

## EDITORIALS

## Furse's Fresh Flashes

### MODERN DAY TRAVEL

A few days ago, one of the leading international airlines advertised a special Christmas trip. That trip included air transportation from New York City to Mexico City, where the traveler would remain for some time, air transportation from Mexico City to Miami, Florida, where the traveler would stay for a few days and return air fare from Miami to New York City.

The idea is that travelers would spend Christmas in Mexico City, fly over to Miami for the New Year's Day celebrations and return to New York after the holiday travel. The cost for all this transportation, which includes thousands of miles, is \$198. And, while \$198 is a lot of money, that is a surprisingly low rate for such a long-distance trip.

Before the advent of airliner, such a trip could not have been made — in adequate time available to most people during the holidays — for anything like this cost. Not only has the cost been cut down to a point where many Americans can afford such a luxury, but the travel time required is so short that the holiday excursionist finds himself with plenty of free time to visit in far-away cities.

We are not boosting any particular mode of travel, for they all have their good points and their weaknesses, but we point out that the average American today enjoys never before known in this world at a price millions can afford to pay. We can fly from coast to coast for less than \$100, we can fly overnight to London and can do both without missing a meal, if we choose to travel at night. Had such schedules been predicted even thirty years ago, many would have thought the idea ridiculous which shows how fast transportation has progressed in our area.

### NATURE IN FULL BEAUTY

Recent days and weeks have been an exhibition of beauty by Mother Nature seldom excelled in the fall months in the United States. In many sections of the country the amount of rainfall has been below normal in recent months and this caused an early turning of leaves.

In other sections, where rainfall was normal, early freezes have often brought about a burst of color in the countryside.

There are those who think that Nature puts on her grandest show in Spring, and those who believe the brilliant colors of Fall represent Nature at its best. This latter group has had much support for its argument in recent days.

One of the lessons Mother Nature has to offer us is that there is a power greater than anything the human mind completely understands. The brilliant display of gold and red and yellow leaves, and the wonderful spectacle that nature presents about this time of year seems to be one of the best arguments to shake the belief of atheists.

There are definite laws by which nature operates, and they demonstrate a pattern for all life. Though it is sometimes hard to understand misfortune and tragedy, when one considers the sureness and order of nature, the inspiration which appears before our very eyes each year, there can be little doubt that there is a design behind it all.

### MOSCOW TALKS PEACE

There has been a notable increase in the number of official expressions in favor of peace and against a new war in Moscow. The latest occasion for such a demonstration was the thirty-seventh anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution.

On that anniversary, the Soviet Union's Defense Minister, Marshal Nikolai A. Bulganin, delivered a short and conciliatory

### THOUGHT FOR TODAY

A tile conceit in pompous words expressed is like a cloven in regal purple dressed.  
—Alexander Pope

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Kissing a girl is like trying to get an olive out of a bottle — the first one's hard to get, but the rest of them come easy.

We can remember back in 1942 when "Lucky Strike Green Went to War." Wonder when it's coming back?

If you see a car with twin exhaust pipes and a protruding noise maker on them, you can bet there's a teen-age driver in the family.

Flipper Fanny, our dainty little contour twister, says she never has trouble making up her mind which sweater to buy. She just slips it on and steps outside to size it up for whistles.

If you're ever hit by a woman driver, better settle at once. After all, it's just your word against thousands of hers.

To be a successful party goer you must be able to talk louder, longer and faster than the radio or television.

After spending \$25 on Chlorophyll we found out people don't like us anyway.

It is remarkable how our pioneering forefathers built up this country without calling on Congress for help.

speech, which was broadcast to the Russian people and was given out — in the full text — to foreign newsmen.

The most noteworthy feature of that speech, and of the parade which was staged in Moscow on the anniversary, was the constant emphasis on the theme of peace.

While there are differences of opinion, most foreign reporters in Moscow believe the Russian leaders are now more inclined to avoid a war with the United States than they were several years ago. If this majority opinion is correct, then the world seems to be in less danger of a general war than has been the case most of the time since the end of World War II.

A study of the official utterances of Kremlin officials on the anniversary of the Revolution supports this viewpoint.

## Down Memory Lane

### 20 YEARS AGO

P. A. McCrary was found not guilty of shooting with intent to kill his stepson, but was held by the jury on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon.

At a Boy Scout court of honor, Burnell Adams was awarded the Eagle Gold Palm; Wilson McLain named Eagle Scout; Billy Rosencrans and Bob Taylor of Plattsmouth Star Scouts; Burton Rishel of Plattsmouth, Jack Wunderlich, Dean Nutzman and Wesley Stone of Nehawka First Class Scouts; Oscar Brandt, Ellis Schlichtemeier, Robert Wunderlich and Marion Hobeck of Nehawka, Second Class Scouts.

The Plattsmouth State Bank has taken over all accounts, notes and assets of the Farmers State Bank with no interruption of service.

