

# EDITORIALS

## Furse's Fresh Flashes

### MAKES VERY GOOD READING

There are towns whose achievements in some respect Plattsouth might well emulate. There are faults here to be corrected. There are certain phases of activity to which we must give our attention, improvements for which we must strive. But, after all, Plattsouth is a good place in which to live and we say this not by reason of sentiment, but because of very evident facts. Nowhere are the possibilities greater or the prospects brighter, or the people better.

One of the proofs that our faith is rightfully placed is that the strangers who have come in such vast numbers are of the highest type and they are eager to reside here permanently.

We do not speak boastfully, but unless we believe in ourselves we cannot gain the admiration and confidence of others, and only as we dream of great things for our city will they come to pass.

With such rapid growth it has been difficult for Plattsouth to keep up with itself. From a medium size town it has become a busy, prosperous city with all of a city's problems, and with the expansion there is need for adaptation in order that the growth may be symmetrical. While we are proud of the size, mere bigness is not sufficient. There must be development in many ways if the proportions are to be maintained.

It is well for us to think upon all these things. It is well for us to know our city, its strength and its weaknesses; its needs, its resources. As individuals we should think seriously of the opportunities and as a united group of people, with the same interest at heart, we should work together for the fulfillment of the ideal.

Few Journal readers will recognize the above editorial. Yet, it appeared in the Plattsouth Journal, January 9, 1922. We can think of no problems on that date comparable to those facing us today, but the gist of the article is just as true now as it was 26 years ago.

Our growth is at a faster pace, our problems are greater in this present day rat-race for existence and the need for men with vision, courage and sound judgment is needed more than at any time since our city's founding 100 years ago.

Are you one of those putting back into the community a portion of what you have been taking out these many years?

### THE PRESIDENT ON BUSINESS

President Dwight D. Eisenhower was asked in a news conference late in August whether he would comment on the possibility of a "business pick-up" in the near future. A reporter for The New York Herald-Tribune asked him if he had conferred with his economic advisers to such an extent that he could so comment.

The President commented briefly. He said he had just read an article by W. I. Myer, of Cornell, the dean of agriculture at that school. Mr. Eisenhower quoted Myer as saying he thought business would have an upturn this fall, and he further restated his thesis that the upturn would not be so sudden that another inflationary spiral would result. In spite of the fact that it would not upset the economy, the upturn would be a healthy one, and bring prosperity, according to the article, the President said.

Mr. Eisenhower then said he did not want to quote anybody else and made it clear he was not trying to put anyone on the spot. Nevertheless, he said he believed a mass of opinion—from the experts—seemed to hold the view that the economy was already beginning a mild upswing.

These are encouraging words, in view of the fact that the President has access to the opinions of economists in every branch

### THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Mean is pain arising from the anticipation of evil. —Aristotle

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See where a scientist claims that space is unlimited. Wonder if he ever tried to find a place to park his car?

Worst thing about television for many folks is that you have to stay home to see it.

They claim this summer heat wave is about gone—so are the people.

The average father no sooner gets his daughter off his hands until he has to get his son-in-law on his feet.

Mothers can hardly wait for baby to talk, then they have to teach them to keep their mouth shut in order to guard the family secrets.

We're getting up to the age where we have to think up a new line of excuses for everything we do.

Learning that the kangaroo is a native of Australia, Flipper Fanny, our dainty little contour twister, exclaimed, "My gawd, my brother married one of them."

Don't worry about who is boss at your house. You'll be happier if you never find out.

of the government. Moreover, President Eisenhower is not in the habit of going off the deep end on statements before he has given his subject considerable attention. For this reason, then, there seems reasons for guarded optimism as a result of the words of the Chief Executive of the country.

## Down Memory Lane

### 10 YEARS AGO

Rev. Levi Huebert of near Fairbury succeeded Rev. Eli Cook as pastor of the Mynard United Brethren church. Rev. Cook laid aside his ministerial work to take up farming. . . Members of the Christ Lutheran church gave a surprise party for Rev. A. Lentz, the occasion being the 25th anniversary of his ordination. About 250 members and friends attended the celebration. . . Shirley Mae Burcham and Robert D. Nickles were married in a double-ring ceremony at the Murray Christian church. . . Eleanor Giles was in Lincoln after 39 years in the ladies' clothing and beauty business in Weeping Water. . . A daughter, Constance Joyce, was born to Pvt. and Mrs. Jacob Loos. . . The Modern Woodman, fraternal order magazine, featured a story about C. H. Martin, former Plattsouth resident. . . Two cars filled with Plattsouth residents were at the state fair in Lincoln. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. George Conis, Catherine, John and Tommie, Mrs. Louie Sack and daughter, Frances, Betty Henton and Dora Johnson.

