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A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Many talk like philosophers and live like fools. —Thomas Fuller

EDITORIALS

MERCHANTS AND PARKING

One of our biggest business headaches is the increase in urban traffic congestion. The auto industry has made plans for producing five million more cars this year.

Even without these new cars, parking and traffic has become a major problem in modern retailing, and, for good or ill, it has exerted pressure to change the business map of the country.

Since the war there has been a great rise in suburban businesses; the establishment of branches of big downtown stores in the outlying areas of most cities and the erection of new shopping centers in the fields midway between traffic congested cities.

Migration of business to suburbs has hurt many cities. Good examples of this migration can be found on the west coast where once sleeping villages are now thriving communities—hometowns where the payroll check is spent.

There's a lesson for us to learn here. Shoppers are on wheels today and will go for their purchases where time is not wasted finding a place to park the family jalopy. Adequate parking space is needed in Plattsmouth on busy days of the week.

Some relief from congestion will be found here when the street modernization program is complete. Double parking for a few minutes by shoppers while picking up supplies at stores will not block all traffic on the street as it does now.

LOOK AFTER EGGS

Several poultry dealers have told us one reason eggs fail to bring a price commensurate with costs of production is the lack of proper handling before being placed on the market.

Here a few days ago one poultry dealer found only three eggs out of three dozen suitable for selling over the counter.

Poultry dealers are anxious and willing to cooperate with producers in pointing the way to greater poultry profits. Big profits are to be made from eggs if properly handled, graded and placed on the market in a saleable condition.

Next time you bring eggs into a dealer, why not ask him how you can cooperate to give retailers the kind of eggs they need.

WOULD STOP PUBLIC INVESTIGATION Senator Ralph E. Flanders, Republican of Vermont, would bring to a halt all public aspects of the senate investigation of alleged communism in the state department.

The Vermont senator admits that he has been long disturbed by state department policy, particularly the close agreement between the official party line of the Chinese Communists and the attitude and

Furse's Fresh Flashes

Fellows who drive with one hand are usually headed for a church aisle. Some will walk down it, others will be carried.

Shown a picture of the Pilgrims going to church, a local mother took the opportunity to impress upon her son the importance of attending regularly. The little "Hopalong" fan informed her he would be glad to go every Sunday, too, if he could shoot Indians along the way.

It was the first he knew he had a choice when a Plattsmouth gal's father asked the new boy friend if his intentions were honorable or otherwise.

Whenever we know the right answers, no one ever asks us the right questions.

There is not too much to talk about at an afternoon bridge party until after the first two or three guests leave.

What this country needs is more and better mouthtraps.

More people would try to do right if they thought it was wrong.

There was once a time when church collection plates got most of the money filling stations now get on Sundays.

Noah would have saved us poor folks a lot of trouble if he had swatted those two mosquitos as they went aboard the ark.

One good thing about a one-way street is that you can get bumped only in the rear.

People who complain about their income taxes can be divided into two groups—men and women.

actions of the state department.

He gave serious concern to "the history and results to date of the investigation" and concludes that proceeding further along present lines "can do little good."

Mr. Flanders is convinced that the present method of open hearings on the charges of Senator Joseph R. McCarthy, of Wisconsin, can do much harm. He thinks that the whole thing has affected "unfavorably the morale of able and conscientious public servants and has caused astonishment and uncertainty in our relations abroad."

DOWN MEMORY LANE

TEN YEARS AGO

The Plattsmouth Ad Club nominated Gertrude Vallery, queen of King Korn Carnival as the candidate from this community for representative at Shenandoah Flower Show. The lettermen of P. H. S. baseball team selected Grover Parriott as captain for the 1941 season. American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps placed first and school band took second honors at the Golden Spike days in Omaha.

20 YEARS AGO

The "Old Missouri" was cutting away the bottom land along the Nebraska side on the south, throwing up a large bar or island near the river channel. Sheriff Bert Reed and Deputy Rex Young returned two men from Lincoln where they had been taken for safekeeping following an attempted escape from the county jail here, following their capture at Greenwood where they burglarized the Anderson & Cope store.

