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Editorial Page

Keep Your Distance

If you drive a car 12,000 miles a year, which is a fairly average number, the chances are 1 in 3 that you will be involved in an accident. They are 1 in 35 that you or another person will be injured, and 1 in 1,300 that someone will be killed.

Fully 13 per cent of the time, these deaths or injuries or bruised fenders will result from the widespread practice of tailgating-following the car ahead too closely. As a cause of accidents this is second only to speeding or failure to yield the right of way.

The figures come from a source that ought to know, the Association of Casualty and Surety Companies, whose members base their rates on the accuracy of such statistics.

With the growing congestion of ordinary traffic, the rear-end collision is certain to become more and more common, unless motorists generally change their practices.

The brakes on a modern car are marvelously effective and the distance required to stop a car traveling at different speeds can be calculated to the fraction of an inch. The imperfect element is the driver; no matter how fast his reactions may be, he cannot beat the physics of mass times velocity

The standard rule of thumb is to allow one car length between the car ahead for every 10 miles an hour of speed.

The standard objection is that every car length ahead will be filled by another car.

In bumper-to-bumper city traffic, this probably cannot be avoided. The insurance experts thus advise drivers to make the best of the situation: Allow as much margin as you can without tempting other cars to squeeze in front of you.

Combined with that, drivers should:

* Be alert to everything that goes on around them, especially to changes in the traffic pattern.

* Avoid sudden, unexpected moves that may confuse the fellow behind.

* Use signals when slowing down or changing lanes.

* Above all, when in doubt, act. The time to begin braking is when the line of cars several lengths ahead slows down. Don't take your cue just from the car immediately ahead.

"Togetherness" is a great thing, but not on the highway.

The Tumult And The Shouting

(The Christian Science Monitor)

Ralph McGill, columnist and publisher of the Atlanta Constitution, has put his finger on an important and disturbing index of the times in American life.

A town in southern Ohio-which may as well be nameless here, since there are many like it-has collected \$10,000 to send its high school band to march (with 200 other bands) in a football parade in Miami. Yet the high school is in danger of losing its accreditation because the library is below minimum state standards, a third of the teachers are unqualified for the subjects they teach, and the town shows no interest in raising the tax levy to remedy these situations.

Just what is it that Americans value? On one hand, two hours of noise and color; on the other, unbought books that would feed the minds of pupils for years.

At a more advanced level of American ed-

ucation, college administrators, according to an article in Fortune magazine (by a former Big Ten football player), are asking whether college football has not become in many cases

Finding that it costs upward of \$400,000 a year to field a "big time" varsity team, some universities suspect that this has become a financial drain rather than an aid to the financing of other sports. Lesser colleges, says the author, are moving back to "amateur football" and finding it "still a fairly rousing game."

Of the two areas, high school and college, probably overemphasis on sports (and bands as an adjunct) is more widespread at the high school level. Where the attention paid to amusement is at the cost of educational standards, American parents and taxpayers are failing to equip their children for the

To A Neighbor

(Tulsa Tribune)

Save a dismaying headshake for Missouri. A federal court up there just upheld the state's 136-year-old Sunday closing law. Beginning at once stores may sell cigarettes and gasoline Sunday but not baby bottles and diapers. The weather may turn cold overnight, but a clothier may not sell a shivering friend a sweater. The druggist, however, may sell him medicine. . .

All this confusion is designed to compel Missourians to take a particular day of rest a week-on the golf course, at the bridge table or fishing, we presume. It must come on Sunday, because the law, the federal judge said, pinpointed that "as a day of rest in a

Christian society." If any Missourian's religion designates another day for his prayerful observance, that has no standing.

We feel for our Missouri neighbors; most of all for the prosecutors who must begin filing charges. But we must confess it is their own fault they are in such legal chaos. They've had 135 years to change their silly law and they've done nothing about it, except to violate it pretty generally. Finally the federal court has been brought in to it.

This raises bristles merely to contemplate. But it is going to happen more and more frequently unless the people of the various states have courage enough to meet their own

THESE DAYS ...

