

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



A Nichal's Worth of . . . Comment On This and That

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Washington (UPI)—L. B. M. is more than three initials in the United Press.

He's a big, little man, carrying a big stick, but soft as cotton underneath. Blow a gasket, he can, but couple of minutes later he'll grab you by the arm and invite you to join him in a drink at lunch.

L. B. Mickel is retiring at years end after 45 years with the United Press. His title was superintendent of the bureau. Also the purse strings he held. Particularly when it came to expense accounts.

Once there was a reporter who prowled the acres of the world and somehow always came up minus \$39.39 out of his own wallet. This clown would sweat and add and subtract in the composition of his expense account. One day he woke up with a bright thought. On each voucher he would put down: "Typewriter repair: \$39.39."

"Mick" put up with this non-sense for a good long time and finally his patience fled.

The reported was about to embark on a mighty mission, gear packed and all. But, barring him at the elevator at U.P. headquarters in the Daily News Building in New York, he found little "Mick."

The watchdog of finance said: "I'm getting darn tired of fixing that old typewriter of yours. Here's a brand new one."

Plan Collapses  
The reporter grumbled, picked up the new machine—and said: "There goes \$39.39."

When I went to St. Louis as bureau manager in 1944, a letter arrived ahead of me. It was from L. B. M. All he had to say was:

"I hope you don't have as much trouble with this bureau in World War II as I did in World War I." He never told me what his trouble was.

A few days later, I got another memo from "Mick." This one he wrote himself on account of his secretary was on vacation.

He started it out: "Dear Harman." Then went on to give me what-for about something or other.

Whatever it was, I straightened it out and penciled back: "You and my mother have something lovely in common: you both call me 'Harman,' instead of 'Nick.'"

Mick penciled right back: "That's funny. My mother always calls me 'Blanchard.'"

One time in Philadelphia, at one of the political conventions, L. B. M. was being 20 and 50: dollored to death for advances on expenses. The long-suffering, lovable lit-

tle guy was beset and beside.

So down he went to the cashier of the headquarters hotel. He cashed a check for something like \$2,500.

It didn't take him long to get rid of that bundle. I picked up my share, and told Mick to put it down against me—meaning I'd have to account for all of it later.

Mick came over to me and said: "I think I overdid it, this time, Nick. Can you afford to take me down and buy me a World Telegram and a drink? You can put it down."

I did and I put it down. That's our L.B.M.

Two from County Attend University of Kansas

Two Jackson county men are students this year at the University of Kansas, according to James K. Hitt, director of admissions.

They are Robert James O'Neill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. O'Neill, 240 North Holly st., Medford; and Richard Merton Lade, son of Mrs. Ira Lade, Ashland. O'Neill is a sophomore majoring in electrical engineering. Lade is a senior. His major is psychology.

FANCY TOUCH FOR SALADS

New York (UPI)—Salad with a gourmet's touch: blend together 3/4 cup of finely chopped celery, one 3-ounce package of cream cheese, and salt and pepper to taste. Shape into small balls, and roll them in freshly chopped parsley. Good with almost any type of salad.

News About Books From the Library

A number of donations were made to the Medford Public Library during the past two weeks. Donors included Mrs. O. B. Gorrier, Mrs. Dona Roach, Robert Stewart, Joseph Hillis, and Miss Anna P. Livingston. Miss Livingston's contribution was a collection of books on drawing, lettering and ship models from the estate of Major Livingston. Most of the other books received were popular recent titles which will be circulated from branch libraries of Jackson county as well as from the headquarters library.

The total number of volumes added to the library during the fortnight was 220, 109 of which were for the junior department and 111 for the adult section of the library. The 68 new titles added to the adult department include:

- Biography: Edith Cavell, Heroic Nurse, Elkon; Joe DiMaggio, The Yankee Clipper, School; The Home Ranch, Moody.
- Fine arts—literature: The English Masters, Shipp; Painting in America, Richardson; Art of Asia, Rubissov; Introduction to Chinese Art and History, Silcock; Collected Poems, Millary; Theater '56.
- Home and garden: Handy

Propagae Gas Explosion Damages Cafe in Idaho

Payette, Ida. (UPI)—A propane gas explosion ripped a cafe here yesterday causing an estimated \$3,000 damage but resulting in only one minor injury.

Edna Nichols, a cook in the cafe and the only person on the premises at the time of the blast, was treated for minor injuries at a physician's office and released. Gladys Fifer, a waitress, had left the cafe a few minutes before the explosion to pick up some bakery goods.

Man's Plumbing and Heating Guide; 1956 Christmas Ideas, Better Homes and Gardens; How to Use Color and Decorating Designs in the Home, Ketcham; Antoinette Pope School Candy Book; Pope, One Little Boy, Baruch; Problems of Adolescents, Edleston; Garden Enemies, Westcott.

