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Apologies

By FLOYD L. WYNNE
Ordinarily I file anonymous letters or notes in the wastepaper basket, because that's where most of them belong.
However, I did get a critical note the other day which was signed merely a "subscriber."
It referred to an item which I included in "Passing notes" a few days ago regarding a letter received by our circulation department from an irate subscriber.
The note that I received said, "Your reference to the faulty composition and grammatical error contained in a recent letter received by your circulation department from an irate subscriber, surely demonstrates that you have very little judgment or ability to write a column, supposed to interest your paying subscribers."
"It would seem this subscriber wrote you complaining about the service concerning the delivery of his or her newspaper and used the best grammar and composition his limited education would permit, then sealed the letter believing it would be a confidential matter between himself and the circulation department."
"Upon reading this letter, you believed it was so funny that it should be scattered all over the editorial column."
I must admit that the letter writer, even though he or she chooses to remain anonymous, does have a point.
I must apologize for the obvious overtones of using the letter, although it certainly wasn't used in an attempt to point up or embarrass anyone for faulty composition or grammar.
I still think the letter was particularly effective. It certainly conveyed the message to the circulation department and undoubtedly got results. Admittedly, it was written in unorthodox fashion, but that only added to its effectiveness.
It was in this vein rather than an attempt to humiliate someone that it was used.
So, our thanks to the anonymous letter writer for pointing out our bad manners, and our apologies to the irate subscriber who penned the initial note.
Incidentally, while we're on the subject, it's a good time to point out that we do welcome any letters to the editor. Our only requirement being that they must be signed by a real person.
"Letters To The Editor" have always proven stimulating for community thought as well as action, and whether they are critical or complimentary, controversial or otherwise, as long as they are not libelous nor overly crackpot letters, we'll be more than glad to print them.
In other words, let's hear from you and about your problems, whether it's Northern California, Southern Oregon or anywhere else.

Air Safety
By FLORENCE JENKINS
As the number of U.S. Air Force planes increases in Klamath skies, most of us wonder if the air age is here to stay and just how safe military flying has become.
During the first six months of 1958, there were only 10.7 major accidents per 100,000 flying hours of Air Force planes. This compares with 13.6 major accidents during the comparable period in 1957.
This was the statement made last week by Major General Joseph D. Caldera, USAF, director of the Air Force's flight safety research.
General Caldera was keynote speaker at Norton Air Force Base in California before some 185 representatives of the major aircraft industries and high ranking USAF personnel. His topic was power controls on supersonic jet aircraft.
"With 1100 to 1200 Air Force planes airborne at any one time, flying 14,750 miles each 60 seconds, that accident record is improving," he told the conference.
He then put it another way:
"Each minute, the Air Force planes together are flying more than halfway around the world."
The Air Force and aircraft industry wage a continuing fight to keep the skies safe for travel. Last week's conference was the 35th conference of the two groups to exchange safety ideas and report on the progress to date.
While we watch a big plane which has taken off from Kingsley Field and speculate on how much racket there would be if they all broke the sound barrier, we can know that every possible effort is being made by safety engineers in both private industry and the Air Force to keep safe the men who fly that plane and keep noise to a minimum.

Rail Threat

By SOUTHERN PACIFIC NEWS BUREAU
There exists today, in legislation now pending before Congress, a threat to the railroads that would place them in far greater jeopardy than they were when their economic condition led to the formulation of the Smathers-Harris legislation.
This danger is embodied in Senate Bill No. 1313, recently reported to the floor by the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Similar legislation is being considered in the House of Representatives.
S. 1313 proposes large increases in retirement and unemployment benefits for railroad employees operating under the Railroad Retirement Act, with corresponding increases in the taxes upon employers and employees which finance these benefits. Briefly, it would increase the Railroad Retirement Tax, paid by both employer and employee, from 6 1/4 per cent to 7 1/2 per cent (and eventually to 9 per cent) and would increase the base pay subject to this tax from \$350 to \$400 per month. It would jump the Unemployment Insurance Tax (paid only by the employer) from 2 1/2 per cent to a four per cent maximum, again raising the base pay from \$350 to \$400.
We'd like to point out here the consequences that passage of this act would have on the rail transportation system of the nation:
1. The proposed tax increases, plus wage increases already committed in labor contracts, would increase the cost of doing business for all railroads next year by 150 million dollars more than in 1958. On the basis of this year's revenues, it would require a five per cent nationwide freight rate increase to meet the additional cost.
2. Railroads already pay three times as much in retirement taxes as do other employers, including the railroads' competitors.
3. This bill would increase the railroads' unemployment taxes to a point where they'd be more than four times those paid by industries covered by state unemployment systems.
4. A railroad employee paying the maximum retirement tax is assessed by present law \$21.88 monthly, which is matched by his employer. The legislation proposed would increase such payments to approximately \$30 per month in June of 1959, and \$36 per month by 1975. In contrast, an employee and his employer covered by Social Security now pay a maximum of \$7.88 each monthly.
The genesis of this bill was in the action of Congress in 1956, which increased the benefits of the Railroad Retirement Act at that time by 10 per cent, without an increase in taxes to finance the action. But this action goes far beyond supplanting that deficiency—it institutes new increases in benefits which require even greater taxes.
Part of this liberality may be due to the fact that the hearings on this bill were held in March and April of 1957, when the economic condition of the railroads as well as the rest of the nation was much different than it is today. Now, this increase in taxes will cost the railroads about 185 million dollars annually—or 2 1/2 times the net income of all Class 1 railroads in the country for the first five months of 1958!
For Southern Pacific alone, the increase would amount to about \$7.6 million in 1959. We do not feel that the economy of the area we serve can bear the addition of such an amount to its cost of transportation.
It would be a grotesque mockery

