

EDITORIALS

Furse's Fresh Flashes

THE SCANDAL AT WEST POINT
The Cadet Corps of the U. S. Military Academy was stunned and the nation, as a whole, amazed at the dismissal of ninety cadets for violating the honor code and cheating during examinations.

There is, naturally, a sincere regret over the fate which has befallen these young men. That there may be others equally involved, who have not been apprehended, does not exonerate the cadets who are admittedly guilty. Cadet officials, untouched by the investigation, generally had little sympathy for the guilty men, asserting that the honor code must be maintained, as it has for more than a century.

In a statement announcing that action against the cadets had been taken with the deepest regret and that it was "stern and uncompromising," Major General Frederick A. Irving, Superintendent of the Academy, said there could be "no compromise solution that would preserve the vital honor system of West Point which is the very heart of the Academy."

The General makes the point that "from the day a cadet enters West Point, the ideals which are exemplified in the honor code are impressed on him in all of his activities. The ethics of honor are above and apart from regulations. . . . (They) are the foundation of the integrity demanded of an officer" who must maintain "the highest standards, not only of courage but of integrity" if he is to "retain the faith of parents, whose sons the officers of the Army must lead in battle."

REDUCES 401 POUNDS

For some years, Dolly Dimples was described as "the most beautiful fat girl in show business." She weighed 555 pounds and had a song and dance routine.

A newspaper dispatch from Fort Thomas, Kentucky, says that the lady recently celebrated her fiftieth birthday, weighing only 154 pounds. She suffered a heart attack about a year ago and began a rigorous diet, which peeled off 401 pounds.

There may be some ladies, and men, too, in Cass county, who would like to know how Dolly took off the pounds. She says, "It's simple. All anyone has to do is to diet properly and have will power and stick strictly to the diet. No one has to stay fat."

A treaty of peace is worth exactly the value that one attaches to the character of those who sign it.

HAS TO TAX SOMEBODY

Every time the hard-pressed Congressmen attempt to find some source of revenue to enable the government to meet its tremendous expenses, there are loud objections and pessimistic prophecies of what will happen if the tax is voted.

The National Association of Manufacturers and the U. S. Chamber of Commerce are among the first to yell disaster when any tax threatens to touch the pocketbooks of manufacturers or business men. The same story is heard about almost any tax that touches any object. It is asserted by paid representatives of the associations that the result will be utter ruin and that the producer will be priced out of the market.

This is the natural reaction of nearly everybody but what the critics seem to overlook is that the government has to have money and to get money there must be taxation. It would be nice for the manufacturers and business men if all the taxation could be borne by the consumer but, before the government gets what it needs for defense and other operations, there will be additional taxation for everybody.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

All philosophies, if you ride them home, are nonsense.

— Samuel Butler

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We know of some people who can speak several languages, but we're still trying to learn when to keep our mouth shut while speaking only one.

A Plattsmouth man, who has been experiencing a little domestic trouble, says the next time he's going home to mother—he could stand a home-cooked meal.

Flipper Fanny, our dainty little contour twister, says a wolf is a guy who knows all the ankles, and one with whom you should eat, drink, and be wary.

A nice thing about being a policeman is that the customer is always wrong.

With beef steak the price it is, the lowly hot dog has now become top dog.

So far, no historian has gone into the record to discover where the first bathing beauty contest was celebrated.

The first mistake we ever made going into public business was going into it.

Better show decent respect to birds. Remember the dove brings peace and the stork brings exemptions.

Down Memory Lane

20 YEARS AGO
The Westport, large steel river launch was given induction into the waters of the Missouri River, to be used in work of making the river navigable. It was built in St. Louis, especially designed for this type of work. The McMaken Transfer had the contract for delivery from the railroad to the river exemplifying their slogan "We Move Anything" . . . The Journal began publication of the History of Plattsmouth from the early days taken from the thesis prepared by R. Foster Patterson, principal of local high school . . . Two very large tarantulas, in shipments of fruit from the tropics, were captured at the Black & White grocery by Ernest Zitka an employee who battled with the "spiders".

