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A THOUGHT FOR TODAY
Throw a lucky man into the sea, and he will come up with a fish in his mouth.
—Arab Proverb.

EDITORIALS

LET'S TRY TO SAVE SOME LIVES

There are more than 30,000 persons killed in automobile accidents in this country every year, according to reliable estimates.

The American public, and that includes the residents of Cass County have been and still are strangely unconcerned over this death rate. They seem to take it for granted that motor vehicles and dead pedestrians go together and even, if, at times, the occupants of the automobiles get killed, the accident is usually termed "unavoidable."

How many people really believe that this is the truth half of the time? Not many, in our opinion! Speeding, drunken driving and reckless driving tell the story more often than otherwise.

Why wouldn't it be a good idea to have a more rigid investigation of these accidents? Why wouldn't it be a good idea to find out the facts about non-fatal accidents, which might reveal careless driving which will probably kill someone the next time?

Personally, we are not writing this editorial in a selfish capacity. We have no idea of letting anyone run over us, and we hope to be able to keep our wits together when driving the old bus. We hope that it isn't decreed that our end shall be via the automobile casualty route, but there are thousands of victims every year to show that others will be killed during 1949.

It's time to take steps to stop the slaughter. Every driver of a motor vehicle should remember the slogan, "Drive carefully. The life you save may be your own!"

MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD

Not so long ago, we noticed a couple in a public gathering and, between the husband and wife, there sat their only child, now almost grown.

We wondered at the time if this young person fully realized all the importance of his relationship to the older people who had carried life's burdens for all three up to that time?

For the older couple, life is almost a thing of the past. Except for a brief interest in a few remaining years, all that life still held for them was wrapped up in and centered around the activity of their child.

Yet, as we all know, these parents, and others like them, are powerless to affect the child's destiny very much. Unless character had been builded in earlier youth, no amount of love and interest can inject it now. The child had grown out of the parental range for all time.

The moral of this, if any, is two-fold. Parents whose children are young should not neglect the training of their boys and girls. It is task which cannot be delegated to others entirely. And, children, as they enter into life on their own responsibilities, should not overlook their power to wreck and make miserable the closing years of their parents' lives.

APPRECIATE SUCCESSFUL MEN

Those of us who live in Plattsmouth ought not have to be taught the valuable lesson of cooperation. Cooperation plays a vital part in the successful growth of any city.

Today, however, the power of cooperation is not as evident as in the olden days when every citizen turned out to put his shoulder to the wheel to accomplish some public enterprise.

One of the most valuable assets that any town can have is successful men. Get

Furse's Fresh Flashes

A talented woman scares hell out of we ordinary men.

The most hair-raising story we ever heard was the man who claimed he had a cure for baldness.

It would be a lot easier to face the music these days if the orchestra would stick to the original melody.

The recent drop in the price of soap was welcomed by all of us except Junior. He always gets it in the neck.

It won't be long until boys will be boys and so will their dads—when the Korn Karnival comes to town.

Home is happier when little things are running around the house, says a noted pastor. How about faucets?

A man too important in his own way is usually in the way of others.

An English doctor says American girls work too much. We always thought too many.

Any mirror will show you who is to blame for most of your troubles.

Sometimes talk isn't so cheap. Just saying "I Do" costs a fellow at least half of everything he has.

that, and remember it. It is high time that the worth of successful business men be appreciated. From them, if from anywhere, will come the impulses that lead to a bigger and better Plattsmouth.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

TEN YEARS AGO

An intense electrical and rain storm swept over the eastern part of the state and through Cass County, bringing a rain here of an inch which was a great relief to the corn crop. Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bullin, Jack and Richard Hatt and Merle McCrary arrived from Burbank, California for a visit with relatives. Russell Wasley, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wasley of this city and Miss Bette Miles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Miles of Tarkio, Montana, were united in marriage at Tarkio, June 11. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howard returned to their farm home near this city following a vacation trip in South Dakota with the parents of Mrs. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Luke of Hollywood, California. E. G. Ofe spoke before Rotary on First Aid work. Robert G. Reed was made branch manager of western branch of the Globe Casket company with offices at Denver.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

First section of paving to be laid on Highway 75 between Murray and Union was begun. Edward Waintroub, writing from his home at Los Angeles told of the interesting time he and his father, Herman Waintroub enjoyed at the recent Cass County picnic reunion, presided over by former County Judge Allen J. Beeson. L. J. Marquardt and son, Fred, of the Marquardt elevators at Avoca purchased the Farmer's Elevator. C. E. Wescotts Sons store celebrating their 50th year in business, extended an offer to residents of this county for incidents of the days from 1879 to 1889, covering the Victorian 80's when their store was just making a start as a business institution.

The WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

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DREW PEARSON SAYS:

CARDINAL SPELLMAN'S POSITION MAY BREAK CATHOLIC-JEWISH POLITICAL ALLIANCE IN BIG EASTERN CITIES; FDR, JR., CONSULTED SPELLMAN BEFORE HIS DIVORCE; SENATOR MCCARRAN WANTS FOREIGN SHEEPHERDERS BUT BLOCKS D.P.'S.

WASHINGTON. — One partial by-product of Cardinal Spellman's attack on Mrs. Roosevelt is a new political alignment which may reshape the politics of the entire nation. It may spell the difference between the election of a Democratic and Republican president in 1952, and a Republican and Democratic Congress in 1950.

To understand what is happening, you have to remember that for the past two decades there has been a close political alliance between Catholics and Jews in New York City, and in many other big industrial cities, such as Boston and Philadelphia.

The combination of Catholics and Jews in New York consistently carried the state for Roosevelt, and for Al Smith before

ALWAYS THE GOOD PROVIDER



It was an almost unbeatable combination.

However, Democratic political leaders are now privately and mournfully predicting that the alliance is almost certain to fall apart. They base this upon two factors:

One, is the much-publicized attack on Mrs. Roosevelt by Cardinal Spellman, which has focused nation-wide attention on religious issues.

Two, is the much-less publicized opposition of Cardinal Spellman to ex-governor Herbert Lehman, who had hoped to be the first Jew in history to be elected to the United States Senate.

Lehman, who served as governor of New York longer than any other man, was considered a sure winner for the Senate seat of ex-Senator Bob Wagner. As governor, he had received the support of all religious groups. However, the Cardinal and Lehman got into an argument last year over the banning of The Nation, a magazine, from New York public school libraries because The Nation had published a series of articles by Paul Blanshard critical of the Catholic church.

Lehman took the position at that time that, since the New York public schools are attended by Protestants and Jews as well as Catholics, their reading material should not be fixed by Catholics alone. Lehman felt that the Catholic church had every right to set the reading material in its own parochial schools, but not in public schools which are supported by the taxpayers.

Cardinal Spellman, however, vigorously disagreed with Lehman and wrote him a sharp personal letter.

Now that Lehman is available for the Senate, he has received word from Catholic leaders that, because of his stand on the censorship of the nation, he would have definite church opposition. Naturally this would make it difficult, if not impossible, for him to win. This has been the chief reason why the ex-governor has delayed in announcing his candidacy.

This Catholic opposition to Lehman, coupled with the Cardinal's criticism of Mrs. Roosevelt, who has always had strong Jewish support, is why Democratic leaders are so worried over continuation of the Jewish-Catholic political alliance in the big eastern cities.

FDR, JR., TALKED WITH CARDINAL
In the light of Cardinal Spellman's criticism of Mrs. Roosevelt, it is interesting to recall a conference which took place before the Cardinal and her son before young Franklin ran for Congress last spring.

FDR, JR., called on the Cardinal in order to inform him that his wife was planning to sue for divorce. Young Franklin is an Episcopalian, but he called on the Catholic prelate because of the fact that about 25 per cent of the voters in the 20th New York district are Catholic and he wanted their support in his Congressional race.

Roosevelt made it clear that he did not want the divorce, but

that his wife, the former Ethel Du Pont, insisted on it. Cardinal Spellman deplored the divorce, but advised that if Mrs. Roosevelt, Jr. demanded it, then FDR, Jr. should refrain from marrying again.

The Cardinal took no part in Roosevelt's subsequent Congressional race, which he won by a substantial majority.

Note—About 60 per cent of the voters in Roosevelt's district are Jewish, with 25 per cent Catholic. He drew support from both groups.

McCARRAN'S PERSONAL IMMIGRANTS
Senator Pat McCarran of Nevada, whose name means "keep out" to Europe's homeless refugees, actually begged the Senate the other day to admit 250 more people into this country.

It turned out, however, that he only wanted sheepherders to tend flocks in the west. McCarran wanted to import them not from displaced-person camps, but from the Pyrenees mountains along the Franco-Spanish border.

This was a curious request coming from McCarran who, alone, stands in the way of 400,000 displaced persons (including 5,000 sheepherders) who wish to start a new life in the United States. As chairman of the Senate Judiciary committee, he has been able to block a bill repealing the 80th Congress' D. P. act which discriminated against Jews and Catholics.

