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10 YEARS AGO Sept. 22, 1950 (Friday) Daylight savings time will end Sunday and Medford will join the rest of the nation in turning back the clock.

20 YEARS AGO Sept. 22, 1940 (Sunday) A market steer project has been added this year as a new feature of the 4-H Livestock Show, according to L. E. Francis, county club agent.

30 YEARS AGO Sept. 22, 1930 (Monday) Southern Oregon Normal school opened in Ashland today with an initial enrollment of 300.

40 YEARS AGO Sept. 22, 1920 (Wednesday) Depositors of the now defunct Jacksonville bank will receive 25 per cent of their deposits, it has been announced.

50 YEARS AGO Sept. 22, 1910 (Thursday) State Railroad Commissioner Oswald West today ordered Southern Pacific railroad to reduce freight rates in southern Oregon from 15 to 22 per cent, depending on the freight classification.

What's Your I.Q.? Nine or ten correct is superior; seven or eight is excellent; five or six is good.

1. The island of Sicily belongs to which country? 2. Name the British Prime Minister who succeeded Winston Churchill.

Fine Plan, But It Costs

Project Twenty-Two, a long range program for development of public lands and facilities under control of the Interior Department, was sent Congress recently by Interior Secretary Seaton.

Although copies of Project Twenty-Two have not reached these provinces, it seems likely Seaton is correct.

IF SO, the staff people in Interior who prepared the plan are to be complimented, especially so if Project Twenty-Two comes up to the standard set a little more than a year ago by the Department of Agriculture's Program for the National Forests.

Agriculture developed the Program for the National Forests after requests for a long-term program were repeatedly made by Congressional appropriations committees.

PROJECT Twenty - Twelve, which is even a longer term plan, seems to be the Interior Department's answer to similar requests from the same sources which prompted the Program For the National Forests.

But all is not quite right with the idea of planning forest and public lands development over the long haul. The Program for the National Forests which met so much approval in Congress and elsewhere last year apparently did not sink through to the Administration which proposed it.

IS THIS the fate we can expect for the Interior Department's Project Twenty-Two? These plans make excellent propaganda, sent to Congress and released to the press with glowing statements extolling merits of the plan and of the Administration which had the foresight to prepare it.

One silly turn, it seems, deserves another. Having determined to restrict Messrs. Khrushchev, Kadar and Shehu to Manhattan Island during their visit to the United Nations General Assembly, the Administration was bound to follow with Dr. Castro.

Isolated From What?

What otherwise would be a praiseworthy decision by President Eisenhower himself to speak to the General Assembly and present specific United States proposals next Thursday almost inevitably will be overshadowed by this cloud of negativism.

RESTRICTIONS on travel are repugnant to American tradition and belief. There will seem to be no reason for them except pique and petulance.

THE purpose of the whole maneuver, it has been explained, is to "isolate" Mr. Khrushchev. Far from isolating either Mr. Khrushchev or Dr. Castro, it isolates the United States from world support and automatically creates sympathy for the victims of what will seem to be sheer harassment.

Are Mr. Eisenhower and Mr. Herter trying to justify the headline attributed to the British newspaper of some years ago: "Fog Blankets Channel; Continent Isolated"?—Washington (D.C.) Post.

Dennis the Menace



"HE ISN'T STICKING HIS TONGUE OUT QUITE AS FAR IN THIS ONE...."

Communications

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer, although under certain circumstances the use of a pen name or initial for publication is permissible.

He's a Good Guy. To the Editor: "Name on File" (M-T, Sunday, Sept. 18) should get a driver's training manual which would tell him or her that the basic rule is "having your vehicle under control at all times."

Another thing, I wonder if "Name on File" realizes that the logger, whether he is a driver or in the woods, in reality, is the support of this valley.

It is my understanding that the PUC taxes are used to build new roads and to maintain the old ones. My husband pays a tax of \$15 for a 192-mile trip. Then he has the rough roads tearing up his tires.

The truckers know that if they maintain the right speed, they can go all the way down Riverside without having to stop. But they can't do that if they are speeding.

Show a little kindness to the poor log truck driver. He really is a good guy, just trying to earn an honest living. Ella L. Fitzsimmons, Route 4, Box 400, Medford.

