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Beauty Search

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

This is a special note to all charming young ladies between the ages of 18 and 25, resident of Oregon, unmarried, and wearing a size 12 garment.

She must also be at least 5 feet 4 inches tall, and not more than 5 feet 8 inches without shoes.

Now, in addition, she must have completed at least one year at a recognized accredited college.

That sounds like quite a series of qualifications, but I'm certain we have a number of girls in our midst who can meet all these qualifications.

Now . . . here's what the young lady who possesses these above qualifications may win.

She may win a glamorous overseas trip by air, two wonderful weeks in New York, with personal appearances on television and radio, the use of a new Chevrolet hardtop convertible for the entire year, an all-wool wardrobe valued at $5,000, trips to America's fashion centers and other valuable awards.

The contest, open to ladies with the above qualifications in the 13 western wool producing states, is being sponsored by the National Miss Wool Committee.

Russell Willis, manager of the Miss Wool Pageant at San Angelo, Texas, recently wrote Mayor Lawrence Slater as follows: "Is it true that the most lovely girls in Oregon live right in Klamath Falls? If this is true, we would like to offer her an opportunity to win. . . ." and he lists the prizes we have mentioned.

It doesn't cost a penny, and the pageant pays all of the expenses to San Angelo and return.

The letter says, "And think of all the publicity that Klamath Falls would receive if your young lady is selected as Miss Wool of 1959."

All that is necessary to enter this contest is to contact Mayor Slater and get the application blank for entry to the contest.

It's a wonderful opportunity for some young lady. Remember the qualifications: 18 to 25, unmarried, 5 feet 4 to 5 feet 8, and at least one year at an accredited college.

Oh, one thing more, she must possess a talent that can be presented on the stage during the actual contest.

Interested, girls? Contact the mayor and he can give you details on the contest.

Tribute To Fat

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—This is a tribute to fat—fighting fat!

Everybody in this country has been overpraising muscle — and low-rating fat—for a long time.

Isn't it about time now (since we give even the devil his due) that someone said a few kind words for fat?

Fat doesn't spell weakness. It spells power. What is the mightiest creature in the sea? The whale. And what is a whale? He is a mountain of blubber, nature's floating oil tank. But he rules the deep.

What creature on earth would willingly tangle with the elephant or the bear? Yet they both love to get so fat they waddle when they walk.

Put the most muscular boxer in the world into a ring with a good fast fat wrestler and what would happen? The fat wrestler would tie the boxer into a pretzel in less than 10 minutes.

When you get right down to it, fat has a lot of virtues entirely lacking in muscle.

What makes you nervous and jumpy? What keeps you tense? Your nerves and muscles. But good old fat never gets excited. It is calm and soothing. It keeps telling you, "Take it easy. What's the hurry." Fat is the voice of common sense.

Fat is faithful. Fat is loyal. It will stick to you through thick and try to cling to you through thin. After 40 you can't depend on your muscles much. Muscles are only the fair weather friends of your youth. But you can still count on your good old fat. It won't desert you.

In some situations your cowardly muscles seem to turn to water. But as any dieter knows, fat won't run off from anything—at least of its own solitum. Fat is a born fighter.

Anyone who has ever tried to get rid of fat learns this quickly. My own experience is typical. Six months ago my doctor told me:

"Your weight is up to 210 pounds. Some 30 pounds of it is fat. The other 180 pounds is bone and muscle. Get rid of the fat."

The solution seemed simple. Just starve the fat by dieting and wear it away by exercise. After all the odds seemed hopelessly in favor of the bone and muscle. They outweighed the fat 6 to 1.

But what [illegible] I wouldn't give [illegible]

year I must have walked a distance from here to Timbuktu, done enough knee bends to need new joints, eaten hardly enough to keep a hummingbird humming.

The result: I have lost 15 pounds, at least half of which must be muscle. The fat has outfought my muscles, pound for pound, every step of the way. When I look in the mirror in the morning, there is that same old roll of blubber around the midriff—triumphant as ever.

Fat is in some ways a man's best friend, and it should be appreciated more. I think I'll take mine out right now and give it a treat—a nice big meal.

Mideast Turmoil

By SAM DAWSON
AP Business News Analyst

NEW YORK (AP)—The Middle East turmoil may bring yet another test of consumer opinion and all that means to business.

