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Juveniles

By FLORENCE JENKINS
"The Shook-Up Generation," a book on juvenile delinquency by Pulitzer Prize winner Harrison E. Salisbury, is making the rounds of the members of the Klamath County Juvenile Advisory Committee as suggested research reading for the members of that body.

The book was published originally in 1958 by Harper & Brothers and has been reissued at 35 cents in a Crest edition through arrangement with that company.

Eleanor Roosevelt wrote in the foreword: "Juvenile delinquency is an explosive and complex problem, but it is not a problem that is unsolvable. The difficulty lies in our homes and in the environments we have created for our children in our communities."

Mr. Salisbury did the research for his book in crowded areas of New York City and other metropolitan centers where teen-age gangs have flourished for generations.

Knowing what the various factors are that create an environment in which delinquency can flourish is the first step in finding the cure, the author infers.

"The school, of course, has the central role in the development of wholesome social attitudes in the young," he declares.

"There is probably not a single city school system in the United States which is not prepared and which does not already possess almost all the facilities to place into operation an active improvement program for adolescents within a matter of weeks, if not days," he adds.

He quotes New York City school directors as saying that society must take the blame, rather than the schools, for the situation in which our young people find themselves, placing the real source of the difficulty in the home and in weakening of the family unit.

"There is no doubt," he quotes, "that families have tended to shift the burden over to the schools without making provision for the costs."

"However," the author continues, "educators must share the responsibility for the use to which they put the public funds which they obtain."

One educator is quoted as recommending extension of the school day to 5 p.m.

"Send the kids home tired, keep them busy," he says. "When classes are over at 3 p.m., offer two hours more of hobby, recreation or craft work." The program is working very effectively in some New York schools.

"There is a much closer relationship between adolescent delinquency and child labor laws than is realized or willingly admitted by many socially-minded persons," Mr. Salisbury declares.

"These laws actually constitute a form of discrimination against able-bodied boys who find it difficult to study and whose families are in dire need of their financial support."

He quotes Dr. Martin R. Haskell, sociologist, as stating that "child labor laws are designed not basically to protect children, but to remove boys from competition with adult labor."

With a legislative session coming up in Oregon, Dr. Haskell's contention might well give food for thought in our own state.

Wobbly Props

By SAM DAWSON
NEW YORK (AP) — How are the props of this year's current good times holding up? They are consumer spending for goods, services and homes; government spending at federal, state and local levels; and business spending for inventories and for expansion.

The shakeout in the stock market in the opening weeks of the year alarmed those who had thought a big business boom was coming and that it would bring with it more inflation, including ever higher stock prices.

The big boom hasn't materialized. And some think that means that good times' props are wobbling.

But there could be other reasons for the stock price decline. One is that prices of many stocks were so high as to be shaky. What has happened is a correction of this—it needn't mean a continuing decline of any depth or length.

More serious at the moment is the question of business spending. Outlays to replenish stocks pared by the long steel strike hit a fast pace at the end of 1959 and the start of this year. It apparently is slowing down. It may slough off still more, since new orders haven't been rising and inventories have been built up in many instances to generally approved levels in relation to sales.

Will the less placid pace of business than expected earlier affect sales

ness thinking on expansion? Here there are definitely two schools of thought.

The National Assn. of Purchasing Agents reports 91 per cent of its members say they plan to go on with present plans despite high interest rates involved in financing expansion. But it doesn't say what any change in business thinking on future sales outlook may do.

Still others think that business must go on spending to modernize plants if they want to compete with their rivals here and abroad.

Part of West Europe's and Japan's sales edge in world markets is due to lower labor costs than American rivals. But part is due to having rebuilt plants from scratch after the war—new, modern plants that turn out goods cheaper than older American ones can.

Contrary minded say that business plans for expansion can and will change very quickly if sales outlook doesn't come up to expectations—and especially if the present plant then seems capable of producing all that can be sold.

If this happens, one of the factors counted on to push the growth of the economy—business spending for inventories and expansion—would be lacking.

But government spending, at all levels, shows every sign of being higher, and staying higher, this year.

And the most important prop of all, consumer spending, shows no sign of weakening. It has stayed high despite any qualms over the stock market tremors.