10 YEARS AGO
E. H. Wescott, advancement director, presided with Clyde Sturgi, district executive and Walter Rose, Auburn, district chairman assisting in conferring of awards at court of honor B.S.A., held in Plattsmouth. Three local boys received their Eagle awards—William Robertson Jr., Cary Marshall and Raymond Evers, all of Troop No. 364 . . . Wilbur Eaton Jr., departed for St. Paul, Minn., where he was to enter the St. Thomas Academy, military school for students of high school age.

The WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

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DREW PEARSON SAYS: RUSSIA'S PROPAGANDA IS CLEVERLY PLANNED; U. S. SENATORS QUIBBLE OVER PROPAGANDA FUNDS; HUNGRY EAST GERMAN LINE UP FOR SOUP AND NOODLES IN WEST BERLIN.

(Ed. Note—Drew Pearson, in Europe for the launching of Friendship Balloons behind the Iron Curtain, has also picked up some important reactions regarding the vital problem of war and peace.)

En Route Through Europe.—Europe today is a study in contrasts—contrasts between East and West, contrasts between this continent and the U.S.A. Here are some scenes which, though I have left them, remain vividly etched on my mind.

Scene I—East Berlin: As you walk behind the Iron Curtain through the bomb-riddled city of East Berlin you are struck with the way Moscow has played up the thing that appeals most to men's hearts. Flags are everywhere. And between every German, Chinese, Czech, Korean, Hungarian flag is the blue and white flag of peace. Atop every pillar also squats the dove of peace—a plump, dumpy dove, a little too smug and self-satisfied to sit surveying the stark remnants of what was once Berlin—but nevertheless a constant reminder that the Soviet Union supposedly craves peace.

And at the base of every pillar are featured the international words for peace—"Paz - Mir - Paix - Beke - Peace." Over and over again are repeated these words, the words every soldier loves, the words every nationality can read and understand—peace.

In telling contrast are featured the words of President Truman, Secretary Marshall, Dean Acheson, warning of the danger of war, warning that we must prepare for war.

It was international propaganda at its most effective, most deceptive best. And despite the State Department's valiant though limited counterpropaganda, hundreds of thousands of the 2,000,000 youngsters who attended the Berlin youth rally must have gone home with the impression that the U.S.A. was the big bad ogre of the world today, with the U.S.S.R. their

FAREWELL TO SUMMER



only hope for peace. Scene II—The U. S. Senate, Washington, D.C.—Senator McKellar of Tennessee, aged 88, Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, is listening sleepily to State Department testimony regarding its budget. George Perkins, age 56, son of J. P. Morgan partner, Chief of European Affairs, and not exactly the communist-type McCarthy claims runs the State Department, is testifying regarding the need for more funds to run the U. S. Embassy in communist Poland.

The Senators want to know why it will cost more next year than last. Perkins explains that the battle against communism has become more intense, also that the embassy lost money last year through the depreciation of the Polish Zloty.

"Young man," growled Senator McKellar of Tennessee, "will you tell me under what article of the U. S. Constitution or by what law of Congress you have the right to go out and tamper with another nation's currency?"

It is this same Senator McKellar, using his deep insight into international affairs, who influences how much money the State Department can have to combat communism.

Scene III—Also the U. S. Senate, aged 75, is listening to Assistant Secretary of State Barrett testify regarding the importance of selling the United States to the rest of the world. McCarran keeps wider awake than his colleague from Tennessee. He even admits that Barrett puts up a plausible argument. Finally, however, he concludes:

"I would hate to answer for the spending of all this money to prevent war, when I feel sure war is inevitable."

Back to Berlin: The studio of radio station RIAS operated by the State Department in the western sector:

A group of East German youngsters have crowded into the RIAS studio. Supposedly communists, and attending the communist youth rally, they want to see the radio station they have been listening to across the Iron Curtain in East Germany.