Thus, Senators were a little baffled at the spectacle of the gentleman from Nevada pleading to raise the immigration bars. In fact, he almost got down on his knees.

"There is no more important bill on the calendar than this one," begged McCarran. Fervently, he described the plight of the west's neglected sheep and the need for sheepherders from abroad.

But Sen. Robert Hendrickson, New Jersey Republican, gave McCarran a taste of his own medicine.

"As I understand," remarked Hendrickson slyly, "there are in some of the displaced-persons camps over 5,000 sheepherders." He blocked the bill.

ELMER BETS WITH POWER LOBBY
The private power lobby took Senator Elmer Thomas, Oklahoma Democrat, out to the race track to celebrate after he put across their big victory over

public power in the secrecy of the Senate Appropriations committee.

Thomas led the fight behind closed doors to cut off funds for transmission lines, to carry power from government-built dams to the public, leaving it to the private electric companies to distribute government power—with higher rates to consumers and bigger profits to the companies.

So, the day after Thomas won this fight, he was treated to a royal evening at the Laurel, Md., race track. His hosts were ex-Governor W. J. Holloway, \$75-a-day lobbyist for Oklahoma Gas and Electric, and Richard K. Lane, President of the Public Service Company of Oklahoma—the same lobbyists who have been dictating Thomas's vote on public power.

THIS WEEK IN Washington

ADMINISTRATION FORCES broke even in the congress this week with a victory in passage of the housing bill and a defeat in the senate over the injunction and seizure provisions of the labor bill in national emergencies.

The housing bill as passed provides for a goal of \$10,000 low-rent housing units and would provide for the expenditure of \$1.5 billion in slum clearance over five years, for rural housing and for a broad housing research program. While the real estate lobby has charged that the cost of this bill will run as high as 20 billion dollars, the best estimate from observers here who are qualified is that the cost likely will be not more than 10 billion dollars spread over thirty years.

As far as the public housing feature of the bill is concerned, local officials in communities must ask for a public housing project before one can be instituted. This is another one of those measures which opponents have charged is "socialistic." However, if it is, observers point out, a majority of both the house and senate have voted for it.

In the fight over Taft-Hartley repeal and the administration's new labor law, it appears, say observers, that there likely will be no outright repeal at this session, that the amendments will largely follow those suggested by Senator Taft, and that thus the whole fight over the Taft-Hartley law will again be thrown into the 1950 elections.

Officials of the Department of Agriculture feel that farm prices have just about reached the limit of their decline and that they will level off for the next few months. Meat prices may decline further.

A judiciary subcommittee of the house is holding full-scale but closed hearings over the problem of resettling war displaced persons. One of the first witnesses was John J. McCloy, new U. S. high commissioner of Germany. Special attention is being devoted to some 14 million people who were forced from agricultural sections of Germany into industrial areas ravaged by war. Congressman Francis H. Walter of Pennsylvania said his committee is studying a plan which would authorize the World Bank to loan money to persons desiring to migrate.

One of the highlights of the week's news was the calling of

columnist Westbrook Pegler as a witness before a house labor subcommittee. Pegler was scheduled to appear July 7 under a subpoena by Congressman Andrew Jacobs of Indiana who said Pegler "claims to have a treasure of information on the subject of labor racketeering." The senate has voted to create a new senate small business committee. A former such committee created after much opposition in the 80th congress died with the last congress.

The battle of the "co-op buck" has people interested here in the nation's capital. The National Tax Equality association has been circulating "tens of millions" of imitation dollar bills attacking the tax exemption of farm and other cooperative associations. Secret service officials in Washington and Chicago cracked down on NTEA and seized the plates from which the "bucks" were printed from a Chicago printer and ordered NTEA to stop circulation on the ground they resembled too closely real dollar bills. NTEA denied the plates had been seized and said "the co-op buck is still in production." However, civil service agents confirmed they had seized the plates.

NTEA in reporting its expenditures as a lobby organization said that during the first quarter of this year they have received contributions from 17 utility concerns which are listed among the 44 contributors who gave them more than \$500 each. According to observers, reason private utility concerns are backing the NTEA lobby is that one of the largest cooperatives is the National Cooperative association.

The 17 utility firms which are backing this fight against the farm cooperatives as listed in the NTEA report include: Alabama Power Co., Arkansas Power & Light Company, Connecticut Power & Light Co., Florida Power & Light Company, Public Service Company of Indiana, Louisiana Power & Light Co., New Orleans Public Service Co., Ebasco Services, Inc., Carolina Power & Light Company, Pacific Power & Light Company, Southwestern Public Service Company, Lone Star Gas Company, Texas Power & Light Company, Texas Electric Service Company, Virginia Electric & Power Company, Wisconsin Electric Power Company and Wisconsin Power & Light Company.

