

EDITORIALS

MAKES US SEE RED

Atty. Francis M. Casey, in speaking before the Nebraska City Rotary Club recently on the Red Menace, stated that he had heard the Dean of Law at the Nebraska State University had invited a well known English "Red" in this country to speak before a body of students in Lincoln. This writer was amazed to learn that any person in this state would allow one of these birds to even cross the state line, let alone send him an invitation to visit the land of the Cornhuskers to spread his evil propaganda. More especially through the channels of our state citadel of learning.

It brings to our mind a pamphlet received at this desk several weeks ago from Dr. Frederick Schweitzer, president of Bloomfield College at Bloomfield, N. J.

Dr. Schweitzer, in attempting to secure the services of a professor of Psychology, enumerated among other qualifications the following:

(2) Definite, positive loyalty to American political ideals and traditions. Reds, pinks, near-pinks and "fellow travelers" will not fit into the policy of Bloomfield.

It must have been a shock to Dr. Schweitzer to receive a communication from one, Edwin B. Newman, Secretary to the Department of the Psychological Laboratories of Harvard University, criticizing him severely for setting forth this requirement and adding, "I think that I speak for a considerable portion of the academic community in this matter."

Reds in Washington. Reds in labor unions. Reds in Russia. Surely it is not asking too much that we of the unlearned class ask that Reds be kept from our universities, colleges and schools?

THE LIFE OF A NEWSPAPERMAN

We had a most unique experience this week. An error in leaving out a word in a card of thanks brought high indignation and wrath on this tough skinned old scoundrel. Apologies and all effort to amend this unpardonable "sin" credited to the account of a compositor and proofreader buried in a mountain of copy and galley proofs, was of no avail. We had done 'em wrong and nothing we could do would rectify the error.

It was interesting to note following our interview, however, that copy submitted to this newspaper and covering the incident involved in the above episode was in error in that it failed to mention the names of two persons contributing greatly to the success of the event. The Journal graciously corrected the oversight in the following issue.

All we can add is that any person that couldn't find more than one error in any copy of The Journal is a damn poor proofreader.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

TEN YEARS AGO

Miss Gerda Peterson was honored by receipt of personal greetings and an autographed photograph from the Postmaster General James A. Farley in recognition of her faithful service in the postal department. . . . Mrs. Catherine Flynn, former resident, announced the forthcoming marriage of her son Damian Flynn to Miss Eva March of New York. . . . Discussion was held regarding organization of a Junior Chamber of Commerce, with Dick Winkelman and C. A. Schurman of Fremont speakers on the subject. . . . Story "Song of Years" latest book by Bess Streeter Aldrich was being published in the Post. . . . Mrs. W. H. Woolcott was named supervisor of the community sewing center to succeed Mildred Hall recently resigned. . . . Four Plattsmouth athletes were awarded football letters at Tarkio College—Kenneth Armstrong, tackle; Stuart Porter, fullback; Joe Case, halfback and Wayne Falk, guard.

TWENTY-ONE YEARS AGO

Large audience enjoyed the Charleston dance contest at the Parmelee theater; Paul Vandervoort won first prize and Helen Jane West second. . . . Overheated furnace caused destruction of partition in Wolff building, threatening entire building which was used as warehouse by Iowa Nebraska Light and Power. . . . Glee clubs of high school, under direction of Miss Ruth Lindsay, presented clever mu-

Furse's Fresh Flashes

A local Plattsmouth boy reports that he doesn't believe all these stories about the devil. He says its just like this Santa Claus stuff . . . it's just your old man.

It takes a raft of money to keep afloat these days.

Over two million dollars are spent by Americans on health supplies each year. Nearly enough to make you sick.

Why is it the things we never get worry us more than the things we lose?

The man who built a two-car garage a few years ago was certainly farsighted. He now keeps his car in one side and lives in the other.

We've never heard of burning anybody up by taking their place in the sun.

Some people call them hick towns because there is no place to go they shouldn't.

A shopper, after looking at nearly everything in a store up the street, said to the clerk, "Thank you, but I'm just looking for a friend." The clerk, a little disgusted, threw down a bolt of green silk and replied, "Here's one you haven't seen. Maybe she's in that."

sical comedy "Pickle" at the Parmelee theater, with leads by Herbert Patterson, Edward Patterson, Charles Howard and Oliver Schneider. Miss Jean Caldwell portrayed "Iona" the gypsy girl and Miss Margaret Engelkemeier and Miss Ruth Janda were soloists.

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DREW PEARSON SAYS:

NAVY ISSUES CONFIDENTIAL GUIDEBOOK ON HOW TO SNIPER ARMY; TRUMAN SYMPATHIZES WITH TONGUE-TIED BOY; A PUMPKIN RESTORES CONGRESSMAN RANKIN'S HEALTH.

WASHINGTON—The Navy has just put out for restricted use one of the most amazing reference books ever printed at public expense—a confidential handbook to guide navy officers in making public speeches and, incidentally, poking gibes at the Army Air Force.