### 20 YEARS AGO

A large and enthusiastic delegation of county fair boosters from Weeping Water were in Plattsouth to advertise the fair. They brought the Weeping Water concert band which gave a concert at Fifth and Main streets. . . Cass county Republicans chose as delegates to the state convention the following, Joe Rudolph of Eagle, H. L. Bornemeier and B. I. Clements of Elmwood, George Bucknell of Greenwood, H. A. Tool of Murdock, Mrs. George Vogel of South Bend, John Hopkins of Weeping Water, Joseph Zastera of Louisville, A. O. Ault of Cedar Creek, Mrs. Ivan Balfour of Union, A. A. Wetenkamp of Mynard, and H. A. Schneider, J. H. McMaken, J. F. Wolff and Edward Gabelman of Plattsouth. . . Registration at the high school totals 3-5, which is a record. Of the 315, 108 are freshmen.

## The Washington Merry-Go-Round

FANK EDWARDS SAYS: UNDERFED, REMOTE SOUTH AMERICAN COMMUNITIES FREE OF CANCER; PASSENGER PLANE SPEEDS SOON TO BE INCREASED TO MUCH MORE THAN 300 M. P. H.; HITLER UNWITTINGLY HELPS MINNESOTA MINING BUSINESS.

Washington — Wrangling Jingoists make the headlines—but quiet researchers make the progress.

London — In a gigantic hangar used as a factory during World War II, a select group of eight British scientists are conducting closely guarded tests of a radically new type of automobile. If it lives up to their expectations, it might revolutionize the industry.

The new British experimental job uses a very small engine which operates a tiny hydraulic pump. The pump delivers the power to the wheels by activating a transmission filled with mercury. The British are so jealous of the car that they test it indoors in the daytime, take it out for sprints on the air base only after dark. Since it is light, fast, and has surprisingly few moving parts, the British hope it will open new markets in areas where price and dependability are of paramount importance.

## No One Made It Yet



Brazil — A recent discovery in the war against cancer has upset a theory and replaced it with a question mark.

In South America teams of biologists are probing deep into the jungle in search of the answer to cancer. They are studying the living habits of isolated communities where cancer is unheard of. By our standards, the people are underfed. They oftimes lack even rudimentary medical care. They have poor sanitation standards. But they do not have cancer. Why? The biologists are checking the water supply, the food, the air and the soil in the hope that somewhere in that combination they may find the factor which enables these people to withstand the cancer scourge. Research under those circumstances is grueling, heartbreaking work, but it goes on 24 hours a day.

Paradoxically, the discovery of these cancer-free communities in remote South American areas deflates the theory that cancer might be caused by exposure to cosmic rays from outer space. These people in the border of the jungle get the same dosage of cosmic rays as the city dweller receives. But certain groups of the jungle dwellers do not have cancer. Why? Thus far, nobody knows, but patient researchers are trying to find out.

California — One of the best-kept secrets of the aviation world is the fact that we have been flight testing a ram jet plane for the past three months. Ram jets are the so-called flying stovepipe, with no moving parts, they are nothing more than a tube with a fire inside, fed by fuel pumped in at high pressure.

Joker is that the ram jet cannot be used until comparative high air speed is reached. One designer has whipped that one by equipping the test planes with conventional jet engines which get the plane into the air and moving at the required speed. Then the pilot turns on the mighty ram jets, cuts off the

ordinary jets, and goes streaking away at speeds in excess of 1,600 miles per hour.

Test pilots have been flying the ram jet jobs regularly on a course that takes them several hundred miles out to sea off the west coast. They are in constant touch with radar stations which track them every inch of the way. In case anything goes wrong, Uncle Sam wants to know all about it as quickly as possible.

Test speeds of today become the schedule speeds of tomorrow. As you fly over the Mojave desert in today's passenger plane at 300 miles an hour, you can sometimes faintly discern the wagon tracks of the 49ers who did well to make three hundred miles in a month! And the three hundred miles per hour of today's passenger liners will soon be outmoded by planes which are flying secretly today.