### 10 YEARS AGO

Don Arundel of Fremont has been named business manager of The Plattsmouth Journal. Among the 35 boys out for the basketball team were Sterling Cole, Joe Gradoville, Dick Livingston, Charles Wolever, Charles Eaton, Dale Reckord, John Kimball, Les Niel and Larry Thimgan. High temperature Nov. 23, 1944, was 42, the low 30. Forecast was clear to partly cloudy, low 28-38. D. J. Hollingshead of Los Angeles was a visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Cloidt and other relatives and friends.

## The Washington Merry-Go-Round

(Copyright, 1954, By The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)  
DREW PEARSON SAYS: RAYBURN WILL SHOW COMMIES INFILTRATED IN HOOVER REGIME; IKE WILL RAISE TURKEYS WHEN HE RETIRES; IKE'S PHOTO REFUTED RED SMEAR.

WASHINGTON — When President Eisenhower went out of his way to refer to speaker-to-be Sam Rayburn as "Mr. Sam" during the recent harmony conference, it may be that he had heard of "Mr. Sam's" irate feelings. Certainly Sam has taken no trouble to conceal them.

For, though Sam Rayburn means it when he told the President that House Democrats would support him 100 percent on foreign policy and national defense, he also meant it when he told friends that he was going to show up the falsity of the "McNixon" charges of Democratic treason. Rayburn is a man who has served his country more than 40 years in the House of Representatives and he is just as proud of that record as General Eisenhower is of his 40 years in the U. S. Army.

Rayburn began as a young Congressman in Woodrow Wilson's day and he has lived through the two world wars which Vice-President Nixon implies the Democrats took the nation into in order to maintain prosperity.

Sam resents that and he resents it deep-

## Actions Speak Louder--



ly, because he helped make that history and know the facts. He feels that he knows them far better than a Johnny-come-lately vice-president whose war service consisted largely of negotiating Naval contracts in the Pentagon and then borrowing money from one of the contractors with whom he was negotiating.

So Rayburn proposes to show that the Communists first infiltrated the United States under the Republican regime of Herbert Hoover, and he has the previous probes of Congress to prove it. He can also show that Hoover completely ignored Congressional warnings of Red spies.

Second, he proposes to turn the Civil Service Commission upside down to get the truth regarding the security risks which the Republicans say they have purged from Government. He expects to prove that about one-half of these so-called security risks the Republicans say they fired, actually were hired by the Republicans.

Some Democrats point out that if Eisenhower really wanted Democratic cooperation for a bipartisan foreign policy he would do to Nixon what he did to Gen. George Patton when the latter was made to stand up before 10,000 troops and apologize for slapping a sick soldier. But they don't expect any apology from either Ike or "McNixon," so they intend to go ahead with their investigations.

Ike's Turkey  
President Eisenhower dropped a humorous hint about his retirement plans as he was being presented with a Thanksgiving turkey. He did not, however, name the date of retirement.

The turkey presentation also included some cranberries and pretzels for a stuffing additive, though the President munched on the pretzels all during his meeting with officials of the National Turkey Federation.

The President said that the turkey, a 42-pound bronze tom, was one of the biggest and hand-somest he had ever received, but remarked that his family probably would make short work of it. The bird was raised on the biggest turkey farm in the world operated by NTF Chief Perry

Browning near Winchester, Ky. "We chose this one especially for you out of 100,000 birds on my farm," reported Browning. The Kentuckian also presented Eisenhower with a booklet on how to manage a turkey farm. Ike promised to "study" the booklet.

This may come in handy after I leave the White House," he said. "After I retire, I'm going to raise some turkeys myself on my farm in Pennsylvania."

Democratic Sen. James Murray, just re-elected in Montana, told an ADA meeting how a pamphlet smearing him as a Red almost defeated him. In engaging, factual language, the pamphlet listed alleged reasons why Murray was aiding the Communist cause.

To counter this smear, Murray ran advertisements showing an autographed picture received from President Eisenhower with the inscription: "To Jim Murray, a great American — Dwight D. Eisenhower."

Immediately, Congressman Wesley D'Ewart, Murray's opponent, complained to the President, saying that he was defeating one of his own party by letting this picture out. Ike immediately replied that he had not given the picture to Murray for political purposes, said that it was unethical of Murray to use that way. D'Ewart then reprinted Eisenhower's letter in all local papers.

Murray, of course, was furious. "As soon as the new Congress opens," he told the ADA meeting, "I'm going to present Ike's picture to the Clerk of the Senate with instructions that it be returned to the President. I don't want a picture with an inscription that's good only in odd-numbered years."

Washington Numbers Game  
Robert W. S. Browne is a walking, talking, ex-security risk. Only now he is no longer considered a risk, and is quite willing to talk about it. He has been fired from his job as an exhibit worker for the Smithsonian Institute. Thus the security of the nation has been preserved.

Most interesting part of the

## LAW and ORDER

by Sheriff Tom Solomon

County breakins are on the increase. Some of the increase is due to the increased unemployment during the Fall and Winter months. The manner in which the breakins occur plus the type of items taken indicates that the intruders may be young talent, and possibly local residents.