Age Of Innocence Persists

By JOHN CHAMBERLAIN The Mona Lisa, Leonardo da Vinci's most famous portrait, which is on loan by the French government to the United States went on official display at the National Gallery in Washington Wednesday, and thousands who have never been able to visit the Louvre in Paris will have their first opportunity to gape at a Renaissance lady. With our initution of the inquiring reporter it should be relatively easy to discover what Americans think of Leonardo's art. But, though it more interesting to learn what might pass through Madame

looks out on our national capital In the once familiar purple-patch prose of the Victorian Walter Pater, an older generation of art lovers read all about the enigmatic quality of the Mona Lisa's "She is older than the rocks among which she sits," wrote Pater in a burst of subjective divination: "Like the vamtimes, . . , Hers is the head upon which all 'the ends of the world are come, and the eyelids are a little weary." In short, a sophisticated dame

Lisa's own shapely head as she

Would the Lady Lisa with the sophisticated smile find much that was new and strange in Wash ngton? She lived in the time of the Borgias, those notorious pois oners, and she must have pessed the swirl of intrigue that gave her contemporary Machiavelli his entirely modern theory of politics as an unprincipled struggle of "who gets what, when." If the late Attorney Gen-

eral and Supreme Court Justice Frank Murphy, were still alive he might confide to Lisa, as he once did to me, the secrets of Washington wire tapping and "bugging" by which even those who worked closely with cabinet officers allegedly kept tabs in rather recent years on their riva and underlines. But for all the occasional hints of corrupt prac-tice in Washington, I am sure the Lady Lisa would find it a relative

innocent place. We talk about "dynasties," and laugh knowingly at the line from the phonograph record about the 'First Family' which urges us to "vote for the Kennedy of your choice, but vote." But the lady who lived in the day of the Bor gias would smile with a little hint of builfied incredulity at our werries about the supposed dangers of a dynastic succession in America, They really had dynasties in the time of the Borgia Pope who burned the incorrupti ble Florentine priest, Savonaro la, a contemporary of Da Vinci, on a cross and had his remains

thrown into the Arno. The Borgia Pope coveted vari ous states in Central and North ern Italy for his son, Caesar Bor gia-and he stopped at little to advance the family fortunes. In Renaissance Italy it was customary to poison or assassinate one's rivals; today any presumptive "dynast" must beat a rival at the polls. The late Franklin D Roosevelt's sons, once feared in certain quarters as prospective dynasts, have not had much suc cess at the polls-and even if they did it would merely be a matter of the best campaigner winning.

berself on familiar ground. After all, Leonardo da Vinci served years as resident artist. The great Renalssance to Paris. But there is a difference between government art pairons then and now. Both the Duke of Milan and the king of France thought nothing of squandering the finances of their do things a little more circum or a Jackson Pollock canvas for

The relative integrity of contemperary Washington is perhaps best summed up by the fact that J. Edgar Hoover remains head of the FSI no matter whether a Redicen er a Democrat sits in the White House, Hoover has consistently resisted the temptation to gother the sort of power for his FBI that might turn it into a Gestapo. Leonardo da Vin-ci's Iriend, Machiavelli, wouldn't

Our corruption, where it exthat of the Lady Lisa's time it consists of people voting, through their representatives, to bribe themselves with their own money

In learning that the Kennedys Jack and Jackie, are patrons of the arts, the Lady Lisa would find Leonardo ended his days as an intimate of King Francis the First of France, who brought the high respective realms on artists and on art. In Washington today we spectly. Sometimes a poet is Congress, and in the WPA period government funds. But if Jackie Cennedy should covet a Renoir herself, she would have to buy it with her own money,

have understood this at all.

A thought for the day-English

Letters To The Editor

Guard Rail

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Why! Why! doesn't the Oregon State Highway Department, Klamath County Road Department, City of Klamath Falls, the Klamath County Chamber of Com-merce, or any other organization interested in the health, welfare and safety of other human beings, start a campaign to install a hea-vy guard rail along U.S. Highway 97 from just north of Worden, where the roadway runs between the canals, to just south of Midland? Or at least put one on the east side of the roadway where the deepest canal is. If this were a California highway, there would have been one there for many

I am sure if anyone having he responsibility of seeing to the safety of motorists in Oregon had witnessed the scene we saw on the afternoon of Dec. 24, he would never rest until something had been done to help prevent automobiles from going into that canal.

