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10 YEARS AGO August 23, 1945. Class underway to train civilian weathermen to operate rain weather equipment here.

20 YEARS AGO August 23, 1935. Farm mortgage bill passes Senate, ready for signing.

30 YEARS AGO August 23, 1925. Vice President Dawes to visit Portland Sept. 7.

40 YEARS AGO August 23, 1915. Farmer demonstrates third crop of alfalfa possible only if water is available.

What's the Answer? Can You Get 4 of the 7? Copr. 1955, Editorial Research Report.

Anti-Litter Ordinance Painted at Truckers. Milwaukee — (U.P.)—The city attorney here has been asked to draft an ordinance providing for stiff fines for truckers and contractors who fail to clean up litter they make on city streets.

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The Patterson-Thornton Feud

When asked if his controversy with Attorney General Thornton was "political" Governor Patterson said "no comment."

The Governor might have admitted the truth and received credit for being frank and forthright. For the controversy is 100 per cent political.

If the Attorney General were a Republican, or if the Governor were a Democrat there would have been no controversy over the Liquor Commission findings whatever—and probably in no other field either.

For in this case one comes to a basic difference between the two major parties, and both principals in the argument were true to their own but conflicting political beliefs.

GOVERNOR Patterson and the same idea Secretary of Defense Wilson has, namely: that not only what is good for General Motors is good for the country, but government is essentially big business and should be conducted in a big business way.

Well, Big Business is conducted in actual practice exclusively by the executives and the board of directors. Proxies are sent out and perhaps a meeting of the stockholders is occasionally held. But a very small and select group really run the business, and the stockholders have little or nothing to say about it.

THE Democratic theory is different. Government is regarded as similar but not as identical in procedure or philosophy with business, big or little. The greatest importance is placed not on the board of directors but upon the stockholders, that is the people. The theory is that not only the more the people know about their government business the better, but those who run the business from day to day have a solemn duty to keep them informed on all matters of genuine importance.

IN ASKING that he be given the complete file on the Liquor probe Attorney General Thornton, as we understand it, was not interested in exerting his official authority. He was only interested in seeing that no evidence of importance was kept from him, as a duly elected legal representative of the people.

As he stated: "Let's get the whole affair out in the open."

THAT is just what the Governor apparently did not want and did not think necessary. He maintained there was nothing criminal involved, that while there had perhaps been irregularities and indiscretions, in some directions, the Attorney General had no jurisdiction anyway, and Thornton was decidedly out of order, if not just head-line hunting, in raising the issue at such a time at all.

So there you are. Two different views of proper procedure in a democracy.

As stated Governor Patterson was true to the doctrine of his party, that unless there has been a crime committed, what the people don't know won't hurt them, and might hurt the party, so why rock the boat? If a crime has been committed then it's up to the proper courts.

In contrast the theory of the Democratic party is that the more the people,—the stockholders in our national corporation, KNOW about what is going on in their government—criminal or not criminal—the better for them and the future of democracy.

So it is the duty of a responsible government to keep them duly, fully and accurately informed.

IF WE had to guess as to the outcome of this particular affair we would predict the Governor will be sustained in his contention that no crimes of an indictable nature have been committed which will undoubtedly be interpreted in the executive department at Salem as a "great victory," for him and a great defeat for the Attorney General.

But we shall be surprised if this verdict is accepted by Attorney General Thornton as satisfactory or final. For as he has frequently stated Governor Patterson should make public the whole record, so the people may know just what has been doing on in the O.L.C. and what hasn't.

This is what he wants and we doubt if he will be satisfied until he gets it. We have a pious idea, the people of the state as a whole, agree with him.

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Matter of Fact By Stewart Alsop

A SICK CITY. Editor's note: This delayed report was sent by Stewart Alsop on the very eve of the outbreak of the North African riots.

Casablanca—A sick city gives forth a sort of smell, a special emanation of its own. The sick smell is always much the same, whether in Cairo during the riots or in Prague in the first weeks after the coup or in Shanghai just before the Communists got it or in Jerusalem during the Palestine terror. This city has the smell of sickness, which is the smell of hatred and fear.

The sickness here is like that of a person in a dangerous fever, before the crisis has been reached. The crisis was expected Aug. 20, the second anniversary of the day when the French deposed Sultan Sidi Mohammed ben-Youssef, a self-regarding and luxury-loving man who has become, thanks to the French, the symbol of Moroccan nationalism. A great blood-letting was expected on this day between the ruling French and the rebellious Moroccans, Newspapermen, who share with vultures a common interest in death and disaster, have flocked here to be in at the kill.