Hot Potato. To the Editor: I may have missed it, but having followed every session of the last Democratic convention in Los Angeles I failed to note one word spoken on the subject of bigotry until Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt was allowed the stand.

Being there along with wisecracker Stevenson for the avowed purpose of stopping Kennedy, she took advantage of the occasion to remark that she was happy to note that the subject of bigotry had not been brought into the convention.

Notice the sneak punch? She brought it in through the back door but didn't enlarge on it — it was not a welcome subject so she just let the egg hatch — and hatch it surely did.

Should we listen to her, and to you Mr. Editor, and allow them another chance to peddle insult and propaganda throughout our land and show to our allies, friends and the world in general, what suckers we are?

That last remark by Mrs. E. R. apropos the handling of the Russian delegation to the U. N. was just another sneak punch. But now that she is, perforce, in the Kennedy camp it is aimed at the present Republican administration.

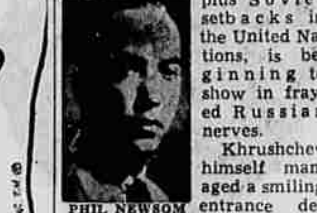
It is not pleasant to contemplate the sleazy slickness of the outside and the slimy putridity of the inside of our national political platter as held up to our view by some of our pseudo leaders.

There are too many of our citizens who would gladly see this country go to pieces rather than restrain their bitterness toward their fellowmen. We are handing the Communies a potato that is too hot for us to handle but cooked to order for their menu.

Help at Sad Time. To the Editor: I would like to thank the American Cancer Society of Medford for their help during the recent illness of my father, Frank Jay Cook, I am very thankful for the supplies and assistance which they contributed during his illness.

Russian Nerves Frayed by Hostility, Setbacks in United Nations Actions

By PHIL NEWSOM, UPI Foreign Editor. The something-less-than-a-hero's welcome Nikita Khrushchev received in New York, plus Soviet setbacks in the United Nations, is beginning to show in frayed Russian nerves.



Khrushchev himself managed a smiling despite hostile demonstrations which greeted him in New York harbor. He also maintained his calm as he watched boozing, jeering college students outside the converted Park Avenue mansion which is the Soviet Union's U.N. headquarters.

But if Khrushchev has been able thus far to hide his irritation, some of those about him have not. Even Communist correspondents used to writing home of an unending series of personal triumphs for their leader, have been unable to disguise the fact that the circumstances of his arrival have been less than successful.

Move Suggested. It drew from Pravda, the Communist newspaper in Moscow, the bitter suggestion that "the United Nations cannot work calmly in America" and that the time had come to shift the U.N. headquarters to another city.

"American authorities," it said, "intentionally create a hindrance in the activities of the United Nations." Pravda added that United States security regulations limiting Khrushchev to Manhattan Island proved that the U. S. action placing shackles on the head of a great nation is for Khrushchev a humiliating experience.

It was one of two blows that befell him after the Baltika which carried him to New York, already had put out to sea. When he left Moscow, his friend Patrice Lumumba was riding high as the Russian-approved premier of the Congo.

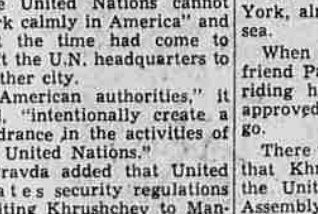
There was reason to believe that Khrushchev could face the United Nations General Assembly with the Congo safely in his pocket. He arrived in New York under far less favorable circumstances. Lumumba was out and so was Khrushchev's own diplomatic corps in the Congo.

From the latter chain of events came the Russian attack on U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold and speculation that the Russians may now seek Hammarskjold's ouster.

However, neither his nor a serious Russian move to change the U.N. headquarters seems likely now. Hammarskjold is firmly supported by the Afro-Asian nations whom Khrushchev now would not like to irritate. Further, New York provides the Russians with a listening post they would not like to lose.

'Transistorized Cogitation' Upstaging Human Cerebration

By DICK WEST. Washington—UPI—The day is coming, I do believe, when a thinking man won't even be trusted to choose his own cigarette filler.



This will be done for him by one of those electronic brains, which will know better than the smoker himself just what his tastes are and what brand suits him. Some indication of the inroads that transistorized cogitation already has made into human cerebration can be seen in a report published by a House subcommittee on the use of electronic computers by the federal government.