We were returning home from a last minute Christmas shopping trip to Klamath Falls, tired, but happy with the last minute treasures we had found. As we approached the big curve midway in the canals, we could see a cluster of cars, and with sinking hearts, we knew what we were about to see on this Christmas Eve.

First, we saw the broken surface of the ice on the canal and pieces of ice laying on the side of the road where they had fallen from the clothing of a heart-broken husband who had tried in vain to rescue his pregnant wife. Next, we saw the bubbles still rising from the submerged car, in water so deep that there was no visible sign of the car to be seen from the surface. And, Instly, we saw the young husband sitting in the car of a kindly passing motorist, his anguished wracked body wrapped in a comforter, as he cried with his face buried in his hands. The scene was all the more horrible because of the fact that there was no way one could help him. If the car had been wrecked with no canal or water involved, one could have at least helped by rendering first

Almanac

By United Press International Poday is Monday, Jan. 14, the 14th day of 1963 with 351 to 5 The moon is approaching its last quarter.

The morning stars are Mercury and Venus. The evening stars are Mars and

Those been on this day include medical missionary and philose er Albert Schweitzer, in 1875 On this day in history In 1978, the U.S. Supreme Court

ruled that a state law outlawing segregation of the races in rail road travel was unconstitutional. In 1914, Henry Ford revolution siles by mangurating the "assem-

In 1943, President Franklin Roosevell and Prime Minister Winston Churchill began a 10-day conference in Morocco to plan Allied offensives aimed at the conditional surrender" of the Axis In 1982, scores were slain in a

terror wave which swept Algeria.

essayist William Hazlitt sand young man believes he should

I had heard and read of the woman who was drowned just days earlier in the same canal. But, until one actually witnesses such a tragedy, one doesn't fully realize the horror of such an accident, nor is he very much concerned or disturbed about it

We, who live to the south of those canals in Worden, Dorris, Macdoel and all of Butte Valley, and do all of our shopping and business in Klamath Falls, travel that road at least once a week, and some, several times a week. In the summer during farming season, we sometimes go twice in one day after parts, if some vital piece of farm machinery breaks down. I would surely think that the business and profession al men of Klamath Falls, who prosper from our patronage, could help protect us and our young people, who find most of their recreation in Klamath Falls, by urging the chamber of commerce to institute a campaign to get some kind of protection along the

I saw in the paper this past week of the many millions of visi-tors to Oregon in 1962 and the millions of dollars spent by those visitors. I do not think that strip of highway is a very thoughtful way to welcome motorists to Oregon and the Klamath Country, or a very warm way to say

"goodbye-hurry back." Last Friday, as I traveled to Klamath Falls for my weekly shapping trip, I saw the Oregon State Highway Department salving its conscience by erecting reflector posts on either side of the roadway many yards apart. I fear this will accomplish little as a deterrent.

Can't something a little more sturdy be installed to stop any more automobiles from going into the canal as these two did in which two women lost their lives during the Christmas holidays? Mrs. John Archibald

Survival

We of the American Legion, exservicemen like yourself, take this opportunity to orge your readers in and around the Malin area to tend the free illustrated lectures to be given on the evenings of Jan 22, January 29, February 5 and February 19 next, by t h qualified instructor, James Lacy of Malin.

They will be held in the Malin High School music room from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m., with a short coffee break at 8:30. Those of its who attended last

year feel that the entertaining movies of the actual tests held in the Pacific, showing high powered explosions of atomic and hydrogen bombs were well worth going to see. And besides the interesting pictures, is the course of instruction on the effects of nuclear weapons, especially faout measures; the importance of family planning, what you must do for yourself; what Red Cross and other agencies may do for you: techniques of survival; state and local Civil Defense disaster plans National Shelter Program helter equipment and supplies different ways of purifying wa decontamination measures: the effects of chemical and biological wearons and protective measure

Mr. Lacy was trained by the Civil Delense adult education staff in an area training center. He is a certified Civil Defense anstructor. You will have opportunity for lively discussions receive take-home literature. No for every citizen in the Soviet Some of your readers may

say that they prefer not to sur vive nuclear war because the protection we can muster seems so little.

