

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In Little Rock Arkansas — where he had already used National Guard troops to prevent integration of white and colored pupils in the city's Central high school—Gov. Orval Faubus telegraphs President Eisenhower that he fears federal agents are planning to "arrest by force the head of a sovereign state."

He then orders two companies of the Arkansas National Guard to surround his executive mansion in order to RESIST any such attempt.

WHO is this Governor Faubus?
What sort of bird is he?

FOR an answer to these questions let's turn to Mayor Woodrow Mann of Little Rock, who issues a statement in which he calls Governor Faubus' action a HOAX.

He adds:
"The governor of our state has chosen to use Little Rock as a pawn in what clearly is a POLITICAL DESIGN OF HIS OWN."

"If any racial trouble develops here THE GOVERNOR WILL BE THE ONE TO BLAME."

THESE are troubling times. All over the world, for one reason or another, people appear to be ready and eager to bite each other in the leg at the slightest provocation.

This mood is rendered critical by scheming, self-serving demagogues who stand ready at the drop of a hat to do or say ANYTHING that may bring them into the limelight and thus help to place in their hands the dangerous power that goes with leadership of the mob.

IT SEEMS to me this is a good time to quote again Josiah Gilbert Holland's poem The Day's Demand:

"God give us men! A time like this demands
"Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands;
"Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
"Men whom the spoils of office can not buy;
"Men who possess opinions and a will;
"Men who have honor; men who will not lie;
"Men who can stand before a demagogue
"And damn his treacherous flatteries without winking;
"Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog
"In public duty and in private thinking."

THOSE ringing lines were written nearly a century ago. They apply to today with equal or GREATER force.

Only such men as these whom Holland's lines describe can save us from bad trouble.

89-Year-Old Fireman To Remain on Duty

Marlboro, Mass. — **Herbert S. Bartlett** was 89 years old recently but he planned to go right on handling his duties as a fire captain.

Bartlett began fighting fires as a lad of 15 in 1883. Ten years later he was officially appointed to the local fire department giving him a total of almost 75 years as a fireman.

A widower, Bartlett said he would remain with the department until he died or until he was unable to do his duties efficiently.

The Everglades region of Florida is 140 miles long and 50 miles in width.

Knowledge of Progression Important To Turn Enthusiast, Durling Declares

Editor's note: How much weight do you carry? Always consider the weight of the horse you bet on, advises columnist E. V. Durling. In this fourth article of his series, "How I Play the Races."

By E. V. DURLING
A knowledge of progression is of major importance to the turf enthusiast interested in losing less at the races or breaking even. Or possibly realizing a small profit.

Ignorance as to the meaning of "progression" as applied to turf wagering is quite prevalent. For example, many people have the belief that progression calls for doubling your wager every time you lose. That is a ridiculous assumption.

Have you given a thought to what the use of such a progression would mean if you utilized it on a day at the races and lost on all eight races. Why, sir, even if you started on the first race with a modest \$2 wager you would be out \$510 on the day.

Incidentally, it is the beginning of wagering wisdom on the part of a racegoer to figure how

much he will be out if he loses on all eight races. And he never should have the amount come to more than he can afford.

To increase the pleasure of a visit at the races and insure yourself against a headache at the end of the day, the use of a simple progression is strongly suggested. As, for example, bet \$2 on each of the first four races, and if after the fourth race you are a loser, double your bets to \$4 for each of the last four races.

However, if after two bets of \$4 you are again even, bet only \$2 on the last two races. The most you can lose with this progression in eight races is \$24. If you wager for show, it is very unlikely you will lose very much.

Of course, if you are an opulent fellow you can bet \$3 on each of the first four races, and, if a loser at the end of the fourth race, bet \$10 on each of the last four races. Even then if you lost every race you would only be out \$60. That, as previously stated, is very unlikely if you bet for show.

Check this simple progression on paper. Try it on favorites for win or show in the result charts. Also try it on second choice for win and show.

Wide Variety
The aforementioned is just a simple progression for the use of the one-day racegoers. There is a wide variety of progressions, each adapted to certain conditions, such as amount of capital to be risked, amount desired to be won daily, type of wagering to be followed. And so on. These progressions are for the use of those who can attend the races daily.

In any event, if you wish to be a happy racegoer, formulate a plan of betting. Settle on the amount you can afford to lose. Begin a new wagering life by first trying to lose less. Then try to break even. After you are skillful enough to do that you can give a thought to winning a few dollars.

To return to offering a few helpful hints on handicapping, let the matter of weight be considered. It is not the amount of weight that is most important in causing a horse to lose. It is the difference in the amount of weight he carries as compared with what his competitors carry.

For a horse to carry 134 pounds is nothing. You can see that by the size of some of the people horses carry on bridge paths. Then consider the weight carried by jumping horses. As, for example, the Liverpool Grand National Steeplechase, in which horses are assigned to carry as much as 175 pounds over a four-mile course of difficult obstacles.

128 Pounds Required
Consider the Kentucky Derby, a race for three-year-olds. All colts in that race are required to carry 128 pounds over a mile and a quarter course. Nobody comments much on the weight the Kentucky Derby competitors carry.

However, in other races if a thoroughbred of any age is assigned 128 pounds the horse players refer to that as "a lot of weight." It is a lot of weight if there are several good horses in the same race only carrying from 114 to 118 pounds.

