



Quotes From the News

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 Los Angeles—Legionnaire Bill Bischoff of Omaha who picketed Vice President Richard M. Nixon's appearance before the national American Legion convention with a placard which read, "Nebraska—Home State of Joe Smith."
 "I'm really a Republican. It's just for fun."

Le Havre, France—Grace Kelly, who expects her first child early next year, commenting on the forthcoming presidential election as she boarded an ocean liner with her husband for New York:
 "The problem has hardly been preoccupying me."

Washington—Republican National Chairman Leonard W. Hall describing the function of the GOP "truth squads" which will follow former President Truman and other Democratic campaigners around:
 "Through press conferences or public meetings they would correct his (Truman's) statements or refresh his memory on the facts."

San Francisco—Democratic Presidential Nominee Adlai E. Stevenson defining his statement that Republican candidates "talk like Democrats" every four years:
 "It's kind of a leap year liberalism."

Ciudad Trujillo—Robert Harrison, publisher of the scandal magazine "Confidential," absolving big game hunter Richard Weidly after being slightly wounded by a blast from Weidly's shotgun:
 "I hold no grudge against Weidly. He cannot be blamed for what happened."

Oklahoma City—Lance Cudjoe, former Harlem Globetrotters basketball star, expressing his satisfaction with becoming the first Negro head coach of football and basketball at a predominantly white Oklahoma high school:
 "I feel great about it and the job is a real challenge as a coach."

Is That So?
 By EUGENE BURNS
 Ranger-Naturalist
 The seed which is nature's way of carrying on life, inheriting the old and passing on the new, is a never-ending source of wonder. Consider:
 A lotus seed, found in the bottom of an extinct lakebed in south Manchuria, retained its



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spark of life and sprouted and flowered and bore fruit 1,000 years later!
 The orchid seed is only a 5 billionth as large as that of the Seychelles coconut! The average size of seeds, however, is about that of a kernel of wheat.
 Like seeds, flowers differ greatly in size: duckweeds which grow in ponds the world over, have flowers so small you can hardly see them; yet Rafflesia which grow in the dense forests of Malaya, have flowers up to 4 feet across!
 A single ragweed plant can shed 8 billion pollen grains in 5 hours. A tassel of corn may produce up to 50 billion pollen grains.
 If a bee visits a rose first, say, it will generally continue to visit only roses for the while—thus spreading the pollen from rose to rose and not from a rose to a thistle where the rose pollen would do no good.
 Tomato plants grown in greenhouses do not have many tomatoes unless the plants are shaken when the stems are shedding pollen or the pollen is collected and blown over the plants. The reason? There is little wind and few insects in a greenhouse to carry the pollen around.
 To help sprout, some seeds with hard coverings grow in halves—as in the walnut, and when they are wet they split along a line that nature makes weaker than the rest of the shell just for this purpose. Other seeds like the coconut, have a special place, like windows that are weaker.
 It is now possible to grow tomatoes without seeds and with more "flesh" by spraying the blossoms with certain chemicals.
 Corn has been "babied" by man for so long that it can now

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Here's a tip for anglers—in spring and fall, fish usually inhabit shallow water. In summer and winter they tend to move into deeper water.

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Bakery Explosion Injures Salem Youth
 Salem — (U.P.) — Lawrence Smith, 19, was recovering from first and second degree burns Thursday suffered in a gas explosion at his father's bakery here yesterday.
 Damage to the bakery was estimated at \$3,000. An emergency repairman from the Portland office of Portland Gas and Coke company was investigating the explosion and repairing the bakery oven.

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The Medical Roundup

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CANCER QUACKS

A letter comes in from a man who says that, on going into his public library, he found on the list of recent acquisitions, a book put out to advertise the doings of a man who claims that he can cure cancer. My correspondent was told that this book had been sent free to libraries all over the United States. He went to the librarian and protested against the use of the institution as an advertising medium for a man whose treatment has been denounced as a fake by the health authorities of the United States Government. After some study, the librarian withdrew the book.

There are quite a few cancer-treaters who mean well and probably do not suspect that they are doing harm. I am sure that they think they are doing good with their ancient prescription. For instance, a woman writes to say that, two years ago, her father had a brown spot which came on his neck and became scabby. The father would pick off this scab but soon a new one would form.

