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## BILL-BOARD

By BILL JENKINS

While listening to Mr. Hoover tear into the Democrats and warn the free world of the frightful doom that awaits us if we do not elect Hoover, I was reminded of the various isms a thought occurred to me. We expound a great deal of lung power, release a lot of fear in otherwise bright corners and in general vent ourselves out chasing our own tails by viewing with alarm and crying out in dismay.

I've got an idea that if one single ruling were to be adopted internationally we would no longer be threatened by dictators or over-greedy public office seekers.

The ruling?

Simple!

Merely make it a law that any man running for high public office and any person aspiring to a dictatorship be ruled to (or, in the case of the dictator, subjected to) appear in a public square while in the act of putting on his shoes and socks.

There is nothing on earth so generally ridiculous as feet. They are ill-designed instruments at best, not suited to their human need and molder in grotesque and tortured writhings that leave much to be desired.

It is my contention that no man can keep his dignity while putting on socks in public. It's impossible. In the first place you have the feet themselves, all ten twisted and distorted toes wriggling and writhing and catching in the holes in your socks. Then come that with the difficulty the average man has in reaching even his ankles, much less his toes, and you have a posture that cannot add to dignity. And the final contortions of dragging the stubborn and resisting socks up rob a man of his last shred of dignity.

I contend that this would do more to insure the peace of the world than the atom bomb to insure peace in this headachy old world of ours. Dignity and the wearing of socks do more to promote war in the world than all the conquest and lust for power that men have

## New Social Security Bill To Provide Increased Pay

WASHINGTON (AP) — The bill passed by Congress to hike social security and public assistance payments by about 540 million dollars a year would make the increases effective for September 1, President Truman said today.

An official of the Social Security Administration told a reporter today that means any increases would be reflected in checks sent out early in October.

The compromise legislation provides increases for roughly eight million persons.

About four and one-half millions of these would be under social security insurance and the remainder under four relief programs for the aged, blind, totally disabled and for dependent children.

Retired workers receiving social security insurance payments would get 5 or 12 1/2 percent more per month, whichever is greater.

As finally drafted, the official said, the legislation does not direct a 15 percent increase authorized for those receiving old age assistance or who are under

## Airmen Find C-47 Wreckage

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) — Airmen sighted Tuesday the wreckage of an Air Force C-47 that crashed over interior Alaska last Jan. 12 after radioing it was "hopelessly lost."

It carried five men on an instrument training flight.

A 10th Rescue Squadron plane crew reported the wreckage was located 45 miles southeast of Fort Yukon in the Yukon River valley. It is about 150 miles north of Fairbanks.

A ground party was being sent to the scene.

The C-47 vanished on a flight from Eielson Air Force Base to Umanit and return.

The five men aboard the plane have been identified as Capt. Harvey Tilton, 35, the pilot, Sacramento, Calif.

Capt. Ernie Walker, co-pilot, Durham, North Carolina.

Sgt. Charles Medina, Jr., 22, flight engineer, mother's residence Astoria, Long Island, N.Y.

Corp. Oscar J. Provencher, 22, radioman, Plainville, Conn.

Corp. Glenn E. Mellon, 19, student radioman, mother's residence, Marquette, Mich.

## Inland Wheat Harvest On

WALLA WALLA (AP) — Combines lumbered into the wheat fields of the power Blue Mountain fields Tuesday and the 1952 grain harvest got into high gear.

Harvesting in the Walla Walla area is expected in operation in most fields within a week. Grain growers associations have already opened seven receiving stations in scattered areas.

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## They'll Do It Every Time



## Hal Boyle

Wilbur Peeble, the average American, is getting close to the key problem of the Republican convention, as he tells himself in this letter to his brave wife at home, Trellis Mae:

CHICAGO (AP) — Well, honey, you can quit worrying about who is going to be the Republican candidate for President.

I've got it all figured out. It's going to be... (The text continues with a long, rambling monologue about the political situation, mentioning various candidates and the author's own opinions.)

