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Free Aids

By FLORENCE JENKINS
It strikes us as pretty insidious the way various governmental agencies try to "educate" the people.

Comes now a release relating to two new "free" pamphlets from the Small Business Administration's Portland office.

One of them, "Are You Really Service-Minded" (number 32 in the Small Business Administration's Marketers Aid series) was prepared by someone by the name of Einar Johnson, a deputy regional director of the office in Chicago. Apparently both are directed at retail merchants.

"The leaflet discusses the willingness to serve; service as an attitude of mind; fulfillment of a need; suggested types of service; limitations; merchandise and know-how. In addition, case histories are given where service was, and was not, used," according to the release.

The other is number 33 in the series and is entitled "Is Your Staff Service-Minded?"

This is just going a few steps farther than the Department of Agriculture and some of the other federal bureaus have gone in offering free pamphlets on how to make a shirt, how to can beans and probably how to house-break the new puppy which the federal government has tried to foist on helpless Star Route and rural boxholders for more than a generation.

Just why should we pay the salaries of additional bureau staffers who want to write a book?

If there wasn't so much useless writing done, probably we wouldn't have to pay the salaries of so many deputy directors of this and that around the country.

Isn't it time we demand of our Congressmen and Legislators that this wasteful expansion of so-called services be stopped completely?

Disarmament

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States may propose to its allies and the Soviet Union that disarmament be given top priority in negotiations at the May 16 summit conference in Paris.

Officials considering this possibility believe the result might be to take some of the heat off the dispute with the Soviet Union over West Berlin and to concentrate attention on the one subject which offers the possibility of important agreement.

A priority for disarmament was discussed by top U.S. leaders with West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer during his visit last week.

It was further pointed up by the new Soviet conditional acceptance of a U.S. proposal for a limited rather than total treaty ban on test explosions of nuclear weapons.

The Soviets made their offer Saturday. U.S. officials are skeptical about their purpose but note they now have narrowed the gap between their own and the Western position on a nuclear test treaty.

If they are acting in good faith, officials said, it might be possible to work out most of the problems involved in agreement on a treaty in time for final decisions at the summit.

If the Soviets are out acting in good faith — if they are simply maneuvering for immediate advantage by splitting the United States and Britain—U.S. leaders hope to find this out well in advance of the summit.

Before a U.S. stand can be taken, Eisenhower may have to decide among other things whether the nation's security makes it vital to resume underground testing of nuclear weapons next fall. Some atomic and military officials say such tests are needed.

The possibility of an East-West agreement on a ban on the testing of nuclear weapons is now the brightest among disarmament issues, but at the moment it is far from a probability.

So far as the Berlin dispute goes, however, there is presently no prospect of agreement whatever at the summit conference.

Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev has said that sooner or later he is determined to force the United States, Britain and France to pull out of West Berlin. He has threatened if necessary to make a separate peace treaty with East Germany in an attempt to achieve that end.

The Western powers have repeatedly asserted they will not be forced out and last week Eisenhower gave Adenauer new assurances on this point.

The Lighter Side

By DICK WEST
WASHINGTON (UPI)—A friend of mine in the baby doctoring game nearly startled me out of my rompers the other night by saying a few kind words about television.

I was startled because nearly all the comments I have heard or read about TV shows recently have been critical. Much of it was directed at the steady stream of shoot-em-ups and whodunits flowing from the tiny screen.

There seems to be a strong body of opinion which holds that the cowboys and the private eyes are corrupting our young by glorifying violence.

For all I know, these critics may be right. I am not trying to pick a quarrel with them in quoting my pediatrician friend or to hold out his words as the gospel.

I take the position that as long as little minds are occupied with western gun duels, little hands aren't going to be out stripping cars or little feet running through the room where daddy is trying to read the paper.

Much to my surprise, when I made my feelings known to the pediatrician who stanches runny noses around my house, he didn't threaten to have me arrested, or even lift an eyebrow.

As a matter of fact, he said a certain amount of exposure to televised violence probably is good for the juvenile race. This was so abrupt a departure from what I presumed to be the conventional outlook, I urged the good doctor to elaborate — on his own time, of course.

As I understand his thesis, the average child, deep down in his pure little heart, is nursing a grudge against his old man. Suppose your sibling is engaged in some innocent pursuit, such as using your favorite pipe as a launching pad for soap bubbles. You naturally tell him to knock it off and get to bed.

Junior's immediate instinct is to pounce upon dear old dad and commit mayhem. This he realizes is impractical, you being bigger than he is and very likely stronger. Besides that, patricide is illegal in most states.