Before the microphone come various RIAS radio performers—First singer. She gets a terrific round of applause. They come a political commentator who every night takes gibes at Soviet operations in East Germany. He too is gleefully recognized by the youthful audience.

They know their RIAS radio performers as an American audience knows its Jack Benny or Milton Berle. It's a recognition that can come only from listening.

These youngsters are the future generation of Germany—the kids who will really decide whether communism stays or goes; who will fight or fraternize with American boys in the war that Senator McCarran says is inevitable.

Yet Senator McCarran, an old master of 75 who won't have to fight, and Senator McKellar, now 88, say the State Department's radio program is wasted money, poured out on empty ether.

Soviet Russia today spends \$2,000,000,000 a year on propaganda. It even has 1,200 jamming stations to drown out the voice of America—the voice which the old men of the Senate say is waste of money. It appears so important to the Kremlin, however, that the Kremlin spends more than the cost of the voice in order to drown it out.

This year the State Department asked for a little more money to carry on the war of ideas, but the old men of the Senate Appropriations Committee voted a cut. Here is their secret vote to hamstring their country in the battle of ideas: McCarran, McKellar, McClellan of Arkansas, Bridges of New Hampshire, Ferguson of Michigan, Wherry of Nebraska, and Hickenlooper of Iowa.

Scene V—A West German youth center in West Berlin: Inside is a line of East German youngsters waiting for soup and noodles. The communist food system has broken down in the East Zone and they have come over to West Berlin. They know where to come because the State Department published a pocket-size guidebook in advance telling the communist kids where to find the West Berlin youth centers.

Around the walls of the youth center sit another group of East German youngsters, bent over their noses buried in magazines and pamphlets. As our party came in they did not look up. Dressed as westerners, we usually attracted attention. But they did not look up.

They were reading, believe it or not, anti-communist literature—cartoons depicting Stalin for what he really is, a warmonger; an illustrated story of Korea; pamphlets telling the genuine peace aims of the United States.

It was State Department literature, carefully printed in German. Illustrated by German cartoonists, telling the true facts about the United States. Obviously it was a story which these East German youngsters

ALVO

Mrs. Alfa Quellhorst

Mrs. May Burns and daughter of Tucson, Ariz., visited her uncle and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Edwards the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hardnock called on Mrs. Carl Sutton Sunday afternoon at her home. She underwent surgery several weeks ago and is still convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Rapp of Weeping Water have moved into the Boyles house, Mr. and Mrs. Sheets, former occupants, having returned to Kansas City. Mr. Rapp will help Chas. Ganz on the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Lenard Leming entertained the Royal Neighbor Lodge at her home last Friday afternoon. There were 10 members and two visitors present.

Several Are Guests Sunday
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bornmeier and family of Murdock, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nickel and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Quellhorst, Harold and Jane of Paola, Kans., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mart Nickel and Mrs. O. D. Quellhorst Sunday. Jane Quellhorst had spent the week here but returned with her parents Sunday evening.

Allen Edwards of Denver, Colo., returned to his home Tuesday after about a month's visit with relatives here.

Drakes Have Sunday Guests
Rev. and Mrs. Drake had as their guests Sunday Mr. Drake's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Drake of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Erickson of Grand Island, Mr. and Mrs. Frel Fletcher and three children of North Platte and Mr. and Mrs. C. Miller of Lincoln. Mrs. Fletcher is a sister of Mr. Drake.

Club Members Attend Camp
The Squealing Porkers 4-H Club and their leader, Ralph Nickel, attended camp at the Harriott Harding camp at Louisville the 13th, 14th and 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. Lenard Leming were called by Beatrice Tuesday by the serious illness of Mrs. Leming's aunt, Mrs. Nellie Martin. Her condition still remains critical.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bryant of Omaha have moved into the Kellogg apartment house.

Mr. and Mrs. Walden and family moved to Stella Thursday. Mr. Walden will teach in the Stella high school.

