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George Washington

By FLOYD L. WYNNE
The life of George Washington has become the life of an invincible man who could do no wrong, a humble man, and the same aura of near-saintliness surrounds Washington that shrouds Lincoln's life.
This is as it should be since he truly was the "Father of Our Country," but let's still remember that he was human. He was a proud man, not arrogant, but intensely proud, a man who did make mistakes, but did not make them twice.
A man blessed with unswerving devotion to ideals, among them the freedoms which we cherish today.

Every schoolchild has learned the story of crossing the Delaware, and the bitter lessons of Valley Forge. They represented just a small part of the almost hopeless, at times impossible, battle that eventually gave us our freedom.
Through it all, George Washington made mistakes, but the mistakes grew fewer as the time went by, and when it was over and victory won, Washington had become one of the greatest military men of all time.

But, though his military genius was vital to the cause of liberty, the confidence that he displayed, the extreme trust that placed in divine guidance provided the uplifting example that those who struggled with him on behalf of this thing called "liberty" needed.

Volumes have been written on the military pursuit of that most important conflict, and more volumes on the almost insurmountable problems that faced Washington and the infant republic which he attempted to found.

But, with the same calm trust in divine guidance that carried him successfully through his trials, Washington emerged with his dream of a republic, a nation of freedom and justice, unmarred by the scars of dictatorship or foreign oppression.

He refused to be a King. He did accept the post as President, but refused to accept any pay other than necessary expenses incurred in the line of duty.

Then, after eight years, when everyone appealed to him to remain, he refused adamantly, and left the service of his country on a farewell note that laid a pattern which would carefully have carried this nation safely past future conflicts. But, they were words that today seem unreasonable, words of foreign entanglements which today would have branded him a "hidebound isolationist."

They were words spoken only by a man who had devoted almost all of his adult life to the service of his fellowman. Words of a man who could see the fabric of a great nation inherent in the small but eager beginning.

If we had but heeded them...

Expressing his gratitude to his fellowmen for the honors he had been accorded, Washington in turn praised them for being the example and the strength for himself and for others. He then said, "Profoundly penetrated with this idea, I shall carry it with me to my grave as a strong incitement to unceasing vows that Heaven may continue to you the choicest tokens of its beneficence; that your union and brotherly affection may be perpetual; that the free Constitution which is the work of your hands may be sacredly maintained; that its administration in every department may be stamped with wisdom and virtue; that, in fine, the happiness of the people of these States, under the auspices of liberty, may be made complete by so careful a preservation and so prudent a use of this blessing as will acquire to them the glory of recommending it to the applause, the affection, and adoption of every nation which is yet a stranger to it."

But, his closing words did not stop there.
He warned of dangers ahead of rocks in the sea of the future that could destroy the infant nation.
Listen to his words of Sept. 17, 1796, 163 years ago.
"It is essential that you should bear in mind that toward the payment of debts that must be revenue; that to have revenue there must be taxes; that no taxes can be devised which are not more or less inconvenient and unpleasant."

He also said... "Observe good faith and justice toward all nations. Cultivate peace and har-

mony with all. Religion and morality enjoin this conduct. It will be worth, of a free, enlightened and at no distant period, a great nation, to give to mankind the magnanimous and too novel example of a people always guided by an exalted justice and benevolence."

He warned us not to become involved politically with other nations of the world, and warned us to steer clear of entangling alliances.

Particularly did he pinpoint the nature of Europe that was conducive to continual conflict, and warned us to avoid interweaving our destiny with Europe.

Two world wars have been the penalty for failure to heed this advice.

He warned of the effect of a too dominating government, or reckless spending.

He concluded with a fervent hope that he would now be able to enjoy his retreat from public service where he said: "I promise myself to realize without alloy the sweet enjoyment of partaking in the midst of my fellow citizens the benign influence of good laws under a free government—the ever-favorite object of my heart, and the happy reward, as I trust of our mutual cares, labors and dangers."

Not a mythical legendary hero, but an intense patriot, dedicated to freedom, an instrument of divine guidance whose purpose was the establishment of a nation dedicated to the principle that all men are created equal, and entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness... George Washington.

Fish

By FLORENCE JENKINS

Even to the irreligious, the Lenten season brings about changes in daily habits.

Fish, in one form or another, appears with greater regularity on restaurant menus and on the dinner table at home, to cite one change.

A check of Klamath Falls markets brings to light an interesting fact. The sale of fish in local markets increases during Lent, completely out of proportion to the decrease in the sale of red meat. Butchers say that in some stores the sale of fish doubles for the 40-day period and others show an increase in sales up to 85 per cent. Meanwhile, beef and other red meats decrease only from 10 to 15 per cent.

This is a fact and no conclusion is attempted to be drawn from it.

Speaking of fish, particularly fresh fish, it is interesting to learn that Klamath Falls homemakers buy fish just as freshly caught as do their sister housewives in Portland.