## Dr. E. P. Jordan

Stagnation, or slowing of the flow of bile through the gall bladder, is believed to be at least one of the causes of gallstones.

Although no one knows exactly why stagnation should occur, such things as excessive fatness, lack of exercise, wearing of corsets, sagging of the abdominal organs and long-held position of stooping forward may slow the bile flow.

Whatever the cause for the formation of gallstones, they become increasingly common after 30 and are most frequent between 40 and 50. About three-fourths of all cases are in women.

Gallstones can get caught in the duct or passageway leading out of the gall bladder and produce severe pain and blockage to the flow of bile. Unless this happens the symptoms are likely to be rather mild, at least at first.

The most common symptom is "indigestion." Many people merely complain of a sense of fullness in the abdomen and a vague feeling of discomfort. Sometimes nausea and vomiting, with an increase in the amount of intestinal gas, is complained of. At times there is some pain in the region of the gall bladder and this may be felt also in the back under the right shoulder blade.

Gallstones can almost always be detected by means of X-rays. Some of them can be found by a simple X-ray plate of the gall-bladder region. In most cases, however, a special dye, or contrast matter has to be given to the patient which is eliminated through the gall bladder. An X-ray taken at the proper time after taking this dye shows an outline of any gallstones present.

Mrs. W. asks a double-barreled question about gallstones: "Is surgery the only treatment, and what chance do you think a woman 75 years old stands of coming through an operation?"

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# Hoover Attacks Democrats In 'Last Convention Speech'

By WARREN ROGERS JR.  
CHICAGO (AP) — Aging Herbert Hoover bade farewell to Republican convention delegates Tuesday night with a plea to tip away the Democrats' "push curtain" at home and salvage "lost statesmanship" abroad.

Hoover, the only living ex-President and the last Republican to hold that office, attacked the Democratic administration with a vigor that belied his 77 years.

His calm statements at the outset and at the end of his speech—that he did not expect to address another GOP convention because of "the inexorable course of nature"—were met with roared "no's."

He mentioned neither of the top contenders for Republican presidential nomination.

But his firmly-worded viewpoint on foreign policy drew close to that of Ohio's Sen. Robert A. Taft and collided, roughly at points, with that of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

"A phantom army" was the tag Hoover applied to the divisions a building in the Allied defense program launched under Eisenhower's leadership.

Hoover called for a powerful Air Force to "realize the advantage of military initiative to us"—a frequent Taft thesis.

"I do not propose that we retreat into our shell like a turtle," Hoover said. "I do propose the deadly reprisal strategy of a rattlesnake."

He accused the Democrats, in office since Hoover's futile try for re-election in 1932, of corroding "the grandeur of the people... (by) the drip, drip, drip from dishonor in high places."

"Behind the push curtain of tax and spend," Hoover said, "three sinister spooks or ghosts are mixing poison for the American people."

They are the shades of Mussolini, with his bureaucratic Fascism; of Karl Marx, and his Socialism; and of Lord Keynes, with his perpetual government spending, deficits and inflation.

"The Democrats' domestic plan of these, plus 'give-away programs'—added to 'the lost statesmanship' of dealing with Communism—make freedom the dominant issue of the election, Hoover said.

## Bruce Blossat

A little more than five years ago, Britain dramatically modified the course of European affairs by announcing that it would no longer bear the brunt of the load in the support of Greece, then deeply embroiled in a Russian-inspired civil war.

The sequel was the American Truman Doctrine, with this country assuming Britain's burdens in Greece and going to Turkey's aid as well. Greek-Turkish aid was a foundation stone of the Marshall Plan, conceived later in 1947 as a broad European recovery program.

Now there are signs that Britain, still the most advanced nation in Western Europe, may have to pull out of another of its historic stronghold—the Middle East. The British government already has advised Washington of this possibility.

The explanation is simple: Worn down by war and its aftermath, Britain does not have the financial substance to carry out its many world-wide responsibilities.