Somebody Goofed

By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower took a physical beating on his South American trip, and showed it at times. He is 69. Is he going to put himself through the wringer again this year with a trip to the Soviet Union perhaps in June?

It's a question which no doubt will get plenty of consideration by his doctors and advisers.

Somebody goofed on this trip. An exploratory party, which preceded Eisenhower to South America to make arrangements, decided it was too hot and strenuous for Mrs. Eisenhower to undertake. So she stayed home.

But the schedule worked out for the President was so terribly fast, and in such overpowering heat, that even the reporters and aides who accompanied him felt the fatigue, too.

In December Eisenhower visited Asia, Europe and North Africa. The pace was slower, the heat less intense. He stood up well.

In mid-May he has to go to Geneva for a summit meeting. Any trip to the Soviet Union would have to follow that.

Four such trips in seven months time would be tough on anyone, but particularly on a man of Eisenhower's age who in five years has had a heart attack, an intestinal operation and a slight stroke.

Presidential press secretary James C. Hagerty, always anxious to put the best possible light on Eisenhower's activities, insisted Eisenhower was feeling fine throughout his South American journey.

But there were times when the President looked worn out to reporters with him.

After Eisenhower's return here Monday Marvin Arrowsmith, Associated Press White House reporter who has covered Eisenhower since 1953, reported that some of those who accompanied Eisenhower knew for a fact that his doctors were deeply concerned at several points on the tour.

Arrowsmith said it is doubtful the President's doctors would have given a go-ahead for his South American journey if they could

have foreseen how it exhausted him at times. A slower pace with more rest would have been recommended, he said.

The Lighter Side

By DICK WEST

WASHINGTON (UPI) — If President Eisenhower were an ordinary tourist, it would be easy to imagine a scene that would take place soon at the White House.

The President would be upstairs in his bedroom unpacking the souvenirs he brought back from his Latin American trip.

Suddenly, the corridors would reverberate with what would sound like a load of buckshot ricocheting off the bottom of a galvanized bucket.

Guards and secret servicemen would spring up in alarm and, rushing into the bedroom, would find the President perched on the side of the bed, trying out his new set of bongo drums.

Since the Chief Executive is not an ordinary tourist, he probably avoided becoming a bongo owner during his travels south of the border. If so, he is luckier than most of his countrymen.

Nowadays, a U. S. citizen who visits the Caribbean area brings home a bongo drum as surely as one who visits Switzerland brings back a watch.

Not only that, for the past two or three years we have been importing bongos in large numbers. Not only that, several U. S. firms are mass-producing domesticated bongos.

I was blissfully unaware of the bongo boom until last Christmas when the yuletide peace was shattered by what I thought was one of the children emptying a sack of marbles into the bathtub.

I regret to say I was mistaken. The disturbance came from a set of bongo drums which some misguided Santa Claus had deposited down the chimney.

In the following weeks I was to learn that bongo "playing" is not restricted to children. Some of my adult friends have taken it up, with uniformly disastrous results.

Convinced that we are facing a new menace to our national sanity, I stopped by a local music store to investigate. This confirmed my darkest suspicions.

The bongo clerk told me that he alone sold more than 300 sets during the Christmas season at prices ranging from \$8.95 to \$33.50. "It shouldn't be long before every American home has bongos," he said.

Shuddering, I asked if he could account for their current popularity. It accompanied, he said, the recent rise of calypso music. Amateurs took to them, he added, "because they don't require any formidable amount of talent."

I don't know what the bongo binge is going to lead to. But I recently heard a story which indicates the direction. It was told to me by a colleague with whom I was discussing the problem.

He swears that while visiting a neighbor he saw bongos being played by a French poodle.

Two Of Everything

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP) — The great American dream today is to have two of everything.

You aren't a success unless you have two beds in your bedroom, at least two baths in your house, and a two-car garage.

There are probably fellows now who even dream fondly of a splendid future in which they can afford a two-wife home.

Mine, however, is a simpler dream. All I pine for is a simple two-desk office. One desk is to work on—the other desk is simply to let things pile up on.

One desk is to please the boss.

The other desk is to please me. I get this feeling particularly about this period of the year, for now is the time when across the land thousands of memo-pad Nerods and file cabinet Caligulas issue a stern edict:

"This office is getting to look like the city dump again. Everybody clean off his desk by Friday—or else."