Off the Oregon Coast, catches are brought in about noon, cleaned and usually hauled to Portland by refrigerated truck, arriving about 6 p.m. Refrigerated trucks leave Portland for Klamath Falls at 8 p.m. the same day, arriving here so that the fresh fish is on display for sale by the time the stores open next day. Fish from the same catch goes on sale in Portland at the identical hour.

Most of the fresh crab sold in Klamath Falls comes from the Humboldt Bay area and makes an equally speedy trip. Air freight for fish takes the same rate as any other air freight and the fish arrives in Medford within hours after being caught and is trucked from Medford here, as a general rule. Even if it makes the entire trip to Portland by air, the timing is such that we still have shellfish just as fresh from the ocean as Portland.

It is not so much a difference in distance that brings California

crab to Klamath Falls. Meat market men here say the California crab run slightly larger than those caught off the northern Oregon Coast.
The best salmon, of course, is from Oregon waters.

The Lighter Side

By FRANK ELEAZER

United Press International
WASHINGTON (UPI) — The irresistible force has met up with the immovable body. As everybody always suspected, something gave.

The epic clash took place in the House Rules Committee recently between congressional titans. Each has been considered to rule in his own domain, at least by fiat and possibly by divine right.

At one end of the long table, gavel in hand, reigned Rep. Howard W. Smith (D-Va.), 76-year-old chairman of the committee.

Judge Smith practically always has the votes on his 12-man committee to do what he wants done, or at least not to do what he doesn't want done. On rare occasions when he has turned up short, Smith has been known to leave town, thereby blocking any action at all. It is not true though that he once burned down his home to provide an excuse for his absence. That, Smith contends, was an act of God.

At the other end of the table, 20 feet away with glasses riding low on his nose, sat his adversary, Rep. Carl Vinson (D-Ga.), 75-year-old chairman of the Armed Services Committee.

Unlike Smith, whose committee does its voting in secret, Vinson makes all his committee ballots in public. He can afford to. He has never been known to lose.

Now, Vinson and Smith are old friends. On most vital issues, like disenchantment with the Supreme Court, they see eye to eye. Vinson is a southern conservative, a term which falls considerably short of doing justice to Smith.

Smith considers spending, as applied to the federal government an ugly word. Vinson agrees, but does make exceptions, as for vital purposes like the national defense and the welfare of the 6th District of Georgia.

You may have read about the government's "backdoor spending" and Judge Smith's efforts to curb it. Defining backdoor spending, it develops, is difficult. One definition emerging is that backdoor spending is the kind authorized by somebody else's committee. Whatever it is, here was Smith, with his resolution to stop it.

And here was Vinson, who said Smith was one of the great men of history, that other rules committee members were brilliant, and that if they didn't cut out this foolishness he no longer could answer for the national safety.

Vinson said his old and dear friend Smith was eminently right in trying to lock up the Treasury. However, he intimated it was going a little too far to throw away the key.

"You have dropped a hydrogen bomb where a well-placed rifle shot might have sufficed," Vinson chided.

Smith then asked Vinson if he would help draft a new resolution, more of the rifle-shot type. Vinson allowed that maybe he would. "That," opined Smith, "is as near to a commitment as anybody will ever get out of Carl Vinson."

Mr. Vernon

By SAM DAWSON

AP Business News Analyst
NEW YORK (AP)—George and Martha Washington didn't have a government consumer price index to tell them if their living costs were rising.

TOKYO — Chinese botanist Chiang Shao-fang, on producing a "new" type of bird.
"By taking the white from a goose egg and injecting it into a hen's egg, I succeeded in producing a large bird of great stamina with very fine grade meat."

SAN FRANCISCO — Dr. Felix O. Kolb, a University of California specialist in bone disease, on milk-drinking.
"Milk is a fairly good source of calcium and protein for human children. It is probably no good for grown humans at all."

CHICAGO — Sen. Hugh Scott (R-Pa.), urging a stronger emphasis on patriotism in the schools.
"I would like our schools to stir our students to love of country, to prepare them to counter the washers of brains. If this be 'propaganda,' I would also like our armed forces to employ much more of it."

SHORT RIBS

By Frank O'Neal

SQUEAK! SQUEAK! SQUEAK! SQUEAK! SQUEAK! SQUEAK!

WOW! THANK GODNESS THAT'S OVER!

I'VE FINISHED FRANKLIN, PATER. RELAX!

I WONDER IF LITTLE NERO WILL EVER LEARN TO PLAY THAT FIDDLE!