Mrs. Walter Vincent and children visited Mrs. Vincent's mother, Mrs. Daugh and other relatives in Albion last week.

had never heard before, and it must have been a fascinating story, for they drank it in like a dime novel.

I visited half a dozen youth centers in West Berlin. In each it was the same way—communist kids pouring over our literature, hungry to know the truth, stuffing the booklets into their blouses when they left, many of them tearing the covers off so their communist bosses would not find and penalize them for having this literature—the same literature which Senators McKellar, McCarran, Ferguson, et al, now say we should curtail.

VETERANS' COLUMN

By RICHARD C. PECK
Cass County Veterans' Service Officer

World War II Veterans Pensions
Many veterans are under the impression that a pension is payable to all veterans of World War II, upon attainment of a certain age regardless of disability. This is not the fact.

If a veteran is under 55 years of age, he must have a disability amounting to 60% or more; if there are two or more disabilities, there must be one disability rateable at 40% or more, and sufficient additional disability to be combined rating to 70% or more. The percentage requirement is reduced to 50% on attainment of the age of 55 to a 60% rating for one or more disabilities, with no percentage requirement for any one disability.

The requirement at age 60 is 50% rating for one or more disabilities. At age 65, there is no percentage requirement other than one disability rateable at 10% or more.

Permanent total disability is usually conceded when it is reasonably sure that the disability will remain unimproved throughout the veteran's life.

Pension will not be paid to a person without dependents whose annual income exceeds \$1000.00, nor to a married person or a person with dependents whose annual income exceeds \$2500.00. All income, except government benefits, is counted, but the income of the veteran's wife or members of his family is not considered.

THIS WEEK IN Washington

PRESIDENT TRUMAN believes that flood control in the mid-west depends upon the choice of congressmen. He has called for the election of more "forward-looking liberal-minded members of congress."

The President is highly critical of "shortsighted people who can't see beyond their purely local interests." He is referring in this quotation to this summer's disastrous Missouri-Kansas floods.

He criticizes congressional refusal to authorize flood control dams on the Kansas river and its tributaries.

Truman's views were expressed in a letter to C.I.O. President Philip Murray who asked him to create an emergency commission to draw up a river control program for the Missouri valley.

There may be a new price turn upward. If so, there will be two reasons: government defense spending at about \$50 billion a year and embank of civilian production. More money in the economy and less goods act together to create a spiral. All this is in face of Truman's description of the bill to amend and extend the defense production act of 1950—the bill that's supposed to constrain inflation—"the worst I ever had to sign."

Neither Senator John Butler of Maryland nor Senator McCarthy, his supporter, have reason to be too happy over a document issued by a senate subcommittee on the election tactics by which Butler defeated Senator Millard Tydings. Evidence is clear that a smear campaign was conducted against Tydings and the Maryland voters were told that the Tydings committee report on the state department loyalty cases showed a sympathy with Communism. The truth is Tydings refused to convict accused persons on insufficient evidence and was punished for his fair-mindedness with a "despicable backstreet type of campaign" by Butler.

The two Harrys—Truman and Byrd—are the outstanding leaders of the dissident factions in the

Democratic party. Byrd is the voice of the rebel southerners, and especially bitter to Truman as Byrd's continual harping upon alleged fees received by Democratic Chairman William Boyle after successfully petitioning for certain clients loans from the R.F.C. Byrd is demanding a thorough investigation of Boyle's activities and his ouster from the party leadership if he is found guilty of any political influence on the R.F.C. to obtain the loans.

Byrd, as if assuming Boyle's guilt, declares, "The time has come when this moral deterioration at Washington must stop and those guilty of such acts must be exposed and punished."

Satirizing the southern hospitality to northern G.O.P. overtures, the Detroit News recently carried a cartoon, showing a composite Dixiecrat-Republican exclaiming to a psychiatrist, "I'm all mixed up. Doc! When I am not hating Truman, I hate myself."

