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What? No Issues in 1956?

We have been asked what ex-Secretary of the Interior McKay meant when introducing V.P. Nixon the other day he declared, quote:

"The issues don't amount to anything, it's the votes that count."

Needless to say we can't speak officially for the GOP candidate for the senate—WHAT an assignment that would be!—but our belief is he meant just what he said.

ACCORDING to Peter Lisagor who reported the Eugene meeting for the Portland Oregonian and the Chicago News this extraordinary statement did not make much of a hit with the audience nor with the guest of honor Campaigner Nixon, who had prepared his speech on what he considered the main issues.

Lisagor called it a "dismaying remark" and "the bouncy little gent straight out of Sinclair Lewis' Main Street," gave little comfort to Nixon who was waiting in the rear of the hall to make his "pitch."

Well it might be added, to quote again, "the bouncy little gent" is giving little comfort to his supporters, and increasing comfort to his opponents, for every time he speaks his vote-getting batting average goes down, and the batting average of the man he so detests, Oregon's senior senator, goes up.

This is not according to any Democratic figuring, but the figuring of McKay's staunch supporter, the Oregonian, whose special poll compiler declares if the election occurred today Morse would beat McKay by from "29,000 to 32,000 votes."

Well that is quite a bunch of votes to lose, or win back, in the five or six weeks remaining before the ballots will be counted. Unless something unforeseen occurs the Oregonian's "bouncy little gent from Main Street" just can't make it.

BUT to return to that extremely revealing statement. As remarked we see no reason to doubt that former Secretary of the Interior meant exactly what he said.

For to him the issues don't count. He doesn't want to count them. For on every important one, from tidelands oil, through Al Sarena to the exploitation of our natural resources instead of their conservation, Douglas McKay has been wrong, and no one realizes it better than he that if he agreed to debate the issues involved in his effort to oust Wayne Morse and take the seat for himself he would be far worse off than he is today—which as indicated is not good.

So he says there are no issues—or those that may be brought up don't amount to anything, getting votes to him is all that counts.

WELL we have to hand it to the GOP candidate for his candor. For a better definition of a 100 per cent coat-tail candidate passenger could hardly be imagined. The issues to such an aspirant are of no importance, but getting votes by capitalizing on the personal popularity of General Eisenhower is important, and that is all Mr. McKay has done and apparently all he intends to do, until the finish line is reached.

IN ANOTHER one of his extremely frank but inept remarks a few weeks ago, Candidate McKay was equally revealing—and equally embarrassing to his supporters—when he said the "people of Oregon were still yackety-yacking about Tideland oil," and that he would probably get more votes in Texas than in his own state for he had always been for states rights, etc., etc.

We don't believe any close observer of the political scene in Oregon as of today would dispute this confession of weakness. But it must have come as something of a shock to the rabid Morse-haters, to have their specially selected and officially anointed candidate admit it.

Such admissions just aren't done in the midst of a hot campaign in the Upper Echelons of the Grand Old Party, however. The Big Chiefs may think it at times, but they don't SAY it.

AND there is another thing they don't say. According to our special operative in the national capital, they don't say what they really think about Mr. Douglas McKay, both as a Republican Secretary of the Interior, and as a candidate for the U.S. Senate.

They are stuck with Mr. McKay and are going to stick by him. But as Secretary of the Interior Seaton remarked during his western trip in support of his predecessor, "I can assure the people nothing like the Al Sarena case will ever happen again"—that is in HIS administration. If it was so virtuous and legally compulsory, why shouldn't it? The Ellsworth law certainly, if the policies of the Interior Department under Secretary McKay are not changed—would never stop it.

YES, WE BELIEVE ex-Secretary McKay's recent remarks have one admirable quality. There is, for a change, no double talk or evasiveness about them. He means what he says. He not only would today get more votes in Texas, but with so many big oil men and states rights white-supremacy fanatics about him, he would, we feel sure, feel much happier and more at home down there than he does up here running for the U.S. Senate.—R.W.R.

Belding Candidate For Mayor of LA

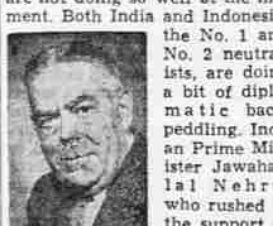
Grants Pass — Don Belding, formerly of Grants Pass and now living in Los Angeles, has announced his candidacy for mayor of Los Angeles in the municipal election next April. Belding, chairman of the board of the Foote, Cone and Belding Advertising agency and

vice president of the Los Angeles Airport commission, is a graduate of Grants Pass High school. He has lived in Los Angeles for 33 years. He was graduated from the University of Oregon in 1919 as an honor student after serving with the Army for six months.