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Court Records

KLAMATH COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

Glady Louise Mahrt, violation basic rule, \$10.
Vern Stephen Pratt, fail stop at stop sign, \$5 forfeited.
Jack Neji woodridge, overlength load, \$13 forfeited.
Donald Ernest Brallier, violation basic rule, \$12.50.
Clayton Schultz, assault and battery, enter plea of guilty, time for sentence set February 28, at 10 a.m.; bail set at \$750, remanded to sheriff.
Hazel James Gregory, passing crest of bill, \$7.50 forfeited.
Joseph Milton Riley, violation basic rule, \$10 forfeited.
Gerald William Peck, violation basic rule, \$7.50.
Raymond Harry Short, Larry Mills and Wayne Colvard, assault and robbery, being armed with a dangerous weapon, each defendant requested to waive preliminary hearing; each ordered held for grand jury; bail set at \$10,000 each; each remanded to custody of sheriff.
Ben Faye Mitchell Jr., carrying an unlicensed concealed weapon, 4 1/2 months and \$250 fine and costs or 123 1/2 days in lieu of fine; committed to George Cleason Stroud, tandem axle overloaded, \$45 forfeited.

KLAMATH FALLS MUNICIPAL COURT

Elizabeth Nelson, drunk, disorderly conduct, \$50 and 30 days.
Owen Riddle, drunk, \$25 or 12 1/2 days.
Paul Peter Petersen, drunk, \$25 or 12 1/2 days; vagrancy, \$100 or 30 days.
Pedro Carreon, drunk, \$25 or 12 1/2 days.
Alvira Taylor, fail obtain dog license, \$5.
Robert H. Baker, driving wrong way on one way street, \$5.
Elvis R. McGivern, expired license plates, \$5.
Henry Faith Grimes, running traffic light, \$5.
Herman B. Lettier, improper left turn, \$5.
Dorothy Fern Kittick, violation basic rule, \$13.
Robert Sloan, violation basic rule, \$13.
Ronald Dane Watson, violation basic rule, \$10.
William Reynolds Smith, violation basic rule, \$15.
Gary Wayne Moen, violation basic rule, \$10.
Walter James Smith, running stop sign, \$5.
Antone Olsen Moen, running traffic light, \$5; no operator's license, \$5.
William Busley Bradshaw, violation basic rule, \$15.
Elsie Anne Erickson, violation basic rule, \$13.
Lowell William Teasley, running stop sign, \$5.
Dolly DelVey, expired license plates, \$5.
Jack Newton Martin, failure yield right of way to vehicle, \$10.
Delbert Max Lepley, running stop sign, \$5.
Roy Reece Bailey, running stop sign, \$5.
Ernest Warren Eldridge, running stop sign, \$5.
Robert Carl Jacobson, excessive noise, \$5.
Jens Franklin Cross, violation basic rule, \$15.
Kenneth Leroy Russell, violation basic rule, \$12.
Alvair Kliss, violation basic rule, \$15.
Ronald Roy Stuck, passing on right, \$10.
Robert Lee Cox, reckless driving, \$25.
Terry Naught, running traffic light, \$5.
George H. Anderson, meter ticket warrant, \$10.
Marjorie Zupan, meter ticket warrant, \$10.

Edith Dyer, meter ticket warrant, \$10.

Richard Wilson Bennet, allowing unlicensed person to operate motor vehicle, pending.

Actor Nears Tahiti Isle

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Actor Sterling Hayden and his four children are 2,600 miles on their voyage to Tahiti. They still have 1,000 miles to go.

Attorneys for Hayden's ex-wife, Mrs. Betty de Noon Hayden, say they have been advised that Hayden's schooner has reached Tahiti in the Marquesas Islands.

Hayden, who sailed from Sausalito near San Francisco Jan. 18, had been given custody of his children in a legal battle with his ex-wife. But the court had forbidden him to take the children to Tahiti because the judge considered the trip dangerous.

Mrs. Hayden's attorneys said they would confer with Marin County authorities to see what steps can be taken to return the children.

Eddie Wants To Marry Liz

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — Singer Eddie Fisher told a friend Saturday that he would like to marry actress Elizabeth Taylor as soon as possible.

"It's almost physically impossible, though, till at least May," the friend said. "He has too many commitments till then — benefits, shows, bookings and so forth. And he can't marry Liz and live legally with her in either California or New York."

Fisher was divorced Thursday in a brief hearing by his actress-wife, Debbie Reynolds. She implied that Fisher's interest in Miss Taylor broke up their marriage. The divorce decree will not be final for one year.

"Eddie would have to get Debbie's permission to live with Liz as man and wife in California," the friend added. "Of course, they could get married overseas and sweat it out."

GIRL SCOUTS QUIT

CANTON, Ill. (UPI) — Canton's 432 Girl Scouts quit en masse Friday to join the Camp Fire Girls. A spokesman said the girls switched forces for a "number of reasons," among them that the professional staff of the local scouts' council had been "very rude" to scout leaders.

Ten times as many American soldiers died of disease in the Spanish-American war than perished from battle wounds.

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