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NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION. NATIONAL EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION. 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: May 8, 1949 (Sunday). Sacred Heart and Community hospitals here plan open houses to observe National Hospital Day.

20 YEARS AGO: May 8, 1939 (Monday). Roy Rogers, government frost meteorologist, reports unheated valley orchards sustained frost damage last week.

30 YEARS AGO: May 8, 1929 (Wednesday). Straw Hat day is set for tomorrow. The Barnes circus is scheduled to visit Medford soon.

40 YEARS AGO: May 8, 1919 (Thursday). Medford subscribes \$266,000 to the Victory Loan drive. Major R. W. Clancy is on his way home from service in France.

50 YEARS AGO: May 8, 1909 (Saturday). Ladies of the Greater Medford club order the first of three public drinking fountains. The Ashland coal mine is sold to Eastern interests.

What's Your I.Q.? Nine or ten correct is superior; seven or eight is excellent; five or six is good. 1. As an artist, with which musical instrument was Paderewski a renowned musician? 2. Is the Grace Line an airline, a railroad line, or a ship line? 3. If one mixes yellow and blue pigments, what color results? 4. Wedding invitations should be mailed not earlier than how many weeks before the wedding? 5. From where did the U.S. obtain the cherry blossom trees planted in a park in the nation's capital? 6. Which of these is the capital of Texas, San Antonio, Austin, Dallas, or Ft. Worth? 7. From what part of the animal are chuck steaks of beef cut? 8. A country lying between two potential enemy countries is sometimes known as a "buffer state"? 9. What was the name of Abraham Lincoln's fiancée, who died? 10. Correct the following: "The burglar was more frightened than him." Answers: 1. Piano. 2. Ship. 3. Green. 4. Four weeks. 5. Japan. 6. Austin. 7. First five ribs. 8. "Buffer state." 9. Anne Rutledge. 10. "... than he."

AN INSIDE JOB: Knoxville, Tenn.—UP—Police quickly solved the "theft" of \$150 Wednesday night from John Maples. The money had fallen through a hole in Maples' pocket into the hollow center of his artificial leg.

RECESSION OVER? YES

We've heard that the recession is over. Is it? Let's take a look at the "Oregon Business Review," a publication of the bureau of business research of the University of Oregon. Here are a few excerpts:

"Bank debits in Oregon during March surged upward 16.9 per cent above the levels of March 1958 . . .

"Employment in nonagricultural industry during March 1959 jumped 4 per cent above the March 1958 level. All sectors shared the improvement, with contract construction showing a 13 per cent year-to-year gain and lumber and wood-products manufacturing and the "other manufacturing" sector each recording a gain of 9 per cent . . .

"Index of man hours in manufacturing rose to . . . the highest March standing since 1956. "Average weekly earnings of production workers in nonagricultural industry . . . represented a rise of 6 per cent above the March 1958 level . . .

"LUMBER production in the Douglas fir region of the Pacific northwest in March 1959 rose 1.4 per cent above the level of March 1958 and was 9.3 per cent above the average weekly production in February 1959. New orders were also higher than the levels of both a month earlier and March 1958 . . .

" . . . Total building contracts (for February 1959), excluding public works and utilities, were 44 per cent above February, 1958 . . . For the first two months of 1959, Oregon's total value of building contracts, exclusive of public works and utilities, was 40 per cent above the comparable period of 1958.

"The value of building permits issued in Oregon during March 1959 was 30 per cent above the total reported in March 1958. Gains, reported in most sections of the state, were significantly higher than the losses that appeared in a few communities.

"Agricultural income, as indicated by cash receipts from farm products marketed (government payments excluded) fell less than 1 per cent in February 1959 relative to February 1958. Cumulative totals for the first two months of 1959 showed a rise of 6 per cent above the comparable period of 1958."

THERE were a few less - optimistic spots not shown in these favorable quotations, but the overall report indicates that up to this point, 1959 is starting out far better, economically, than 1958.

We see no reason at all why southern Oregon should not have a generous portion of returning "good times" which it seems evident Oregon will enjoy in the foreseeable future.

(For instance, in Curry, Jackson and Josephine counties, bank debits — the number of checks drawn on banks — rose 14 1/2 per cent between February and March this year, and 34.6 per cent between March of last year and March this year.)

Our "layman's" interpretation of these economist's figures results in our answer to the question we asked at the beginning: Yes—the recession is over.—E.A.

THE CUT OF HIS JIB

Once, when a state police officer arrested a man who later turned out to be wanted as a murder suspect, we asked the desk officer why the patrolman had made the arrest.

"Was there anything suspicious about him?" we asked. "Did the officer know the car was stolen?" "No," replied the desk sergeant. "He just didn't like the cut of his jib."

THIS may seem a pretty flimsy excuse on which to stop a car going down the highway, apparently obeying all the laws of the land. And it would be flimsy, too, except on the part of a conscientious and experienced officer. We wouldn't advise a rookie to try it. He might wind up being sued for false arrest.