A little weight makes a lot of difference in a horse race. That is why clever apprentice riders are always busy. The owners and trainers want the advantage of that five-pound allowance. Have you something around weighing five pounds? If so, pick it up and notice how little it amounts to in carrying. Yet

a difference of five pounds is the difference of winning and losing many a horse race.

In a six-furlong race, 124 pounds will not make much difference in the performance of a good horse. Even if there are several lightweights in the race it is not wise to take that 124 pounds too seriously. However, many racegoers do. "I would go for that horse but look at that weight, 124 pounds," they say. That's a mistake. If you like a horse weighted with 124 pounds in a sprint, don't let the weight scare you.

Weight Important Factor
It is in races of a mile or over where weight becomes an important factor. The more the race is over a mile the more important is the matter of weight. Carrying weight doesn't really tire a horse that is in good condition. It shortens his stride. The more weight the less ground covered in a given time. So horses with a long stride are usually good weight carriers. Keep your eye open for such horses in route races.

The matter of weight in slowing up horses is based on a scientific principle. When it was originated the riders sat directly in the middle of a horse and rode erect. Then Tod Sloan came along and rode in a way that distributed the weight.

If you have an engineering friend or one who is a professor of physics or a student of same ask him to explain this weight situation to you. It is very interesting.

Wind resistance also figures in winning horse races. Tod Sloan figured on that too. Whether it was his own idea or he had the advice of a man of science I cannot say.

Difference Very Important
On a heavy or muddy track difference in weight is very important. That condition really slows up a heavily-weighted horse and puts the lightweights in the picture.

It is said that when a horse is assigned to carry over 132 pounds he really is in a bad spot. Many horses who have carried 132 pounds successfully fail when asked to carry only two pounds more. Ben Jones and many other noted trainers have

Museum Visitors Show Decline in Month of August

Jacksonville — Attendance at the Jacksonville museum for August this year was 6,941. 500 less than the 7,541 attendance in August, 1956.

Probable cause for the drop in number of visitors during August was cancellation of the Jacksonville Jubilee this year.

The August figure brought total attendance since the museum opened July 10, 1950, to 264,436.

From 43 States
Visitors in August came from 43 states, the District of Columbia, territories of Alaska and Hawaii, and from Canada, Mexico, Germany, France, Denmark, Bolivia, Sweden, Korea and England.

Heaviest attendance day was Aug. 24 when 260 passed through the doors with 17 states represented.

Gifts and loans made to the museum during the month included a small cup, dating to 1866, given by a Eugene family; hand made tools, a table and tea kettle, given by Mrs. J. G. Wertz, Grants Pass; 17 specimens of native wild flowers, given by Mrs. Dee Hendrickson; and an old grain cradle, given by Burrell Wyant.

Other gifts included a large specimen of opalized Redwood, given by J. C. Atkins in the name of his granddaughters, Teresa and Karen Baker, Applegate; pictures of her grandparents and two copies of daguerreotype of Olive Oatman and a copy of the Columbia County Dispatch, dated April 6, 1906, all given by Mrs. Mary Tripp, North Hollywood; diaries kept by her grandfather during the Civil war, given by Mrs. Leo Young; a blue and white double-weave counterpane dated 1842 and a cotton quilt, both made by her grandmother, given by Grace Smith, Medford; 21 In-

long thought to make 132 pounds the limit in flat races. (Tomorrow: The kind of horse to look for.) (Copyright, 1957, King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—FIVE

Horse Show, Rodeo Will Be At Camp White Field Today

The Eagle Point 4-H Horse club, Desert Pegasus, is sponsoring a horse show and rodeo at the Camp White Memorial field at 1:30 p.m. today in cooperation with the VA domiciliary and the United Medford Crusade.

The UMC special event will have riders competing for ribbons and trophies furnished by the Eagle Point Chamber of Commerce. The three-hour program will begin with the grand entrance with introduction of clubs and leaders.

The competition will be pole bending, scurry race, Texas barrel race, square dance on horses, musical chairs and baton race. A special event will be Junior riders under nine years of age in Western Pleasure. All games will be played in three age groups — 9 to 13, 14 to 18 and adult.

No Admission Charge

There will be no admission charge according to Jim Anacker, UMC special events chairman, but donations will be accepted for the United Medford Crusade. This is one of several special events being offered this year by the UMC committee to raise money for the UMC and to publicize the 1957-58 fund raising campaign.

The Eagle Point 4-H Horse club has been in existence since February and is under the direction of James Dunn and Keith Krambeal, both of Eagle Point.

At the June rodeo in Montague, Calif., Bill Morgan, club secretary, won prize money and trophies as the best all around rider of the rodeo. Others winning prize money were James Ackerman, Mike Higday, Mide-

dian baskets from her grandmother's collection, given by Clara Garrett, Jacksonville; a specimen of chrome ore, given by Jimmy Betts, LaCrescenta, Calif.; and one dollar, paper money, Hongkong, English issue, given by Kenneth Paul, LaCrescenta, Calif.

In her daily eight and one-half mile walk, the average housewife, exerts a total weight of 930 tons on her feet and arches.

Their training area is the ranch and arena of Jim West, well known horseman of the valley. Mr. and Mrs. West have been instrumental in the organization and instruction of the club.

Club president, Betty Higday, 16, Eagle Point High school sophomore, has ended her seventh year in 4-H activities. Norma Noble, vice president, 16, is a junior, and Bill Morgan, secretary, and Jim Ackerman, treasurer, are freshmen.

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