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Red China and the U.N.

To the Editor: The American public is continually appealed to for financing of Radio Free Europe and the Voice of America so that the "deluded" people behind the Iron Curtain may know truth. At the same time we are given statements that cannot be verified by facts.

We are told that "Red China" is unfit to be a member of United Nations because she is an aggressor and because she threatens to take Formosa by force. Mr. Chiang has never ceased to declare that he will retake the mainland by force, yet he seems quite secure as a member of that organization. By what type of warped thinking could such an act be condoned in the one and condemned in the other?

It is not difficult to prove that Chiang's right to Formosa falls far short of conforming to legal title. Truth is that he has no more right to Formosa than he has to the Hawaiian Islands or Alcatraz.

Because of China's defeat in the Sino-Japanese war, Formosa, under protest, was ceded to Japan in 1895. At the Cairo conference Nov., 1943, it was unanimously agreed that Formosa should revert to the Chinese empire of which it is an integral part. On March 3, 1955, Harry Truman nullified the Cairo pact by arbitrarily making a deal with Chiang loaning him the Seventh fleet to help maintain his possession of Formosa and the Pescadores. Mr. Truman justified his dictatorial act because of Chinese volunteer action in Korea. One of our most sacred traditions is the right of the accused to fair and impartial trial. Had Mr. Truman practiced that policy we would have had to reconcile Chinese action in Korea.

My purpose in saying what I have is not to make anyone feel worse than they deserve. Loose, unreliable statements have not been confined to the chatter of commentators, columnists, or riff-raff in the streets, but has been parroted by those in executive positions. Adlai Stevenson and Clark Eichelberger have both said that China is war-like and an aggressor. These are men upon whom we rely to make United Nations successful and bring peace to the world. In this we will never be successful until we learn that we must be honest and just and make it clear that United Nations is an organization free from prejudice and the influence of any one particular nation.

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Lincoln and Abstinence

To the Editor: As Americans we pause to pay tribute to that Great President of 100 years ago, Abraham Lincoln. We are reminded of the many sayings and examples he set, which have been used by some of the later Presidents. But unlike many of his followers he was almost alone for total abstinence.

The day after the convention that nominated him for presidency the committee came to his home to notify him. After the addresses were concluded he pleasantly remarked, "Mrs. Lincoln will be pleased to see you gentlemen. You will find her in the other room. You must be thirsty after your long ride, you will find a pitcher of water in the library." Some friends had offered to supply liquor for the occasion but he declined saying, "I have no liquors in my house and have never entertained my friends in that way. I cannot permit my friends to do for me what I will not myself do."

In company with a Kentucky Colonel on a coach one day, the Colonel offered Mr. Lincoln a drink of whiskey, he replied, "No, Colonel, thank you, I never drink whiskey." After a number of miles the Colonel offered him one of Kentucky's finest cigars saying, "If you won't drink with me, then maybe you will take a smoke with me." Mr. Lincoln said he was such an agreeable companion that maybe he should smoke with him but first he wished to tell him a story of an experience he had as a boy. He then told of his mother who one day when he was nine years old called him to her death bed and asked him to promise never to use whiskey or tobacco as long as he lived. "I promised my dying mother I never would and have kept that promise to this hour. Would you advise me to break that promise today?" With a trembling voice the Colonel said, "No, Mr. Lincoln, I wouldn't have you do it for the world. I would give a thousand dollars today if I had made my mother a promise like that and had kept it as you have."

A kept promise made Mr. Lincoln the good and loved man that he was. Patient, courageous, tender - hearted, he was a successful ruler of men. Hear more on temperance at the Woman's Christian Temperance meeting Feb. 16, 1:30 p.m., Presbyterian church.

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Story Tellers

To the Editor: Back in the historic days of the flourishing gold miner and prospector, there was never a lack of a professional story teller to amuse the week-end crowds of hard rock miners that gathered around the small town taverns to swap jokes and listen to "hot stove" miners blast a charge of TNT. Then a jester would make the remark that after the "shot" the proprietor should raise a window to clear away the imaginary smoke accumulated for another breathing spell.

One of the catchy puns often asked a newcomer was, how to make "a dollar slick"? The jester's answer to the joke: "Grease the dollar."

One of the old fifty-niner Indian war survivors of lower Table rock battles always maintained he jumped across Rogue river to escape the savage redskins one time. We always thought the old war hero had told the story so many times that he really believed it. Well, anyway, he always seemed to enjoy telling of the experience.

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Hunting Films

To the Editor: Recently you published a letter severely criticizing one of our Outdoor Sportsman programs. The program dealt with the hunting of a disease bearing rodent, known to every Oregon cattleman as the jack rabbit.

Every year these pests destroy thousands and thousands of dollars worth of crops, big game range, nesting areas for our game birds, valuable habitat, etc. They also carry a disease called tularemia, which can be contacted by humans. The jack rabbit has absolutely no earthly use, except perhaps to provide a fast and tricky target for thousands of our citizens who enjoy varmint hunting. I cannot possibly think of this animal being related to Bugs Bunny in any way.

I am truly sorry if the youngsters watching my show were offended or upset by this film. I devote a great deal of my time to young people interested in hunting and fishing. The outdoor recreational activity we have in our beautiful state is the biggest obstacle to juvenile delinquency we have. If we could get more of our boys and girls to take up hunting and fishing, we would be doing them a tremendous favor for these outdoor activities are something that can be enjoyed their entire lives.

