

'Memorandum' Tendency of Recent Legislature Rapped

On The Side

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Though love and song may fall alas!
To keep life's clouds away,
At least 'twill make them lighter pass
Or gild them if they stay.
And even if care at moments flings
A discord o'er life's happy strain,
Let love but gently touch the strings
'Twill all be sweet again!
—Thomas Moore

What is the most popular participant sport in this country? It was bowling until recently. Now it is boating. Thirty million Americans utilizing over 5,000,000 pleasure craft now call boating their favorite sport. The pleasure craft business has become a billion dollar industry. That is, it handles a billion dollars worth of business annually. That ancient Greek who advised young men to get into a business that specialized either in equipping ships or women really had something.

Asides
Why shouldn't cats be required to have a license, the same as dogs? In the highly progressive municipality of Bremerton, Wash., they are. License for tom cats, \$1. For female cats, \$2.

Almost Confidential
After a quarrel with a blonde show girl, Al Reeves, great burlesque producer of yesteryear,

produced a show without a blonde in the chorus or cast. It flopped... What is your favorite "hangover" cure? A Paris restaurant features on its menu the following "morning after" breakfast: "Tomato juice, two raw eggs, black coffee, two aspirin and our sympathy."

Passing By
Joe O'Brien, harness horse skipper. Regularly tops the list of winning drivers. Joe only weighs around 136. Though most of the harness horse experts differ, I still maintain light weight is an advantage to a driver. That other great winning driver, Stanley Dancer, doesn't weigh so much either.

Please Note
The largest wager ever made in the race track mutual machines in this country was one of \$45,000 across the board on Bewitch in the fall of 1947. Bewitch finished first but was disqualified and placed last. Imagine losing \$45,000 on a disqualification. Makes me shudder to think of it.

Speedy Dressing
"You seem to enjoy making references as to how rapidly wives should get dressed," writes a Milwaukee matron. "How speedy are you that way? Don't lie to me, now!" Well, for example, I can start at ten minutes to seven, undress, have a bath, dress again, mix my triple highball, and be ready for dinner right on the dot of seven.

Byron's Diet
That allegedly great lover, the poet Byron, was inclined to become fat. To battle the bulge, he frequently went on a diet of potatoes sprinkled with vinegar. Feminine subscribers who are trying to streamline husbands so they will look presentable in a bathing suit might give the Byronic diet a try. How about it, lady? Can you imagine husband having potatoes sprinkled with vinegar for dinner? And nothing else?

Briefly
There are over 10,000,000 men in this country who suffer from some form of baldness. So, if your wife can still run her fingers through your locks, you should be very careful... am asked by a feminine subscriber who is to be a June bride whether I like the platinum wedding ring or the gold one. I strongly favor the old fashioned gold band.

Radio-Phone To-Tie Isolated Paulina

Prineville — (U.P.) — The isolated central Oregon community of Paulina is making plans to establish communications with the rest of Crook county. A civil defense radio-phone network is planned which would enable civilians as well as law enforcement and other county authorities to talk back and forth. The plan is contingent on federal approval and provision of funds.

Paulina at present has no phone system and in an emergency has a difficult time getting outside help.

Board of Control Criticizes Practice At Weekly Meeting

Salem—(U.P.)—A tendency of the recent state Legislature to "legislate by memorandum" drew criticism here yesterday at the weekly meeting of the State Board of Control.

Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry objected to the practice of the Joint Ways and Means committee of writing notes to administrative heads telling them how appropriated funds were to be spent. State Treasurer Sig Unander pointed out that the memorandums do not have the status of law. Gov. Paul Patterson commented that there was an increasing tendency on the part of legislative committees to address directives to the executive branch.

One of the members of the joint committee, Rep. Alfred Corbett (D-Portland), had objected to the practice during the session which ended last week. He demanded copies of all such memorandums which he said should have the backing of the entire Legislature, not just committee chairman.

Cell Block Approved
Completion of a cell block at the state penitentiary and relocation of the power plant outside the walls of the prison, authorized by the 1955 Legislature, won approval of the board.

The work will cost some \$100,000. The board allowed a claim of \$4,429 for repair of the roof on the state garage building.