But the veteran police officer — like experienced veterans in many fields — develops what might almost be called a sixth sense. Actually, we presume it is an ability to recognize, perhaps even subconsciously, small signs which set a valid suspect apart from an ordinary, law-abiding citizen out for a Sunday drive, even if, to the inexperienced eye, there is no overt difference.

PHYSICIANS experienced in diagnosis, too, sometimes can spot what is wrong with a patient as they walk in the door — using the manner of walking or appearance to get a pretty good idea what the trouble is before he performs any more detailed diagnostic procedures. This talent, of course, isn't really a "sixth sense," at all. It is merely a highly developed and refined talent for observation and for drawing valid conclusions from such observation.

Sherlock Holmes, the classic detective of fiction, based most of his amazing powers of deduction on acute observation. So there we are, back to the state patrolman whose ability to see what others don't see, arrive at a conclusion, and stop a murder suspect, is described as a dislike of "the cut of his jib." —E.A.

DENNIS THE MENACE



"I KNOW YOU'RE IN THERE, MR. WILSON! I CAN HEAR YA KEEPIN' QUIET!"

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Training for Humanity: To the Editor: I didn't realize it at the time, but during the time I was in school we were taught humane education through the material in our readers as we advanced from grade to grade. So, by the eighth grade we had learned to respect our teachers and parents. We were taught that the Golden Rule applied to our relationship with both animals and our fellow-man.

Some place along the line we were subjected to lessons in courtesy, honesty, fair play, truth and justice. When ever a pupil overstepped too far, he was punished—generally by being switched with a limber branch of a tree, and the boy himself was sent to fetch it. Sometimes little girls cried but never did any parents come to raise an objection. More often the boy was punished again at home.

Now we have progressive education. And children advance from disregard, impudence and disrespect to defiance of teachers and parents. Soon they have progressed to vandalism, sadism, immoral acts, larceny, use of narcotics and more serious crimes. In fact, according to FBI statistics, more crimes are committed by teenagers than any other age group.

So when it is too late we have Child Guidance Clinics, Mental Health Clinics, and the taxpayer is burdened with the upkeep of detention homes, places for wayward girls and delinquent boys, for the many attendants, enforcement officers and all the many other expenditures. It seems to me that school authorities are overlooking something. Let the children be trained, their hands, their intellect, and above all, their hearts. Let them be taught to have pity for the animals that are at our mercy, that cannot protect themselves, that cannot explain their pain or their suffering—and soon this will bring to them recognition that higher law, the moral obligation of man to protect and care for the weak and defenseless. Nor will it stop there, for this, in turn, will lead to that highest law—man's duty to man.

Mrs. Francis Hollis, Foothill Road, Route 3, Medford.

Lions Pay Tribute: To the Editor: Some experiences of life are beyond the eloquence or the grandeur or the glory of words. A long illness terminating with death cannot be described or understood by mere words, as could the laughter by a child or the power of friendship. So, in this time of sacredness, perhaps silence might be very golden.

To hold friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given," is a part of the Lions code of ethics. If silence were ever golden, it is in the memory of a person and their friendship.

In loving tribute, in memory of Lady Lion Lois Hart, the Crater Lions join hands, the Lions of the world, Lions of all creeds and religions. What this Lady Lion has lived for, and loved for, through us shall never perish from the face of the earth. Frank M. Wilson, D.M.D. President of Crater Lions Medford

Many Presidential Nominees Still Not Approved; Worse Treatment Due in '60

By RAYMOND LAHR Washington — (UP) — President Eisenhower sounds frustrated and unhappy about Senate delays in handling his nominees for federal jobs. He should brace himself for even rougher treatment in the election year of 1960.

He could learn what to expect by asking former Presidents Hoover or Truman what happened to batches of nominations they sent to a hostile Senate during the last year of a presidential term.

Eisenhower has grumbled about the Senate at his two most recent news conferences. He was miffed not only by attacks on Clare Boothe Luce, who later resigned as ambassador to Brazil, and Secretary of Commerce Lewis L. Strauss. He complained also about inaction on nominees for postmastership, federal judgeships and U.S. attorney jobs.

Small Percentage Confirmed: The record shows only 15 of 990 postmaster nominees have been confirmed this session, but more will get Senate approval. Nominations for judgeships and U.S. attorneys are moving slowly but not as slowly as can be expected next year.

Democrats in the Senate will not be eager to let life-time federal judgeships go to Republicans when they scent a chance to install a Democrat in the White House after the 1960 election. If they stall, they will merely follow a bipartisan custom.

A couple of pages in the congressional record for Dec. 14, 1932 tell the story. Although under nominal Republican control, the Senate then voted 44 to 37 against taking up nominations.

Sen. Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas, then Democratic leader, said his side felt no appointees should be confirmed for jobs running beyond March 4, 1933, when the Roosevelt administration would be taking over. A Republican Senate did the same to President Wilson in 1920, he said.