In fact, the book's underlying theme is nothing but the Navy's case against the Air Force.

Despite the fact that congress passed the unification bill for the express purpose of cutting out army and navy bickering, the navy's confidential handbook admonishes:

"Always remember that you represent the navy and that, whatever the apparent purpose of your talk may be, your primary purpose is to inform the public to the benefit of the Navy."

The prospective navy speaker is warned to do a little reconnaissance in advance. For example, he is supposed to ask himself: "Audience—will members of other services be present? . . . Place—is it known to be either pro- or anti-navy? . . . Purpose—how can your appearance before this group best serve the Navy?"

A high-sounding policy is laid down by the Navy for preparing public speeches. This covers three points: "(1) Naval personnel (shall) refrain from any reference to Russia . . . by name as a potential enemy or threat to this country. . . . (2) We should continue to have confidence in the United Nations as an instrument to assure world peace, and there should be no expression of doubt in this respect. . . . (3) No member of the Naval Service (shall) utter any comment reflecting adversely upon, or belittling the role of, any other branch of the service, and, in general, discussion of matters which might be controversial between the services (shall) be avoided in public."

Yet the suggested speech material, taken from actual navy speeches, violates in almost every sentence the Navy's own policy. On page after page, the guidebook makes a mockery of unification. It cries for broader Naval Aviation—although the Navy's role in the air has been fixed twice by the joint Chiefs of Staff. It snipes at the Air Force while professing brotherly love.

NAVY OUTBUILDS ARMY

Despite this the Navy is now buying more airplanes than the Air Force, and, by 1951, the Navy Air Force will be flying 14,000 planes, while the Air Force will be operating only 10,600.

Most constant line in the Navy Speakers' Guide is an undertone, belittling the Air Force. The suggested speech material for navy officers is full of such comments as:

"In the battle of Surigao Strait and the actions occurring at the time of our landings on Leyte, the Japanese Naval commanders defended upon army-directed air for their information regarding our shipping and fleet dispositions. Since V-J Day, they have testified that the information they received was entirely misleading and consequently worse than none . . ."

Chain Reaction



ALSO: "I would like you to think of what it takes to build a bomber base. Twenty ships would be required for concrete alone to build a single strip from which B-36's (an air force plane) could operate . . ."

Note—Apparently the admirals take their cue from a confidential directive issued by Secretary of Defense Forrestal, in which he said: "It is to the mutual interest of all of us to minimize public evidences of friction among the services." In other words he seemed not so concerned about stopping all bickering, but in not letting it leak to the public.

TONGUE-TIED WAYNE COY  
President Truman understood

perfectly the other day when 10-year-old Wayne Coy, Jr., became tongue-tied. Wayne, Jr., and his 17-year-old brother Stephen accompanied their father, who is chairman of the Federal Communications commission, when he went to the White House.

Wayne, Jr., had assured his father before they reached the White House that he would add the President's autograph to his collection. "I'm just going to ask him for it," announced the 10-year-old. But when he stood before the President of the United States, he could hardly say "how do you do, Mr. President," as he had so carefully planned. Time is precious in side the

White House, and as his father started to leave, Wayne, Jr., still hadn't been able to speak up about the coveted autograph. So Wayne, Sr., became his ambassador.

"Mr. President," he said, "Wayne here said he was going to ask you for your autograph and I know he wants it. He's just too scared to open his mouth right now." "I know how he feels," remarked the President, as he sat down to write out his autograph. "You know, Wayne, the first time I visited here to see the President, I wasn't able to say anything either. Of course, it was for a different reason. I got in here and didn't get a chance

to talk, because the President talked all the time himself." Note—Truman's first White House visit was as Senator from Missouri in 1935, and the man he didn't get a chance to talk to was Franklin Roosevelt. PUMPKIN RESTORES RANKIN The "discovery" of top-secret microfilms in a hollowed-out pumpkin was certainly a tonic for the sagging spirits of John Rankin, fire-eatin' congressman from Tupelo, Mississippi. Genuinely wearied from a strenuous campaign, Rankin was also depressed by the indictment of Parnell Thomas, chairman of the Un-American Activities Committee.

This committee may now be headed by Lanky John Wood of Georgia, and Wood, during his previous chairmanship, had been a willing puppet in the hands of Rankin. But the indictment of Thomas had put the committee in such bad odor that its prospects of survival in the 81st Congress had slid close to zero. This would have left to Rankin only the more prosaic task of heading the Veterans committee. And no headlines come from working for veterans.

So Rankin was in the depths of despair. Then suddenly committee investigator Bob Stripling pulled the top from a "punkin." Headlines and radio screamed the story! Rankin leaped into the line of newsmen's cameras and was snapped viewing a strip of microfilm hauled from Chambers' "punkin." Newspapers over the nation carried the picture.