if Congress, after extending a helping hand to the beleaguered railroad industry with the anticipated adoption of Smathers-Harris legislation, were to snatch away that relief with passage of this bill. For the costs involved here are far more than those which the Smathers-Harris legislation was designed to remove.
We, who are dependent upon the nation's press to inform the public, ask that you investigate, seriously, the economic effects that passage of this legislation would have.

Vets Mail Bag
Problems for which veterans the specialized help of Veterans Administration social workers have not decreased in the years since Korea and World War II.
Indications are that sick and disabled veterans have only traded wartime problems for peacetime ones.
In fact, the VA social work caseload is increasing.
Roger Cumming, the agency's social work chief in Washington, D.C., said today his division completed service for more than 250,000 veterans in fiscal 1957, as compared with approximately 248,000 during fiscal 1956.
Vacancies for social workers exist at VA hospitals and outpatient clinics across the nation. Those who hold a graduate degree in social work may apply for VA employment to the Central Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners, Veterans Administration Central Office, Washington 25, D.C.

Growth of the veteran population, aging of veterans, and the increasing number of mental patients leaving VA hospitals under social work supervision are major factors in producing a larger VA social work caseload, Mr. Cumming said.
VA hospitals released 5,600 mental patients to return to their home communities under social work supervision during the first six months of fiscal 1958, he said.
The totals of VA mental patients so released were 11,169 for the entire fiscal year 1957 and 10,837 for fiscal 1956.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK
Q—I'm a Korea veteran and my deadline for starting school under the GI Bill will come next summer, August 1959. Can I make application as late as next August for going to school, and then start class in September?
A—No. You must actually be in school, within three years from the date of your discharge. It is not enough to apply on time, with the intention of beginning after your deadline.

White Blood Cells
By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M.D.
Written for NEA Service
The white blood cells play an important part in the resistance of the body to infection and possibly in other functions.
They increase in number in the presence of many kinds of infections. Usually there are about 7,500 white blood cells in each cubic millimeter of blood (as compared with about five million red cells).
Because there are so many more red cells, the white cells can be counted satisfactorily only when the red cells have been destroyed by a special solution.
The count of the number of white cells is made by taking a measured quantity of blood and putting it into a solution which dissolves the red cells. After mixing, some of the solution is placed between two glass slides which have markings that can be seen under the microscope.
The distance between the glass

slides is known. Thus the white cells can be counted under the microscope and the calculation of the number of per cubic millimeter of blood made by simple arithmetic.
This white blood count is an important test in studying the blood.
For example, the white blood count is almost always higher than normal in acute appendicitis. The number of white cells is also increased in many infections, so that it is not a test for any one disease, but rather a reflection of some infection or disorder of the body.
Mrs. R. E. has recently asked what causes the white cells to drop in number and stay that way.
The general name for such a situation is leukopenia. It commonly results from some poisons or drugs. It can be serious if the patient is attacked by an infection because there may not be enough white blood cells left to fight the disease germs.
In addition, there is a specific disease called agranulocytosis. This is characterized by lessening in the number of leukocytes, or white cells, and is accompanied by ulcerations in the mucous membranes and elsewhere.
A person who acquires agranulocytosis is usually quite ill, has a high fever, sore throat and headache. This is a serious disease and active treatment of it with all measures available is in order. Unfortunately, however, its exact cause is still not clearly understood.

In general, the leukocytes, or white blood cells, must be considered important to the functioning of the human body. Counting them is an important aid in diagnosing diseases. This test is therefore done for almost everyone who goes to a hospital or a doctor's office.