What businessmen would like to know today? Will the new uncertainty chill some of the returning confidence? Or would any worsening of world tensions lead the American consumer to rush to buy as he did when U. S. troops were sent to Korea?

Whether the consumer thinks this a good time to buy—or whether he finds himself unable to—that sets the pace for much of the economy.

Consumer spending is one of the hardest things to forecast. Surveys shed some light.

The most recent poll taken by the Survey Research Center of the University of Michigan, covering a period from mid-May into June, shows that while consumer confidence dipped early this year, it was now about back where it had been last December.

But the survey was made before the lid blew off the political pot in the Middle East. Most Americans probably are too concerned about what may be happening over there from hour to hour to have formed any notions yet as to what this might mean to their family budgets, their spending plans, or to the availability of goods.

Commodity traders have reacted in traditional fashion and bid up prices because world tension can upset world markets and distribution of goods and raw materials.

But for the consumer things are different in mid-1958 than they were at the time of the Korean War. Now we have few if any shortages of materials or finished products. And more people have at least the durables with which they can make do in a crisis.

There was little excuse for the war scare buying that led to runs on stores in the early days of the Korean conflict. Today even the most hysterical would have to hunt hard for any excuse.

What businessmen are more concerned about is any setback now to the growing return of confidence that the Michigan survey teams report.

Each year for years now Americans have had more money left over after paying for the absolute necessities of food, clothing and shelter.

There are some who have been deferring spending to save part of their incomes, either because of worry about the recession's probable course or because of a belief that prices may come down.

It's in this field — those who spend more but haven't been of late—that business will be watching for the consumer reaction to the Middle East fracas.

Quick Action

By FRANK CORMIER
Associated Press News Analyst

WASHINGTON (AP)—If a shooting showdown should flare in the Middle East, the government can be expected to act quickly to combat the shortages and inflation which mark even brush fire wars.

Some of the tools to do this job are already at hand. Others probably would be asked quickly from Congress. And Congress could be expected to respond just as quickly, although there is no indication now such action will be needed.

Even a limited war in the Arab world could light a rocket under defense spending, put a bind on supplies of some strategic materials and open the way for new hikes in living costs.

Oil probably would stop flowing from Middle East wells to the big Western European markets. This might require another oil lift from the Western Hemisphere to Europe — the kind of operation carried on while the Suez Canal was blocked early last year.

Already on the books are regulations for the allocation of strategic materials. These could and presumably would be imposed very quickly to prevent waste of vital stocks.

Also available is another regulation to curb hoarding by controlling industry inventories of raw materials.

There is no provision in present law for controlling wages and prices. And credit can be curbed only indirectly through the Federal Reserve Board's power to tighten or loosen the money supply.

The Eisenhower administration is wary about imposing mandatory restraints on the economy. However, it is dedicated to fighting inflation.

To cope with the inflationary pressures of even a small war, it certainly would give quick consideration to asking Congress for broad economic controls.

After the outbreak of the Korean War, living costs jumped more than 7 per cent in the eight months before controls went into effect. The Truman administration called at first for voluntary restraint, but to little avail.

Republicans were sharply critical of the Democrats at the time for not putting on the brakes sooner. It is a good bet that the present Republican administration, with the advantage of hindsight, would move faster if a similar situation arose.

The landing of U.S. Marines in Lebanon already is having a different kind of effect on the home front.

The impact so far has been political rather than economic. Senate Republican Leader William Knowland of California has noted that Middle East storm clouds have affected the congressional weather vane. He foresees restoration of some House-voted cuts in foreign aid.

Some other observers predict that trouble overseas will help the Eisenhower administration get more of what it wants in the way of reciprocal trade and defense reorganization legislation.

Damascus

ALTURAS (To the Editor)—Damascus dates back anterior to the days of Abraham and is the oldest city in the world. It was founded by VZ, the grandson of Noah.

The early history of Damascus is shrouded in the mist of history antiquity. Leave the matters written of in the first 11 chapters of the old testament out, and no event has occurred in the world but Damascus was in existence to receive the news of it.

Go back as far as you will into the vague past, there was always a Damascus. In the writings of every century for more than four thousand years, its name has been mentioned and its praises sung.

To Damascus, years are only moments, decades are only flitting trifles of time. She measures time not by days, months and years, but by the empires she has seen rise and prosper and crumble into ruin.