The blood-letting did not develop early in the day. But as this is written the day has not yet ended and Casablanca's smell of hatred and of fear cannot be ignored. Anything—a fire out of hand or a few ill-advised spots—may start very bad trouble.

So far, the trouble has been

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Weather news—bad, as usual: Furious floods ripped at the Northeastern states for the second day in a row, with 12 known dead and property damage estimated in the billions.

Rivers, bloated with record-breaking rains (as much as 12 inches in one day, in places) rolled out of their banks across seven states, leaving thousands homeless, roads in shambles and whole communities in debris-covered ruin.

I WOULDN'T think of criticizing Mother Nature—who when the magnitude of her operations is considered, does an amazing job—but if she'd just SCATTER IT AROUND a little more it would be appreciated.

THE rate of increase of our stored-up wheat surplus is believed to be slowing up a little. It is still growing, but not so fast.

Come next July 1, the wheat "reserves" are expected to total about 1,500,000,000 bushels—or only 35,000,000 bushels more than on July 1 of this year. That would be the smallest carry-over increase since July 1, 1953.

Current wheat stocks are now about FOUR TIMES the 256,000,000 bushel carryover on July 1, 1952.

IT'S a big problem, as everyone knows, with many angles—including the political ones.

But I still think it would be better to feed the surplus wheat to livestock at prices competitive with other feed grains instead of stashing it away in ever-increasing quantities to hang like a menacing thundercloud over the markets.

BUT let's get away from the crops and the weather and talk for a moment about MODERN highways. We're planning some interesting developments along that line in Oregon.

The Banfield Expressway, leading out of Portland to the east, is a divided highway. In the center strip it is planned to plant a screen of ornamental shrubs to shield night drivers from the headlights of cars approaching from the other direction.

I think everyone will agree that it is a splendid idea. Blinding headlights are the chief menace of night driving. On two-lane highways, there is no satisfactory solution to the problem. But on modern divided highways a screen of shrubs in the center will provide an astonishing amount of relief.

It might as well be added that the time is coming when all of our main highways must have four or more lanes. These multiple-lane highways cost a lot of money, but they handle a lot of traffic. There is a lot of traffic already, and it will increase steadily in the future as our country grows.

ON THE new multi-lane highway from Portland to Salem that is nearing completion another interesting experiment is under consideration. It, too, has to do with planting.

The idea is to plant the sides of the road, beginning at the right-of-way fence, with a heavy screen of wild rose bushes. As everyone knows, wild roses produce a tangle of vines. The thinking is that a car going off the pavement out of control would be caught in this tough network of vines much as a trapeze performer who misses his hold is caught in the protective net beneath and saved from serious injury.

At any rate, it is an interesting proposal, and I hope it is given a trial.

small and sporadic. Here is what it has been like. You are riding in an open car behind a French jeep patrol, through the "New Medina"—the shoddy, glaring Arab section. The patrol leader, suspicious, stops a closed Arab funeral truck, painted white, with "Pompes Funebres Mussulman" written on the side. No less than 15 Moroccans, ranking from boys to old men, pile out of the little truck.

JUST what they planned to do, no one knows. There are no weapons in the truck, but the two long empty coffins have air holes punched in them. The 15 frightened Arabs are made to lean forward in a line, with their hands outstretched against the walls. From time to time a black Senegalese soldier walks down the line, and pulls their feet out, to make the leaning as painful as possible.

A crowd begins to gather, but it is quickly dispersed when a platoon in a heavy truck is driven hell-for-leather into it. A couple of French soldiers catch a young Moroccan slithering along an alley and slap him until he screams, and then let him go. When you leave, 20 minutes later, the Arabs are still leaning against the wall, their legs quivering from the strain. The last thing you remember is their brown hands, the veins swollen, against the dirty white of the wall, and the veiled look of fear and hatred in their eyes.

Or, later, you go to a place near a quarry, where trouble has been reported. There is a line of German-made tanks, with soldiers sitting on them in the hot sun, talking and joking. Just to one side, there is a long, dusty road with Arab houses on the left and a "bidonville" on the right. "Bidon" is French for gas oil can, and a bidonville is a town, or rather a city, built entirely of flattened gasoline cans, and crawling with humanity.

In the peculiarly casual manner of French soldiery, troops are spread out along the road between the Arab settlement and the bidonville. There are 45,000 Arabs in this bidonville, and 20,000 more behind the closed shutters of the Arab settlement. But there is no Arab to be seen, except for a rare, quick shadow, and a brooding silence reigns, broken only by the intermittent cackling of chickens and an occasional rifle shot.