Thanks

Montage (To the Editor) — I want to thank the merchants of Klamath Falls for all the wonderful gifts I received when I was rodeo queen.
I would also like to thank everyone for the wonderful time that I had. I know I will never forget it. I think the people of Klamath Falls are the "greatest."
Dorothy Hessig,
1958 Basin Celebration Queen

Quotes
United Press International
WASHINGTON — Senate Democratic leader Lyndon B. Johnson, on progress in the nation's defense program:
"If Rome had been built at the same rate of speed, the streets still would be unpaved."
ST. LOUIS — Former President Truman, on the cold war:
"Communists understand only one language: How many divisions of troops you have."
RIO DE JANEIRO — Rep. Katherine St. George (R - N. Y.), on a Russian official's charge that the U. S. and Britain were threatening to use atom bombs in the Middle East:
"We know nothing of such threats. But we know that the present head of the Soviet Union said, 'We will bury you,' in a conversation with a Western newspaper correspondent."
MOSCOW — The Soviet Union, in a note charging Turkey with planning to attack Iraq:
"The Soviet government considers it its duty to warn the Turkish government of its responsibility for the likely consequences of an armed conflict in this region."
MOSCOW — Nikita Khrushchev, in a message to President Eisenhower accepting the White House's proposal for a conference of government heads within the framework of the U.N. Security Council:
"The Soviet government considers that the threat to world peace at present has reached a dangerous level, so much so that no time should be lost in arguing. This cannot but delay the time of reaching agreement and the adoption of all possible and immediate steps to prevent the outbreak of a world conflict."
WASHINGTON — House Speaker Sam Rayburn, announcing to newsmen he had informed supporters of the Hawaiian statehood bill that he would oppose calling the measure up for a vote in the House this year:
"I told those people I thought they were making a mistake in trying to pass that bill this year."

Newsman Reports Life In Baghdad Goes On As Usual

By JACK SAUL
United Press International
BAGHDAD, Iraq (UPI)—Hardly an outward sign remained today to show that Iraq was a country in which the regime had been violently changed overnight.
Five days after the sudden coup by Army rebels overthrew the pro-Western monarchy and killed King Faisal and strong man Premier Nuri Es Said, the capital was bustling with the normal hurly burly of life.
Only a few tanks and soldiers at strategic corners of the city indicated that in Baghdad the Army was in command.
All the signs were that the republican regime set up by revolutionary Premier Brigadier Abdel Kerim Kassem was in control throughout the country.
In Baghdad, government departments have been in business since Tuesday, barely 24 hours after the dawn swoop of the army rebel forces.
Shops and offices, including those of foreign firms, were operating normally. Taxis were running through the street, public services such as electricity were never interrupted and trains and telephone services were working normally.
This morning government authorities took newsmen to a military camp outside Baghdad to see Fadi Jamali, former foreign minister and chief U.N. delegate whom Henry Cabot Lodge, head of the U.S. delegation to United Nations reported to be murdered.
Jamali appeared in good shape. He was well groomed and wore his trousers, shirt and spectacles as usual.
Government forces found Jamali

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo
THIS IS WHAT THEY SAID BEFORE THEY TOOK OFF ON THE ANNUAL VACATION...
THIS TIME WE'RE GONNA TRAVEL LIGHT—WE DIDN'T USE A QUARTER OF THE STUFF WE TOOK LAST YEAR—YOU BROUGHT ALONG ENOUGH CLOTHES FOR A REGIMENT...
WELL, YOU BROUGHT A LOT OF JUNK YOU NEVER EVEN UNPACKED—I'M CERTAINLY IN FAVOR OF JUST TAKING ESSENTIALS!
OKAY—AS SOON AS WE'RE PACKED—
WE'D BETTER TIE THE STUFF ON WITH CLOTHES-LINE...
C'MON! LET'S GO!!
THANK YOU A HUNDRED TIMES FOR THE TRAILER...
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TRAILER RENTALS

State Official Visits Locally

Floyd Baxter, supervisor of benefits for the Oregon State Unemployment Compensation Commission, Salem, visited the local state employment office Thursday and Friday.
Baxter was guest speaker at meetings of the Kiwanis Club, Thursday, and of the Rotary Club, Friday. He addressed a meeting of the Central Labor Council Thursday evening.
During his stay in Klamath Falls, Baxter visited with his cousin, Clifford Baxter, owner of Moulding-Craft.