All change is not necessarily progress, however. For example, in the New Hebrides Islands hydrogen peroxide is on the best-seller list—not for its medicinal value but for its ability to change the color of the natives hair from its normal black to a brilliant orange. Since the change is far from permanent, the natives are spending too much of their restricted income for peroxide, say the authorities there. And speaking of bleaching the hair, the Japanese girls who are turning blonde at \$3 per treatment. One Tokyo beauty salon reports that 20 per cent of its customers are women who want to become blondes—or who are already blonde and want to stay that way. Editorials in Japanese papers denouncing the fad have had the result that such editorials usually have when women's fashions are concerned.

New York — Latest trick in the advertising trade is to hire models who resemble famous people. Attracts attention to the advertising and save the cost of securing the endorsement of the celebrity. One young man,

who has the good fortune to resemble a famous movie star, suddenly found himself very much in demand. In one magazine issue, he appeared in three different ads, plugging a tooth paste, a cigarette and a hearing aid.

Minnesota — The great high-grade iron ore deposits of the Mesabi range are seriously depleted. Still plentiful, however, are the vast deposits of low-grade iron ore called Taconite. It is extremely hard to work. Ordinary explosives can't do much with it at all. But thanks to a bit of bungling by Hitler's air force, Minnesota's Taconite ore may soon be flowing to market.

Hitler's fliers tried bombing some Spanish cities with a mixture of liquid oxygen and carbon during the Spanish civil war. They had some startling results, but because of the combustible nature of the explosive they also lost a lot of bombers which exploded in mid-air in bunches. Hitler ordered the liquid oxygen bomb discontinued, at once.

Explosive specialists who studied the disastrous efforts of the Nazis eventually discovered the reason for the premature explosions which had destroyed Hitler's planes in mid-air. They worked out a mixture which handles as safely as dynamite, but which packs a wallop far beyond the capacity of conventional explosives. In a recent test in the Minnesota Taconite deposits test holes were loaded with the liquid oxygen mixture and conventional explosives. When the uproar subsided, it was discovered that the liquid oxygen explosive had blasted out 12,000 tons of the Taconite—about three times more than its competitor had accomplished.

Adolph's folly may have paved the way for Minnesota's prosperity.

The man in the moon has a scratch on his cheek, and astronomers are baffled by it. First noted by amateur astronomer Frank Manning of New Orleans, the new marking has been photographed by several others. Frank Halstead, in charge of the Darling Observatory at Duluth, located the straight black line which crosses the crater Piccolomini and showed it to more than 60 visitors who were participating in the observatory's guest night. Halstead estimates that the line in the crater is about 15 miles long and perfectly straight. He has no explanation to offer, merely says he is certain from his years of study of the moon that the marking was not there before this year. Perhaps somebody is opening a parking lot on the moon.

Bikini — The sea water poisoned by the hydrogen bomb explosions has drifted thousands of miles from the scene of the explosion. Radio-active fish have been found as far away as India and northern Japan, in spite of official warnings that the water along the beaches of Japan is radioactive, many persons have gone swimming. Thus far no fatalities can be traced to the exposure but Japanese medicines anticipate plenty of trouble later on. Next question: What happens if the radio active water swings around the north Pacific and down along our own west coast?

Indiana — A businessman brought in a three pound wad of gummy black paper which he claimed was money, damaged by water. The banker sent it in to the treasury department. It eventually was found that he really did have some damaged money, more than \$40,000 worth and the treasury replaced it for him. The treasury also examined his income tax returns for the past few years. As a result, Uncle Sam is going to ask for the entire amount which it replaced for him—plus interest. Seems that the gentleman forgot to mention that he had it when he made out his tax returns a few years ago.

Although the cost of living is still hovering around the all-time high, there is a bright spot: the price of Dinosaur bones is down slightly. If you are planning to take part in one of those safaris after big game in Africa, perhaps you would like to take with you these words of wisdom from famed white hunter Nicolas Jones, who said: "Hippo ham is delicious—if you remember to shoot him first."

COLOR TV SETS  
One major television manufacturing corporation has slashed the suggested retail price of its 45-inch color television set from \$1,000 to \$495, to clear out stocks before introducing its 21-inch color receivers, expected to be around September 15th.