The shots are fired mostly in warning. The corpse of one Arab, who did not heed the warning quickly enough, has been dragged off to one side. Two or three Arabs were killed earlier. A French non-com, wounded by a shot from somewhere in the silent depths of the bidonville, has been taken off to the hospital.

AT THE moment there are hardly more dead and wounded than one might expect traffic to inflict on a crowded holiday in an American city. But this is a sick city and both French and Moroccans are perfectly aware that the blood-letting can come at any time.

It can come, for example, if the Arab leaders become convinced that negotiation with the French is futile, and pass the word to the mobs to move against the French. Or the blood-letting can start if the French extremists gain the upper hand and the military are permitted to "teach the Arabs a lesson" by shelling and bombing Arab towns, as in Syria and Algeria after the war.

It will be a long, long time before this sick city is well. Here in Casablanca, and throughout Morocco, fear and hatred have bitten too deep to be erased and forgotten.

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Western Pacific Train Derailed

Hayward, Calif. — (U.P.)—Some 200 passengers escaped injury Monday when the Western Pacific's streamlined California Zephyr was derailed within the city limits here as it neared the end of its trip from Chicago.

Nine cars of the glass-domed luxury train jumped the track, but all remained upright and on the right-of-way. The diesel power unit, baggage car and two forward coaches remained on the rails.

H. C. Monson, vice-president and general manager of the railway, blamed the accident on track repair work which was in progress on that section of the main line.

He said the train was passing over unballasted "skeleton track" at about 25 miles per hour when one of the sections of rail collapsed under the train's weight.

The train ripped out 960 feet of track and scattered railroad ties like matchsticks, but steward Carl Bollinger of South San Francisco reported that not a dish in the dining cars had been broken.

WP officials said the line would be cleared for travel sometime today.

Eleven states and Alaska are sources of pumice.

Producer of \$64,000 Question TV Show Tells How To Get Crack At the Loot

New York — (U.P.)—Steve Carlin, executive producer of "The \$64,000 Question," today supplied a \$64,000 answer—how to go about getting a crack at all the loot.

Carlin, who helped nurse the money-winning (it's ranked number one by the rating agencies), money-losing (it's shelled over 100,560 and two Cadillacs over 10 weeks) show from the start, gets about 15,000 letters a week from viewers. Almost all suggest friends, relatives or

themselves as possible contestants.

But Carlin said most of them are dumped in the waste basket right off the bat. "To get any initial consideration at all, a letter should be fairly long and read intelligently," said Carlin. "It should include detailed information about the following—age, profession, educational background, family status, interests outside work, the hopes that can be fulfilled by winning any money."

Democratic Troubles In South Expected To Carry Into '56 Drive

Washington — (U.P.)—Current evidence indicates that the Democratic party's troubles in the South will carry into the 1956 campaign despite the growing unity among Democrats in Congress.

Some of the more astute Southern veterans here share this belief on the bases of two assumptions: 1. That Republicans will renominate President Eisenhower, who cracked the Solid South in 1952 and won the electoral votes of four Southern states.

2. That Adlai E. Stevenson, 1952 Democratic nominee, is the most probable choice of the 1956 convention, and that Gov. Averell Harriman of New York, who could expect even more Southern opposition, ranks next.

Since Mr. Eisenhower's overwhelming victory in 1952 the

Democrats have drawn somewhat closer together, particularly in Congress.

But the problems which caused party splits in 1948 and 1952, particularly the civil rights issue, have not been solved.

Two of the 1952 pro-Eisenhower governors, Allan Shivers of Texas and Robert F. Kennon of Louisiana, are still in office. Sen. Harry F. Byrd, who refused to support Stevenson in 1952, is still the dominant Democrat in Virginia. Strom Thurmond, 1952 States Rights Democratic party nominee and a 1952 Eisenhower backer, is now in the Senate.

There is no reason yet to believe that men such as these will turn around and support Stevenson or Harriman in 1956 even if, as many Democrats claim, Mr. Eisenhower has lost ground in the South.

Is That So?

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1. If you were to hear these remarks, would you believe or disbelieve them? A. Believe, disbelieve: A full-grown elm may have up to 7,000,000 buds which form and burst during each spring.

B. Believe, disbelieve: The Monarch butterfly has been known to make a 3,000 mile trip migration.

C. Believe, disbelieve: The vast majority of houseflies that survive the winter's cold are fertilized females.

2. Antlers seem to inspire a lot of myths. Which is fact, which myth? A. All deer shed their antlers each year.

B. The number of times and size of antlers pretty well indicate a deer's age.

C. While in the "velvet" a deer's antlers are soft, sensitive, and warm to the touch.

3. Man has been timed at swimming 4.1 miles an hour, which of these animals—beaver, muskrat, sea lion—is slower or faster than man and place each one in the proper order: 1.; 2.; 3. Man; 4.; 5.; 6.