She is the type of immortality, she saw the foundations of Baalhec and Thebes and Ephesus laid; she saw their villages grow into mighty cities and amaze the world with their grandeur, she has seen them desolate and given over to owls and bats. She saw the Israelitish empire exalted and she saw it annihilated. She saw Greece rise and flourish two thousand years and die.

In her old age she saw Rome built, saw it overshadow with its power, and saw it perish.

The few hundred years of Genoese and Venetian night and splendor were to grove Old Damascus only a trifling scintillation hardly worth remembering.

Damascus has seen all that ever occurred on earth and still she lives.

She has looked upon the dry bones of a thousand empires, and will see the tombs of a thousand more before she dies. Though another claims the name, Old Damascus is by right the eternal city.

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Tamarisk

Sacramento (To the Editor)—Where Holy Land's River Jordan empties into Dead Sea, writer saw banks lined with tamarisks. They take the place of willows on our watercourses. Some botanists claim tamarisk and willow are descended from the same generalized ancestor. Their theory seems substantiated by both flowering in catkins.

A Texas scientist once asserted tamarisk, Mediterranean - native, was introduced into our Southwest. It soon spread throughout stream beds, irrigation ditches from West Texas to California. It is a problem due to amount of potential irrigation water it transpires. It was pointed out that tamarisks waste annually over 100,000 acre-feet of water in New Mexico's upper Rio Grande and Pecos rivers. This is enough water for a half dozen cities like Albuquerque.

It was recommended tamarisk be investigated for possible commercial value: fuel, fence posts, wood pulp, furniture to help defray its control.

We at last are learning to be alert as to disturbing the balance of nature by such importation as, also the English sparrow.

C. M. Goethe

Quotes

By United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Lebanese Premier Sami Solh, commenting in an interview on the landing of American Marines in his country:

"Once Lebanon and Iraq have been liberated, Nasser's influence will be destroyed throughout the Arab world. The Arabs will see the light and will realize that the champion of the free world—the United States — is ready to defend small nations and protect their independence."

NEW YORK — U.S. Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, speaking in the United Nations on the Mideast situation:

"There is in the Middle East a common purpose to take over everywhere all at once. It is masterminded from one source. . . You can read all about it in Cairo. . . We face the brutal fact of assassination by men in plain clothes rather than by men in uniforms. History will hold us responsible. Will we condone subversion in plain clothes if we do, the U.N. will break up."

NEW YORK — British Ambassador Sir Pierson Dixon, discussing a charge by Russian Ambassador Arkady A. Sobolev that British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan decided to send troops to Jordan after Parliament had adjourned:

"He suggested that the British prime ministers managed to deceive the British Parliament. What an extraordinary suggestion!"

WASHINGTON — Sen. Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.), commenting on a copyright dispatch by Frank H. Bartholomew, president of United Press International, which reported that the Iraqi coup and many other Red-inspired plots wear a "Born in Bern" label:

"Bern is a natural haven for intelligence agents because of contacts which radiate in all directions from perhaps [illegible] Switzerland."

Pogo

Queen Will Visit Festival

"Queen for a Day," coast-to-coast radio and television program, will salute the Oregon Shakespearean Festival and the city of Ashland on the July 21 show by electing a queen to visit Southern Oregon for the premiere performances of the four Shakespearean productions of the 1958 season. Because of the time change in California, the radio program will be heard in the Klamath Falls area on Tuesday, July 22, over KFJI, at 11:35 a.m.

Four days of activities have been planned for the royal couple when they plane into Ashland on Monday, July 28. First on the itinerary will be the partaking of the "Feast of the Tribe of Will," opening night ceremonial banquet in Lithia Park prior to the premiere performance of "Much Ado About Nothing."

On Tuesday a visit to Crater Lake and lunch at the rustic lodge in scheduled, with a trip around the lake in the afternoon. Tuesday night the queen and her escort will attend the first playing of "King Lear" at the Elizabethan Theater.

A motor trip through Southern Oregon is planned for Wednesday. "Merchant of Venice" will be seen by the visiting couple on Wednesday night. The final day will include a trip to Oregon Caves for lunch at the Chateau, with a tour through the "Marble Halls of Oregon" in the afternoon.

The production of "Troilus and Cressida," played for the first time on the stage of the Elizabethan Theater in Ashland, will complete the whirl of events for this year's Queen for a Day.

