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School Board Vote

Medford school district patrons Monday will elect a new school board member. A board member's responsibility is one of the most important in the county...

OF THE two candidates seeking the position on the Medford board, John J. Reid we believe has better qualifications for the post. He has served on the Eagle Point school board and has served as president of the Jackson County School Boards Association.

The other matter to be voted on by Medford school district patrons tomorrow is the proposal to increase the size of the board of education from five members to seven. In our view, it doesn't make too much difference.

On Re-visiting the Jungle

You can't go back again; you can't recapture your youth. Even revisiting scenes familiar in childhood is futile, for in this era of change, they do not remain the same.

However, one can come fairly close to finding again some of the feel of youth by re-reading books first read when young. These do not change, and the fact that you have changed makes the re-reading all the more fascinating.

MOWGLI, Bagheera the panther, Baloo the bear, Kaa the python, Rikky-Tikky-Tavi the mongoose, Gray Brother the wolf, Shere Khan the tiger, the Bandar Log tribe of monkeys, the white seal—all these and the others, half-forgotten, emerge again as familiar, living characters.

Forest Camping Fees

The Forest Service's plans to make a small charge for use of certain of its more popular campgrounds appear to be meeting with general approval.

The plans call for a \$1 per day fee, for which the user will enjoy improved facilities and services. The service has long been straining its budgets in attempts to keep up with the demand for camping areas, plus their operation and maintenance, including such problems as firewood, sanitation, cleanup, and so on.

THE user fees will not be charged everywhere; they will only be used in highly popular places where the provision of adequate services has been a problem.

The small camps, usually far out in the forests and mountains, will remain free to all comers. Many of them need development and improvement, too, but they have had to wait upon the allocation of adequate funds.

Of the user fee plans, the Eugene Register-Guard says: "... The willingness of campers to pay would be a conclusive test of the national need for an accelerated program of developing more facilities of the same sort—a test which Congress could not ignore when working out appropriations for the Forest Service."

Fifty-One Million

Chicago, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cleveland, District of Columbia, St. Louis, Milwaukee, San Francisco, Pittsburgh, Minneapolis, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Mo., Louisville, Oklahoma City, Rochester, Toledo, St. Paul, Norfolk, Miami, Tulsa, Richmond, Des Moines, Providence, Mobile and Charlotte, N.C., all have water which is artificially fluoridated.

A total of more than 51 million Americans are drinking fluoridated water. They live in 4,251 communities. Their children's teeth are better, stronger and healthier because of it.—E. A.

"Bah! You're Not Trying To Make It Grow"



Today & Tomorrow

By Walter Lippmann
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THE ITALIAN ELECTIONS
The Italian elections must be regarded as not quite decisive. For much depends now on what happens on what happens on what happens...

There is a crisis in the making on the question of whether the Nenni Socialists will divorce the Communists completely or whether they will continue to collaborate with them in regional politics. There has long been a bill pending in the Italian parliament to grant what we would call states' rights to each of the 19 regions of which Italy is composed.

PARENTHETICALLY, it has been said that the Communist gains must have come from the 1,750,000 young people who are the new voters. The figures do not bear out this conclusion. The electorate for the Chamber of Deputies begins at 21 years of age. The electorate for the Senate begins at 25 years of age.

WHILE the outcome is not decisive, nevertheless it is true that, while the Fanfani coalition has lost some seats in the parliament, it is still very considerably stronger than any other combination which could be put together. If, for example, the Nenni Socialists were excluded, either of the other conceivable combinations would have only about 53 per cent of the seats as against the 60 per cent which these elections have given to the Fanfani coalition.

A somewhat closer study of the vote shows that there has been a general movement to the left. Starting with the Communists on the extreme left, we see that they gained about a million votes. Presumably the Communist gains come from those Socialists who disapproved of Nenni's arrangement with the Christian Democrats.

In all likelihood, this would bring about a renewal of those weak governments which Fanfani has sought to overcome by drawing the Nenni Socialists away from the Communists.



"If the President sends troops into Laos, he can expect 'If the Presidents sends troops into Laos, he can expect a campaign that is!'"

Matter of Fact

By Joseph Alsop
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LOOKING BEFORE LEAPING
Washington - All the political wisecracks are declaring in knowing tones that if Gov. Nelson Rockefeller marries Mrs. Murphy...



Also in the Day's News
From Salem: The sales tax is apparently dead for this session of the legislature, after indefinite postponement last week by a 34-28 vote of the House.

SEEN against this background, the general acceptance of the inevitability of Governor Rockefeller's nomination was a remarkable political phenomenon. It was also a major asset to the governor, for a badwagon is always very hard to stop in politics.

AND—Taxes are cumulative. They have to be added first to the raw materials cost. Then the manufacturer adds his taxes to his other costs of doing business, which includes taxes on the raw materials.

A TAX is a tax. As Gertrude Stein, with her say it again and again and again style, would have put it, a tax is a tax is a tax. That's about the size of it.