Neutralist Nations Finding It Necessary to Back-Pedal a Bit

By CHARLES M. MCCANN United Press Correspondent

The East Asian "neutralists" are not doing so well at the moment. Both India and Indonesia, the No. 1 and No. 2 neutralists, are doing a bit of diplomatic back-peddling.



Charles M. McCann

Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, who rushed to the support of Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser in the Suez Canal dispute, is having some sober second thoughts. He is trying with evident anxiety to get Nasser, whose belligerent attitude he encouraged, to be a little more reasonable.

Indonesian President Sukarno is in trouble at home because of a pro-Communist joint communique his foreign minister, Ruslan Abdulgani, signed in Moscow during their recent visit to Russia.

There is talk in Jakarta, the Indonesian capital, of a cabinet crisis. Abdulgani may well lose his job.

The Indian and Indonesian developments have resulted from the way East Asian neutralism works out in practical diplomacy.

Suspicious of West

Officially, the party line is that the neutralist countries pur-

sue foreign policies independent of the great Western and Eastern "power blocs."

In practice, however, it attitude always happens that the attitude of the neutralist nations in favor of international problems favors the two great Communist powers, the Soviet Union and Communist China.

One reason is that the chief neutralist nations, newly independent, are extremely suspicious of "Western imperialism" and "colonialism."

Whenever there is a clash of interests between the Western democracies and the Communist nations, the neutralists incline to take it for granted that the democracies are wrong.

Thus Nehru lost no time in approving Nasser's attempt to seize sole control of the Suez Canal.

He said in a speech that the Western allies were running "a grave risk of war" when they announced their plan to form a Suez Canal users association.

Not long afterward, Nehru apparently got the idea that Nasser was doing some risking himself. He sent V. K. Krishna Menon, his roving ambassador, to Egypt to urge Nasser to be reasonable.

Visits Saud

Now Nehru himself has gone to Saudi Arabia, Egypt's Arab neighbor, to visit King Saud.

In Indonesia's case, Sukarno and Foreign Minister Abdulgani

warmly praised Russian leaders during their visit to the Soviet Union. They saw Russia as a peace-seeking, friendly, democratic country.

But Abdulgani went overboard in his joint communique, which he and Soviet First Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko signed.

The communique emphasized the "solidarity" between Russia and Indonesia. It stressed identity of views on disarmament, anti-colonialism, Western defense pacts and the testing or use of nuclear weapons.

Five of the eight parties in the government coalition protested.

The cabinet, at a special meeting, ordered Abdulgani to sign no more communiques during his tour of Europe and Asia. It was announced that he would be questioned about the Moscow communique when he got home. A.D. it was intimated he might be invited to resign.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

I was absorbing a quickie sandwich at a drug store counter the other day—being a little short on time for a more extensive luncheon. The segment of the counter at which I sat was presided over by a teenage youth who was obviously somewhat less than thrilled with his job. He kept stealing glances at the clock, and eventually the hands reached a point that marked some kind of an epoch for him. He shrugged his shoulders and muttered to his next door neighbor on the working side of the counter:

"Boy." Another hour of this grind and I'll be through. "Then I can begin to LIVE!"

THE poor kid! I couldn't help feeling sorry for him.

Not because of his weariness, because I couldn't believe that the hours of his shift that had elapsed up to then had left him over-wearied. He hadn't been putting steam enough into his efforts for that.

What I pitied him for was his BOREDOM with his job. Nothing is more terrible than boredom with one's job. And nothing is more wonderful than such complete absorption in the job you are doing that the minutes and the hours slip past unnoticed and the arrival of quitting time leaves you with a faint feeling of regret.

That is LIVING. Being bored to extinction with your job is mere existing.

THE more I see of life—especially the kind of life lived by this poor kid who could hardly wait for his work shift to end so that he could get away from his job and begin to LIVE—the more impressed I am with one of our modern devices for placing young people in jobs.

I am referring to aptitude testing—whose purpose is to find out what kind of work people have a natural learning for. Increasing years of experience indicate that these tests are surprisingly accurate. Employers who use them are finding that it seldom pays to go against the findings of the test.