Unable to use you as an outlet for his hostility, the child becomes frustrated. Frustrations can lead to big trouble and this is where television comes in.

Seeing all those outlaws being gunned down by the marshal provides him a means of releasing pent-up emotions. Subconsciously, he is aiming the slugs at you-know-who.

This all sounds logical to me but perhaps I should add a qualifying sentence. The pediatrician I quote is a bachelor who never watches television himself.

Foreign News

By PHIL NEWSOM
UPI Foreign Editor
From the foreign editors notebook:

West German Socialists are not happy with Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's proposal that Berliners be allowed to vote to decide their own future — whether to go over to the East German Communists or retain their links with the West. However, the Socialists still have not decided whether to go on record formally opposing it. Meanwhile, there is no doubt about the Communist attitude. They oppose it because the vote certainly would go to the West. Adenauer's personal prestige at home already has been considerably enhanced by his U. S. visit.

With Nationalist Chinese President Chiang Kai-shek's return to office a foregone conclusion, poli-

tical sources are predicting a cabinet shakeup. Primary result would be to increase the duties of Vice President and Premier Chen Cheng to prepare the way for the day he may eventually take over from the aging Chiang.

It also is believed a possibility that Syngman Rhee, 84-year-old president of the Republic of Korea, might step aside for his heir-apparent, Vice President-elect Lee Ki-Poong. Lee has been hand-picked by Rhee and would be expected to go down the line for Rhee's program.

The U. S. - Philippines negotiations for a new air treaty may develop into another notable squabble. The Philippines canceled the old treaty as one-sided earlier this year and think they have everything to gain and nothing to lose by being tough. They figure they have the United States over a barrel — particularly Pan American Airways whose franchise to operate in the Philippines expires soon.

This week two international conferences got down to tough bargaining in Geneva, Switzerland. But at least in the case of the 10-nation disarmament conference no firm results are expected soon. Predictions are that it will take a year, and possibly years, before the disarmament conferees can reach any sort of conclusion. The other meeting is the 29-nation law of the sea conference which, among other things, involves important fishing rights.

Roman Wives

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP) — Things a columnist might never know if he didn't open his mail:

Wives in ancient Rome had an interesting way of reforming a boozing husband. When wine had dulled him, they slipped live eels into his drink.

The 1960 census is expected to show that 62 per cent of American families now own their homes, more than at any other time in our history.

As every mother knows, a boy baby uses from two to five more diapers a day than a girl baby.

Preparedness pays. In tiny Switzerland, which hasn't had a war in more than 150 years, every able-bodied man serves periodically in the National Militia over a 40-year span, from the age of 20 to 60. As a result of this lifelong training, no other army its size has as many sharpshooters.

Our quotable notables: "Honest statesmanship," Abraham Lincoln once observed drily, "is the wise employment of individual meanness for the public good."

You think this has been a tough winter? During the winter of 1906-07 a world record total of 884 inches of snow fell at Tamarack, Calif.

The good old days! In 1947 a poll of ex-GIs showed the average price they paid for a new suit was \$37.

There's nothing more American than ham and eggs. But they also were popular foods with the Egyptians back in 1500 B. C.

Leap-year tip to the ladies: Tell your favorite bachelor he can help save your life by marrying you. Statistics prove that wives, divorcees, and widows all have lower death rates than women who never wed.

England has its beatniks, too. But over there they are known as "weirdies."

Great thoughts by great minds: "There may be some things better than sex," said W. C. Fields. "And some things may be worse. But there is nothing exactly like it."

Longevity: A lobster, if it can

avoid hot water, lives about 50 years.

Worst pun of the week: Kathryn Murray tells of the young girl who went to her first dance and suffered from stag fright.

Ever wonder where the term "two bits" came from? It stems from the time when a Spanish coin, the real, circulated widely in the New World. The coin had eight notches. When it was chopped into quarters, each part was worth "two bits."

Do you shrink from work? Sure you do. The average man shrinks about three quarters of an inch every day between breakfast and sundown.

Vets Mail Bag

Eligibility requirements and rates of payment under the new pension system effective July 1, 1960, are explained in the revised Veterans Administration pamphlet, "Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents," now on sale at the U. S. Government Printing Office in Washington, D. C., the VA announced recently.

The booklet, also called VA Fact Sheet IS-1, lists all major benefits available to U.S. veterans, explains the nature of the benefits, eligibility requirements, and tells where eligible veterans and their dependents may apply for the benefits.

A single copy may be purchased from the printing office for 15 cents. A discount may be secured for quantity purchases.

Question of the week:

Q.—I hear people talking about the "equalization clause" in the new pension system. Just what does this mean? I am the widow of a Korea veteran and will soon be eligible for pension under this new law.

