

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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It would also mean leaving San Francisco and this cool ocean fog is delicious. The angle is this: Since we left New York the Brooklyn Dodgers have won steadily until as of now they are only one game behind the Milwaukee Braves.

We don't know the manager of the Braves, but if he knew the magic potency of the jinx our attendance casts upon the Brooklyn baseball club we feel certain he would not only give us a round-trip ticket back to Greater Manhattan but a splendorous expense account. All we would have to do would be to attend every game and have Milwaukee pay on the results.

Of course—come to think about it—Captain Peewee Reese might pay us a retaining fee and a movie star's salary to stay away. Heads we win, tails we can't lose. Why didn't we think of that in the first place? We shall drop "Peewee" a line at once.

Here is a puzzle and there isn't a CROSS-word in it. Why is it that a few years ago when we walked down Geary we were continually pestered by these candid camera bandits, clicking their shutters and handing us a card. Now the same "hucksters" pay no heed to our presence even when we narrowly escape running them down.

Speaking of the Clift, it's a nice hotel and we have been staying there when in S.F. ever since the Panama-Pacific exposition. But now it holds too many conventions. We arrived in the midst of the Elks fiesta, and now the Lions are holding forth, with the usual extra-curricular activities. After breakfast this a.m., a man slipped into the elevator, was slightly jarred by the automatic closing door, and with a jerk of the thumb toward the lobby baggage, inquired if another convention had arrived.

The speaker wasn't as old as Methuselah either. In short, here is another easy way to get rich—establish a NON-convention hotel in the center of San Francisco. (Subscriptions for stock may be sent to P. O. Box P.D.Q., Medford.)

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The Democratic party in Oregon IS, and for years has been definitely and unequivocally for public power, and just as definitely in sympathy with the legitimate aims of organized labor.

With his quick intelligence and discernment we feel sure the Prime Minister of Pakistan would, if he made a few hours research, at once detect a difference between the two major parties in Oregon and throughout the country, and make a note to that effect.—R.W.R.

The District of Columbia authorities ordered the camps evacuated, and the District police enforced the order on the morning of July 28. There was only a little trouble at the Pennsylvania Avenue buildings, but resistance at the Anacostia camps produced some bloodshed and several fatalities. The local authorities were reported to have asked President Hoover for help.

In the afternoon the regular army dispersed the veterans around the Capitol, used bayonets and tear gas to evict them from the Anacostia camps, which were then burned. The President, explaining that Communists and other radicals had been inciting the Bonus Army to disorder, declared that the Government had to meet "overt lawlessness" and could not be coerced by "mob rule."—E.R.R.

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HERE'S YOUR PAPER, MR. WILSON!

MATTER OF FACT

By Joseph Alsop TROUBLE IN OMAN There is an obscure tribal uprising in the remote British protected Arabian Sultanate of Muscat and Oman. The Foreign Office sends into action its unique private army, the crucial scouts, while the War Office alerts the regular British troops in the area.



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In brief, the last old style British outposts in the Middle East are the Persian Gulf coast Sheikhdoms and the Aden protectorate, which together comprise the whole Southern and Eastern shores of the Arabian peninsula.

The Sultan is one of the local claimants to the tiny oasis of Buraimi, in which Saudi Arabia has a counter-claim. The Sultan, in contrast, has not in recent memory produced anything but camels and headaches.

This local friction had little until the Suez crisis forcibly propelled the reluctant American policy makers into the midst of the mess in the Middle East.

While King Saud was the chief ally of Egypt's venomously anti-Western Gamal Abdel Nasser, it did not matter greatly that he was rowing with the British over Buraimi.

Efforts were made at Bermuda by President Eisenhower to straighten out the tangle. A second effort was made here in London, after the grave Jordanian crisis had demonstrated King Saud's vital importance.

Both efforts came to nothing for three reasons. First, the British said they "could not let down a friend," and as the sole Arab

Japan Feeling Toward U.S. Better; Russ Bitterness Grows

By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Correspondent Japanese feeling toward the United States has taken a decided turn for the better.

At the same time, there is growing resentment against Soviet Russia. The biggest development in Japanese-American relations was the decision of the United States to let a Japanese court try American GI William S. Girard for killing a Japanese woman.