This is the fifth year the Hollywood radio and television program has featured the Oregon Shakespearean Festival.

Japan Pupils Reveal Letter

OSAKA, Japan (AP)—A group of Japanese students of Arabic today reported a letter from King Faisal II, welcoming them to Iraq was received here the day Faisal reportedly was killed in the Baghdad revolt.

The letter read in part:

"Thank you for your letter. I am very happy that there is growing interest in Japan about Arab countries. Please visit our country. We will welcome you."

Four students and a lecturer at Osaka Foreign Language College had written the young king that they plan a three-month study tour of Arab countries next winter. They said they still would make the trip unless a major conflict breaks out in the Middle East.

Men Arrested After Home Dynamited In Race Flareup

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Two badly beaten white men were arrested last night shortly after dynamite rocked two houses in this city's third racial flareup of 1958.

Police quoted the men as saying they were attacked by a group of Negroes. The men, whom police would not identify, were picked up at a hospital where they had gone for treatment of cuts and bruises.

Details of the beating or the men's connection with the bombing was not known immediately.

Earlier, tension erupted into dynamitings in an old section gradually evolving into a Negro neighborhood. The houses bombed belong to white and Negro families living next door to each other.

No one was hurt although broken glass was strewn across the beds of three sleeping children—including a 9-month-old baby—in the home of William Blackwell, 47-year-old Negro railroad worker.

Retired mailman Barbey Crawford was asleep and his wife was reading a Bible in the living room when the blasts occurred between their home and the Blackwell's.

Damage was limited to shattered windows, cracked plaster and a few splintered boards on the front porches of both houses.

Earnest Coppins, Negro, told police he was looking out a window of his nearby home when he saw three white men light fuses to two separate bombs, toss them at the houses, then flee in a car.

The explosions occurred in a neighborhood racially taut since the change-over from white to Negro residents began. A huge cross was burned in the area several months ago.

A Negro, who asked that his name be withheld, said the two white men were caught and beaten about a block from the explosion. He would not say how many Negroes were involved in the beating.

Blackwell bought his home from a white person and moved in last month. He said there had been no indications his family was unwelcome. Another Negro family lives next door on the other side.

The Crawfords have lived in their home 25 years, but said they are planning to sell it to a Negro family.

Several weeks ago the church of a Negro integration leader was damaged by dynamite.

The third bombing incident of this year occurred about two months ago at a Jewish temple, but there was no explosion. A fuse failed to ignite the charge.

Chilly Visitor Rescues Family

FORT SCOTT, Kan. (AP)—Jim Marsrall of Moran, Kan., visiting his mother, got chilly and reached down for a blanket on the floor near his bed.

His arm dipped into water up to his shoulder — water that was even with the mattress on the bed.

He routed out members of the family.

The water came from a backup of Buck Run Creek, swollen by the Marmaton River, which flooded a large area of Fort Scott.

Colonel Receives Odd Message

DALLAS (AP—Col. Robert Collins, commander of James Connally Air Force Base at Waco, was about 60 miles south of Dallas yesterday when his car radio brought him a special announcement: "Col. Collins, your wife is in Dallas at the service station."

He thought she was sleeping in the back of the auto, but she had gotten out while the car was being gassed up.

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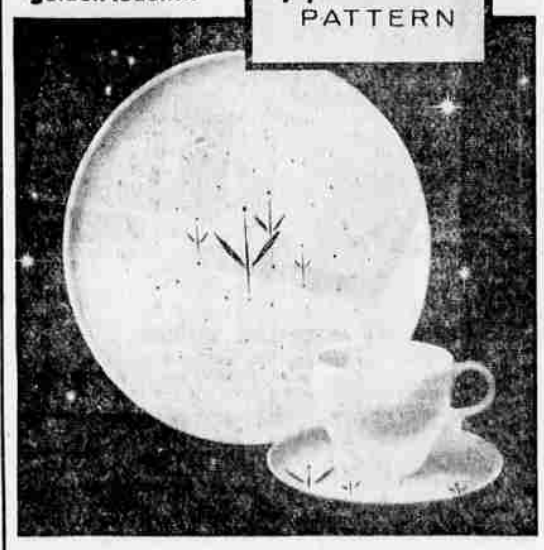

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