Some Republican legislators are blaming the deflection from honor of the 90 West Point cribbers upon Truman's administration.

Besides Truman's \$10-billion demand for new revenue, foreign aid authorization and regular appropriations, congress still has on the agenda:

Formal termination of the war with Germany; statutory banning of exports of military items to Russia and satellites and cessation of aid to countries making such exports; authorization of transfer of 24 destroyer escorts to France, Denmark, Peru, Uruguay, Brazil and Great Britain, which the house has authorized \$3.8 billion dollar program of construction of military bases and facilities; legislation to control interstate criminal activities.

There's a report that in 1948 Senator Kefauver condemned all senate and house subcommittees. He declared he favored abolishing all street committees to keep the vaudeville actors out of congress and save the taxpayers money. He declared that these committees had to do something sensational and grab headlines.

Kitty Clover 4-H Club Achievement Meeting Is Held

The Kitty Clover 4-H club held their achievement meeting at the home of their leader, Miss Leila Nickel Saturday evening, August 18. A report was given by Lavon Howe and Joyce Robertson on their activities at Camp Harriott Harding, Louisville. They also gave a demonstration on pattern alterations and with Nancy Printz modeled the clothing they had made during the summer. Their leader was presented a gift in appreciation of her work with them. Guests of the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Morris Robertson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Howe and family and Carol Printz. Leila and Mrs. Nickel served a delicious lunch.

ALVO WINS
Alvo won over Eagle at baseball Sunday, 9-6, on the Eagle field.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dremer, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dremer and sons attended the rodeo at Sidney on Wednesday.

Frank Daugherty has moved into the Emmet Friend property recently vacated by Mr. and

Mrs. Junior Kenny. Jake Daugherty and family have moved to his father's, Frank Daugherty's farm.

Miss Irene Thomason of Friend, Nebr., visited the past week with her cousin, Charlene Bradley.

The Martin Zoz family returned last week from their trip to western Nebraska and Colorado.

BIRTH
A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Timblin Friday, August 17, 1951. She weighed 6 lbs. 5 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Fifer and family are visiting relatives here and at Eagle. Their home is at Seattle, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Gerbeling of Elmwood were Sunday evening callers at the Sam Hardnock home.

Mrs. Frank Taylor underwent surgery Monday morning at Bryan Memorial hospital in Lincoln.

The Misses Nora Jean and Barbara Ann McDonald of Avoca have visited their aunt, Mrs. Wm. Meyers and family the past two weeks.

A Classified Ad in The Journal costs as little as 35c.

Crossword Puzzle

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PUZZLE NO. 118

- HORIZONTAL
1 Insurgent
2 Mistake
3 To greet
4 Snare
5 Greasy
6 To irritate
7 Roman
8 King of Judah
9 Decrees
10 Swardman's dummy
11 Japanese marine
12 Supreme
13 A nut
14 Trapping
15 To purchase
16 Prevaricates
17 Injured
18 Promotes oneself through
19 Water
20 Overpowers
21 Overhanging roof edge
22 A kind of grass
23 Preparation
24 A kind of grass
25 Flat circular plate (pl.)
26 A number
27 Four Rom. numerals
28 A piece of wood
29 A house in
30 To deny
31 To rub out
32 Withers
33 A pastry (pl.)
- VERTICAL
1 Dried grape
2 Girl's name
3 To purchase
4 French for "and"
5 A military force (pl.)
6 Growing out
7 Decays
8 Fish eggs
9 Bone
10 To decline
11 Fish
12 Sentiments
13 Sealed
14 Clearly as a bell
15 Cooks in a kitchen
16 A dish
- 22 First in rank
23 Turns to the left (naut.)
24 Existing
25 Dates
26 Chopping tool
27 Small European fish
28 "and"
29 Belongings
30 Greater part
31 Cleanse with water only
32 Famous kelter
33 Dates
34 To be fond of
35 A fish
36 To defend
37 To vehicle
38 Earth goddess
39 Sun god

Answer to Puzzle No. 117

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