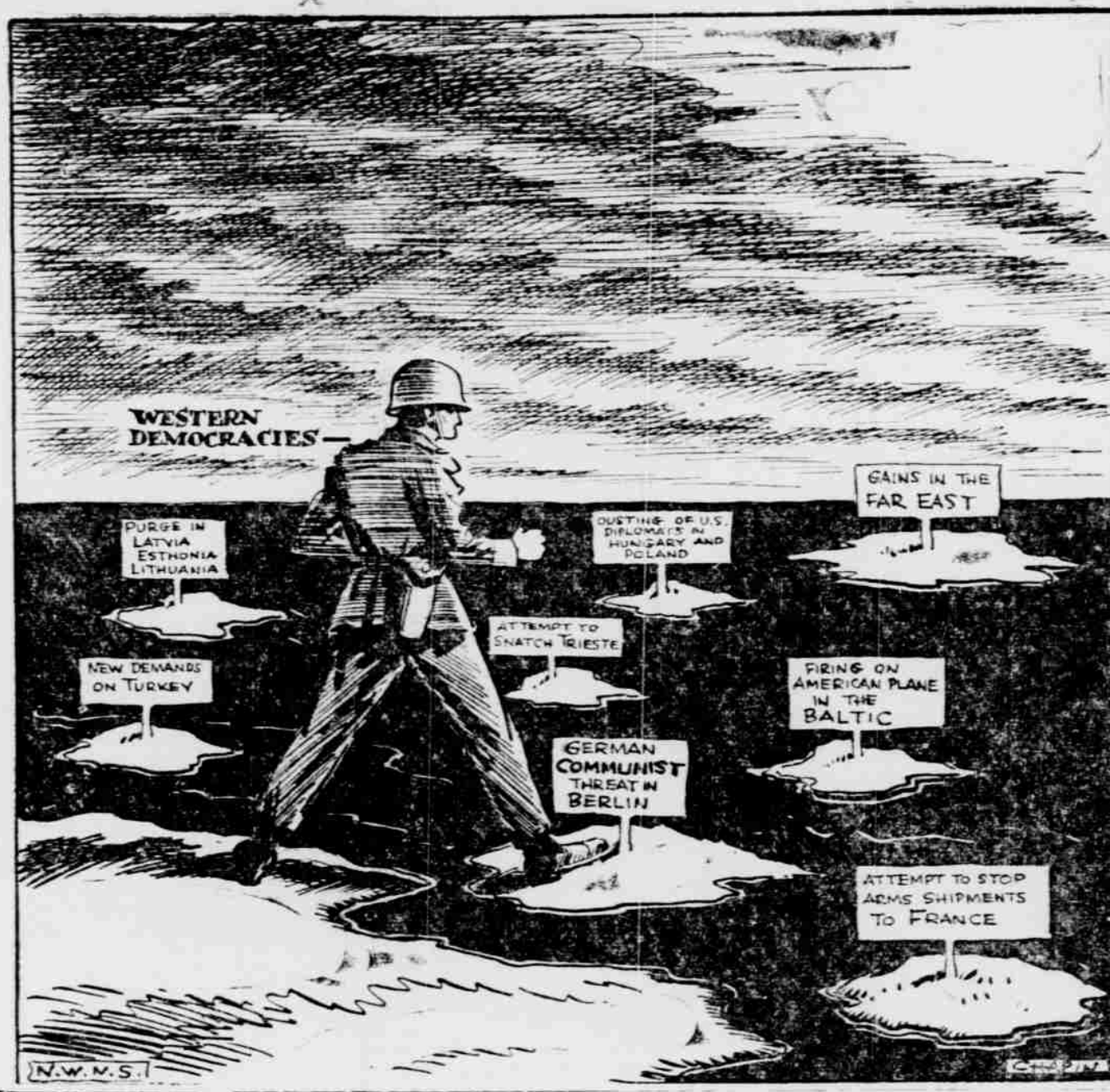
The WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

(Copyright, 1949, By the Bell Syndicate, Inc.) DREW PEARSON SAYS:

EASY CHICAGO MONEY MAKES DEMOCRATS UNHAPPY; VICE-PRESIDENT BARKLEY ACCOMPLISHES THE IMPOSSIBLE IN SPEECHMAKING; REASONS BEHIND REPRESENTATIVE CHATHAM'S ABSENTEEISM.

