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EDITORIALS

BARKLEY MAKES POOR CASE

Senator Alben Barkley (D.) of Kentucky, writing in Collier's, a national magazine, makes the point that mayors of various cities are elected four, five and even up to ten terms, concluding from this fact that representative government can function no matter how many times a President is elected to office.

Well, Alben, how about the comparison between the office of mayor in the average little city to the office of "President of the United States"? Isn't it like comparing an ant to a dinosaur?

The two offices are both political offices. Agreed. But from that point on, all similarity ceases.

Presidents have the power to appoint ambassadors to other nations; to appoint Federal judges. Presidents have power to appoint cabinet members, who in turn have jurisdiction over employees in every state in the nation and in the island possessions and territories outside this country.

Presidents have power over an enormous amount of Federal largesse, which is administered in part by mayors and other public officials. The President today has more than 3,000,000 Federal employees under him. Does any mayor have one-tenth this number? No, and the average mayor has less than one-thousandth this many employees under him.

Even to compare the two offices is to show utter cynicism for the intelligence of the people or complete disregard for the facts.

WILL IT RUN?

Every automobile owner in the country has had impressed upon him the importance of caring for his car as a valued asset. The cars keep the country going.

There are all kinds of cars in the nation's automobile population. One of the most important is the fire engine. Fire department officials should be mindful of the added responsibility placed upon them to do everything possible toward maintaining equipment in A-1 shape. This is especially true of pumps. There are few things more important than the maintenance of pumping equipment. The first consideration of every fire department should be a periodic checking up of every part of a pumper. In normal times this might be a once or twice a year job, depending upon the amount of service, but today, with the delays in obtaining even small repair parts, it should be carried out more frequently. At least every three months connection should be made to a hydrant, and city water pressure applied to the pump and connections. Leaks should be repaired immediately.

Fire fighting equipment is like a life on a ship. If it is not ready for instant service, it is worse than useless. A burning building or a drowning man needs help but once. If it is not at hand they'll never need it again.

The fire engine is the lifeboat of the community. It must be ready.

ALL IN SAME BOAT

How to avoid unemployment after the war is a grim question that is foremost in everyone's mind. But job-creating industry and its problems, which are determining factors in the lives of all of us, is not receiving the public consideration it deserves.

Too many people still look upon industry as an entity unto itself. They feel that tax and legislative measures affecting industry are things for the "big guys" to worry about. They don't realize that when a corporation gets slapped in the face with crippling legislation or taxation, eventually the effect is reflected in its capacity to produce, and the little guy as well as the big guy gets hit between the eyes by loss of employment, or restricted output.

For example, when you take an aspirin, you are using a derivation of coal. Thus, although you may live thousands of miles from the Virginia coal fields you are dependent on the coal industry. In fact, the bathroom cabinet would be swept nearly bare if the coal industry should fold up and quit. In addition to aspirin, bituminous coal derivatives are used in

making laxatives, rubber goods, and perfumes, to say nothing of the life-saving sulfa drugs. These things are incidental to the more primary uses of coal which maintain the war effort, heat and light our homes and drive our trains and make steel.

Coal is typical of many industries employing millions of American workmen. In common with other industries, it is meeting its problems aggressively and resourcefully, with two objectives in view—more production and more jobs.

South America As Seen by Local Lady

Mrs. Mildred Swain is writing to her mother, Mrs. E. E. Scott from South America, where she is with her husband, who is employed by the government rubber research.

Continued from last week

We decided to walk back to the hotel—about fifteen blocks—and the nearer we got to the hotel the more modern the buildings in that section of town. I finally decided I just couldn't walk any farther and we tried to catch a ride on the Bondo since it is impossible to call a cab except from some place of business down town. Try as we would we couldn't decide which streetcar would pass the Grande and almost boarded one when we saw the sign "Segunda Clase" (Second Class.) Deciding discretion is the better part of valor we discarded our idea of a ride and proceeded on foot. We later discovered that there are two types of passengers and street cars in Belem. First Class—price 2c (American money) on which you cannot ride unless you are wearing a coat and tie, or a shirt with two pockets; Second class—price 1c on which you can ride in shirt sleeves or work clothes. The higher type Brazilians and Americans or other foreigners always ride the first class, of course, so it's just as well we walked.

Just before reaching the hotel we passed another large hotel, the Central (pronounced Cen-tral) and also many soft drink parlors so I persuaded friend husband to let me rest my hands and face in one of these places while sipping a long cool one.

On Saturday evening the same group of people who had gathered at the Staff House for dinner on our first night in Belem gathered at the home of one of the executives of the company for dinner and early evening. Their home faces a little green-floored square park bordered with Royal Palms with a few stone benches placed here and there and nothing else. The mere simplicity of the park makes it beautiful. Here their children play during the day and it is a wonderful playground for them and gives them a bit of exercise.

As usual the dinner was wonderful and about 10:30 P.M. we decided that this being Saturday night it would be the best time to see the famous Casino Marijou in full swing so off we went. For the outsider to visit Belem and not see the Casino is to have missed the purpose of visiting Belem, so it is said, so we were anxious to see this famous place. Marijou is a half block from the Grande and is open only at night. We entered first a long covered canopy from the street and then ascended a very wide, grand stairway up to the first floor, which is about one floor's height from the street. The lobbies and reception rooms of this night spot are on the exotic side and meant to impress you with a grandeur of the place. A row of swinging doors from the main reception room on the first floor open into the large gambling rooms where tables of card games are going on and also a winding stair to the floor above and while enroute can turn and look back over the half-height doors to the gambling rooms and get a bird-eye view of the milling rich and middle classes challenging Lady Luck.