Then, an ulcer started to grow and later this turned into a lump. By then the man realized that he had cancer, but instead of consulting a physician, he went to a woman in the neighborhood who had a paste with which she could eat out cancers. After applying the salve as a poultice, the big lump came out, leaving a nasty hole in the man's neck. Because the salve didn't get it all out, a year later the man died of cancer scattered throughout his body.

This is a beautiful example of what happens when people who have cancer go to a lay person instead of to a physician. If this man had gone quickly to a physician and had had the little ulcer burned off with hot sparks, or cut out in a few minutes neatly and cleanly with a knife, he would have had no reason to lose his life. Also, he would have had a neat little scar instead of a big hole. There is absolutely no reason today why anyone should submit to the use of an old-fashioned arsenic paste. I doubt if in the last 75 years any able physician has used such a paste. He has had no need for it.

People with cancer who fear the knife should remember that a small ulcer or nodule can be cut out painlessly under local anesthesia; or it can be burned off painlessly in a minute. The physician can see what he is doing, and hence can get out all of the cancer with the least loss of skin. With a paste, one cannot tell if one is getting out all of the cancer, and one is pretty sure to leave an unsightly scar. Chorea, or St. Vitus Dance

The common variety of chorea comes in childhood. As most persons know, the child gets the fidgets; often the patient is a girl who starts twitching and moving

her arms convulsively. She cannot sit still. Usually her trouble clears up after weeks or months. The child should be treated with kindness and affection because she can't help what she is doing. She should be examined by a physician to make sure that she hasn't a tendency to rheumatic fever and perhaps the heart disease often associated with it. Sedative drugs may cut down on the amount of jumpiness and irritability.

Children who have had chorea often remain more than normally nervous for months or years. (Released by The Register and Tribune Syndicate, 1956)

Testing of Atom Sub Is Delayed

Washington — (U.P.) — Dockside testing of the new atomic submarine Seawolf will be delayed "several weeks" because of leaks in the craft's steam super heating equipment.

The Seawolf is the Navy's second atomic sub.

Rear Adm. A. G. Mumma, chief of the Navy's Bureau of Ships, said Thursday night the difficulty "did not involve any injury to personnel or other material damage, nor did it involve any nuclear radiations."

Mumma said the trouble developed during outside tests of the atomic submarine's propulsion plant at the Groton, Conn., yards of the builder—the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics Corp.

He said the builders and the Navy still are trying to track down the exact cause of the difficulty. He said all available evidence so far indicates that materials used in the steam equipment were "in accordance with specifications."

Mumma said the defective equipment is not part of the craft's nuclear engine itself but is used to obtain higher steam efficiency.

"The work necessary to correct this situation will extend the time for completing dockside testing of the Seawolf by several weeks," the admiral said.

Dockside trials precede actual sea trials.

Navy To Draft 300 Doctors Next Month

Washington — (U.P.) — The Defense Department has requested Selective Service to draft 300 doctors next month for the Navy. The department announced Thursday the physicians, plus those who volunteer, should enable the armed services to meet their needs for doctors through January. The department's last request for doctors was May 16 when Selective Service was asked to draft 380 for the Navy in July.

Boston Symphony Gets Thunderous Reception by Reds

Leningrad — (U.P.) — Two-thousand enthusiastic music lovers gave the Boston Symphony Orchestra a thunderous reception Thursday night at the first foreign symphony heard here since before the Revolution.

Conductor Charles Munch took four bows after playing Beethoven's Eroica (3rd Symphony) and was unable to resist demands for an encore—something the Boston Symphony rarely does.

After playing Walter Piston's Sixth Symphony and Ravel's Daphne and Chloe, the orchestra gave an unscheduled performance of Duka's Sorcerer's Apprentice.

The audience applauded for several minutes.

Agency Predicts Rise in Car Prices

Detroit — (U.P.) — A Detroit statistical agency predicts the 1957 model low-priced cars will go up an average of \$100-plus at the factory retail level.

Wards Automotive Reports said Thursday that "this prospect was unofficially confirmed by two of the Big Three car producers."

The increase, which would be "more sizable" on higher-priced cars, Ward's said, "is more severe than those predicted following recent steel contract settlements and reflects the cost of radically new styling plus further increases in material and labor expense."

Auto industry spokesmen refused comment on the prediction. They said prices of the new models would not be decided upon for a few more weeks.

Ward's said the price increases "mirror the auto industry's premise that each year there must be something new for the customer—greater value or lower price."
 It said the auto builders apparently expected the price boost would not hurt sales of the new models since "a \$100

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