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THE STATE OF THE NATION

Not many Americans had a chance to read the president's state of the nation message to the new congress and probably not many would have read it if they had. President Kennedy does not have very good speech writers and it seemed necessary that he cover so many subjects that he did jump around to lose the continuity.

The president has apparently learned well the political principles of keeping a party in power. If you want sparrows around your door put out bread crumbs, white bread crumbs, dark bread crumbs, cracked wheat and broken peanuts. We predict no scarcity of sparrows.

In foreign aid Kennedy proposed additional appropriations. Now we are convinced that the richest nation on earth cannot sit on its dollars and refuse to share its wealth with the poorest nations. But we do wish this country could find some better way to distribute this wealth. It goes to the political bosses or is distributed in the form of alms. Anyway, in 20 years of giving away money under foreign aid we have accumulated little but international hate.

Unless we can find a way to aid and encourage the able citizens of foreign lands we'd better keep our money at home. The same rule might apply to the giving of aid or alms at home; we contribute to the delinquency of those who do not try.

Mr. Kennedy ask for executive power to reduce income taxes in case of depression which someone is going to say expressed little confidence in his boasts of prosperity. But congress will not give away its right to tax and the nation can be happy that the rate of taxation is not in the hands of one man.

It seems to this writer that the president was a little too anxious about meeting the common market threat from western Europe. France and Germany have now settled their differences over agricultural tariffs. We will have to learn to compete with Europeans but any agreement with them should be the result of long conversations and complete understanding, not the executive directive of a young and inexperienced man with no experience in economics.

Any nation that takes a third of the income of citizens for public and political purposes is out on a limb and should consider ways of getting its feet on the ground again instead of talking about further adventures into socialistic schemes, many of which will only be of aid to the non-productive part of the nation.

REPUBLICAN SADNESS

News stories from Oklahoma City tell about the sorrow of top Republican leaders who express little hope of winning control of the house in 1962, none of winning the senate and slim chances of beating Mr. Kennedy in 1964. Very sad tale, indeed.

Yet, we do not think it foretells the disintegration of the party entirely although that might be a solution to the unreasonable political allegiances now extant. In that case the people would split into two groups one conservative and one radical which is what is needed.

If we read correctly the Republicans furnished some needed opposition to the prevailing party at the last session of congress and may do better at this. They had the aid of conservative Democrats mostly from the south who could have done nothing without Republicans. The result was the saving of many tax dollars, the defeat of much ill-conceived legislation and enough debate to inform Americans of the issues being considered.

The party leaders were doubtful of the wisdom of criticizing Mr. Kennedy. They should be. It will be alright to point out his most extravagant claims, however. There is no sense in the Republican party adopting a negative

attitude. It has enough ability to formulate a positive program that will appeal and as a minor member may we suggest that it contain planks on real economy, get government out of business, less government erosion on American individuality, freer foreign trade and fewer handicaps on domestic trade smaller bureaucracies and in international affairs that we quit kowtowing to the rest of the world and stand as the beacon of liberty we really should be.

BOURBON

A columnist the other day remarked on the lack of bourbon whiskey in Europe whose citizens drink scotch if they drink whiskey at all. The English prefer gin and on the continent the drink is wine although such things as brandy and liqueurs sometimes are used.

Civilization and weak stomachs have changed the habits of drinking men and the women have had a hand in it too. In adopting the habits of men they often soften them.

Drinking has become a social matter. Probably not one drinker in ten thousand keeps a jug under his bed so he can take a slug on awakening just to start the day with an active and prewarned stomach. Such drinking gets no passing grade from the doctors or the social arbiters, the one advocating dilution and the other holding out for no drinking before five p. m. What we are saying is that there are rules about it, social and medical rules about it, neither of which would have been tolerated by grandpa who took a drink when he wanted or when it was offered.