The American infantryman has for protection only a tin hat, which He is ordered to march ahead into what seems certain destruction for a purpose that transcends his own survival. Should not civilians be willing to do the same?

Many Americans are going to survive. The most pessimistic es-timates are placed at fifty mil-tion. They will make the most of what shelter there is, and will want to be in a position to help alleviate the suffering after an at-

Is it fair that some should be indifferent now, and then, when the panic strikes, forcefully invade the shelters of those who did

Isn't it important that as many as possible intelligent prepara-tions be made, and that everyone participate so that there be as little as possible chaos when the unhoped for moment arrives?

We urge your readers to cooperate with the Civil Defense program by coming Malin Post No. 84, American

Malin Fost Legion, thanks you Werner Bunge,

Box 401, Malin, Ore, Dictator

I have just read the letter written by Paul Norris and if he is not the front runner of a dictator ship I have never met one. In his letter on zoning he says a vote would be ridiculous. I contend that no zoning should be brought about by a county court. government. It should first initiated by the people affected first by petition then by bailet at a general election, and anything less than this is dictatorship, and I did not say Communist. However all dictators are much the

POTOMAC **FEVER**

Congress isn't so much an institution as it is a long breathing spell between two fights; one on how to begin-and the other on when to quit.

Thanks to Postmaster General Day, the nickel wins the award for the greatest comeback of the decade.

Ike urges Congress to save money. It's a new tack, been of experience. From his days in the White House, he learned it doesn't do much good to urge a president to cut spending

The Pentagon is disturbed at news that James Meredith may quit the University of Mississippi. This means the Army may have to go back to its old job of fight ing the Air Force.

Republicans complain they're the nation's only minority group without a government agency to student dancing with a local girl in Salia. A brawl ensued in which the police used clubs and fireprotect them from discrimina-

FLETCHER KNEBEL

Letters To The Editor

Those among us who are willing to barter away our rights and freedoms under the constitution and the bill of rights, must have something to gain by doing so. After much thought on the subject, I personally am not willing to concede that any group of people (even if that group consisted of 99 per cent of the people of a community) should have the right to vote away even one small right, that we hold as a free people

How many reasons are there for not zoning? Here are a few of which I could think.

1. Zoning helps to create a class society. (This is so obvious, that should not need explaining. Who among us can say that they were created to hold special priv-

2. It is segregation, in its worst aspects; based not on moral. race, or religious grounds; but on money values. (People who live in apartments, house trailers, or mo-tels, are not quite as good as we are, because they can't afford to live in a one family residential

3. It is foreign to, (please note) not meaning communistic or so-cialistic, but, foreign to our constitution or bill of rights; and it is not compatible with either.

4. Zoning destroys freedom of choice, by taking the power to decide from the individual and bestowing it on a group.

5. Zoning makes it possible for a favored few to force all the remunerative forms of land use into areas where they own a major interest, and thus gain a tremendous economic advantage. I do not mean that this particular group would do this; but it does open the door for someone in the future.

6. Zoning does not necessarily mean that your property will have the highest value possible. Some-body's property will assuredly be of higher value, but possibly not yours.

Suppose that your property was located in the neighborhood of a zoned industrial area; and an aluminum plant moved into that industrial zone; and by creating furnes, destroyed your land use: same with pulp mills and other forms of industry.

Your right to a redress for loss-

es suffered may be lost.
7. It is an extension of govern ment beyond what is essential to good order; it created new commissions or bureaus, (possibly to fill up space in a new courthouse) and thus raises taxes. Government should be reduced to a minimum, not extended to a maxi-