THIS is of great value, of course, to the employer—for the cost of training a worker for a specific job is rather considerable. When it turns out that he isn't FITTED for the job the time that has been expended in training him is wasted.

But it isn't the employer I am thinking of at the moment. The TRAGEDY of such a misfit in the life of the worker himself. He is condemned to years of boredom in a job he isn't fitted to fill. That is real tragedy—as witness this youngster at the lunch counter.

If wider use of aptitude testing can prevent even a reasonable number of these tragedies, it will be wonderful.

ALL this moralizing reminds me of another teenager I just happened to notice a few days ago. He was crossing the street on his way to high school. It was a busy intersection—as approaches to our schools are coming to be in these days when our youngsters come in automobiles and school buses instead of walking, as their grandparents did.

This boy was strolling across the intersection READING A BOOK. On all four sides of the crossing, cars were stopped. On two sides, traffic was piled up for half a block back waiting for him to get across.

He looked neither to the right nor to the left as he put one foot leisurely before the other on his way from curb to curb. His eyes never left his book.

HE WAS probably putting on a show. But I hope not. I HOPE the book he was reading was a good book, filled with information, and that he was so engrossed with the knowledge he was acquiring that he didn't even notice what was going on.

Knowledge is a splendid thing. It adds so fabulously to the fascination of living.

No one can ever have too much of it.

Matter of Fact By Stewart Alsop

THE EISENHOWER AURA

Des Moines, Iowa — Those Democrats who are already beginning to count unhatched chickens—and there are a lot of them—ought to have followed Dwight D. Eisenhower around during the hours he spent here, the day before Adlai Stevenson's appearance. The experience might have proved a rude shock to their complacency.

In a brief speech at the airport, Eisenhower remarked that the crowds that lined the streets to see him and Mrs. Eisenhower were "a turnout such as we've never seen before." Veteran reporters agreed with him. But the vast, good-humored crowds which lined the streets were only part of the story.

A more important part was the Eisenhower aura, the effect he has on people. It is a very special sort of aura, exclusively his own. Unlike Franklin Roosevelt or other great politicians, he inspires, instead, a genuine personal affection. Above all, he cheers people up.

YOU only had to look at people's faces after he had passed by to see that this is so. They looked as though they had had a good tonic. They looked cheerful, amused, and happy. They were almost all smiling.

It is interesting to watch Eisenhower closely, as he passes through a crowd, and try to analyze the special quality of the aura. The smile is part of it, of course. But a kind of shy-seeming earnestness is another part. And still another is a sort of "aw shucks" manner, as though to say, "I don't know what you people are making such a fuss about me for."

At the national plowing match, which was the President's most important part of call, a row of children had been lined up to meet him. They were nervous, standing awkwardly at attention in the way that children have on such occasions. But the President talked to them seriously, without condescension, in the manner of a man who really likes children, and they were immediately smiling and at their ease.

AT THE livestock show, when he asked about such matters as the average number of piglets per litter, he sounded genuinely interested in the answer—which, like any other amateur farmer, he no doubt was. And in the two brief speeches he made—one at the plowing match and the other at the airport—he displayed conspicuously his great asset as a public speaker, the ability to seem to mean what he says.

What he said was certainly not very original, and not even very interesting. Another politician who talked, as the President did at the plowing match, of "the

plow as the symbol of peace," might well have sounded like a vote-grubbing hypocrite. But the President sounded as though he were deeply dedicated both to peace and to the plow. Another politician who talked, as the President did at the airport, about how he always "thought first about the interests of all 168 million Americans," might have aroused cynical snickers. But the President aroused, instead, to judge from the reaction of the enormous crowd, sympathy and belief.

No-one who saw him in action here, in short, could doubt for a moment that the Eisenhower aura is far and away the Republicans' greatest asset. It remains to be seen, of course, to what extent the almost universal liking for the man will be translated into votes. This reporter had a chat with a master-plowman who had just been congratulated by the President for his prowess.

"He's a fine man, a great man," said the master-plowman, still a bit starchy-eyed. "Then you're going to vote for him?" he was asked. "Well, uh, no, I guess not," the master-plowman replied.

