# **EDITORIALS**

#### CREEDOM OF PRESS NOT INVOLVED

Dr. Edward A. Rumely, executive secretary of the Committee for Constitutional Government, has been convicted on contempt-of-Congress charges for refusing to tell the House Lobby Committee the names of persons who contributed largesums for the distribution of books and literature published by his organization.

The defense was based around the allegation that Dr. Rumely was protected by the freedom-of-the-press guarantee in the Bill of Rights. He contended, in connection with the charges, that Congress had no right to the information and that to compel him to reveal the names of the financial angels behind his activity would violate the freedom of the press.

This contention is absurd. Newspapers throughout the nation are required to publish the names of their owners. So far as we know, no responsible newspaper pretends that this interferes with its freedom to print the news or to express its editorial opinion.

The truth is that newspapers, when their owners are unknown, can be used for improper purposes without the knowledge of those who read them. The high sounding title of Dr. Rumely's organization gives some prestige to its distribution of various books and pamphlets upon public affairs.

To require him to give the names of persons who contributed large sums for their publication and distribution would not, in any sense, infringe on the right of his organization to publish and distribute its propaganda.

## \* \* \* HONESTY TEST COSTS BANK \$112 A bank in Atlanta, Ga., depending upon public honesty, recently put a large

fishbowl of coins in the lobby and invited customers to make their own change. After trying the experiment for five

weeks, and losing \$112 in the last two, the bank has reverted to the ancient and honorable custom of counting its coins in connection with the art of making change.

Assuming that the officials of the bank are men of ordinary intelligence, we likewise presume that the fishbowl-idea was a publicity stunt. We can hardly imagine that mature individuals would expect that, among the thousands who circulate freely in any neighborhood, honesty would be the absolute rule.

of any opportunity to steal money. Nevertheless, the percentage of crooks, grafters and thieves is high enough to assure that any such experiment, as that reported from Atlanta, will be a losing proposition.

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**NEVER ENDING REPERCUSSIONS** 

SECTION B CASS COUNTY'S NEWSpaper

PAGE ONE

## Serving Plattsmouth and Cass County for Over Seventy Years

# **Furse's Fresh Flashes**

#### We hear that some taverns are equiping their bars with glasses having magnifying bottoms for watching television. \* \* \*

A Plattsmouth man says windows and widows are very similar-when you get near them, you want to look out.

\* \* \* Just to make sure the garden got spaded, a local wife buried two-dozen of her husband's golf balls in it.

\* \* \* Flipper Fanny, our dainty little contour twister, says thrift is a wonderful thing-especially in ancestors.

\* \* \* About the only thing you can't get on time these days is meals.

Students at a Missouri school petitioned for an afternoon nap as part of the course. They probably just wanted to make it official.

A new baby makes the days brighter, says our doctor. And during the teething period it helps brighten up the home at night, too.

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Our banker tells us you can't do much without some sort of backing. Wonder if he ever heard of an evening dress.

A magician isn't the only one who produces things you never saw before. Look at what the laundries bring back.

\* \* \* Again we read where the old-fashioned doctor is disappearing. No wonderso is the old-fashioned family.

> \* \* \* Some women are outspoken-but not





often.

Id be the absolute rule. We are thoroughly convinced that the 20 The pipeline placed across Cass of American equipment stored a tremendous outcry from the vast majority of human beings are honest county from the southern boundary to there, the actions of the Na- American press and public, and and utterly unwilling to take advantage Plattsmouth where it crossed the Missouri tionalist Chinese had all the for weeks Hoover was the butt river, was given valuation of \$17,500 on earmarks of a sellout to the of possibly more scathing crit-24 inch mains and \$4,400 on 8 inch lines, after captured it. It was not which added to the tax producing prop- long before all Manchuria fell erties of the county; this was first year to the communists. placed on tax rolls . . . Miss Martha Gorder accepted position as swimming instructor in the womens department of the lacking leadership, long ago had The Veterans Administration has be- Y.M.C.A. at Pueblo, Colo. . . . White & Bucknell Hardware store was looted of while the war against the commerchandise valued from \$300 to \$500 munists on the Chinese main-land simply depended upon how Construction contract for overhead rapidly Mao Tse-Tung's men viaduct at the Pappio creek just south of wanted to travel. Ft. Crook was awarded the Peter Kiewit Sons Company . . . Class of P.H.S. 1931 presented the play "Holiday" at the Parmele Theatre, with Maxine Cloidt in lead- for two "ears. ing feminine role, James Begley, Margaret Shellenbarger and Richard Spangler in supporting roles. Others in the cast were Merle McCrary, Paul Iverson, Jean Hayes, United States is Col. James Towner Livingston, Francis Yelick, George McHugh, retired Marine Corps Lepert and Velma Fulton.

