neither they nor their admirers can view with much pride. This is in divorces.

James Roosevelt, who ran against Earl Warren the last time Warren was elected governor of California, has just split up with his second wife, which brings our strictly unofficial tabulation on separations by Roosevelt sons and daughters to seven.

Three of them, Elliott, Anna and James, have had two each, crediting James with his second in advance of it being granted. Franklin D. had one. And none of the five is old. There is time for several more.

Only undivorced Roosevelt of the Franklin D. family is John, who, curiously enough, is the only one to vote Republican. We attach no significance to this, but the coincidence is a bit puzzling.

## THE 'ORDINARY' AMERICANS!

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AND TOIL OF THE DEVOTED WOMAN  
OR MAN WHO GIVES COMFORT AND  
CARE DURING THE MONTHS  
WHEN A LONG ILLNESS  
INVADES THE HOUSEHOLD.

## WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

### Publishers Intimidated by TV License Renewal Needs?

By DREW PEARSON

WASHINGTON — A confirmation of the most important recent appointees comes up in the senate today. It is Robert E. Lee, the new federal communications commissioner, in which post he allocates the greatest natural wealth the U.S. government can still parcel out to private citizens—Radio and TV channels.

In the Hoover administration, the most important bureau from the viewpoint of natural wealth was the Federal Power Commission, which allocated dam sites to electric power companies. Now most of these have been developed.

Prior to that, the commission that had the greatest largess to radio out was the lands bureau which gave away the vast undeveloped west.

But today, with population expanded and natural resources developed, the greatest federal gifts come from TV licenses, which can make fortunes for those lucky enough to get them. Even more important, they help sway public opinion in the U.S.

Not only do TV and radio have a tremendous impact on the public, but many TV and radio stations are owned by newspapers; so the danger of monopolization of the news, of canned thinking, according to Senator Mike Monroney of Oklahoma, is not to be taken lightly.

Subtle Slanting  
But what even Senator Monroney, an ex-newspaperman, may not realize is the extent to which some newspapers may be tempted to slant their pages because of pending TV licenses.

"I suppose we'll have a tough time getting a TV license," observed one Wisconsin publisher. "We've been pretty critical of McCarthy."

"The boss," remarked a mid-western editor, "doesn't want us to print too much about McCarthy. We have a TV application pending before the FCC."

Both newsmen had every reason to be cautious. They knew that McCarthy has two men on the FCC—John C. Duerr of Wisconsin and Robert E. Lee. They also knew that on the same day Lee took his seat, the FCC for the first time reversed a ruling it had refused to reverse on three separate occasions regarding a TV channel in Milwaukee. When Lee took his seat, the FCC proceeded to reopen Milwaukee to McCarthy's friends.

The Denver Post, staunch Eisenhower backer, has pounded editorially, on the worry that monopolization of public opinion is involved. Palmer Hoyt, Denver Post publisher and one of the most respected newsmen in America, has indirectly warned his senator from Colorado, Big Ed Johnson, what the nation faces if one senator begins to influence public opinion through the FCC.

Already the nation has seen how the senator from Wisconsin was able to secure \$300,000 of free radio and TV time to answer President Truman. At first lower echelon network officials planned to refuse McCarthy radio-TV time since Truman referred not to the senator but to "McCarthyism."

However, higher-up network moguls—the men who have to deal with McCarthy's two men on the FCC—ruled otherwise.

Facts Forum Moderator  
Hoyt's newspaper has pointed out that McCarthy's friend, Lee, whose confirmation is voted on today, has no qualifications to regulate TV or radio other than serving as moderator for three months on facts forum, the TV program fi-

## OPEN FORUM

### Doesn't Want Eastern Expert for Our Parks

To the Editor:

We attended the park commission session Jan. 21. We came along with a large delegation of garden club members to put forth our effort to impress the commission with the value to the city to turn the old barn in Bush Park over to the people for a garden center. Shivering with the cold, we listened attentively, when they didn't talk too low for us to hear, to the views brought out by the members of the commission.

The only obstruction to the starting of the project, which seems to worry the city manager, is the fact the city is using the barn for a machine shed. A modern machine shed and repair shop would cost the city \$3500, which amount for that purpose the city fathers do not possess.

An announcement was made, with apparent great satisfaction, that a landscape gardener from the middle west had been hired at a salary of \$5000 a year to oversee the landscaping of the city parks. Personally I was appalled at the announcement.

Here we are with a city frequently acclaimed the most beautiful city of its size in the Northwest, developed by its present standing by home talent. And now we have to hire a man from the east, with little understanding of the type of flora and their habits that grow in our climate, to continue our development.

How will he proceed? He will talk intimately with our local landscapers. He will observe their handiwork and ask questions by the hour. Finally, we will have well landscaped parks and a foreigner will walk off with the undeserved credit. How true! No expert is without credit in his own city. How much better it would be to select three experts by lot from the dozen or more in our city and tell them to do the job. I grant you they will do the job with far more enthusiasm than they will give their time keeping a foreigner from perpetually planning designs with our flora that would eventually grow into contorted effects. And do it at much less cost.

The first year's salary of the unneeded adviser would build the much needed modern machine shed and workshop and give the clubs a chance to go ahead with their enthusiastic help in developing the park.