Realty Kamblings

by Orville Reichenberg
So, you're thinking of selling your house. Well, then, you're also wondering about relative things such as market conditions, the time element, and, most of all, the price that you can reasonably ask.
There are two ways in which you can find the answers to these questions. One is to walk into the first real estate office you come to and ask them what they think of the market, how soon they can produce a suitable buyer, and what price they think you should set on the house.
If you're lucky, you might make out perfectly well using this system. Or, you might find in his anxiety to secure you listing for his office, the broker has over-priced your property. Not only would this cause you a serious loss of time, but in the end you would have to sell your house for less after making several reductions in the price to bring it in line with its honest market value. The public becomes wary of a property that stays too long on the market, and, on which the price is continually lowered.
The other system, and a much more secure one, is to consult a reputable REALTOR, and ask him to inspect your property and estimate how much it should bring in the present day market. We are often called upon to do this, and we are happy to do so, because we have eliminated the possibility of having a customer who might become disappointed and disgruntled because of useless and costly delays, misrepresented market conditions, and, distorted illusions of values.
We believe that honest inquiries deserve honest answers.
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A.3.C. BARBARA YOUNG is now at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, attending the personnel specialist school. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George V. Young, Rural Route 3, Barbara was graduated from Sacred Heart Academy in 1957, and enlisted in the Air Force in March of this year.

IT'S LEGAL

STATESVILLE, N.C. (UPI)—It's legal here to spank a neighbor's child—at least as long as the spanker is protecting his or her own property.
City Court Judge Baxter Finch Monday acquitted Mary B. Wilhelm of assaulting a 6-year-old she spanked for throwing stones at her small store. The charges were filed by the boy's parents.

Dorris Names New Principal

DORRIS—Kenneth Cleland was named principal of the Butte Valley High School at Dorris on Thursday, July 17, by the board of trustees of the Siskiyou Union High School District. Dr. Jere E. Hurley, district superintendent, said recently.
Cleland has been teacher and vice principal at the Butte Valley High School for the past five years. He is a graduate of San Jose State College and also did his graduate work there. His college honors include membership in Phi Epsilon Kappa, National Honorary Scholarship Society, and he was a member of the San Jose State College football and baseball varsities.
Cleland left college during World War II to serve three and one-half years in the Navy.
He is married and he and Mrs. Cleland have three children. He succeeds Harry Beck, who has been appointed administrative assistant at the Siskiyou Junior College.

Nervous Tummy Foils Burglar

CINCINNATI (AP)—Robert Fite, 25, has a nervous stomach and it helped him land in jail.
Fite and Charles Reece, 30, had been questioned in two burglaries, but protested their innocence.
Evidence at the break-in at Kluever's, Inc., indicated one thief had become ill. And Fite, before questioning yesterday, became sick.
That was the cue for Lt. Ernest Taylor to say sarcastically, "So you've been sick again—just like at Kluever's."
Fite blurted out, "I wasn't sick—that was Reece." And police said he finally admitted the \$1,720 Kluever's burglary and another at which \$420 was taken.

100 PER CENT PURE

NEW YORK (AP)—A new Broadway theatrical project plans to cast productions entirely with performers trained at the widely-known Actors' Studio. The studio, which claims among its alumni Marion Brando, Eli Wallach and Kim Stanley, specializes in an intensive acting style. Cheryl Crawford, vice president of the studio, and Joel Schenker have rented the Bijou theater for a series of plays. The school, because it is set up as a non-profit making organization, is not to be directly involved in the enterprise.

THE HUNCHBACK OF TAIPEI

He's Mr. Chang—and when you need help in Taipei, Taiwan, you go to him. He's easy to find. If you follow that young mother hurrying down a narrow street with a sick baby in her arms, you'll get there. Mr. Chang runs a milk bar and a makeshift clinic. He distributes supplies that come through the Overseas Aid programs of America's religious faiths. He helps hundreds of families who border on destitution—because you supported your faith's program. Please continue to help him. Support the OVERSEAS AID PROGRAM of your faith.
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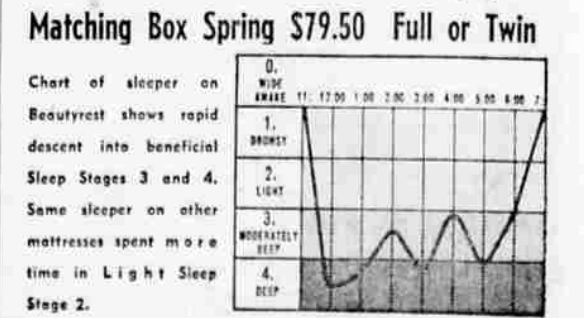
Pogo

THERE'S JUST ONE LOVE POEM I WANT TO WRITE FOR YOU...
LOVE POEMS ARE SO EASY TO WRITE...
IT STARTS OFF WITH "MY DEAR BLUE EYES"...
BLUE EYES? I DON'T GOT BLUE EYES...
BUT THIS LOVE POEM I WANT TO WRITE FOR YOU...
IT ANY? WHAT YOU GOT AGAINST BUGS? YOU'RE A REACTIONARY!
BECAUSE I WRITE A POEM WITH "MY DEAR BLUE EYES" IN IT, I'M A REACTIONARY?
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