

Opinions Vary On 'Bitter 15'

By ANN LANDERS
Dear Readers: Remember "Bitter 15," the lad who was paying his own school tuition and buying his own clothes? I thought his parents had done a superb job of teaching him self-reliance and I said so. I also went to bat for him and suggested that his folks buy him a hi-fi set. Many readers agreed with me. Many did not. Nobody was neutral. Here is an assortment of opinions:

From Chicago: Dear Ann: Have you lost your mind? I'm considering canceling my subscription unless you backtrack on your advice to "Bitter 15." His parents must be idiots. And so are you. —Mary S.

Cleveland: Here's a 21-gun salute from a clergyman who has done a great deal of counseling with teenage boys. Few columnists would have had the courage to take the unpopular position and applaud the parents. I have worked with delinquent boys for many years and not one was raised in a home where he had to go to school, hold down a job and account for his money. Your stand was sound and I commend you heartily for it. —Rev. R. B.

Grand Forks, N.D.: If the parents of "Bitter 15" bought him that hi-fi set he wants so badly when would he play it? In his sleep? —Mrs. L. J.

Toledo: You said the teenagers were going to hate you for sticking up for the boy's parents. Well, you're right. They do. Why should teenagers have to buy their own clothes? What are parents for anyway? —T. J.

Louisville: You came through like a Kentucky thoroughbred with your reply to "Bitter 15." Our 15-year-old slob gets \$3 a week spending money Monday. By Saturday he's broke. He thinks he's abused when he's asked to carry out the trash once in a while. His

GE President Now Retired

TROY, N.Y. (AP) — Robert Paxton has retired as president of the General Electric Co., the Troy Record Newspapers reported today.

The newspapers said the reason given was ill health. Paxton is recuperating "out of the country" from a major operation in January, it was reported.

The report comes on the heels of the company's conviction in a price-rigging conspiracy with other firms.

Ralph Cordiner, chairman of the board, will act in a dual capacity as chairman and president until a new president is elected, the newspapers said.

They said that the New York City offices of GE also told them Cordiner would retire as chairman of the National Business Advisory Council. Pressure of other duties was the reason given.

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New Jobs For Millions Must Be Found In US

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — President Kennedy's top labor adviser says finding jobs for 26 million entrants in the work force during the next decade is the nation's No. 1 domestic problem.

Arthur J. Goldberg, secretary of labor, gave that figure in addressing a banquet given in his honor Sunday night by AFL-CIO union officials whom he formerly served as chief counsel.

Aides of Goldberg explained that while jobs must be found for 26 million workers in the next 10 years, vacancies for about half that number will open up due to death and retirement among present workers. Thus, they said, an estimated 13 million additional jobs are needed.

Goldberg said that widespread unemployment and dwindling job opportunities are high on the list of "unfinished business inherited by the present administration."

"All the things that have been swept under the rug during the past eight years are rapidly coming to light," he said.

Goldberg agreed with George Meany, AFL-CIO president, that finding jobs for the rapidly increasing work force and for workers displaced by new production techniques is a problem of major proportions.

Meany, noting that the work force climbed by an average 220,000 annually in the past five years, wondered how, if jobs couldn't be found for all of them, could the much greater influx of new workers be put to work during the coming decade.

"Maybe the answer is the shorter work week. I don't know," Meany commented. "All I know is that we have a new administration in Washington with fresh ideas and I hope it can solve this situation."

Meany went on to say that there is something "basically wrong" when great American industries can work at less than half their capacity and still earn a handsome profit.

Goldberg was due to confer today at a closed session of the AFL-CIO Executive Council.

The labor secretary told newsmen on his arrival here that Congress is speeding up its procedure to push Kennedy's proposals ahead. He said he hoped Kennedy's first major goal will pass the House this week—a proposal for \$1 billion extra unemployment compensation aid.

Goldberg said he was very encouraged with the way Congress is handling Kennedy's proposals and felt that legislators of both political parties share "a sense of urgency" in spurring economic recovery.

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"No thanks, dear, I don't need any help—but you might just burn the trash, feed the dog, bathe the kids and put away the laundry!"

Spending By Government Shows Tremendous Gain

NEW YORK (UPI) — The cost of governing is rising even faster than the cost of living.

Tax Foundation, Inc., a private tax study group, reported Sunday that federal, state and local government spending more than doubled between 1950 and 1960.

Ten years ago, governmental spending totaled \$70.334 billion. Last year, the figure was \$159 billion. And in fiscal 1961, it will be almost \$161 billion, the foundation said in its 11th biennial publication, "Facts and Figures on Government Finance, 1960-61."

The federal government laid out 63 per cent of the total, Tax Foundation said.

"If legislators give in to current pressures for huge spending increases at all levels of government, the resulting tax and expenditure totals will dwarf even the startling figures in this book," said Robert W. French, Tax Foundation president.

The book, which covers tax rates, revenues, expenditures and debt at all levels of government, also said that total tax receipts in 1960 reached a new high of \$127 billion.

Gross debt at all governmental levels at the end of fiscal 1960—\$356 billion—was \$75 billion higher than 10 years before.

Tax Foundation said total government spending amounted to nearly 30 per cent of the gross national product, which it said reached \$500 billion a year in the first half of 1960 for the first time in history.

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Satellite's Anniversary

VANDENBERG AFB, Calif. (UPI) — The Discoverer satellite program marks its second anniversary Tuesday with promises of greater things to come.

"Discoverer is still an open end program," said an Air Force Ballistic Missile Division officer, "that is we have no set number yet to launch."

"But I would say that it's about halfway through. There should be about 15 to 20 more," he added, "with the missions becoming more and more complex."