We assume that all this is progress of a sort and to some end or another. But the statistics show that there are more drunks on whiskey diluted than there ever was on whiskey straight. Grandpa didn't need Alcoholics Anonymous; when he was drunk he certainly wasn't anonymous. Neither did he feel that he ought to take a drink because it was five o'clock. His drinking was by impulse and opportunity not by the clock.

There is a change going on and we think it is toward greater sobriety and that will be in keeping with the decline of the lusty customs of pioneer days. A people that gives up its independence can do without its liquor.

ARLINGTON

There were some pictures about the old and the new Arlington in the paper recently together with a story about what is going on in that old town. It seems time for someone to write an obituary of it and we don't mind contributing to that.

Arlington was officially born November 7, 1881 when a postoffice was established there. It was called Alkali because it was at the mouth of Alkali canyon, but by 1885 residents decided on a name pretty instead of one descriptive and named it Arlington, perhaps because southerners living there wanted to remember the home town of General Robert E. Lee.

In early days it was the shipping point for a vast area by river boat until 1883 when the railroad came down the river. The Irish and Scotch who settled much of Gilliam county produced a lot of wool which was hauled down the long canyon to the warehouses along the river and sheep were shipped from its stockyards for the long trip to eastern markets often after summer pasturage in the Rocky Mountains. One of the most dramatic pictures we know of is of a long mule team hauling wheat from the Weatherford ranch to Arlington.

To this generation Arlington was known as a highway town with shaded streets, some good eating places and some machinery outfits, one catering to travelers and the other to the big ranchers who lived on the hills back of town. But that is fairly modern. It remained a shipping point for wheat and stock as its primary purpose in life.

Arlington made violent protest over its planned flooding but there is no defeating the U. S. Engineers who must build dams and change landscape so Arlington, like Ceililo will be covered with water and its site will be known only to fish.

The new Arlington is on the hillside south of old Arlington and much of it will be new, new schools, new streets, many new houses and a new church that will be the envy of other towns for miles around. Money in great quantities has gone into that church and donated work and a great deal of affection. It will not be old Arlington for probably the town will never become a stopping and meeting place as important as was the old. People can travel farther to meetings these

days. We know that citizens are keeping pictures and mementos of the old town and will establish a museum to tell of the days when the wheat and wool teams of a pioneer county came down Alkali canyon, hame bells jingling, stretchers dragging in the deep dust of the dirt road to end a twice a week trip at the long warehouses along the railroad tracks and the drivers spent their pay in the hilarity of a western town. No such history is in prospect for the new Arlington which will be a residential town.

IT'S NICE TO GET UP IN THE MORNING

Good old Harry Lauder is gone these many years and no one seems informed or inclined to sing about early rising, even as a foil for modern sentiment. Getting up in the morning is strictly for the birds.

But some early training brought on by necessity taught us to get up and get going before the sun touched the rooftop. Getting older has not dimmed the desire to smell the expectant dawn for that is the very best time of the day.

If there is to be a calm part of the day it comes in the morning before the wind has awakened, unless it be one of our big Chinooks that go rampaging around all night. The air is as fresh as if just laundered and the lungs welcome it, sucking it in a volume to swell the chest which is a healthy gesture anytime.

We have no sympathy for the slug-a-beds who miss the best part of the day by trying to pamper their lazy bodies. That's no way to treat a body; it needs discipline, a strong mind to put it in gear. Neither do we think that a society or civilization that permits too much laying around is going to continue indefinitely.

And also we know that he who brags about early rising becomes a social outcast.

Rufus News

By Mrs. George Fox

Mrs. George Fox attended St. Mary's Altar Society meeting in Wasco parish house Jan. 15. There were 14 present counting Father Condon. Hostesses were Mrs. Morris Burnett and Mrs. Don Macnab who served a whipped cream cake with coffee.