(To be continued.)

Letters to Nephews

By Ella H. Leonard

Dear nephew:

"You act just like a goose," we've often heard said. I'm beginning to wonder exactly what that means, having a daily example before me. Abner yet does the one thing which so annoys me, but maybe instinct drives him to it. Persistence?

Dad likes him better than other pets we've had. Abner has grown large, shows adolescence. Eighty-eight. The other day dad was sit-

ting on the sawhorse with Abner near him. Smudge drifted over from the other side. Abner crooked his neck, took a run, caught Smudge in the ribs, and almost twisted a piece out of him. Such hightailing by the cat, and such haw-hawing by Dad. Like a goose; jealous?

Two days I've spent the past week gathering the corn from lower and upper lots and drying it: 8 lbs. dry out of 30 lbs. fresh cut. It was shucked at the rock wall and the shucks put in the tub. Abner walked around and around the tub shearing off tender ends and eating them. I put out Smudge's supper on the wall to get the greasy food away from the walk and save scrubbing. When Smudge jumped up to his pan, Abner stopped his circulation, lengthened his neck four feet, flew over and grabbed Smudge by an ear, led him off some distance, quickly let loose the ear. Before Smudge could move, Abner grabbed a bill full of fur and yanked it out of Smudge's hide. Then chased the cat up the hill, his lengthening wings beating the air. Dad laughed until he cried. "Abner is boss, now. He thinks that's his preserves." Protection? or selfishness? "Act like a goose." What does it mean?

Yesterday I made jam of a quart of damson plums, dried a basket of apples, cleaned up and downstairs, washed windows. Put out the washing at 4 o'clock. Irrigated between times. Always a thousand things to do. What's the use?—But what's the use of what's the using? Such is life. And it's glad some. Yes? Whistle, and hoe. Here's a loving spank.

Aunt.

Hi-Ways To Health

By ADA R. MAYNE
Oregon Dairy Council

BREAKFAST TUNE UP

Breakfast—the important eye-opener meal—needs planning just as much as any other meal. It needs this thinking ahead to make sure that it will furnish its share of the day's food.

The best plan for breakfast is to use one menu for all the family, adjusting sizes of servings to the individuals. For instance, the amount of breakfast that children eat depends on their age and activity and will vary in amount from what the high school sister or brother working part time and father on a heavy job will need. They all require a good hot meal before starting off on the day's schedule to avoid that mid-morning hunger slump which everyone has experienced. Give the working members of the family extra-sized portions or add bacon, ham, or other foods, and they'll have man-sized breakfasts to tuck under their belts. Mother, too, will be better able to do a good morning's work if she enjoys breakfast with the family.

Take time to sit down to a good breakfast. If schedules vary arrange plans so that two or three of the family eat at the same time. The first one up can cook the cereal or the main hot dish for the entire family. Later risers can add their own fruit, milk, and toast.

A good breakfast deserves the time it takes to eat it—even if it means getting up a few minutes earlier. Give your family a reason to rise and tune up. This Trio is designed for breakfast harmony.

1. Fruit—1 serving (at least ½ cup fruit or juice) Include raw fruit or citrus fruit or tomato often.
2. Milk—1 cup—plain milk, on cereal.

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cooked in cereal, as cocoa, as cafe au lait for adults (half coffee, half milk) Children need at least one cup at each meal. One cup at breakfast for adults makes a good beginning for the pint they need during the day. Coffee may be included in the breakfast for the adults in addition to the milk.

3. Other Food—2 servings
Egg—1 or more—soft cooked or hard cooked in shell, scrambled, creamed, poached, omelet.
Whole-grain or Enriched Cereal—1 serving (at least ½ cup) Whole-grain or Enriched Bread with Butter—1 or more servings

Locals

Cpl. and Mrs. Roy Pursel are here from Camp Cooke, Cal. They were married in Santa Barbara July 24 Mrs. Pursel being former Clara Faye McKee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McKee of 115 N. Peach St., Medford. The couple are visiting Mr. and Mrs. McKee, and Cpl. Pursel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stimpson of Central Point and other friends and relatives.

A wire from the war department this morning informed Mrs. Anita R. Blais, Gold Hill, of the death of her son, Pfc. Norman P. Blais, 20, infantryman. Pfc. Blais was killed in action in France August 3, only a few days after his arrival overseas. He had been in service since February of 1943.

Mrs. June Furry Blair is working in Attorney O. H. Bengtson's office.

Mr. Walter Hawley received word from Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shell at Crescent City that they are getting along fine, the weather is a little cool.

Mr. Harry Tonn is helping his mother move from Lake Creek to

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Phoenix. Mrs. Tonn has sold her Lake Creek ranch to a California party and will store her furniture and for the present and care for her mother, who is ill in Phoenix.

Mrs. Ila Stillwell of Portland spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lacy.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Eide and Stuart of Grants Pass visited at the John Bohnert home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Minnie Love has returned home from Gold Hill and is much better.

Mr. Lloyd Morris is ill at his home. He was injured in a fall recently and was in the hospital for a week. His parents, who have been visiting at the Morris home, have left for their home in California.

Legal Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I have been, by the County Court of the County of Jackson, Oregon, ap-

pointed administratrix of the estate of Adrian Crotchet, deceased, and have qualified. All persons having claims against the estate of said decedent hereby are required to present them, with proper vouchers, to me in care of County Judge, Courthouse, Medford, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof: August 24, 1944.

Elicie Maisel, Administratrix.
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