8. It regiments: Are humans to become a completely regimented society such as ants or bees? It would destroy the adventure of living: There are many million ex-servicemen in this country who are completely fed up with non-essential rules and regulations, particularly those that just affect

the privates. Zoning would take away the ability of the people to escape from over control. As it is now whenever the individual gets ted

trol, he can remove himself and the control zone, and still live within a reasonable distance from his work or trade area. (I, too, would like to see the densely populated suburbs brought into the city, but they should not be forced in ! It would be better for the city to do away with over control, and thus create a desire in these people to want to gain the advantages of living inside the city, and without the loss of their freedoms. They live where they do be-

cause they have fled from over

10. This is government by misdirection. Who among you wishes to be ruled, not governed by set laws, but ruled by the passage of new ordinances, that you did not even understand the reason, when it was placed into law, Could anybody have designed a more perfect weapon than ORS215-014? Did they want to force a desire in the suburbanites to become part of a city rather than stay outside the limits and maintain their freedom from all the countless hundreds of city ordinances

and codes? 11. It would destroy the ability of the individual to compete with the downtown business area. Manipulated land use would not set up a zone where competition would hurt. Just who would this

zoning be good for? 12. The method has been to divide and conquer; note the divi-sion into areas, it is easier to control the thinking of the people if the area is divided up then make each little group fight

Now, how much is the added cost of this multiple advertising of each small area? Who is pay-ing for it? You and I. Think. Frank R. Weaver, 631 South Fifth Street.

Addresses

Since there are so many penple in the Basin who like to write letters, and since a new session of Congress is due to convene on Jan. 9, it might be quite appropriate to publish once more the names and addresses of each of our representatives in Congress. might be of more belo to our Senators and Representatives than if we wrote pleading letters at the tail-end of the session, after minds

were pretty well made up. Hoping you can find a spot on your editorial page in the very near future, I for one, will be grateful. I will clip it out and paste it above my typewriter. Eleanor Thomson

Editor's Note: Good idea, And, here they are: Sen. Wayne E. Morse Senate Office Building Washington 25, D.C.

Senate Office Building

Congressman Al Ullman House of Representatives

rested. On August 14, the Ghana Daily Graphic carried a peture of seven of those who had been ordered to leave Bulgaria. All

were injured; four had bandaged

Abdul Amid Mohammed of So-

tells how Bussian youths "Often

surrounded us in a circle and

pointed out to each other our

with snickers the racial differ-

ences." Although he had lived

among white people in Italy. Ab-

countered such behavior. "I had to go to the USSR," he says.

from others and to be humiliated

as a result of this difference."

years ago, Theophilus Okonkwo

of Nigeria was photographed while exercising in a Moscow gymna-

touched, appeared one month later

in New Times, an official journ-

al of propaganda widely distri-buted in Africa. Soviet artists

had sketched broken chains on the

wrists of Okonkwo and a comic-

strip colonialist was shown fall-

hoser was now "breaking the

chains of colonialism.

ng back in terror; the innocent

African students studying at

Leipzig are ansered by the fact

that a "loyal East German Com-

munist" must share a room

East German is there to

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WASHINGTON REPORT . . .

African Students Get Facts Of Commie Life

By FULTON LEWIS, JR.

From Peiping to Moscow, from ers have failed in their effort to win African students to their side Nearly 20,000 young Africans have been lured behind the from

and Bamboo Curtains. free education, room and board This grandiose program, de-signed to create a new corps of AIrican Communists, has failed Thousands of young students have returned heme, bitterly disilusioned with Communist reality They have learned the hard way that Communist education means mammoth doses of indoctrina-

A young Nigerian, Anthony Okotcha, returned from Moscow's Patrice Lumumba University to give first-hand reports on Soviet Communism. He told of classes in "self-defense" where instructors ("serious faced military men in uniform"1 demonstrated how to use pistols, rifles and machine guns in insurrection Other instruction, Okotcha said.

included demolition. "How to

throw a hand grefinde into a crowd and how to kill a man quickly with a knife." Finally, Okotcha was ordered carry out an elaborate plot to kill Nigeria's pro-Western lead

he publicly exposed the Soviet African students have been shocked at blatant racial discrimination throughout the Com-

modes: On August 22, 1962, the Came roon radio resorted that a group of 30 African students had left Red China because of "racial

Earlier that mouth, a Bolgar ian youth attacked a Ghanalan

arms. Eight Ghanatana were at

Mail is consored, often never delivered. One letter that did get

out, however, was published in a writer, under a peacsionym, told know much about the misery and brought to Poland, Instead of Unura (freedom) you get the most dreadful slavery and dictatorship the world has ever known."