Mrs. Burnett, president of the group, had charge of the meeting. Each member donated a half book of green stamps so that the group could buy a large coffee maker for the clubs use. The group is saving old postage stamps, and also coffee bands. They are also using old Christmas cards to make favors for the use of the catechism teachers.

It was brought out that the stainless steel coffee maker which Mrs. Reid gave to the parish house is missing since last summer. Anyone knowing where it is, please bring it back to the rectory.

Mrs. Stuart Macnab, secretary gave a year's summary of what the group had done during that time. The big thing all the parishioners did was to purchase a nice Zenith television for use of Father Condon and the rectory. This was put in just before Christmas. Mrs. Maynard a new member was welcomed. Mr. Maynard is working on construction work in connection with the John Day dam.

There are notices posted on the building of the Curt Tom house and Carl Thompson house that they will be sold at auction Wednesday, Jan. 24 at 11 p. m. The

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O.E.S. Meets every second Thurs day each month. Visiting members invited. Moro, Ore Edna Paulson, W. M. Dorothy Heater, Secretary

HARLANDVIEW GRANGE Meets first and third Mondays at 7 p. m. Max Belsh, Master Agnes Benson, Secretary

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 114 Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome. Mary Brackett, N. G. Helen Martin, Secretary

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Moro LODGE NO. 113 I.O.O.F. Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in I.O.O.F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers cordially invited. Floyd Haines, N. C. Leo Watkins, Secretary

old barn owned by Trace Fields will also be sold at this time. There was quite a bit of equipment moved into the John Day River location a week ago, so the work could be started there. This last Monday more men showed up to begin the work of fixing the road approaches to the John Day River bridge which will be a high one.

The new Rufus school building is shaping up now and is a nice looking addition. The workers hope to have it done the last of this month. The play ground back of Rufus school has been leveled making it a nice place for the children to play as soon as lawn can be started there. At present it is being seeded to wheat to keep the land from blowing.

The Rufus Grange held a card party at the hall Saturday night. The high winners were Willard Leigh and Mrs. Art Smith. Low prizes went to Bert Swigart and Mrs. George Fox. Supper was served after the game. There will be another Jan. 27.

The losers in the sugar saving label contest put on a fried chicken dinner for the winners and all

the husbands for a special night. Jan. 11. The losers had all the work to do while the rest were honored guests. The losers vowed to work harder this next year, and get in on this guest business.

Mrs. Otto Petersen, chairman, called a Home Ec meeting to order. Mrs. Bert Swigart said the Grange had six place settings of stainless steel which the group got with coupons.

The Rufus Grange plans on putting on a dinner for the OEA of teachers Feb. 22 and it will be a turkey dinner. The members are free to bring anyone in their family to this dinner. Mrs. Petersen appointed the following committees: Dinner planning: Mrs. Rolland Johnson, Mrs. Harland McDonald and Mrs. Bert Swigart; Relief: Mrs. Jerry Brackett, Mrs. Morris Burnett, Mrs. Clyde Thompson; Program: Mrs. George Fox, Mrs. Millard Leigh, Mrs. Bob Byrd, Mrs. Bill Huck and Mrs. Jack Beers; Hospitality: Mrs. Art Smith, Mrs. Atlee Wilson, and Mrs. Walter Morris; Decorations: Mrs. Grace Medler, Mrs. Trace Fields, Mrs. Jos Morris and Mrs. Lester Gray; Membership: Mrs. Roy Shafer, Mrs. Rolland Johnson, Mrs. Martin Zimmerman and Mrs. Otto Petersen.

Then the group was told what the roll call would be for the year and who would be hostesses. The February meeting will be "Favor" its male TV star, and the hostesses will be Mrs. Walter Morris and Mrs. Robert Byrd. The members

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voted to have a bazaar this fall. Mrs. George Benson is the new Pomona Home Ec chairman for Sherman county. The men played cards while the women had their meeting, and the women joined the men after the meeting.

It is colder here as of this writing and it looks like rain may be falling soon.

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