This was a matter of national pride. Before the final decision came, there was heated talk that the United States was trying to trample on Japanese rights.

Now, people in Japan are talking about the millions of dollars which the GIs pour into the Japanese economy. It has begun to occur to them also that the withdrawal of the troops jeopardizes the jobs of

leader who publicly endorsed the Suez venture, the Sultan of Muscat and Oman certainly comes under that heading. Second, the British said that if they showed weakness anywhere on the Gulf Coast, their good faith would be questioned everywhere.

Third, some of the British did not say but certainly felt that they could not trust either the United States or Saudi Arabia. Thus they also felt they must stand firm now, lest U.S.-linked King Saud later reach out his hand for their oil interests on the Arabian Coast.

The British transgression over Buraimi gave a golden chance to the Egyptians and the many powerful advisers of King Saud who bitterly opposed his break with Gamal Abdel Nasser.

Fortunately, the British seem to be handling the ugly little crisis with great sobriety. But the danger is still grave that the new American Middle East policy will be defeated by the outbreak of a third party, in this case the British.

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But, by the time plans for churches and school buildings using wood are drawn, it would be my expectation that lumber production again will be going full blast and prices will be back up to levels causing questions of economy in the use of wood over other materials.

Statistics show that there will be a continuing demand for more homes. Factory construction will remain at high level, according to all predictions.

And here in Douglas County, where we can produce such a large volume of dimension and other structural wood, the highway program should spell an early revival of our timber boom and assure continuance for a long time to come.—Roseburg News-Review.

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been effectively closed to foreign shipping and aircraft without any decree. It appears that the decree really was intended to exclude Japanese fishing vessels from an exceedingly valuable fishing grounds.

Japanese Foreign Minister Aichiro Fujiyama announced Tuesday that he proposed to send a strong protest to Moscow. Japanese newspapers are denouncing the Soviet decree as a gross violation of international law.

Japanese people never forget, either, that Russia still refuses to account for thousands of prisoners who are believed to be still in slave labor camps nearly 12 years after the end of World War II.

In the Day's News: By FRANK JENKINS. As this is written, the telegrams are practically bare of BIG news. For that, I suppose, we should be grateful. BIG news so often is BAD news.

But, we newspapers claim, we don't make the news; we just print it. So let's take a look at what there is. UNITED Business Service of Boston says food prices this fall will be the highest since 1952 because—due to weather conditions—the total 1957 food crops will be the smallest since 1951.

As Emerson tells us in one of the most famous of his essays, there are compensations. If we have to dig up more to pay the grocery bill, we may not have to dig up so much in the way of taxes to pay the subsidies on a big crop.

SHUCKS! I reckon that's a will o' the wisp hole. The spenders will find something else to spend the money for.

THAT raises a question: How can reckless spending of tax money be stopped? I have a notion that if the voters got together and voted all the spenders out of office we'd get economy QUICK.

HAZARDS of modern life note: The director of the National Cancer Institute says in an interview in a national magazine that the odds are one in ten that a heavy smoker who is 45 or older will die of lung cancer.

Then he adds: "These odds are about the same as the smoker's chances of being hit by an automobile." Reach for another frag.

BACK in Brunswick, Georgia, the other night a man and his wife went out on the town and took in the tavern. When they got home, the lady suggested that a good way to top the evening off would be to play Russian roulette.

The gentleman took her at her word, put one shell in his gun, spun the cylinder, pulled the trigger, the gun went off and he departed for the happy hunting grounds.

H-m-m-m. One can't help wondering if a citizen with a mentality of that sort will be much missed in his community.

LET'S close this symposium with the tale of Katie the Kangaroo. Katie is a member of a circus that is playing in Memphis. At feeding time she got careless and flipped her tail through the bars of her cage. The cage adjoining was occupied by a tiger. The tiger promptly bit off about a foot and a half of Katie's tail.

Moral for Katie: Eternal vigilance is the price of safety.

"In some sections of the country the practice of holding a viewing is quite common. The viewing gives friends and relatives an opportunity to show their sympathy and solidarity with the bereaved. Men are social creatures and need to stand by one another in times of crisis. The viewing may even ease the parting for some, for at least there is the body and the beloved features."

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