"Electronic data processing generally should be restricted to operations which are important in the making of decisions... the ability of electronic data-processing equipment to make simple, preprogrammed decisions should be fully exploited," the report says.

If I interpret these lines correctly, and I am sure that the government and I don't always speak the same language, they mean that the computers already have passed the mere bookkeeping stage and are now being used in an executive capacity.

At last count, the government had on hand 523 electronic computers, plus an undisclosed number used for secret work in the Defense Department. All but 17 built especially for the government were rented from commercial firms.

One agency is paying \$3,103,250 a year for the use of a single computer. Fancy that! I doubt that Albert Einstein, who was about the best we had in the way of human brains, made that much in his entire lifetime.

Nowhere in the report could I find any figures on the total annual cost of electronic brainwork, but a telephone call to the subcommittee produced \$150 million as an approximate figure.

Under the Civil Service scale, a top-rated human thinker receives about \$17,000 a year. Thus, moneterly, the 506 rented machines represent about 150,000 homo sapiens.

Assuming that the government gets its money's worth out of the equipment, it follows that electronic brains can out-think the mortal variety by a ratio of about 300 to 1.

I don't know how you feel about this, but I'm discouraged. How, for instance, are we going to convince our children that education is important if they find out that 300 out of every 300 of them can be supplanted mentally by a few strands of wire and a couple of transistors?

Some of them, of course, will be needed to operate the equipment. It is estimated that the number of federal computer personnel will jump from 4,000 in 1958 to 170,000 by 1966.

But, by and large, it looks like brains will eventually become obsolete, like rumbled seats and double-breasted suits. I know of several government officials who already have stopped using theirs.

In the Days News

By FRANK JENKINS. From East Lansing, Mich.: An ordinance setting a quota on the number of dogs and cats allowed local householders has been adopted by the East Lansing city council.

It limits pet-lovers to four cats or dogs or four of any combination of each—as three cats and one dog, or one dog and three cats or two cats and two dogs.

As long as the total number of cats and dogs doesn't add up to more than four, the householder will be left in peace—by the city authorities, that is. Irate neighbors will have no standing in court so long as the combined number of cats and dogs remains within the legal limit.

HMMMMMMMMM. I'm afraid the city of East Lansing is leaning in the direction of GOVERNMENT RUN EVERYTHING. That's bad business.

BUT—In this still free country, we must remember that the rights of each individual are limited by the rights of OTHER INDIVIDUALS.

For example: You have a right to own a dog. But you have no right to let your dog annoy your neighbor... by digging up his flower beds, if he happens to be a flower lover. You have a right to own a cat. But you have no right to let your cat catch and eat your neighbor's birds, if he happens to be a bird lover.

So, maybe the city of East Lansing isn't so far off base, at that.

GETTING on with our story—Raymond B. Campbell, city attorney, admits that some complex legal and humane problems are involved.

For instance: If an East Lansing cat has kittens or an East Lansing dog has pups, he says, the owner will be given a reasonable time to give them away, sell them, or otherwise dispose of them.

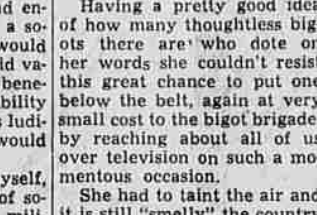
"OTHERWISE dispose of them." Those are weasel words. They could mean almost anything. They could mean taking them out on a road, miles from anywhere, and dumping them. Or it could mean just deliberately moving away and DESERTING THEM.

Imagine yourself as a cat or, more particularly, a kitten... that has been a happy member of a household, cherished by its members, made to feel that it is one of the family, that its future is secure and there is nothing to worry about. Or a dog... especially a dog that since puppyhood has been a pet.

I DON'T like that East Lansing ordinance. It goes too far in one direction and not far enough in the other. It ought to provide that anybody who goes off and abandons pets shall be hung up by the toes.

Today & Tomorrow

By Walter Lippmann. The exchanges between the Protestant ministers and Sen. Kennedy have not settled the "religious issue."



There could have been no such thing as ignoring or suppressing the issue. The only effect of not discussing it openly would have been to leave the whole discussion to fester in the dark, anonymously and maliciously. No doubt the black propaganda will continue. But at least there now exists a respectable and responsible discussion of the issue.