Philosophy and religion: Treasury of Philosophy, Runes; The Outsider, Wilson; Mission: U.S.A., Hoffman; Meditations Before Mass, Guardini; The Great Prayer, Ross Williamson; How to Believe, Sockman; Modern Apocrypha, Goodspeed.

Science and technology: The Push-Button World, Hugh-Jones; Earth Satellite, Moore; Flung Saucer from Mars, Allingham; Great Adventures in Medicine, Rapport; Milestone of Medicine, Fox; Handbook of Attracting Birds, McElroy; Raising Small Animals for Pleasure and Profit, Ashbrook; The Earth We Live On, Moore.

Sports: The Fireside Book of Baseball, Einstein; Clowning through Baseball, Schacht; Living off the Country, Angier; Trout Fishing from All Angles, Taverner.

Travel: Easter in Sicily, Kubly; Finland Today: Water, Water Everywhere, Kimbrough; African Hayride, Ryan.

Other non-fiction: A History of the English-Speaking Peoples; Vol. 2: The New World, Churchill; Standard Handbook for Secretaries, Hutchinson; Arms and Men, Mills; The Road to Persuasion, Muehl; The Trouble with Gumballs, Nelson; The Pick of Punch, Punch; Great American Negroes, Richardson; The Story of Jazz, Stearns.

Fiction: A Fearful Joy, Cary; Stories to Remember, Costain; Voyage into Violence, Lockridge; The Shadow of Suspicion, Loring; Beauty and the Beast, Norris; Dragon Harvest, Sinclair.

Combination Bear-Bull Market Dominates 1956 on Lower Volume

BY ELMER C. WALZER  
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New York (UPI)—President Eisenhower's health, tight money, and international news swayed a highly irregular stock market during 1956. On average the market accomplished a little less than nothing.

As the brokers saw it, the market was neither bear nor bull, but a combination of each.

It was a bear market for such groups as the chemicals, televisions, tobaccos, rails, papers, auto shares, communications, and merchandises.

It was a bull market for sugars, steels, oils, drugs, metals, cements, road builders, ship builders, oil equipments, machinery issues, coal issues, and natural gas companies.

It was a bit of bull and a bit of bear for the electrical equipments, tires, aircrafts, building equipments and utilities.

The blue chips in the Dow-Jones average were as mixed as the remainder of the market. Of the 30 industrials in that average, 15 rose and 15 fell; in 1956, 13 rose and 17 fell; in utilities 8 rose and 7 fell.

Trading fell under 1955 but was above 1954. Daily volume averaged around 2,200,000 shares.

The market appeared to have a floor in the 438-464 area. Each time it came into that area—there were five such periods—support developed and prices rose.

Brokers still consider the market as a whole a bull market, the same bull market that started on June 13, 1949. They aren't expecting any wide gains or any wide declines in 1957. They appear to be content on a prediction of a consolidating market,

one in which the investors will have to be highly selective in his purchases.

Some of the experts believe there will be corrections in prices and a decline in the first half of the year with a stronger market later and a good closing.

Court Records

POLICE COURT

Robert Oscar Goin, disorderly conduct, 30 days suspended sentence. Wayne William Bird, violation of basic rule, \$10. Robert E. Baige, operating along sidewalk, \$5. Charles Elmer Lindgren, violation of basic rule, \$10. Betty Jane McGinty, violation of basic rule, \$10. Ralph Douglas Green, failure to stop at stop sign, \$5. James Wayne Luck, violation of basic rule, \$10. Robert J. Lockwood, no operator's permit on person, \$5. Kenneth Lynd Larson, violation of basic rule, \$10. Jerry Lee Daniels, violation of basic rule, \$10. Duane William Hodgson, failure to yield right of way, \$10. Marie Garnet McDuffie, violation of basic rule, \$10. Marionann Laumann, violation of basic rule, \$15.

DISTRICT COURT

Eva Helen Seassenman, failure to yield right of way, \$6. Frederick Jackson Rock, violation basic rule, \$10. Raymond Madison Fry, no motor vehicle license, \$10, bail forfeited. Virgil Dale Neuenchwander, excessive overhang, \$15. Paul Edward Campbell, no operator's license, \$20.

CIRCUIT COURT

Hazel Annette Farmer vs Harold Everett Farmer, divorce complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION

Lorren Cecil Keck, 2645 South Stage rd., Medford, and Cleo Belle Nutter, 2643 South State rd., Medford. George Dewey Ankeney, 427 Pine st., Yreka, Calif., and Rosvena E. Warner, 427 Pine st., Yreka, Calif. Donald Keith Bradshaw, Swedell Ore, and Jennie Doreen Bohmert, route 1, box 20, Central Point.

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