The first Discoverer satellite—lighter, smaller and simpler than present ones—was launched Feb. 28, 1959. It went into orbit but it took trackers three days to find it.

Things have improved, but failures still occur.

Discoverer XX, first of two satellites launched within 27 hours earlier this month, failed to complete part of its mission. It was supposed to keep a capsule in space four days and return it to earth.

But the mechanism that separates the capsule from the satellite failed to work properly, leaving no chance at all of recovery. Capsules from four of the satellites have been recovered, though, including one which was in space three days. Of the 21 Discoverers launched so far, 15 have streaked into orbit over the poles.

"We are extremely satisfied with it so far," said the Air Force spokesman. "I'd say that this is the most successful space program of the United States."

NEEDS TALL TALE
TELL CITY, Ind. (UPI)—A Tell City farmer goes to court today to give his side of a tractor-car collision, but his story had better be convincing.

The farmer's tractor crashed into the rear of a car driven by a judge while two state policemen were watching.

It calls for a special fleet of highway patrol cars of different colors and makes, the use of radar to detect speeders and chemical tests to detect drunk drivers.

It seeks, on a trial basis, mandatory jail sentences for motorists who drive after their licenses have been suspended or revoked.

While new floods threatened some residents of Mississippi, those evacuees who were able to return to their homes warily watched for alligators and poisonous snakes that spilled out of rivers and streams.

The new threats took in Mississippi's capital city of Jackson where the Pearl River is expected to crest Tuesday night or Wednesday morning around 34 feet, 16 feet above flood stage.

Gov. Ross Barnett, in asking President Kennedy to declare flood-stricken sections of Mississippi major disaster areas eligible for federal aid, said the flooding has caused "property damage, hardship and suffering so severe and extensive in scope as to go beyond the capabilities of the state and local governments to alleviate."

There were about 70 medical cases in 11 shelters at Hattiesburg where more than 3,600 evacuees were received. Most of the sick were cold or respiratory illnesses, but a Red Cross official said those with chicken pox, measles, mumps and other serious illnesses had been isolated and there was no threat of epidemic.

A Civil Defense official warned those residents who were able to return to their homes to be on the lookout for reptiles that seek shelter in buildings from the flood waters.

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Bandit Robs Salem Man

SALEM (AP) — A gunman masked with a silk stocking led up a night club operator here early Sunday and fled with \$700.

A few hours later, two men were arrested and charged with armed robbery. Police Sgt. John Williams said the men taken into custody were Clyde Ivan Bernard, 20, and James Henry Cain, 28, both of Salem.

The robbery occurred shortly after closing time at Eddie's Super Club in South Salem. Eddie Tehan, the owner of the club, told police he was just leaving the rear of the building when the gunman appeared and ordered him to hand over the day's receipts.

Police said their search for the gunman was aided by a hat found at the scene of the robbery. There was a name in it.

Jobless Bill In Committee

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The House Ways & Means Committee was expected to approve today the second part of President Kennedy's emergency program to help the nation's unemployed.

The legislation would provide up to \$305 million in public assistance aid for the needy children of jobless parents.

The bill received the committee's tentative approval last week. A formal vote was to be taken today behind closed doors.

The committee already has cleared the administration's first bill designed to deal with the recession — a billion-dollar program of extra unemployment compensation for the jobless who exhaust their regular benefits.

The House was expected to take up the measure this week and send it on to the Senate for action.

Other congressional news: Missiles: The House Space Committee summoned Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara to testify on the controversial Nike-Zeus anti-missile missile program.

The Army wants to rush development of the defensive weapons system before Russia can put a similar system in operation.

Democrats: Senate and House Democrats met to receive a report from Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield, Mont., on the first series of weekly White House legislative conferences held by President Kennedy.

Old Volunteer Passes Away

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In 1929, Congress awarded a special medal to Hanberry and the other volunteers.

Hanberry was a native of Denmark, S.C., where he was a police officer after the war.

About 20 years ago he moved to Orangessburg, S.C., where funeral services were arranged for today.



"Do you think a man who combines all the finer qualities of President Kennedy, Rock Hudson and Albert Schweitzer could refuse his daughter \$19.98 for a dress?"

Kennedy Gets Only Brief Weekends

MIDDLEBURG, Va. (AP) — Kennedy got in a full weekend at Glen Ora.

Mrs. Kennedy has been spending far more time at the estate. She was at Glen Ora all last week, except for a quick trip to Washington Tuesday for some social engagements.

The First Lady has been riding frequently over 122 countryside. An ardent and expert horsewoman, she has ridden in the past with the Middleburg, Piedmont, Fairfax and Orange County hunts.

Glen Ora is in the territory of the Orange County Hunt, which extended her an invitation to ride with it. The president of the hunt, Thomas F. Furness, said Mrs. Kennedy replied she probably will want to hunt but wants no publicity about it when she does.

Asked whether the invitation to hunt included the President, too, Furness laughed and replied: "He doesn't hunt. He's too busy."

Two Escape Jet Crackup

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The jet fighter had disappeared from the radar scopes at the base at about 4,000 feet. Col. Donald H. Lynch, commander of the 337th Fighter Group, said the craft had "some kind of an instrument failure as well as we can determine."

When it crashed, the jet dug a crater 90 feet across. Wreckage was scattered over a wide area and most of it burned.

WEEKEND VISITOR
Dick Brown, former assistant park naturalist at Crater Lake, now chief naturalist for Muir Woods National Monument in California, spent the weekend in Klamath Falls as guest of Ken McLeod and of friends at Crater Lake.

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