Maude C. Giles, 7-7-49, SW 1/4 SW 1/4, 31-10-14, \$1.00.
Wallace Giles & Caryl Durfee—Maude C. Giles, 7-7-49, SW 1/4 SW 1/4, 31-10-14, \$1.00.

Maude C. Giles—G. Wallace Giles, 7-7-49, Same as above, \$1.00.
William F. Kropp—Belle C. Kropp et al, 10-15-46, NE 1/4 & Fr. NW 1/4 7-10-13 & NE 1/4, 34-11-13.

Lyle V. Ladd & Elizabeth—Claude A. Ruse, 7-12-49, N 50' L. 5 & 6 B. 46, Platts, \$100.00.

Mary Annie Stine—Lena M. Dysart et al, 7-15-49, Und. 1/2 Int. Fr. NW 1/4, 22-10-13.

A. L. Eiberger—Inez Pollard Mannbeck, 6-15-49, Fr. S 1/2 NW 1/4, 32-12-9, L. 6, 7, 8 & Pt. 9, Greenwood, \$1.00.

Wm. H. Lohnes & Mary—Lloyd W. Schneider & Oliver &

Helen Stivers, 7-8-49, L. 2 & NE 1/4 NE 1/4, & L. 20 Sec. 12-12-11 L. 6 Sec. 32-13-12, L. 3 Sec. 5 & 1.1 to 14 18 & 19 Sec. 6-12-12, L. 10 to 17 Sec. 31-13-12, \$1.00.

The site of Oklahoma City was opened for settlement at noon, April 22, 1889, and by night it had a population of 10,000 living in tents, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

The colossal statue of the sun-god at Rhodes, 105 feet high, was levelled by an earth quake in 224 B. C., but its remains endured until 656 A. D. when they were sold to an old metal dealer.

In the fiscal year 1947-48 the FBI handled and solved 33 kidnapping cases.

Crossword Puzzle

- HORIZONTAL
- Splendid town in Asia
 - Plant cultivated as fodder
 - Intransitive verb of a harness
 - South American mountain system
 - Mischievous child
 - Once more
 - Child's napkin
 - Not any
 - Fragrance
 - Wings
 - Land measure
 - Fermented juice of the grape
 - Racing boat
 - Girl
 - Obstinate
 - Kind of fern
 - Hasty departure
 - Symbol for calcium
 - To interpret (archaic)
 - Sm. light boat
 - Sacred Hindu
 - Simian
 - Common garment
 - Malt beverage
 - Crackers
 - To revolt
 - Gnomes
 - To ascend
 - Smudge
 - To pay out
 - City in Florida
 - Refrain

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- VERTICAL
- Enticing charm
 - To slip about noisily
 - Hail (Latin)
 - Compass point
 - Wing
 - Country of Asia
 - Observed
 - Genus of swine
 - Low note
 - Story in installments
 - Crocker
 - To revolt
 - Gnomes
 - To ascend
 - Smudge
 - Vigilant
 - City in Florida
 - To put a load on
 - Gave
 - Boys
 - To iterate
 - Large bundle
 - Settlement
 - To correct
 - Punctuation mark
 - Cleaning agent

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

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your brain budget

- Yugoslavia recently assured the United States that she had ceased giving aid to (a) Greek rebels, (b) Chinese nationalists, (c) Berlin railroad strikers.
- The artist of the famous painting, "The Sower," was (a) Millet, (b) Manet, (c) Michelangelo.
- A famous journey from Goshen to Canaan was made by (a) John L. Lewis, (b) Richard the Lion Hearted during the crusades, (c) the Israelites.
- A quotation attributed to Neville Chamberlain upon his return from the Munich conference is "I bring you . . . (a) an umbrella," (b) Hitler's assurance he won't attack England, (c) peace in our time."
- Often associated with the name, "Pandora," is (a) a box, (b) a brand of face powder, (c) a French movie.

ANSWERS

- (a) Greek rebels. Since his break with Stalin, Tito has refused aid to the Greek Communists.
- (a) Millet. It is a painting of a barefoot girl sowing grain.
- (c) The Israelites.
- (a) "peace in our time."
- (a) A box. Pandora was the girl whose curiosity led her to lift the lid and release upon the world all its troubles.