"Thanks to the initiative of the Protestant minister all the honest and decent fears and doubts about a Catholic for president have been stated and placed before Sen. Kennedy. He in turn has reacted, not with resentment but, by recognizing that the question is "very important," that a discussion of it is legitimate, that the Protestant ministers had the right to interrogate him, and that he does not regard their doing this as "prejudiced or bigoted."

Sen. Kennedy's reaction to the ministers' questions, which were sharp and searching, was extremely interesting and important. He might have explained that to raise questions about his religion was a violation of the spirit of the Constitution, that the ministers were setting up a religious test for public office. But he did not do that.

On the contrary, he chose to recognize that the questions raised by the ministers were real questions, not slanderous fabrications, and that an American Catholic running for president must answer them.

THE questions put to Sen. Kennedy arise, according to the ministers, from the attempts of the Catholic church "to exercise control over its members in political and civic affairs." The crucial point is whether the authority of the Catholic hierarchy or the conscience of the office holder is to determine what is and what is not a political and civic affair. The case of the Protestant ministers against Sen. Kennedy is that "while the current Roman Catholic candidate for the presidency states specifically that he would not be so influenced by the Catholic hierarchy in political and civic affairs, the church insists that he is duty-bound to admit to its direction. This unresolved conflict leaves doubt in the minds of millions of our citizens."

This leads to the precise question which Sen. Kennedy dealt with. I think it can be stated this way. Where will be his paramount duty and loyalty on questions where, as for example birth control, the influence of the Catholic hierarchy has been used to impose by law on non-Catholics the Catholic doctrine?

SEN. Kennedy's answer is that "I do not accept the right of... an ecclesiastical official, to tell me what I shall do in the sphere of my public responsibility as an elected official." This is a declaration that as an elected official he, and not the Catholic hierarchy, will determine what lies within the sphere of his public responsibility. In this, the separation between church and state is as complete as it can be made. But that is not the end of the story. The Protestant ministers have probed still more deeply. They have raised the question whether a good Catholic can be as independent and as secular as Sen. Kennedy declares himself to be. The way the senator dealt with this loaded question is to my mind the most interesting, the most significant, and the most creditable and convincing thing in the whole affair.

HIS answer was in effect that on the crucial questions of church and state not all Catholics think alike. His declaration of freedom from ecclesiastical control in political and civic affairs is "the opinion of the overwhelming majority of American Catholics, and I have no doubt that my view is known to Catholics around the world." His position, he asserted, is "a position of the American Catholic church in the United States with which I am associated." It is not the position of the Spanish Catholic church in Spain, or of the Colombian Catholic church in Colombia. It is the position not of all American Catholics but of "the overwhelming majority" of them.

These are the answers of a grave and truthful man. (c) 1960 New York Herald Tribune Inc.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF. "DO YOU KNOW why the number thirteen is unlucky?" asks one of the characters in John Hersey's compelling new book, The Child Buyer. "Probably because primitive man learned to count by using his 10 fingers and 2 feet. Anything beyond 12 was mysterious and unlucky."

"Turning to money, many people abhor \$2 bills because they are supposedly unlucky, yet it's the \$1 bill that has 13 letters on it in 'E Pluribus Unum,' 13 letters in 'Annuit Coeptis,' 13 stripes in the shield, 13 leaves, 13 berries, 13 stars, and 13 arrows!"

Spotted this ad in a London newspaper: "Wanted: young man to learn the advertising business in an old established agency. Good opportunity for son of a large national advertiser."

Joe E. Lewis confides that he's gone on a balanced diet: Two highballs in each hand. © 1960, by Bennett Cerf. Distributed by King Features Systems



Albacore Tuna Said Not Biting

Seattle—UPI—The Fishermen's Co-Operative Association Wednesday reported that Albacore tuna were sighted off the Washington coast, but that the fish weren't biting. "The fish are southwest of Grays Harbor, but there's no action in them," Bert Johnson, manager of the association, said.

Meanwhile, the few fishermen who have been catching Albacore are faced with the lowest price in 15 years. Johnson said prices have been dropped to \$275 a ton in Southern California canneries. The price is the same at Coos Bay, Ore., and Westport, Wash., but fish taken to those two spots have to be trucked to a cannery.

The Astoria, Ore., cannery has been paying \$300 a ton.