A.—The phrase "equalization clause" refers to the fact that eligibility requirements based on war service of a veteran become alike or equal for widows and children of World Wars I and II and the Korean conflict on or after July 1, 1960. It will no longer be necessary for you to establish that your husband had a service-connected disability at the time of his death, as it was formerly.

The Almanac

By United Press International

Today is Monday, March 21, the 81st day of the year, with 285 more in 1960.

The moon is approaching its new phase.

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

On this day in history:

In 1685, German composer, musician and organist Johann Sebastian Bach was born.

In 1790, Thomas Jefferson became the first Secretary of State, in the cabinet of George Washington.

In 1946, the United Nations moved into temporary headquarters at Hunter College in New York City.

A thought for today: Early American statesman Thomas Jefferson said: "When angry count 10 before you speak, if very angry, a hundred."

Quotes

United Press International

WASHINGTON — E. R. Quesada, administrator of the Federal Aviation Agency, in a telegram to Lockheed, manufacturer of the Electra turbo-prop airliners: "The Tell City (Ind.) crash now appears to be sufficiently similar to a previous accident last September near Buffalo, Tex., to justify operating restrictions pending further investigation."

SAN FRANCISCO — San Francisco City College coed Sandy Cherniss, 41-26-37, reporting failure after a shopping tour to comply with the dean's demand that she wear loose clothing to hide her figure: "Loose like what? Like a tent?"

CONAKRY, Guinea — President Sekou Toure explaining why he welcomes Communist Chinese to Guinea: "The qualities of serious work and perseverance of the Chinese will be an example to fight against our laziness, our indolence and our lack of foresight."

HAVANA — Statement repeated several times on a television broadcast by Ernesto (Che) Guevara, leftist economic czar of Cuba: "Cuba's great friend is Soviet Russia."

They'll Do It Every Time

MRS. LONGSHANKS IS SLIGHTLY TALLER THAN HUBBY. WHEN BUYING SHOES SHE SAYS—AND WE QUOTE—
NO—NO HIGH HEELS—ER—IM A LITTLE TALLER THAN MY HUSBAND—I LIKE SOMETHING IN FLAT TO MAKE US ABOUT THE SAME HEIGHT—



SO—SO WHAT? SHE RUNS FLAT-HEELED SHOES, BUT AT THE BEAUTY PARLOR SHE GETS AN "UP-SWEEP" LIKE THE EIFFEL TOWER!



Dems Support Brown Stand

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — California Democrats have firmly backed Gov. Edmund G. Brown on his stand on two of his most controversial issues — narcotics and the death penalty.

The California Democratic Council Sunday repeated the earlier action of the State Democratic Central Committee in giving its unanimous approval to Brown's decision against calling a special session of the Legislature on narcotics.

The council congratulated Brown for refusing to give in to requests for "panic button" laws on narcotics that "save the public conscience but don't solve the problem."

It also praised Brown for his "outstanding message to the Legislature on abolition of the death penalty." It urged party leaders to continue to work toward the abolishment of capital punishment.

Drive-In Robbed

The Parkmore Drive-In, 404 South Sixth Street, reported theft of \$63 to state police sometime early Saturday morning. Police said the money had been hidden, and that nothing else was taken. Entry was made through a back window inadvertently left unlocked.

PLANE LANDS SAFELY

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (UPI) — A Delta Airlines DC-4 carrying 71 persons from Detroit to Tampa, Fla., made an emergency landing here Friday because pilot J. Hurley said he heard an "explosion" in the nose wheel after takeoff. Mechanics found the noise was caused by a sheer pin breaking.

RELEASE FISHERMEN

TOKYO (UPI) — Japanese fishermen now detained in the Republic of Korea will be released at the end of the month, South Korean Ambassador Yiu Tai Ha said Friday night. Yiu said 167 fishermen in Pusan who have completed sentences imposed for violating the so-called "Rhee fishery line" would be sent home.

Meanwhile, Brown got in a few words of praise for his fellow party members.

"Here in the vice president's (Richard M. Nixon's) own state, he is disclosed to be trailing two of the leading Democratic candidates by substantial margins and to be losing ground to others," Brown said at a Democratic breakfast.

"I think we are leading the way not only because we know Mr. Nixon so well, but because of the kind of record you have helped us write in Sacramento," the governor said.

AIR FORCE LAYOFF

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Air Force Air Material Command plans to lay off 2,377 civilian employees, most of them by the end of April, at six bases. The command, which has headquarters at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio, will cut its employment roster to 310,000, the Air Force announced Friday.

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