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BILLBOARD

By BILL JENKINS

There are times when an office is little better than a haunted house. And today yesterday at the Herald and News is a pretty good example.

With the advent of winter the radiators gave us a small hint yesterday. They all started to break down with a bang. Does that mean anything? Seems to me like a sign of a tough winter. Like the deer coming in the house and horses growing hair on their faces.

Then, just to add to the general confusion, a light fixture broke loose with a stream of oil this morning that completely filled Ray Pope's chair with a sticky pool of mysterious goo.

That could mean a tougher winter, or could mean that we are going to strike oil sometime in the near future. Of the two I think I prefer the latter treatment.

We still have the flies around here. Don't they ever hibernate? And while on that subject — can anyone tell me a poison that kills spiders? I seem to have found several pretty fair nests of 'em and don't want 'em around.

Politics is still the main topic.

CAUGHT IN THE ROUNDS

By DEB ADDISON

IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE TYPewriter listening to Pete Delacoll on TV measures to be typed on Nor. 4:

The first measure on the ballot—300-301, Amendment Making Superintendent of Public Instruction Appointed—is backed on the basis of getting a better administrator. It takes away the residents' requirement and empowers the state board of education to hire the best man it can find, where it can find him.

It gives the board power to fire as well as hire. If the man turns out bad he can be fired at once; there would be no elected term to serve out.

The argument against it is that it is one further step in the surrender to bureaucracy.

The other school bill—320-321, School District Reorganization Act—is not significant to Klamath County.

It's not significant because it's for the purpose of giving the rest of the state what Klamath County already has: unified school districts.

The measure number 304-305, Act Authorizing Domiciliary State Hospital for Aged Mentally III, is one of the more important on the ballot.

It is for the purpose of providing a place where old people who are mentally incompetent, but who are not crazy, can get the care they need. The only place they can be cared for now is the state insane asylum.

It is vitally needed.

The bill provides \$300,000 to build the hospital and \$750,000 annually to operate it. It provides that it be built within a 20-mile radius of the Multnomah county courthouse.

Without the "Yes" vote on this bill such a hospital could not be built legally outside of Marion County. The purpose of putting it at the population center is on the grounds that it would be cheaper to

TELLING THE EDITOR

TO THE EDITOR:

FLUORIDES

KLAMATH FALLS—I should appreciate space in your newspaper for a few words about a very vital issue which is confronting the whole community at this time. It is fluoridation of our drinking water. It seems that we are about to be subjected to this chemical poison without being given a chance of having any voice in the matter. Certainly in a democracy, (which I understand means government by the people), the people should be the ones to decide if our drinking water should be tampered with or not. So far, only one side of the picture has been presented to us. We have been told that it will help stop tooth decay in children's teeth, if they are under ten years of age. This we are expected to believe without a doubt, without investigating what this stuff is made of, or what other effects it may have on the human body.

In the report of a "Congressional Investigation of the use of chemicals in foods and cosmetics," July 10, 1952, I found this. Quote: Fluoride is a gas, and is found naturally in combination with various mineral salts as a fluoride compound. These compounds are very poisonous. In places where children are subjected to warm temperatures and consequently drink large amounts of water, a lower concentration of fluoride is necessary to avoid mottling of the teeth, in other words, in hot weather, not only children, but adults, drink from 2 to 10 times as much water as they would in cold weather and this would get a larger dose of fluorides. The possibility of storing the fluorides in the soft or bony tissues of the body might be a serious factor in undermining the health of the individual. It should also be recognized that while there are some three or four million people living in areas where there are fluorides in the water, these fluorides come in natural combination with other elements of nature. This can give an entirely different reaction than when raw fluorides by themselves are placed

They'll Do It Every Time



Ike Accuses Truman-Adlai of Slander; Draws Huge Crowds In New England Tour

By DON WHITEHEAD

ABOARD EISENHOWER SPECIAL IN NEW ENGLAND—An angry and bitter Dwight D. Eisenhower drove his presidential campaign through New England today accusing the Truman administration of trying to capture the presidency with lies and slander.

Pushing himself and those around him at a machine-gun pace, the GOP presidential candidate put aside lofty appeals for the most part in favor of rammed counterattacks against the Democrats.

Through virtually every speech he made in this industrial Northeast ran a scintilla of anger—anger against his one-time friend President Truman and charges he said have been made against him and his party.

Eisenhower was drawing big and enthusiastic crowds at each stop. Even snow flurries and cold winds failed to drive the people indoors. Late yesterday—his Eisenhower was running behind schedule—crowds waited in the cold for more than an hour to see him and hear him talk.

He spoke in some cities where Truman spoke last week and although Truman had the better of it in weather, police figured the general was out in front on crowd-pulling appeal.

Police estimated the two broke about even on crowd sizes in Providence, R. I., 12,000, and Worcester, Mass., 8,000, but they said that in Fall River, Mass., and Taunton, Mass., Eisenhower had out-pulled Truman 2-1 in each city—10,000 to 5,000.

Eisenhower got his biggest responses when he assailed the Democratic administration. He was making liberal use of such words as "lies" and "falsehoods" and "corruption" and "distortions." He was fighting to smother whatever Democratic fires Truman might have started on his swing through this same area last week.

The politically doubtful state of Massachusetts again was the main

THE DOCTOR SAYS

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M. D.

A question is raised in today's first letter which many people must have wondered about.

Q—Is it injurious to a baby's health to wear plastic pants constantly day and night? Mrs. J.

A—I do not know of any reason why the pants themselves should be harmful providing—and this is important—that the youngster is changed as often as it should be.