"Bad Precedent" Speaking for the Republicans, Sen. Charles L. McNary of Oregon confessed that he may have been an unwitting participant in the 1920 action but said it was a bad precedent.

"When his ox is gored, he regards it as a bad precedent," said Robinson. To that lame duck session of Congress President Hoover submitted 1,662 postmaster nominees.

Today & Tomorrow: By Walter Lippmann. Above all that we must not do is to write off Iraq, and then treat it as a Communist satellite in the same class with North Korea and North Vietnam. Even though the Iraqi Communists may dominate the government, which they have not yet done, we should not regard the situation as final and irreparable. Egypt has taught us that as between Arab nationalism and Soviet Communism there is much flirtation, there may even be a heavy affair, but there has not yet been any indissoluble marriage.

The main reason for this, so I venture to think, is that there is no common frontier between any Arab state and the Soviet Union. With the exception of Albania, which is not much of an exception, the genuine Soviet satellites are all countries into which the Red Army has marched, and could march again. For this reason, Iraq, which does not touch the Soviet Union, is not likely to become a satellite. For the same reason, Iran, which does not have a common frontier with the Soviet Union, is a great risk if ever there is a break-up of the Shah's regime.

OUR wisest course in the Middle East is to refrain from any threats of promises which, in a show-down, we could not carry out. In our relations with the Iraqi government and reserved. We excoriated and reserved. We excoriated and reserved. We excoriated and reserved. We excoriated and reserved.

Count Your Blessings: To the Editor: Well, this year's Oregon legislative session is over. While our tax money has obviously been wasted, let us remember the old hymn, "Count Your Many Blessings, Name Them One by One."

While the legislature was squabbling over tax measures, many bills died in committee. Some of these were "special interest" legislation that was not good for the general public. Unions are disgruntled because their pet bills were also in the casualty lists. It cost them much time and money with nothing to show for it. For this they promise some heads will roll. However, it showed them one thing, and that is, real statesmen are not bred in union halls. In plain language, those that can be bought are those that are not worth the price. Leila A. Morrow, 531 North Bartlett st., Medford.

as cabinet members do not have fixed terms and serve at the pleasure of the President. There have been Senate battles over cabinet nominees, but only seven have been rejected when brought to a vote.

Charles B. Warren, President Coolidge's nominee for attorney general in 1925, was the only cabinet nominee rejected since 1868.

In 1945, a Senate committee recommended against Henry A. Wallace, who was President Roosevelt's nominee for secretary of commerce. He squeaked through, however, later a procedural gambit by his opponents failed on a tie vote.

WASHINGTON REPORT

By WILLIAM S. WHITE

POLITICS OF VIOLENCE: Washington — The politics of violence and of violent self-righteousness is not only unpleasant; it is also not even good politics in the most "practicable" and expedient sense.

He who takes up this sword will likely perish by it, and most of all because he has no perspective, no sense of humor. And even if he does not actually destroy his career he will walk at length in a sour and heavy air. He may be a correct man and even a man honestly devoted to duty; but in the end he will walk alone.

For politics is the science of people. And people, as has perhaps been remarked once or twice before in human history, are queer chaps. They may quickly forgive the sinner, real or alleged. But they will not like the cold, correct saint — perhaps because there are no truly cold saints, and never have been.

THESE observations refer back, for the purpose of looking forward, to what has recently been topic "A" in Washington. Topic "A" was the implacable campaign of Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon to destroy President Eisenhower's appointment of Mrs. Clare Boothe Luce to our Ambassador to Brazil.

It will be recalled that Mrs. Luce, though confirmed by a 7 to 1 Senate majority over Mr. Morse's frantic opposition, at last resigned her post. She felt, she said, that Senator Morse had destroyed her usefulness.

Mr. Morse has a brilliantly wounding tongue. (So, too, it is true, has Mrs. Luce; but she is a private person and her rhetoric is her own business and hers alone.) For years Morse has used that tongue to cut down his enemies, and even his impersonal critics. An end will come to all things, however. Now Senator Morse's actions are condoned only by the excessively "liberal" followers of an excessively "liberal" Senator.

Even in our brave new world, few really endorse the policy of making political warfare on the women folk, even if motives may be the very highest. Fewer still now endorse the kind of invasion of privacy involved in Senator Morse's attempts to pry out from a private physician information concerning a private patient, Mrs. Luce.

INDEED, it would be easy to dwell long upon this arresting fact: professional liberals of Mr. Morse's sort — hotly and rightly and along with many others — have denounced in the past techniques quite similar to the kind he felt it right to employ against Mrs. Luce.

This, however, would be only to put an all-too-fitting shoe upon the other foot; it would serve no useful purpose. No, this column is intended mainly only to prove, or, at any rate, to argue the case with the evidence at hand, that nobody can afford the politics of violence and

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