WASHINGTON.—Top-drawer Democrats were not happy when they got to Chicago and discovered the manner in which a quarter of a million dollars had been raised to welcome President Truman to Chicago.

THE RISING RED TIDE



Internal revenue bureau that donations to the host committee were a charity gift and tax deductible.

Chicago, it was argued, was playing host to the president regardless of politics.

Having secured this, local Democrats mailed a copy of the internal revenue ruling to prospective donors with an appeal for funds. And in the same letter, believe it or not, they inserted the schedule of Democratic political activities.

When George Killion, executive treasurer of the Democratic national committee, arrived in Chicago, he showed the non-political appeal for tax-deductible funds, with the Democratic event schedule to Chairman Bill Boyle.

"That fool Nate Lichtblau," growled Killion.

"It's the first I knew about it," remarked the worried Boyle.

Later, he reported the whole matter to President Truman.

Note—The Chicago Daily News and Ex-Congressman Everett Dirksen, GOP candidate for the senate, made the most of Democratic red faces and of the huge amounts of money contributed by the liquor interests to the Truman reception.

ROUGH-AND-TUMBLE VEEP You can't beat Alben Barkley when it comes to roush-and-tumble debate or after-dinner speeches.

The other day in Chicago, Barkley pulled a near-miracle. The occasion was the big Democratic rally honoring Thomas Jefferson just before President Truman arrived from the west.

The dinner was poorly handled. The toastmaster forgot to introduce Postmaster General Donaldson and Secretary of the Navy Matthews. Jack Arvey staged a show of dancing girls from Chez Paree, while in contrast motherly Congresswoman Mary Norton of New Jersey drowned out a 30-minute speech.

By this time it was nearly midnight, the honor-guest table was almost empty, and the audience was ready to go home. But Barkley was still to be heard from.

Most speakers would have been discouraged to start. But the vice-president got to the point of what other speakers had ignored—the real story of Thomas Jefferson. He described the details of his life, his influence on the nation, and did it in such a way that the tired and milling audience actually listened.

This column leaning backward to Congressman Thurmond Chatham of North Carolina, recently explained his prolonged absence record from congress by the fact that his wife had passed away 10 months ago and he had not been able to concentrate on his work.

That explanation may have been overly generous. Since then, it has been learned that Congressman Chatham's absence has been partly due to house parties at his Currituck Sound cottage.

Two weeks ago, furthermore, he brought Mrs. John T. Barnes, Jr., wife of a Reynolds tobacco official, to the Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem at 2:30 a. m., May 8, with a severe rash at the base of her skull. Mrs. Barnes, 35 years old and a prominent socialite, was suffering from loss of blood. Mr. Barnes arrived at the hospital at 5 a. m.

Hospital authorities, nurses and internes flatly refused to discuss the incident, but Congressman Chatham, when queried, said that Mrs. Barnes had been dining with others, on his terrace, had caught her dress in

a chair and fallen, hitting her head against a marble wall.

We are delighted to accept the congressman's story, but it should also be noted that his prolonged absences from congress apparently are not entirely due to the loss of his wife.

MERRY-GO-ROUND

Secretary of State Acheson is so tired following his London conferences that he cabled the state department that he is not to be disturbed on the voyage home—no matter how many speeches Senator McCarthy makes about him.

Senator Byrd uses his chairmanship of a similar committee in congress to fire shots at the administration, but no such probe of padded payrolls in Byrd-controlled Virginia has ever been dared before.

