

## Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL

Hollywood—Actress Zsa Zsa Gabor, cancelling invitations for her scheduled party in honor of Dominican playboy Rafael Trujillo Jr.:

"I am hereby giving up my role as the hostess with the mostest and I regret that the party which I had planned to give on July the eighth for my dear friend, His Excellency General Rafael Trujillo Jr., must be cancelled. So many friends requested invitations that I am afraid the party got out of hand."

Washington—Alaska Gov. Mike Stepovich, on learning that Congress had approved statehood for Alaska:

"I believe we'll show the United States of America that we will be one of the greatest states in the Union within the next 50 years."

Little Rock, Ark.—Arkansas Gov. Orval E. Faubus, on the U.S. Supreme court's refusal to speed up a ruling on integration at Little Rock:

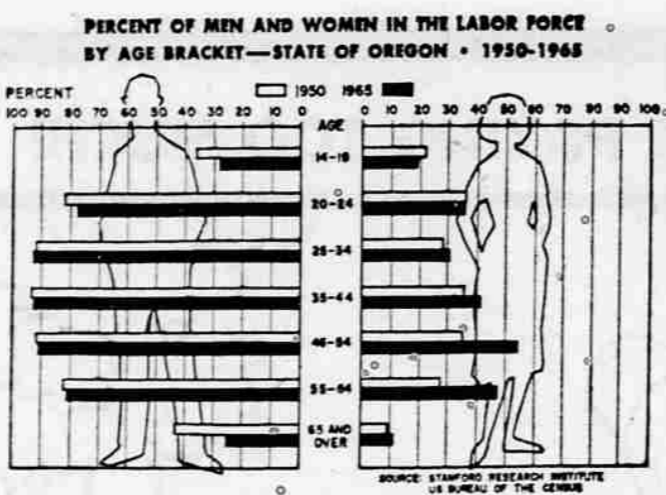
"It definitely would have been unwise for the Supreme court to substitute its opinion for that of the local court that is on the scene and which personally heard testimony of various witnesses."

Des Moines—Municipal Judge Don L. Tidrick, on turning over a bear in court custody to pet shop owner Cecil Kern:

"Mr. Kern, you've got a bear by the tail."

Geneva—Y. K. Fyodorov, chief Soviet delegate to the nuclear talks, on possible success of atomic disarmament:

"The Soviet delegation feels that the work which will start now is very important and that it will be possible for us to find a common language with our colleagues of the western countries."



OREGON: 1965—Sharp decline of older male worker participation is charted clearly in Oregon's 1965 work force picture. The trend drew official study during Northwestern Regional Conference on Aging at Portland's Reed college June 29-July 2.

## Standard of Living Claimed Threatened

Portland—The stepped-up exodus of older persons from the labor force threatens to lower the nation's average standard of living, delegates to the Northwestern Regional Conference on Aging were warned yesterday.

Presenting industry's view in the conference section, "Social and Economic Implications of an Aging Population" Mrs. Betty Morris, Palo Alto, research director for the National Association of Manufacturers' western division, said:

"Every means of obtaining the greatest utilization of competent older workers must be studied; not for sentimental reasons, but because our economy cannot yet afford the loss of their productivity."

**Problem Grows**  
The problem grows as an increasing number of and proportion of older workers retire and stop producing, but continue consuming. A smaller number of goods and services to divide among the same number of people results in a living standard reduction, according to Mrs. Morris. The Pacific Northwest's labor force, by present yardsticks, will have lost 1.8 per cent of men ages 55-64 and 17.3 per cent of men 65 and older by 1964, Mrs. Morris predicted. Gains foreseen among older women will not offset these losses, she said.

Warning that the problem of the older persons in our society is not one of the short-run, Mrs. Morris urged that they be judged on their individual merits, ability and degree of contribution they make to the economy.

**Eligible Voters**  
Already over 14 per cent of the country's eligible voters are persons 65 or over," she said. "If industry will not take

care of their needs—which amounts only to the use of their services—government, at industry's expense, will end up doing the job."

Industry must think of employees in terms of "functional," rather than chronological, age to offset unions' practice of promoting spread of automatic retirement at 60 or 65 through negotiated pension plan provisions, she said.

"Obstacles deterring elimination of automatic retirement are not unsurmountable," Mrs. Morris said. "The goal of successful retirement—full use of a person's capacity as long as he is able and willing to give the benefit of his experience and talents to his employer—is worth the effort."

## Rocks Thrown To Attract Attention

Elijay, Ga.—(UPI)—An unidentified motorist stopped at a highway patrol station near here to complain that someone had thrown rocks at his car.

Officers went to the scene of rock throwing and found that a car had crashed down an embankment, killing one of its occupants and seriously injuring two others.

Donald Lee Kincaid, 19, who suffered a broken leg, had crawled back to the edge of the highway and had thrown the rocks in an effort to summon help.

Patrolmen said the body of Dallas Monroe McGill, 18, was found in the car. Charlie Henry 24, was pinned beneath the vehicle and received a broken leg and internal injuries.

## Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS  
Ranger-Naturalist

Amman—Any member of the crow family may go through the peculiar process of "anting," and today, through my binoculars, I watched a raven do it.

After pecking at the ground a few times, the big bird tipped his head back, brought his wings somewhat forward, then lowered his head and proceeded to rub it along the inside of his left wing. He did the same with the other one. Meantime, as this strange business continued, I noticed that his tail feathers were swept to one side, as if he were trying to curl them around his legs.

There are various explanations for the peculiar ritual, but probably the most commonly accepted is that the bird scoops up ants in its beak and puts them on his wings. Then the ants either start hunting the parasites with which the bird's plumage is infested, or they exude a formic acid that serves as a mild but obviously not unpleasant irritant.

Cases of rooks and other members of the tribe anting with burning pieces of straw or lighted cigarettes or cigar butts bear out the parasite theory. So do reports of birds going through the ritual of collecting wood smoke under

their wings. Either heat or smoke should prove disturbing enough to plumage lice to make them move.

**Dead Cigar Butts**  
On the other hand, reports of birds using dead cigar butts



or citrus fruit peel under their wings while they go through a sort of ecstasy makes it possible their reaction is much like that of a cat indulging in catnip.

I favor the parasite theory, myself. There is a mild acid in citrus fruit peel, for example, and judging from the effect of a dead cigar butt on many people, its action on a wing louse ought to be in the nature of a total weapon.

The raven I was watching in the Jordan valley repeated the process several times until I shifted my position. The movement caught his attention. Spreading his wings, he croaked once or twice and flapped heavily away around

a barren hillock. (Released by McClure News-paper Syndicate)

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**PROFESSOR DIES**

Chestnut Hill, Pa.—(UPI)—Dr. Lucy E. Textor, 87, history professor emerita at Vassar College, died Saturday.

Charleston, W. Va.—(UPI)—Judge James B. Riley of West Virginia's Supreme Court of Appeals died Sunday of a heart attack. He was 63.

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