Those who see Rankin daily will tell you that, overnight, lines disappeared from his face, satisfaction oozed from his countenance, his stooping shoulders became erect, his voice had a new vigor, and his step became that of an 18-year-old soldier marching in his first big-time parade with his best girl a spectator.

"Discovery" of that microfilm in a "punkin" had done the trick! It had supplied just the spectacular publicity needed to assure continuance of the House Un-American Activities committee during the 81st Congress.

Lanky John Wood of Georgia would again be puppet chairman, dancing and gyrating to the strings pulled by Rankin.

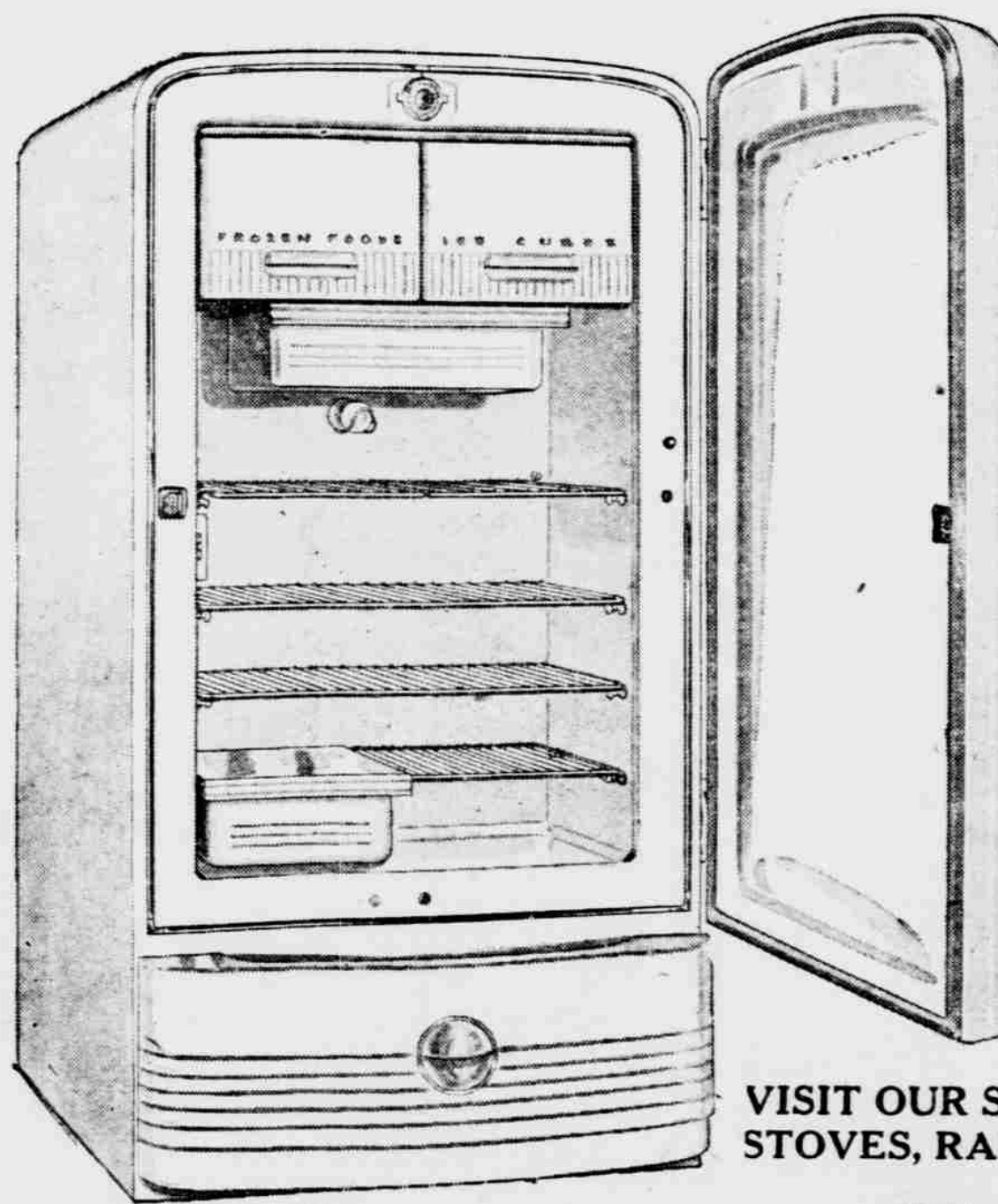
For most people it takes a lot of sugar, cinnamon and other spices to make pumpkin palatable, but a roll or two of microfilm made a pumpkin a lifesaver for John Rankin.

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IT SEEMS BUT YESTERDAY! . . . that the streets were paved with cobblestones and no horn was necessary to warn pedestrians of the approaching vehicle. The noise of the horses' hoofs gave a pedestrian time to get out of the way. Jay walking wasn't so dangerous in those days. Remember? CALDWELL Funeral Home Dial 4111

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