VORLD WAR III

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Section B

THE HUB-BUB over the command |as president of the Farm nureau ouster of General MacArthur Federation for many years, Likeovershadows anything that is hap- able Uncle Ed made friends on pening in Washington. Folks, how- both sides of the political fence ever, should not loose their per- and the story is often told in Washspective over what is happening, ing about how he used to sit in If you do not agree with President the gallery behind the clock in the Truman that we should not at house chamber and by a series of tack Red China and do agree with "nods" of his head and sign lan-General MacArthur that we should guage, guide farm legislation attack Red China, then an argu- through the congress. Mr. Kline, ment could ensue until both were however, although making a good black in the face over which is personal impression in Washington, right.

But if you are an American citizen and believe in the constitutional provisions, then you must of necessity agree that President Truman is right and General MacArthur is wrong, when the latter declines to obey the orders of the President or even of the chiefs of staff. As a military man, his duty is to carry out the orders of his commander-in-chief. If he cannot do this with a clear conscience, his duty is to resign his military commission. And according to some authorities, this is just what he was in the process of doing when President Truman nipped that plan in the bud and dismissed him

instead.

The President's new mobil zation advisory board contains the name of four representatives of the to farm organizations in the country but significant is the absence of the name of Allen Kline, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, largest of the farm organizations. The President did name a farm bureau man in Ray B. Wiser. president of the California farm bureau federation, but, it is said when Mr. Wiser learned that Kline had not been named he has refused to serve. According to observers here, however, it is easy

these observers say, has used his head as a battering ram only. Other members of the President's committee include Mr. Hershel Newsom of Indiana, master of the National Grange; Mr. D. W. Brooks, of the National Council of Farm Cooperatives, and President Patton of the National Farmers Union.

. . . . ....

The President's commission on migratory labor has recently issued a report on this important subject, indicating that these thousands of laborers who follow the crops and the season from south to north and back, are accepting jobs and working conditions in many respects worse than 30 or more years ago. The committee said: "They neither belong to the land, nor does the land belong to them. They pass through community after community, but they neither claim the community as home, nor does the community claim them. As crops ripen, farmers anxiously await their coming; as the harvest closes, the community with equal anxiety awaits their going." The committee says that if the present domestic farm labor force puts in 614 days more of employment in 1951 than it did in 1950, it will overcome the 700,000.000 additional man-hours required for the 1951 crop to offset emergency period losses

200,000 farm workers per year.

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died December 14 at the age of

Farm-land values reached a

in 1950 and in November were

one per cent above the peak of

November, 1948.

Dorothea Keil Journal Correspondent

Week end callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Trunk- to understand why the President nbolz were Mr and Mrs R

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VO GROUNDS!

#### \* \* \* VET INSURANCE REFUND

gun to distribute \$685,000,000 to the holders of some 8,000,000 National Service Life Insurance policies. Veterans entitled to participate in the division are not required to make any application and the checks for their share will be sent two or three months after the anniversary dates of their policies.

Last year, the Administration paid out \$2,800,000,000 to holders of 16,000,-000 policies. The refund occurred because the Government, in connection with its policies issued to veterans during the war. accumulated a surplus which was not needed to pay losses. Consequently, the money goes back to the policy-holders under a formula which takes into consideration the length of the policy, the age of the insured and other factors.

While the dividends will not be divided equally among the holders, because of these special factors, they will average about \$80 each. This compares with a similarly-calculated average of \$175 for the initial special dividend payment last year. What will interest the recipients is the fact that the payments are exempt from income taxation.

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THOUGHT FOR TODAY He who has health has hope, and he who

has hope has everything. - Arab Proverb

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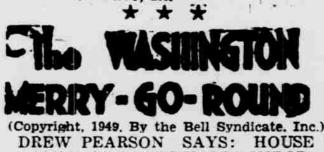


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in Washington, D.C. . . . Jim Sandin was Colonel McHugh and General selected as a member of the cast of "Bro- Barr, who have lived in China ther Orchid" commencement week dramatic club production at Peru Teachers College . . . A benefit dance was staged for purchase of new uniforms for baseball club team. Ray Shafer was manager of this group . . . L. O. Minor, one of the active leaders of local Rotary during his residence here, was named to head the club at Kankakee, Ill.



COMMITTEE WITHHOLDS IMPOR-TANT TESTIMONY ON CHIANG KAI-SHEK; TAFT FOUND MAC-ARTHUR POLITICALLY COOL; HERBERT HOOVER HAD HIS GENERAL.