The board was also advised that the congregation of the First Presbyterian church here would accept the \$332,000 offer the state has made for the property. It is within the Capitol Mall area and eventually will be used for state purposes.

Newbry Speaks Up

As for that \$4,429 item—\$4,429.77 to be exact—Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry, who is custodian of state buildings and grounds, noted with a bit of bite in his voice that the legislative Ways and Means committee was "very kind" in suggesting that the roof repair cost come out of the general operating and maintenance fund of the capitol buildings and grounds account.

He said ways and means gives him a budget, then takes part of it away from him. He expressed belief the bill should have been paid by the emergency board.

Gov. Paul L. Patterson suggested that the Emergency Board be advised that the bill had been paid as suggested so that if Newbry must call on the board for funds later to replace it, the board will be on notice.

The board decided to tighten the procedure involving handling of funds of institutional inmates and patients by raising the bonds of some superintendents to \$10,000. Superintendents affected are those at Oregon State hospital, Eastern Oregon State hospital, Fairview home and the state penitentiary.



GERMANY JOINS ROUND TABLE—France and Germany are represented at the conference table in Paris as the first meeting of the Western European Union gets under way. Left to right: Antonie Pinay, French foreign minister, Rene Massigli, also of France, Konrad Adenauer, German chancellor, and Walter Haist, also of Germany. The ceremony marked the resurgence of Germany as a major power and strengthening of West's negotiating power with Russia.

Foresters Schedule Field Day, Meeting

A meeting of Siskiyou chapter, Society of American Foresters, will be held Friday, May 20, it was announced today. A feature of the all-day meeting will be a field trip to Klamath National forest.

The field trip will start at Klamath River bridge, on Highway 99, at 9 a.m., PST. In the evening, a dinner meeting will be held at Bur Bel resort, one mile north of Klamath River bridge on Highway 99.

The dinner will start at 7 p.m., PST. Featured speaker for the dinner meeting will be Bill Hallin, of the California Forest and Range Experiment station.

Twenty-one towns and six cities were incorporated in Illinois in 1855. The cities were Decatur, Freeport, Kankakee, Macomb, Marshall and Urbana.

11 Illegal Mexicans Deported From Klamath

Klamath Falls — (U.P.) — Eleven illegal Mexican immigrants, the smallest number taken in this area in federal immigration service roundups to date, were deported to Mexico yesterday.

A crew of six men headed by immigration officer Ralph Johnson conducted the search in the Weed, McCloud, MacDoel and Klamath Falls areas. Previous roundups have netted "wetbacks" numbering into the hundreds.

CHEAP TRICK

Vancouver, Wash. — (U.P.) — August Greenlund complained to police that he has had to break into his own grocery store every morning for the past several days. Greenlund said some prankster has been putting cheap padlocks over his own locks on the front door.

Navy May Expand West Coast Facilities

Washington—(U.P.)—The Navy is seeking congressional approval to expand naval facilities at two West Coast ports.

Rear Adm. Sherman R. Clark testified yesterday before the Senate Armed Forces Committee on behalf of a proposal to buy 354 acres to enlarge the San Francisco Naval Shipyard.

Clark said most of the area sought is now under water. The Navy seeks \$4,369,000 for the expansion project, one of 160 projects it proposed last month. The committee is now considering the list.

Clark also asked the committee for \$200,000 to add a "notch" at the end of the dry dock at New Bremerton, Wash. He said the additional space would make it possible to "squeeze in" a carrier of the Forrestal class.

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Talks Resumed in Trucker Dispute

Los Angeles—(U.P.)—Representatives of the truck transportation industry and the Teamsters Union resumed negotiations today in an effort to head off a threatened strike of long-haul drivers.

Frank Brewster, head of the Western Conference of Teamsters, said it was assumed that if any settlement were reached it would cover the area of the 11 Western states.

Contract discussions related chiefly to the line, or long-haul drivers, members of Local 224 of the teamsters, out of state truck operators took part in the talks for the first time.

The teamsters have asked 10 cents an hour additional pay this year and eight cents more next year and in the following year. Operators have offered raises of five cents for each of the three years.

There are six coon-hound breeds — blue tick, red bone, black and tan, English, treeing Walker and Plott. The only one recognized by the American Kennel club is the black and tan.

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