Answers: 1. Disbelieve only A. True enough, the elm may have up to 7,000,000 buds but they form during the previous year and are ready formed long before January. (Take 15 points for each one right.)

2. Of these, only B is a myth. Regardless of how firmly entrenched this belief is, it is false. In the earlier years, perhaps. But after buck passes his physical prime, the antlers may grow fewer times each year until it goes back to the forked horn stage! (Take 10 points for each one right.)

3. The beaver is slowest, at about two miles; the muskrat, next at 3; man, of course, at 4.1; the octopus, at six (and backwards, jet-propelled); the leatherneck turtle, surprisingly, at 22; and the sea lion, at 25 miles an hour. (Five points for each animal in the right position—maximum 25 points.)

Add up your score. If you come out a woodsman, that's mighty fine. Perhaps next time you'll make outdoor expert.

Work by Medford Artist Wins First In Popular Poll

A work by Clifford Platz, Medford artist, entitled "A Study in Perspective" won first place in the popular poll conducted as part of the annual Greenwich Village fair held Sunday by Southern Oregon Society of Artists. The show was held in the old city park down town with artists using park benches, easels and clothes lines to display their work.

The winning painting shows the interior of a barn with a view of the meadow beyond.

Victor Frigglesworth's painting, "Chartres Le Rue" as given the second award by visitors at the fair and third went to Mrs. Blanche Johnson for a painting of a horse called "Mr. White's Chief."

14 Enter Works. Only members of the society are entitled to exhibit in the show, and 14 entered their works. A total of 460 votes were cast, and it is estimated that more than 600 visited the show during the afternoon.

Visitors were registered from several towns and cities in Oregon and California and other states.

Mrs. Charles K. Todd, Camp White, was chairman of the show, with Dr. Emil Muhs and Harry Marx, society members, serving with her on the committee.

Warm Springs Boy Killed by Auto

Gresham — (U.P.)—Three-year-old Conly Jackson of the Warm Springs Indian reservation was fatally injured last night when he darted across the highway three miles east of here and was struck by a car driven by Allen Leroy Anderson, 25, of Sandy.

The child died several hours after the accident at a Portland hospital.

Deputy Multnomah County Coroner Ross Woodward said the boy had been picking berries with his mother and the two were returning to their camp when the boy ran in front of the Anderson car.

Syria Releases American Students

Jerusalem, Israel — (U.P.)—Syria today freed four American theological students who were seized by Syrian soldiers while they swam in the Sea of Galilee but refused to let them return to Israel.

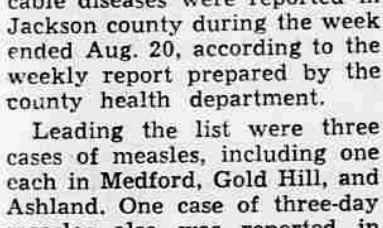
The Israeli government agreed to deliver the Americans' car to Jacobs Daughters bridge over the Jordan river and they will continue their Middle Eastern tour.

In Washington, the U. S. State Department said it was trying to arrange for the Americans to go to Turkey once they get their car back.

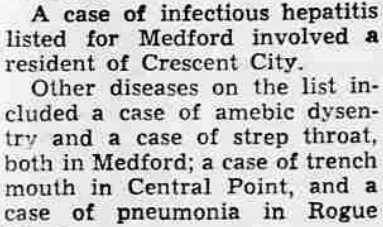
The four were identified as Paul Mayer, Arthur Rithinger, and Fred and Tom Freudenhauser, all naturalized Americans who were born in Canada of German extraction. Their home towns were not given.



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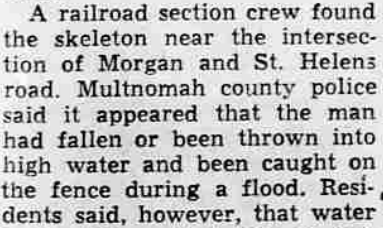
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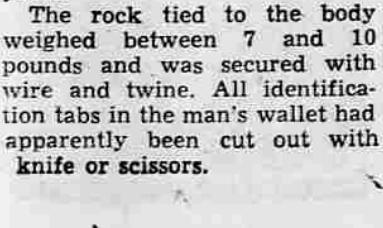
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