FROM Moscow: Fidel Castro and Nikita Khrushchev stood side by side on Lenin's tomb the other day and reviewed a May Day parade that included Soviet rockets of the kind that once brought them both to the verge of nuclear war.

WHY this exaggerated honor to Castro and his Cuban buddies? You answer it. There are so many considerations that could have been responsible. At the very least, it was designed to say that in Moscow's plans for the future, CUBA occupies a very large place. It's hard to make anything else out of it.

THE aim of the strategy is to pick up the Southern electoral votes which used to be the Democratic party's rock-bottom asset. The method of the strategy is to appeal to Southern voters by powerful pronouncements in favor of states' rights...

3. Cities and installations of the United States mainland are now open to damage by conventional weapons, and have become, therefore, in some degree hostage to Communist purposes. Theoretically, at least, the Russians could damage us by proxy, their method elsewhere, without themselves being directly involved.

4. Castro's physical hold on the island is complete, with the underground movement facing probable extinction. 5. The mass of Cuban manpower in exile is now a "blown instrument," a handicap and thorn in our side, not a weapon for our uses.

6. A foreign policy quarrel of serious proportions is engulfing an administration which has not yet found its feet in the area of its domestic policies and programs. 7. Once again, world Communism had succeeded in choosing the point of conflict and crisis in the cold war, and once again, as with South Korea or South Vietnam or West Berlin or Laos, the locus of contention is inside the realm of the free world, not in the Communist realm.

Whatever the precise degrees of blame to be placed on American administrations, past and present, or on Cubans, past and present, the net result is as described above; and in spite of the trade restrictions and the par-

When northern opinion is adjusted to accommodation, Communist strategies will change again, and with the



THINGS YOU WOULDN'T KNOW IF YOU HADN'T READ THEM HERE

Elisha Otis, who invented the elevator in 1857 in a one story house, was called Nutty Otis by his neighbors. There are 31 mountain peaks in Colorado higher than Pike's Peak, three of which are called Harvard, Yale and Princeton. A 4 star general with less than two years service in the army got fifty dollars a month less than one with over two years service. The Rogue Indians were considered sissies because they always wore tennis shoes. It wasn't Ben Franklin at all who said, "A kite in time is a stilt earned." (We said it) After inventing the thermometer in 1593, Galileo said, "Mama Mia! I knew it was hot today but I sure didn't know it was this hot."

A PEEK AT THE PAST
We are indebted to City Councilman Bill Singler for permitting us to look through a scrap book of newspaper clippings dating back to 1911 when Bill's grandfather, August Singler, was the constable.

STOLEN FROM A HIGH SCHOOL NEWSPAPER
Bill: Why is a blotter like a lacy do? Phil: I'll bet, why? Bill: A blotter is an inclined plane, an inclined plane is a slope up, a slow pup is a lacy dog. (Thank you, Eagle's Quill, Eagle Point High)

THINGS WE ALWAYS NOTICE
The strained expression on President Wilson's face on \$100,000 bills. The upper right hand corner of page 25 of the telephone directory. This is proof

may seem to those who have not studied the current Southern climate. The same politicians who are unanimous that Rockefeller would lose the Southern states to Kennedy are even more emphatic that Goldwater would carry almost every Southern and border state against the President or anyone else.

That does not eliminate the real problem of a Goldwater nomination, however. His stands on a long series of social and welfare issues are such that they would cause him some trouble, even in the South, and would probably cause him big trouble everywhere else.

GOLDWATER'S magnetic personality and the fact that he has not had to fight a campaign have caused most of his stands on issues to be forgotten. In a Presidential race, they would be ventilated daily, and with the utmost insistence and relish.

Even so, any slowdown of the Rockefeller bandwagon makes a Goldwater nomination more likely. It also increases the likelihood of a compromise nomination — the choice of Gov. George Romney of Michigan, for instance, or Gov. William Scranton of Pennsylvania.

On the states' right platform, with Senator Goldwater in the Vice Presidential spot, these more neutral figures might well have more appeal than Rockefeller in the South and more than Goldwater elsewhere.

present electricity dissipated, we shall find it far harder to rouse ourselves to forceful action in the case of some attempted uprising in Cuba or in the case of Communist coups in nearby nations. This is the prospect unless, somehow we find a way to increase our present pressure on Cuba. If they are not increased, they will decrease; it is not in the nature of these things that a status quo can be indefinitely maintained.

Wise and good men are reminding us that a Communist Cuba is not a mortal threat to our vital interests. In and of itself, of course it is not. But that opens, it does not close, the argument, a Communist Viet-Nam, or a Communist Laos, or Indonesia, or Venezuela or West Berlin would not be mortal threats, either—in and of themselves and separately considered. But the Communist world strategy of protracted conflict is a strategy of the piecemeal advance. There are only so many pieces on the board. With the capture of Cuba they have taken a tremendously important piece. Dozens of Russian ships would not be plying the Cuban trade and thousands of Russian citizens would not be turned out to cheer Castro, if the Kremlin didn't think so. (Distributed 1963 by The Hall Syndicate, Inc.) (All Rights Reserved)