Stolen livestock—Sidney, Nebr., taken from pasture. Four (4) Hereford calves, weight about 300 pounds.

Wanted for obtaining money by false pretense—Ottumwa, Ia., Aug. 19. Man using name J. S. Sterling, 60, 6', 190, wearing dark brown hat, khaki clothes, black shoes. Presents check on E. W. Stone, contractor of Hannibal, Missouri, which is a non-existent firm, in the amount of \$65.00 in payment for rent of apartment. Tow balance in cash. Subject operated in Hannibal, Missouri, one week ago. Check drawn on Quincy bank. Sheriff Tom Solomon, Cass County, Nebraska

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## Looking at WASHINGTON

By Stanley James, Journal Washington Reporter

WASHINGTON — The death of President Getulio Vargas removes from the scene in South America's largest, country a staunch U. S. ally. It was during the World War II period that Vargas proved his loyalty to the ideals for which the United States fought.

While some South American nations hesitated and watched to see which way the wind blew, Vargas bluntly warned the Axis nations on aggression, and when this country went to war it wasn't long before Brazil, too, cast her lot with the United States.

Now that Vargas is gone, after heavy pressure from the Air Force and some elements in the other military services, Washington is wondering how the growing Communist threat in Brazil will be handled. The Reds take great delight in building up strength in South America's largest country and have been working hard in Brazil for years.

In Asia the Reds have huge population masses under their control and if they ever gain much influence in Brazil the problem could suddenly become critical as far as the security of the western hemisphere is concerned. Argentina and Brazil would be eventual combatants should Brazil move too far to the left.

The United States would not like to find itself in the position of supporting Dictator Peron in a war on Brazil—a traditionally better friend of this country than Argentina—which was notoriously pro-Axis in the early forties. Thus this country has a major stake in future developments in Brazil.

This problem comes at a time when another traditional ally, France, is about to go her own way and flout the major theme of U. S. foreign policy in Europe for the last two-and-a-half years. It leaves Washington with little choice, other than to build up West Germany as a solid wall of defense, taking France's piece against Red aggression.

In Asia, Thailand seems to be the next hot spot, and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles has plucked troubleshooter Jack Peurifoy out of Guatemala to take over the U. S. diplomatic post there. Peurifoy has successes in Greece and Guatemala on his record and faces another tough assignment in Thailand.

The vast majority of G. O. P. Senators and Congressmen went home encouraged by the last days of work of the 83rd Congress. Considering the hairline majority of the Republicans, many members of the party feel that the record of the majority party was surprisingly good.

President Eisenhower has already spoken to the American people over a nationwide hookup in an effort to further sell his flexible price support program to the farmer, and average citizen. The fact that this was his first speech after the recent session of Congress ended indicates the Chief Executive is well aware of the fact that his farm program is the most controversial of all his domestic policies. Democrats hope to use the flexible support program to their advantage in farm areas and much of the fight between candidates in these areas will feature farm program debates with farm prices down and costs still up, the Democratic candidates may have a natural advantage in this battle. The Pres-

## WEEKLY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Wild Sheep and Here's the Answer. Clues include: 1 Depicted wild sheep, 7 It has spirally horns, 13 Spoiled, 14 Opened, 15 Oriental coin, 16 Excess, 18 Existed, 19 Providing, 20 Church dignitary, 22 Note of scale, 23 Bare, 24 Chinese seaport, 27 Dash, 28 Leer, 29 Peach part, 30 Pronoun, 31 Sun god, 32 Not (prefix), 33 Frank, 35 Row, 38 Rave, 39 Comfort, 40 Area measure, 41 Light shoes, 47 Excuse (ab.), 48 Flaying, 50 German river, 51 Hawaiian wreath, 52 Ester of oleic acid, 54 Buries, 56 Reposed, 57 Certify. Answers include: 5 Shakespearean king, 6 Unoccupied, 7 Island republic, 8 Distinct part, 9 Highway (ab.), 10 Solemn promise, 11 Shiny paint, 12 Wish, 17 Ilium (symbol), 20 Hanging ornaments, 21 Descendants of Esau, 24 Chinese seaport, 26 Woman adviser (ab.), 33 Speaker, 34 Word of honor, 46 Fasting season, 36 Natural fats, 49 Assent, 37 Withstand, 51 Sheltered side, 42 Poker stake, 53 Year, 43 Require, 55 Size of shot.