These ten-penny tycoons never say what the "or else" means. But the implied threat is that if you don't instantly make your desk look as clean as a baptismal font you will be strung up by your thumbs, drummed out of the regiment, or ridden out of the office on a rail.

Actually, a clean desk is no true indication of either efficiency or real mental order. It is only a sign of conformity on the part of the desk's occupant. He hasn't cleared his desk for action. He has merely hidden the rubble where the boss can't see it.

Look around you in your own office. Aren't the men with the neatest desks also the most neurotic employees in the place? Don't they also include most of the hypochondriacs, the chronic falseluler victims, and the fear-ridden decision dodgers?

It is also a business truism that most embezzlers—and potential embezzlers—are fastidious about their desks. In their case the neat desk is the sign of a guilty mind.

On the other hand, show me a man who keeps a cluttered desk and I'll show you one of nature's noblemen—one who takes joy in his work, is gentle with his children, raises not his voice against his wife, and never, never, never kicks his dog around.

A clean desk looks fine in a kindergarten. A clean desk in an office hides more from the boss than it tells him. A smart boss is suspicious—or should be—of an employee who spends too much time polishing apples, his desk or his fingernails.

The Almanac

By United Press International
Today is Tuesday, March 8, the 68th day of the year, with 298 more days in 1960.

The moon is approaching its full phase.

The morning stars are Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn.

On this day in history:
In 1841, the foremost American jurist of his time and justice of the United States Supreme Court, Oliver Wendell Holmes, was born.

In 1855, the first bridge was built over the Niagara River to connect United States and Canadian railroads.

In 1894, New York became the first state to pass a law requiring dogs to be licensed.

A thought for today: American jurist Oliver Wendell Holmes said: "Learn the sweet magic of a cheerful face; not always smiling, but at least serene."

Quotes

United Press International
MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Elvis Presley, refusing to pose with one of the stuffed toy animals with which he filled his home before entering the Army:

"It would look a little silly for a 25-year-old man home from the Army to be playing with dolls."

WICHITA, Kan.—Petite animal trainer Evelyn Currie, after wrestling a 250-pound tiger (half tiger-half lion) that had bolted from its cage:

"Handling one of those big cats is like holding a machine gun. You never know when it is going to go off."

NEW YORK — Jack Paar, returning to his TV show about three weeks after his emotional walkout over a censorship dispute:

"Coming back is hard and embarrassing in a way. In a crisis you learn who your friends are."

RESEDA, Calif.—Mrs. Darlene Cleary, sister of confessed murderer Dennis Whitney, 17, stating that she and her husband will fly to Miami to show him his family is standing by him:

"I guess he never felt wanted. We always admired how well he was taking care of himself. We had no idea it was through robbery."

MILWAUKEE — A member of Wisconsin's "Humphrey for president" committee, disputing a statement that Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) should not be considered seriously as a candidate because he has not done well in polls:

"Hubert Humphrey will not be nominated by George Gallup or any other pollster."

They'll Do It Every Time

At their anniversary wing-ding, Dimbuls praised his frau's savvy and know-how....



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By Jimmy Hatlo

How'er, when she does try to give a bit of sage advice... get a lump of dimmy's reaction....



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Actress Fails To Show Up

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Actress Hedy Lamarr failed to show up in court Monday for the third time and Domestic Relations Judge Ben Woodall slashed the monthly support her husband pays her from \$3,000 to \$250.

Miss Lamarr's attorney, Jack Okin of Newark, N.J., said she "is finding this divorce action an extremely emotional experience. She is afraid to come here because she hasn't made up her mind as to what she could say."

The actress is divorcing oilman W. Howard Lee. Three pre-trial hearings have been scheduled and she failed to show up for any of them. Trial has been set for the week of April 12.

Payola Sought By Editor

POINT OF THE MOUNTAIN, Utah (AP)—"It seems to me that every issue you appear to mention the same men," a reader complained in a letter to The Pointer News, inmate publication at Utah State Prison.

"Are you one of those horrible men that accept payola?" the letter asked.

Editor Quay Kilburn's reply: "What is your best offer?"

BAN DRIVING TEACHER
LONDON (UPI) — Professional driving instructor George E. Hagerty, 46, was fined \$56 Monday and banned from driving for a year because of traffic offenses.

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