NO DOUBT there are others like the master-plowman. But surely there are many more whose "I like Ike" is translated in their minds into "I'll vote for Ike." That raises the question of how the Eisenhower aura, as the central Republican asset, is to be exploited. The question is particularly important since the President's two illnesses. Many in the huge crowds that turned out here must have come to see for themselves how the President looks. He looks well. Indeed, part of the Eisenhower aura is a certain ruddy vigor, far more apparent in person than on the television screen.

THUS there will surely be heavy pressure on the President to repeat his triumph here in Iowa—for his day here was indeed a personal triumph. The pressure will come, of course, from Republican politicians who want to benefit from the aura, but it may come also from within the President himself. For he very much wants to win. And the pressure will mount if the indications increase—as they have been here, where polls show Adlai Stevenson steadily closing the gap—that his winning is no sure thing.

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Communications

Not "Rock 'n' Roll"

To the Editor: A recent article on the front page of your newspaper had this headline: "Rock 'n' Roll Riot Sends 15 Servicemen To Hospital." Reading further I discovered that apparently a large amount of beer had been consumed at the dance, and in the fifth paragraph I find that the battle apparently started over a remark made to a girl by an enlisted man. It seems logical to consider that the riot started as a result of these two circumstances, and not because of the music.

I consider your article to be a prime example of unfair, biased journalism. On the whole your news coverage is very fair but your narrowmindedness on this subject is typical of a large segment of our adult population. I am sure that if you made a study of the numerous dance hall brawls of say 20 years ago, you would be forced to admit that they were not caused by "rock 'n' roll" music either.

David Mack, (teenager and proud of it) Route 2, Box 489, Gold Hill, Ore.

Stand by Wayne Morse

To the Editor: The Republican bosses in Oregon are trying to use the party lash to whip the voters in line against Wayne Morse. In this they will meet with dismal failure.

The voters of Oregon are not servile slaves to be dictated to. The voters are free born, independent. American citizens who on election day vote for their own interests and who will stand by the man who stands by them. That is U. S. Senator Wayne Morse.

Get on the Democratic bandwagon, and remember the Maine election.

Charles W. Sherman, Kerby, Ore.

Supports Humane Bill

To the Editor: Humanitarians will hope that Senator Neuberger will have a long life in the Senate. Many times he has volunteered to fight cruelty to animals. Senator Neuberger testified for the Humane Slaughter Bill, S.1636, which was enacted in the Senate. Neuberger declared that packers who could not make a profit without cruelty should go out of business. Congressmen continue probe of packers despite politics and even while the Democrats were assembling in Chicago, members of the House Agriculture committee were making a field study of cruelties in slaughtering, going to the killing floors of packing plants to see for themselves what is done to animals. The congressmen saw the use of the brutal pole-axe on cattle. They watched while fully conscious hogs, calves, lambs and sheep were knifed. This study of slaughter house methods will continue during the congressional recess and new bills will be introduced as soon as Congress meets again.

So if you would enjoy your hamburgers and pork chops, please write our Senators to support this humane legislation.

Paul Harvey, American Broadcasting company commentator, reported these congressional studies during his broadcast of Aug. 12 and expressed hope that the Congressmen would press for a humane slaughter law this winter. Senator Morse is also supporting the legislation, but I have yet to hear what Mr. Douglas McKay's stand is on the bill. Maybe some humanitarian Republican will let us know.

Mrs. Ruth Johnson, Pacific Hwy. South Phoenix, Ore.

Praises Nurses

To the Editor: I want to write a note of commendation on the conscientiousness of the nurses' aides at Sacred Heart hospital, especially the fourth floor. I am not very good at this, but I have been a visitor and patient both. Especially one, she wouldn't tell me her last name, but always a smile or joke for you, never gripes if extra work is needed, tries to carry her work with dignity. She makes you laugh if there is a way to do it. Seems tireless. Her first name is Anna. I can't describe her gentle, kind, forgiving way and nature. Her way with old people, is marvelous. I know she is doing four hours special now. Loyal to hospital and Sisters.

I live in California. God bless Nurses' aides, the teachers and Sisters too.

Mrs. George Geober, Pasadena, Calif.

"A Man Without Fear"

To the Editor: Senator Morse's swift, personal acceptance of the long distance challenge of three Eastern Oregon big shots to "debate anyone" regarding the Senator's willingness to represent Oregon in the U.S. Senate, must have plopped like a cold, wet fish in the center of the boisterous trio's rosy dream.