This particular film was viewed in Portland without a single critical comment. My own youngsters have enjoyed plinking at rabbits with 22's. I don't consider my children bloodthirsty killers.

In the future I will show no more rodent pictures in your area. I do have several films on hunting ducks, geese, deer, pheasants, and other birds and animals. Also, I hope to bring some Alaskan films before the youngsters.

I would appreciate your expressing your views and I will be guided by the majority of your letters. I will carefully read all comments.

In showing my outdoor films, I hope to generate enough interest in our outdoors so that we can protect our fish and game from those who would destroy it. If you have the opportunity, join an organized sportsmen's group and help keep our great recreational areas for our children.

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Brush Car

To the Editor: There wuz an article in the Mail Tribune about a Brush car which I never wrote. It said: "There is a Guy in Ashland who drove a Brush. He put mountain dew in the gas tank and got 31 miles to the gallon."

The figures are wrong. Sometimes I used a gallon of gas to get away from the fireplug. Sometimes I made 91 miles and never used a drop of gas. It all depended on the carburetor, thermometer, barometer and altimeter. When I made 91 miles, I used teenagers to push the car. We tried everything to start the engine. Place the car in gear, prop up one wheel and try Russian roulette. Not a bang. The football team would put the car in gear, pick-up the hind wheels and run, then drop the hind wheels onto the ground and see what happened. It didn't start the engine, it just blew the spark plug down the northeast side of ol Pompadour, the engine wuz spinning like it never spun before, but it didn't start the engine. The high cliff was a great temptation, but we didn't.

The only time I ever got the engine going good wuz when I put mountain dew in the carburetor and cranked the car in reverse. It leaped over the sidewalk into a plate glass window of a jewelry store full of diamonds. The newspaper said: "High school student hits $10,000 diamond jackpot with $2.49 Brush car."

After this happened, I never cranked the car on the same side of the street as the Police Station. I figured there wuzn't no use taking the windshield into the Police Station to get a ticket on it. I ain't the guy wot started puttin' windshields on cars. Since they put windshields on cars and parking meters in Jackson county, I ain't done nothin' but pick parking tickets off the cotton pickin' windshield.

There is a law against pasting literature on the windshield, but there ain't no law against a Policeman plastering the windshield with $15 worth of parking tickets.

Everett Acklin,
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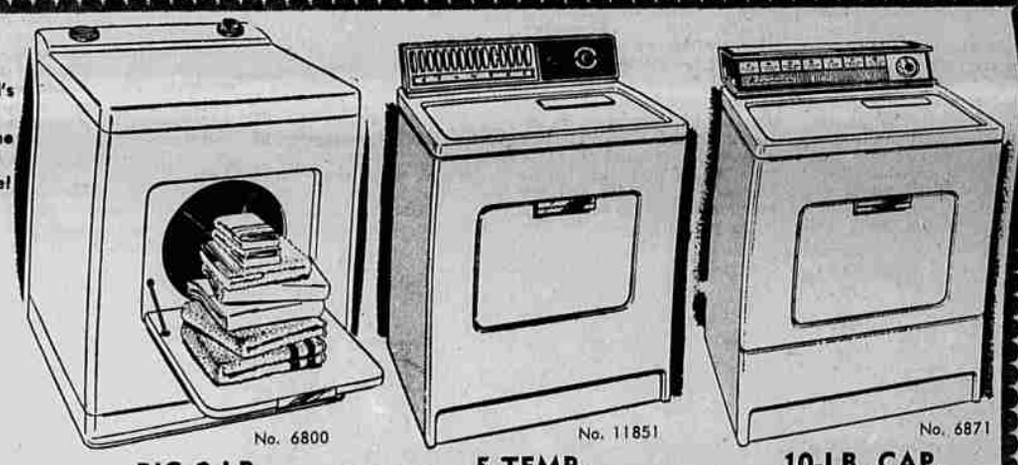

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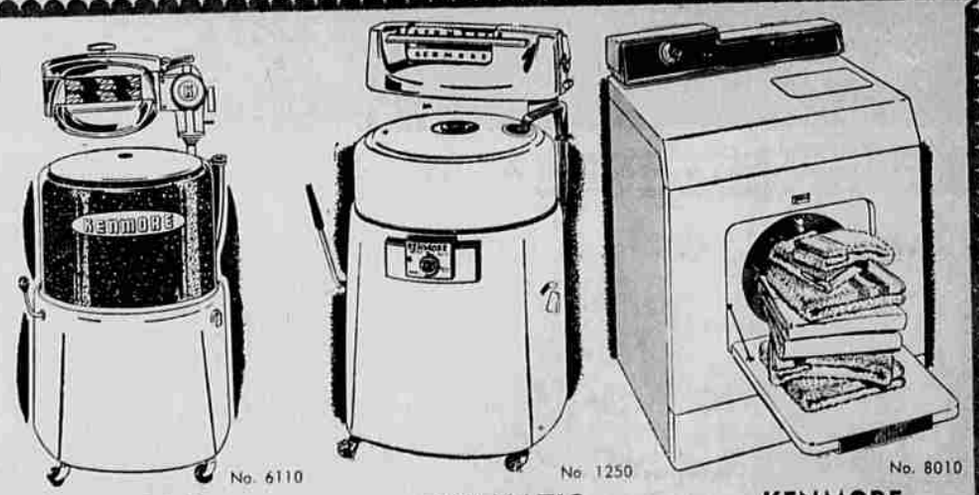

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