Washington .- Locked in the files of the House Foreign Affairs Committee is some dynamite-laden evidence by a former adviser to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, which would be of great interest in the MacArthur-Truman debate if it were made public.

Secret testimony was given on April 6, 1949, before the Foreign Affairs Committee by Maj. Gen. David G. Barr, former military adviser to Chiang. At that time Barr testified, among other things, itical overture and in effect that Chiang's staff officers were incompetent, lazy, derelict and in some cases away." downright dishonest. He described the surrender of some Manchurian cities to the communists by Chiang's generals as so suspicious as to raise possible doubts of a sell-out to the enemy. In some cases, the other end of a somewhat Chiang's staff officers were not even pres- similar situation when he was ent when the troops under them surrend- President of the United States gress is operating in the dark. fashioned, single-track patriot-

much easier and quicker.

In one case a big allied supply

N.W.N.S.

HARRY

General Barr testified that he believed Chiang himself was honest, but that his troops, lost the will to fight. For a

For reasons best known to himself, John Kee of the House Foreign Affairs committee has been sitting on this testimony

Note-Another witness who could shed great light on Chiang Kai-Shek's fighting qualities and his real feeling toward the officer. McHugh was aide to Chiang Kai-Shek during the war, speaks Chinese, and is one 10 YEARS AGO Miss Irma Pitman accepted position of the few Americans who have written a textbook in the Chin-ese language. Experts such as and know Chiang Kai-Shek intimately, should be called as

witnesses before the Armed Services committee. Taft and MacArthur

Friends of Senator Taft report that the Senator's visit with General MacArthur at the Waldorf Tower, New York, netted only two things-Taft's firm conviction that MacArthur meant what he said about keeping out of politics, and second. that the general could out-talk the rather loquacious Senator from Ohio.

Taft went to see MacArthur to find out discreetly whether the general had any political intentions; and second. if not, to lay some diplomatic groundwork so that the general might later get on the Taft bandwagon.

MacArthur was cordial, but politically negative. He gave Taft a shortened version of his congressional speech, ouoting it in such verbatim detail that it almost seemed as if he had memorized it. Taft. who is no mean talker himself. could hardl" get a word in edgewise. Taft's friends say that he did not tell the General that he, the Senator, was a candidate for the presidency though he did hint that the Republicans were most grateful to MacArthur for what

he had done and that they would certainly want him to be a leading defense planner if they won in 1952. However. MacArthur was no-

ticeably cool toward every polreneated his ambition to "fade 1940.

#### **History Repeats**

Herbert Hoover, who has been the chief confidante of General MacArthur during the present hig debate, paradoxically was on Hoover made the mistake of

Ludi of Lincoln. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scatter-The situation was somewhat

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General Barr also told how; Maj. Gen. Smedley D. Butler, a

great quantities of American popular Marine Corps figure,

equipment which we supplied after Butler had stated in a

the Nationalist forces fell into lecture that Benito Mussolini.

communist hands, and in turn then dictator of Italy, had run

made the red conquest of China over a child with his car but

base at Chinchow was left vir- Italian ambassador Di Martino

tually and mysteriously unde- had protested officially.

comparable to the present Macgood spent last Sunday at Ruskin with their son-in-law and Arthur debate in that the admirals did not like General Butler | daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Sorenson. any more than some of the lea-

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Busker and ders in the pentagon love Genfamily of Elk Point, South Daeral MacArthur. kota, spent the week end with It was also significant that Hoover's popularity at that time Mrs. Busker's parents, Mr. and had sunk to an extremely low Mrs. A. W. Adams. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phillips ebb, comparable to that of Tru-

Vicki and Tommy of Havelock In the end, Hoover did what were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Truman has not done. He Robert Phillips and daughters. abjectly surrendered and called Engle

#### off General Butler's court-mar-Mrs. Wilson At Note-Hoover privately has Mother's Home

been something of an admirer Mrs. Fred Wilson of Lewellen, of President Truman, extolled Nebr., who had been ill for a his virtues at a gridiron club week was brought to the home dinner, and has expressed priof her mother, Mrs. Hallie Stewvate appreciation of the fact art last week. She was taken that Truman brought him back to Washington in various advisory capacities after the thirand treatment. She was relatter part of the week. After

mother she was improved and able to return home with her husband on Monday of this

Miss Emma Dennis and Paul Dennis of Lincoln spent last Sunday afternoon with their cousin, Mrs. Laura West. Mrs. Agnes Caudel of Mitchell, Nebr., visited at the home of her cousin, Mrs. Elmer Frohlich and family last week. Mrs. American people are Caudel and Mrs. Frohlich also They have lost confidence in visited relatives in Lincoln and now directing the na- friends in Ulysses.