The three challengers (two lawyers and a business man) set up the condition that they must have two full weeks to prepare their debate (probably so they could re-read and memorize the by now dog-eared passages of the current GOP propaganda textbook, the so called "Documented Record of Senator Wayne Morse.")

They doubtless banked on their challenge being accepted by some lone Morse supporter with more courage than education, so that their three-against-one debate would be assured of the proper verdict in the press.

Instead, here comes the head-spinning, ear-ringing acceptance by the Senior Senator himself, who is surprisingly (to them) eager to answer for his own record—even under fixed and hostile conditions.

To quote his acceptance of the challenge: "I personally will go to Malheur county at an arranged time to debate according to your challenge—or any other issues—with any one of you or all three of you at once, Douglas McKay himself, or any combination of persons you may desire. I would prefer a question that would compare the records of McKay and myself."

It brings back the words of Eleanor Roosevelt when she spoke in Medford at the Roosevelt Memorial Dinner in April: "I have never felt that Senator Morse was afraid. He is a man without fear."

Mary Greiner Kelly, 906 West Fourth St., Medford, Ore.

Southerners' Comments

To the Editor: We arrived here expecting Medford to be our "home" for a week, bought your paper, saw the letters by Mrs. Poole and Mr. Strickland. We are so glad we bought the paper before checking in at hotel, for surely we would not be here. The hotels, restaurants, filling stations and stores would have received quite a bit from us in a week, as there are six in our party—

You are welcome to the Pooles' and Stricklands.

We refer the colored people, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Jackson and party, Charleston, S. C.

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Flight o' Time Medford and Jackson County History from the files of The Mail Tribune 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 years ago.

10 YEARS AGO Sept. 25, 1946 (Wednesday) Medford's school enrollment at the close of the first week of school totals 3,946 students, six per cent more than last year.

20 YEARS AGO Sept. 25, 1926 (Friday) Federal court will hold its annual session here Oct. 6, Glenn O. Taylor, resident deputy clerk, announces.

Proposed affiliation of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce and the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce deferred at a board meeting of the Jackson county chamber.

30 YEARS AGO Sept. 25, 1926 (Saturday) Reservations for Greater Medford club luncheon at St. Mark's Guild hall Monday must be in by 9 a.m. Monday.

Motion pictures of the first air mail and other recent local events of interest will be shown at the Copco building tonight by California Oregon Power company.

40 YEARS AGO Sept. 25, 1916 (Monday) "This is a 'Dirty Dora' campaign: that is the Republican cry," said Chester E. Contrell, Memphis, Tenn., in Medford yesterday on his business.

Sells-Floto circus, Buffalo Bill Wild West champion shows of the world, will exhibit here on Thursday, Sept. 28.

50 YEARS AGO Sept. 25, 1906 (Tuesday) Miss Irene Brown will give a recital tonight at opera house.

From Local and Personal column. Among displays at the exhibit building are peppers grown by Mrs. Della Lewis of Eagle Point.

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

1. The number of small family farms is declining, increasing, or holding its own compared with the number of large "commercial" farms?

2. Estes Kefauver, Democratic candidate for vice president, has served in the Senate or the House, both or neither?

3. The Truman Doctrine was on defending Formosa, aiding Greece and Turkey against Russia, keeping Red China out of U.N., or sharing atomic secrets?

4. Mt. Desert, a U.S. island in the Atlantic ocean, is part of which state?

5. First President inaugurated on a Jan. 20 was Coolidge, Hoover, F. D. Roosevelt, Truman or Eisenhower?

6. All nationally prominent labor leaders have come out for Stevenson as against Eisenhower; right or wrong?

7. The Russian word "Soviet" means dictatorship, state farm, council, nationalized factory, or Marxian socialism?

The answers: 1. Family farms are declining. 2. In both. 3. Aiding Greece and Turkey. 4. Maine. 5. F.D.R. 6. Wrong. 7. Council.

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If God Is God GEO. N. TAYLOR If God is God why does He not put an end to war? This is the day of salvation. God is now calling out a people on whom he is to spend in Father love in ages to come. Christ is to return and sweep out this present world-order. He will then set up the new day where-in dwells righteousness. Turn, let your heart believe that Christ died for your every last sin from the cradle to the grave. At that God gives you eternal life. Not by works of righteousness which we have done but by his mercy he saves us. This message sponsored by a Portland family—adv.

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