Next summer I suppose we will have to take our outside visitors to the park and show them the machine shed with a couple of dirty but valuable pieces of farm equipment standing in the parking in order to show them the flower gardens surrounding it.

E. M. PETTYCREW,  
1028 S. 12th.

Gets a Chuckle Out of Sauer Kraut Reference

To the Editor:

Your reference in the January 19 edition in Ben Maxwell's column of "Salem 37 Years Ago" to our kraut ad seems to be developing interest, and one character, Sid Boise, down the street from your place a block or so, event wants to buy some.

You should tell your ad man of the potency of C.J. ads, might cheer him up.

As I recall, at that time we furnished the cabbage and had an elderly Swiss lady, Mrs. Sophie Weber, make this kraut for us on her special recipe. It was different from all the rest and well liked. Wish I had some myself now.

WARD K. RICHARDSON,  
Falls City, Ore.

## POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

### Bennie Fields Says 'Ham It Up' If You Want Success

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP) — "Ham It Up!"

This is the advice of oldtime crooner Benny Fields to anyone trying to make a success of mar-

riage—or anything else. "If you're not a ham, no matter what business you're in, no matter what life you're trying to do," said Benny, "You'll never be any good in it."

## Film Censorship

By RAYMOND MOLEY

The decision of the United States Supreme Court, ruling against the rulings of two state authorities which prohibited the showing of two motion pictures, may well start strutting dancing by purveyors of bad pictures. There will be rejoicing, too, by certain misguided "liberals" who contend that the Constitution says that anything can be seen by anybody. But before the celebration gets too noisy, someone ought to tell such people exactly what the court decided.

Its unanimous decision was that the banning of the two pictures was wrong for the same general reasons given by the court in the case of "The Miracle" in 1951.

In that case it was held that the direction in the law of New York, that "sacrilegious" films be banned, was altogether too vague. In the present case of the picture "La Ronde," it was held that the term "immoral" was too vague, and in the case of "M," that the objection of "tending to promote crime" was too vague.

Justice Clark, in the majority opinion in "The Miracle" case, held that "in seeking to apply the broad and all-inclusive definition of 'sacrilegious' given by the New York courts, the censor is set adrift upon a boundless sea amid a myriad of conflicting currents of religious views." Justice Reed, concurring in the "judgment," assumed that the state had the power to establish a system of licensing pictures, but would have the supreme court set itself up as a supercensuring body to determine whether the principles of the First Amendment have been honored.

Justice Frankfurter concurred in the "judgment" with a prodigious long opinion which reveals the fruits of ransacking the sacred writings, the dictionaries, and the encyclopedias in order to say simply that the New York Board of Regents did not know anything about sacrilegious.

But Clark and Frankfurter and, as I have indicated, Reed make it clear that the motion picture cannot enjoy unlimited liberty and that it occupies a special position regardless of the protection of the First, or free-speech, Amendment.

The court throughout these opinions was careful to say that it was referring to "prior" restraints, which means that the police power can more rightly be invoked after a picture has been shown than before. In short, that it is legal to lock the stable after the horse is stolen.

The problem now presented to the states which wish to continue censorship is to devise laws which more precisely define such things as "sacrilege," "immorality," "encouragement of crime," etc. This will be difficult. The courts, as well as the legislatures, have been struggling with a definition of "insanity" for generations and still seem to be unable to make one. But legislatures have prescribed the setting up of commissions to judge individual cases. That is, of course, what the legislatures tried to do in the case of motion pictures—i.e., delegate the specific determinations to an administrative agency.

This blow to government censorship will make it more important than ever that the industry police itself through its Production Code. That is at the moment under fire. The real danger is in that direction, for if the authority of the industry to regulate itself is to be flouted, nothing but chaos will result, with boycotts and other private means of suppressing bad pictures taking the place of orderly regulation.

The opinions of Justices Douglas and Black in these recent cases I shall consider in another article. For they apparently would invite the chaos of which I speak.

## Salem 54 Years Ago

By BEN MAXWELL

January 25, 1900

Sheriff J. G. Van Orsdell of Polk county had completed arrangements for the hanging of W. G. Magers, February 2, 1900. (This, probably, was the last official hanging conducted by Polk county since that unpleasant business was soon thereafter transferred as a duty of penitentiary warden.)

Capital Journal's X-Rayist had written: "Before it will be possible to convict anyone driving on a Marion county bicycle path it will be necessary to find the path."

Woman's Union Home Mission had been organized as a band of workers for the City of Salem.

Capital Journal's Independence correspondent had reported that high wind had toppled the Monmouth water tower and that the structure had been wrecked in the crash.

Entertainment provided at Reed's opera house by the Wizard Oil Co. had continued to draw large crowds.

W. S. Taylor, stock inspector for Marion county, had found a good many scabby sheep in this locality and ordered them all dipped.

Isadore Greenbaum, first door south of the post office (on Commercial street), had accepted the business of closing out the Willis Brothers drygoods store. S. Friedman was auctioneer.

Salem price for wheat, 58 or more pounds to the bushel, had been fixed at 40c.

Buren & Hamilton had a special carpet sale with Moquets and velvets sewed, laid and lined for \$1.00 a yard.

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