Another hot fight between right and left wings of the GOP is on in North Dakota. Frank Vogel, a campaign manager for "Old Bob" La Follette's presidential campaign in 1924, is running for governor.

Professor Harold Urey, famed atomic scientist from the University of Chicago, is slated to be director of the new science foundation.

Landlords have been betting such bad publicity over high rents that the Norfolk, Va., real estate board appointed a 22-man committee to keep rents down.

Instead of curbing rents, however, nine of the committee members, themselves, boosted rents from 27 to 100 per cent.

The nine men who were supposed to hold rents down but increased their own rents are: Ludwell Baldwin, Walter Bott, Clifton Council, Ralph Drewery, M. Etheridge, Robert Koolage, William Kutz, Lawrence Pate and C. V. Trice.

"DRIVER OF THE YEAR" Lloyd Reinsner, 37-year-old truck driver of Indianapolis, was as cool and collected as you would expect the "driver of the year" to be when he was congratulated by President Truman for his highway safety feats.

Truman himself seemed to get a bigger thrill than the truck driver as Reinsner told of saving a little girl's life on a highway near Louisville, Ky.

"Our highways are becoming safer every year," remarked Truman, "and we have men like you to thank for it."

Before departing, Reinsner got a prized presidential autograph for a nine-year-old Indianapolis neighbor, John Truman Harmon—no relation to the president.

"You're making a lifelong Democrat out of this boy," grinned Reinsner as Truman inscribed a personal card for the youngster.

"With a second name like that, he ought to be," quipped the president.

Traffic Safety In State Is Showing Gain

"The Traffic Safety Movement in Nebraska has proved itself," stated Captain C. J. Sanders, Nebraska Safety Patrol, in a report on the progress of Nebraska's safety program since the starting of the Nebraska Safety Patrol in 1937.

"We feel that hundreds of Nebraskans are alive today who would have been killed in traffic accidents had the accident rate in effect in 1937, when the state traffic safety movement began continued without reduction.

For example, Nebraska had 448,849 motor vehicles registered in 1937. With this number of automobiles, there were 322 traffic fatalities for a rate of 12 persons killed per 100 million miles of travel.

Last year, 1949, Nebraska had 603,832 motor vehicles registered for an increase of over 150 thousand automobiles since 1937.

In spite of this large increase in the number of automobiles in Nebraska, there were only 256 traffic fatalities for a mileage rate of 5.6 deaths per 100 million miles of travel.

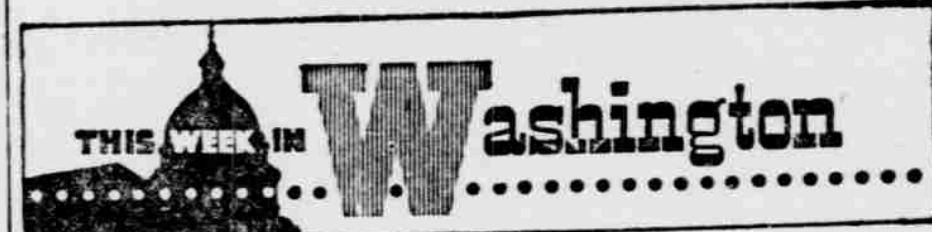
"This exceptional reduction in Nebraska's traffic death rate is a noteworthy achievement. It shows that the Nebraska Safety Patrol's enforcement and educational program has been wholeheartedly supported by schools and civic groups. It shows that traffic deaths can be reduced despite an increase in mileage."

"All Nebraska law enforcement agencies owe sincere thanks to the law-abiding John Q. Public. While he depends on us for enforcement service, we likewise depend on his continuing support of Nebraska's traffic safety program."

Greatest Campaign In Chrysler History

DETROIT—A newspaper campaign described as the biggest and most consistent that has ever been put behind a line of Chrysler cars has been announced by Joseph A. O'Malley,

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WITH MOST of the legislation in the senate suspended in favor of FEPC and other civil rights legislation as proposed by the President, the federal government adjourned to Chicago where, for the first time in the nation's history, the people were able to view and hear an official open meeting of President's cabinet sitting in Chicago's civic opera house.