- Engle tion's affars. This message has come to me in hundreds of wires Mrs. Bassett Is Club and letters since MacArthur was Hostess Recently

Mrs. Ivan Bassett entertained This great outburst of emotionalism and moral indignation the Camp Fire Extension club is a heartening sign. But of it-1 at her home April 16. A covered self, it will not solve our serious dish luncheon was enjoyed at and complex problems. Orderly, noon. Mrs. Vernon Bennett and courageous and patriotic think- Mrs. LaVal Swarts presented the lesson sewing.

#### The greatest threat to Ameri-**Attend Funeral** ca is not from without. It is

#### It is that our govern-Services At Walton

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon for Mrs Minnie Schroeder of Walton at Trinity Lutheran church south of Walton with Rev. Leubke of-44 Symbol for ficiating. Mr. and Mrs. Fréd Schwegman and Mr. and Mrs. 45 Feminine Dick Schwegman attended the name 47 Tears services. 49 Spanish for - Eagle -

'yes' Misses Caroline and Freda 51 A genus of Reitter spent Sunday afternoon inscrits 53 Measure of April 22nd at the Dr. Ryerson length home in Lincoln honoring Mrs 56 Hardens Arthur Ryerson of Colusa, Calif 59 The Sandarac The Pleasant Hill club met tree 60 To be intion of liberty. It has not func-tioned effectively since before Friday, April 20, at the home of debted to Mrs. John Weyers. 61 Making ready 63 Roll of money

A second peril within is mili- be distracted or confused by extarism. We have only "yes" men citing events abroad. So keep services. your eye on the ball. The de-Congress gets no information cisive battle for liberty in this (except for a MacArthur) that generation will be won or lost the administration doesn't want in America. It will be won by it to have. As a result, con- Americans faithful to the old-

did not name Kline as a farm rep Shumaker and son of Weeping resentative of the board. In the Water and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest first place Kline has been the most

outspoken of all farm leaders against the secretary of agricul-Senator Charles W. Tobey, of ture and of the administration's New Hampshire, considered one of agricultural program. As a matter the more liberal of the Republican of fact, Kline has been ballooned veterans in the senate, has come for president by a group of grain in for some general censure from dealers in the middle west. Unfor- most all sources here because he tunately, Mr. Kline does not admittedly tapped or recorded pripossess the tact and finesse that vate phone conversations with the

his predecessor Ed A. O'Neil, did President,

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kreck- sent to Mrs. Margaret Haines, s low of Manley spent Sunday, friend, last October, was a wit-April 20 with Mr. and Mrs. nessed will in which Meisinger said he was leaving all his prop-George Winkler. erty to Mrs. Haines. Meisinger

#### AIDS OPPRESSED SANTA BARBARA, Calif. - In 55 and left an estate valued at

the will of William Zimdin, 71, \$8,000. The court upheld the will. who died March 4th, was a provision setting up a trust fund

\$1,000,000 to aid refugees from FARM LAND VALUES tyranny. A native of Esthonia, Zimdin fled the Bolsheviks in new high in November, 1950, acto Clarkson hospital in Omaha 1917 and then left Germany cording to statistics of the Agrion Wednesday for observation when Hitler came into power. He culture Department. After a came to this country ten years downward trend during 1949, leased from the hospital the ago. He left another \$1,000,000 to farm-land values started to rise relatives, including his wife. recuperating at the home of her CARD-WILL

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. - Typewritten inside a birthday card In the U.S. there are 3,069 which Frederick C. Meisinger counties. - Eagle -

Crossword Puzzle HORIZONTAL 1 Capital of N. Algeria B Part of church 9 To fies (slang) 14 Female she 15 The bantene 18 Matured 20 Burmese demon 21 Compass 22 Sun god 24 Mine entrance 26 Beverage 28 Arctic bird - Eagle -

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64 To purloin 65 Dance step

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5 A tribe in

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VERTICAL

30 Stump of a tooth 32 A parrot fish 35 To eat away 37 Allowance for waste 39 Holland commune 40 Agitates 42 Covers with

6 Disease of fowls 7 Bushmen

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41 Slumbers

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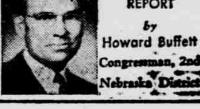
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ment will continue policies that end in self-destruction. This is the first fact to remember. No great nation in history has been destroyed from without - at least until it became rotten Various perils within are infinitely more dangerous than

Russia and Communism. One is the disintegration of the twoparty system. There is nothing dramatic about this decay-but a strong and virile two-party system is vital to the preserva-

heading our armed

teen-vear, anti-Hoover boycott WASHINGTON week. REPORT



amazed, frightened and angry

ing and action must follow.