Q—My doctor has informed me that I have a tumor of the uterus the size of a melon. Is this dangerous? Can it be dissolved? J.A.D.

A—This is a fairly large tumor and could be dangerous, depending on what kind of tumor it is. There is no way of dissolving it.

Q—Is it dangerous to have an operation for rupture when one also has sugar diabetes? Mrs. V.A.M.

A—If the diabetes is well-controlled, as is usually possible, there should be no particular danger from an operation for hernia.

Q—Is it unusual to have a collapsed lung when the cause cannot be discovered? Mrs. R.E.D.

A—Spontaneous collapse of the lung is not common, but is well known in medical circles.

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Stevenson Starts On Final Campaign Aides See Landslide Electoral Victory

By JACK BELL

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Given a rousing sendoff by Illinois home folks, Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson strikes out today on a final 12-state whistle-stopping tour aimed primarily at capturing New York's vital 45 electoral votes.

The Democratic presidential nominee told a cheering crowd estimated at 5,500 persons in the Springfield, Ill., Armory last night that his bid for the presidency "is going well." Friends and neighbors turned out before the rally for a torchlight, horn-blowing parade to bid the governor goodbye.

Asserting that he was having trouble "getting my opponent to talk sense about the issues," Stevenson said Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower is "saying one thing" while Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio assures the country "that he really meant something else."

The Democratic nominee renewed his bid for farm support—vital in this Midwestern area—with a recitation of all of the measures he said Democrats had pushed through Congress despite the opposition of Republicans. He scoffed at the GOP contention that the Democrats want to "regiment" the farmer, adding:

"The thunderous extortions about socialism, bureaucracy, regimentation and all of the other evils in the devil's dairy sound like the GOP oratory of four, eight, 12 and yes, 16 years ago. They are very familiar tunes, but they are no substitute for positive programs and they never will be."

Stevenson rode to the Armory for last night's speech at the head of a motorcade through flared-lit streets. Frank Devaney, custodian of the Armory, estimated the crowd at 5,500 persons in the 6,000-seat hall.

The final two weeks of campaigning promised to be a rough and tumble affair. Wilson Wyatt, Stevenson's campaign manager, yesterday hurled "smear" charges at the Republicans and Eisenhower expressed anger at what he said were the "slander-a-day" tactics of the Democrats.

Wyatt told a news conference recent literature issued by the Citizens for Eisenhower organization had said that if the voters didn't vote the right way, the result might be Russian bombing of their own home towns with "our stolen atomic bomb."

Denouncing this and other charges as "not only distorting but misrepresentation," Wyatt declared:

"What it looks like is that what started out as the great crusade and then became the great surrender and then the great disillusionment—it now looks as though their efforts to make out of it in the last two weeks of the campaign of the great smear."

After whistle stops during the afternoon at Decatur, Champaign and Kankakee, Ill., Stevenson makes a major address tonight in a studio (NBC) television appearance (9:30 to 10 p.m., EST). His talk will be rebroadcast by radio (CBS—10:30 to 11 p.m., EST).

He will be on the air waves again (11 to 11:15 p.m., EST) for a radio and television message to the New York Herald Tribune Forum.

He will begin intensive whistle-stopping in South Bend, Ind., tomorrow but the obvious primary goal in his final campaign swing will be New York and its rich 45 electoral votes toward the 266 needed for a national victory.

He will make more than 30 appearances in New York on a trip that also will take him into Pennsylvania, Ohio, Massachusetts, Indiana, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, West Virginia and Delaware before his return to Illinois.

Wyatt classified Illinois, New York, California, Michigan and Ohio as strong states where he said the outcome will be "hard fought," but in which he contended the Democrats will win.

He called the South and border states—with the exception of Maryland—safely Democratic, along with Minnesota and Massachusetts. He added that Pennsylvania "looks very much better than it did a week ago."

Wyatt said that while he thinks the national popular vote will be

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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

WE'VE been intending for several days to tell something of our deer hunting experiences, in response to many inquiries which followed a notation on the front page last week that Epley was out scaring deer. Politics has delayed our report.

Well, we didn't scare any deer seriously. One large buck appeared suddenly on the skyline in front of us, and we were probably as badly scared as he was. He had disappeared around the corner of a rimrock before we remembered we were supposed to shoot at antlered deer when we saw them. The camping was great. So was the eating.

Statement by A. H. BUSSMAN, Candidate for Mayor:

I'm told that some have questioned that I ever served on the City of Klamath Falls Council and so am experienced in municipal affairs.

I was elected and served as councilman from Ward 1, from Jan. 1, 1941 until November of 1944. I moved to Ward 2 in June that year and submitted my verbal resignation at that time, but the council appointed me to finish the term.

Then, when Angus Newton was elected from Ward 1 in November, the council appointed him to serve out the last two months of the old term in my place.

The following reprint from Mac Epley's column of November 7, 1944 will bear this out.

I am asking your support for Mayor as an experienced, independent candidate.

Yours truly,
A. H. Bussman

Case of Mr. Bussman

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We are not sure of the legal situation, and will reserve discussion of that for a later time. But on the face of it, it is plain that Mr. Bussman has not been treated fairly in this matter. Mr. Bussman moved from his ward in June, and so informed the council immediately. He was asked by the council to remain as a member until the election and his successor can qualify.

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Mr. Bussman's views on any particular subject certainly do not affect his legal status, and the tardy challenge is most unfortunate, and certainly it should be made clear to the public that Mr. Bussman did not attempt to hide his change of residence from official view or to stay on the council if not legally qualified to do so.

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