There on Sunday May 14, the cabinet with full membership, with the exception of Secretary of State Dean Acheson who is in London, presided over by Vice-President Alben Barkley and flanked on the stage by all the party stalwarts and by prominent business, labor and agricultural officials, gave the people of the country a ring-side seat at the deliberations of this body, plus a report of congressional action by Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn. Not only was an audience of more than 5,000 people given a chance personally to see the cabinet in action, but millions more watched the proceedings through the medium of television, and other millions heard the action through radio.

Under-Secretary of State James Webb, pinch hitting for the absent Acheson, gave the people a report on the nation's position in world leadership. He pointed out the necessity of carrying on the Marshall plan, of implementing the Atlantic pact, not only as a prime security measure for our own nation, but as a means of remaining strong here at home.

Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer made a brief summation of the world trade situation, of our domestic commerce and also of the necessity for economic strength on the domestic front.

Secretary of Agriculture Charles Brannan outlined the continued necessity for a strong agricultural policy to maintain agriculture at a high level of production and to insure continued high agricultural income. Of course, Brannan gave a plug for his own and the administration's agricultural program. Secretary of Labor Mapprice Tobin gave a report on how a productive and peaceful industrial life is es-

ablished by Joseph A. O'Malley, general sales manager, Chrysler Sales Division, Chrysler Corporation.

The campaign will include more than three thousand daily and weekly newspapers from coast to coast, covering practically every Chrysler-Plymouth dealer town that has a newspaper.

The first advertisement appeared the week of May 14th. A second will follow the week of

May 21st and the series will continue each week during the month of June.

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LAWYERS—Bonded Abstracters

Read the Journal! By Carrier, 15c for two weeks.

Real Estate LOANS!

5 Percent Interest Charge Reduced for each monthly payment.

Plattsmouth Loan & Building Ass'n.

Crossword Puzzle

11 Brightness 14 Makes a shrill sound 18 Heavenly body 21 Believed 24 Sun god 28 Italian money 31 Artificial language 32 Goddess of healing 33 Skillful 34 Part 35 Printer's measure 36 Chemical compound 37 Sublimity 38 Wife of Geraint 39 Mountain lake 40 Betsoken 41 Cunning trick 42 Former 43 Reclines 44 Temporary grant 45 Greek letter 47 Rancor 48 Humorist 49 To fuse 50 Fetters 51 Compass point 52 Gets into a lunge 53 Noisier 54 Auto trip 55 Wail—chant 56 Temporary grant 57 Greek letter 58 Conceit 59 Mends 60 Dolphinlike reticence 61 Frequently 62 To outward 63 Male singing voice 64 To record 65 To lengthen 66 To agitate 67 Arrived at 68 Come in! 69 Took unjustly 70 Maxims 71 Butterfly 72 Chum 73 One of the Great Lakes 74 Fifty-five 75 Prefix: down

Answer to LAST WEEK'S Puzzle:

SAF AWARD KIT CAMY FATS IRA CA BEE WERSK PRA BAR OAR EAV ROY STNCR IV EY SAD UP NEVER NIT EFA ANEW MIX PRSY REVAL YAM PENSEZ POLITY EFA STBR NEE EY RAISE EYS



1. Maj. Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe, chief of the army chemical corps, made a famous one-word statement Dec. 22, 1944. It was (a) "Gosh!" (b) "Whew!" (c) "Nuts!" (d) "Applesauce!" (e) "Prunjuice!" 2. Antwerp is on the (a) Schelde river, (b) Jumna river, (c) Kialing river. 3. Droll means (a) old, (b) comic, (c) profane, (d) new. 4. A tureen would normally contain (a) soup, (b) whiskey, (c) tobacco, (d) passengers. 5. Only party adherents may participate in (a) open, (b) direct, (c) closed, (d) indirect primaries.