British leaders are reluctant to ask America for more direct aid and there is more than a little reason to doubt the political wisdom of such an appeal. Congress is pretty sure to be cool.

Consequently, it has become for Britain a question of which responsibility to forsake.

The British cannot abandon their current stand in Korea, down that road lies political dynamite from America. They cannot yield in the defense of Malaya, whose rubber and other raw materials are a vital part of the shrunken British trading economy. Nor can they give up their rearmament program and the related maintenance of British military forces in Germany and elsewhere in Europe.

The Middle East, including the Suez line to Asia, might seem at first glance no easier to abandon than any of these other commitments. Yet if anything must be yielded, it probably makes more sense to give up the Mediterranean route first.

To begin with, Britain's stature in the Middle East is at rock-bottom low. Though British troops at Suez are a definite assurance of Western strength, those troops stand amid a whirlpool of Arab hate and distrust.

One may question whether the situation represents a net gain for the West in the battle with communism.

When Egyptian resentment against Britain was at its boiling point last winter, earliest efforts were made to substitute a collective Western defense force for British troops.

The plan broke down because Egypt insisted that the Tommies leave first, before any substitute was in being. The West rated this risk too great.

Possibly Egypt and its Arab neighbors may look upon the "collective defense" arrangement with kinder eyes, now that they understand Britain is really anxious to pull out.

Britain shrewdly figures, too, that Congress might be willing to pick up part of the financial burden in the Middle East, while it would take a dark view of larger commitments in other areas of British responsibility.

The reason for this is that American lawmakers realize the importance of Suez in the West's pattern of naval and economic defense and they grasp also the necessity of maintaining a net of air bases in North Africa from which medium bombers could jump off for assault on a warring Soviet Union.

Whatever happens, Britain's apparent decision to relinquish its position in the Middle East will mean more worries—financial and otherwise—for the rest of the West. But anybody who knows a way to escape those worries will be welcomed with open arms by U.S. and other Western statesmen.

## Giant Blast Rocks Wash.

CASTLE DALE, Utah (AP) — One hundred sixty tons of TNT blew the side of a mountain out of Buckhorn Wash in Central Utah Tuesday in what Army Engineers say is one of the biggest man-made explosions ever set off except for the A-bomb.

The 320,000 pounds of explosive were touched off deep in sandstone formations.

The explosion was the 72nd and last of a series extending over three years under direction of the Army Engineers.

Purpose of the blast — which was spied on from every conceivable angle by the latest in cameras and scientific gadgets—was to gather information to help determine how far down man might burrow—and in what kind of terrain—to be safe from atom bombs.

Some 3,000 spectators watched the explosion from a distance of 4 1/2 miles.

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## FPC Chief Reappointed

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Truman Tuesday gave Thomas C. Buchanan a reappointment — good until Congress reconvenes as chairman of the Federal Power Commission.

Buchanan, a Beaver, Pa. lawyer, has been FPC chairman since 1948, but the Senate did not confirm his reappointment when Truman nominated him earlier this year.

The Senate Commerce Committee refused to act, and at the time Chairman Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo.) said it meant Buchanan was out of a job. Some members opposed him on grounds he was not qualified for the post.

## Court Bans Time Delay

CHARLESTON W. Va. (AP) — West Virginia's Supreme Court has served notice it is ready to outlaw the time-honored legislative practice of stopping the clock.

"The practice is emphatically disapproved," Judge Frank C. Raymond wrote in a decision.

"It cannot in law stop the actual passage of time or lawfully continue or prolong a regular session of the legislature."

Most state constitutions provide legislative sessions restricted to a certain number of days.

If the law makers haven't finished their work by the last day they stop their clocks or turn their back and go on legislating.

The question came before the state's highest court on a plea that the new code overhauling West Virginia's motor vehicle laws was passed by the 1951 legislature after the clocks had been stopped.

The court denied this plea, saying the evidence did not show clearly this had happened.

But, said the court, if there is such proof in future cases the laws involved "will be necessarily and unhesitatingly" held unconstitutional.

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