On the night of November 17, the grocery post-office building in Wabash was entered by removing the padlock from the front door. Reported missing were two silver dollars and a wooden cash drawer taken from an old cash register.

Also on the same night some unknown individuals removed two mail pouches from the post office at Eagle. The front door to the post office was opened but not forced by the intruders. The pouches reportedly contained only a few letters each. Mr. Moore, investigator for the Post Office Department is conducting the investigation.

During the early morning of November 12, the Miller Seed Company, Lincoln, Neb., was broken into and the following items were stolen: A Check Protector; 2 books of blank checks, one yellow with name Miller Seed Company on it, checks on the Union State Bank. The other check book was gray, had the name Miller Seed Company on it, checks on the Union State Bank. Chances are that the thieves will now fill out the blank checks and pass them off onto some unsuspecting merchant or individual. So be on the lookout for any such checks being offered by strangers.

On or about Nov. 6 the following described plow was stolen in Phelps county: A Ford Ferguson two bottom plow, color gray.

More livestock thefts reported from Kansas and Iowa. Local farmers and sale barn operators should be on the lookout for such items with the knowledge of such increased thefts give their own herds as much protection as possible against such acts.

Consolidated from eight Kansas thefts: 1-Black Angus heifer, weight about 600 lbs. 2 notches on lower left ear; 1-Hereford, red, white-faced. Notch in end of right ear. Left calf of three or four months old; 1-Whiteface cow, weight about 1200 lbs. Brandt on the left shoulder; 1-Whiteface cow and calf. Cow branded on the left hip; 1-Short yearling Black Angus bull, weight about 425 lbs., very wild; 3-Whiteface steers, weight about 600 to 675 lbs. One has mottled face. Metal clamp on lower left ear; 1-Whiteface calf. Not marked or branded; 1-Black Angus calf, sex unknown, weight about 400 lbs. Could have brand on left rib location.

Two livestock thefts were reported this week from Iowa: Seven Whiteface cattle, six are yearlings, weight 600 pounds one two year old, weight 850 lbs.; Eleven red and black hogs, marked right ear.

Also reported stolen last week in Iowa was 750 bushels of Baveneger Soy Beans.

An Omaha check passer was taken into custody last week in Omaha and returned to the Cass County Jail. Monday his father came to Plattsmouth and made full payment of outstanding checks which totaled \$221.56, to local merchants. This eliminated a four month search for the subject by this office.

story, though, is that he was hired by the Republicans, fired by the Republicans, and was not fired for security reasons. Yet he is listed among that controversial group called "security risks."

He started to work for the government in the Smithsonian, which anyone under the sun can enter, on January 18, 1954, and on May 23 his appointment was made permanent, pending a trial of one year. This usually means that the employee's past has been thoroughly investigated.

On July 9, however, Browne says that he found he was still being investigated. He was asked a series of questions concerning his Socialist background. He says that when he first applied for the job he stated that he was a Socialist, and on July 9 and August 13, he answered government forms as follows:

"Are you now, or have you ever been a member of the Communist party?" — No.

"Would you go to jail rather than be drafted into military service?" — No.

"Did you ever state that in the event of war you would be unwilling to defend this country?" — No.

"Are you now, or have you ever been a member of the Libertarian Socialist League?" I am and have been.

On September 20, when the notice of dismissal came, there was no mention of security risk. Browne was fired for failing to note on his job application that he had once been fined \$2.50 for disorderly conduct Nov. 7, 1947, and that for a period of two years he had received his Social Security card under the name of Geo. S. Russel.

Robert W. S. Browne is now just one of 6,926 numbers in the Washington "Numbers Game." If you can guess just how many other numbers there are just like his, the Democrats say you deserve a free ride on the Washington Merry-Go-Round.

## Legislative SIDELIGHTS..

by BERNIE CAMP  
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Federation

During the recent political campaign some candidates talked about the role of price supports in cutting the cost of food to the consumer. Each discussion, in the first place, revealed the ignorance of the campaigner as to the role of price supports.

The purpose of price supports — be they flexible, rigid or otherwise — is to encourage adjustment of production to effective consumption.

Price supports, if they have any importance in food prices, are minor because of the many factors which do affect the costs of food.

If American consumers seek "cheaper" food, they must look closer to home than the farm to find the points where costs can be cut.

As a matter of fact, American consumers already have "cheap" food. Foreign prices in the United States today are unit for unit among the lowest in the world — several times cheaper than the same items in the managed economies of Iron Curtain countries.

The only fair way to compare food prices between countries and between periods is by the amount of food units an hour of work will purchase. Using such a comparison, the record shows that the buying power of the typical Russian worker, for example, is nothing to brag about compared with a resident of Omaha or Lincoln.

In Omaha or Lincoln about 20 minutes of work will buy a pound of butter, while in Russia it takes more than 6 hours to earn the equivalent of a pound of butter.

A quart of milk is the equivalent of seven minutes of work in Omaha or Lincoln, but would be equivalent to one hour and twenty four minutes of work in Russia.

American consumers fail to consider that the farmer's share of the food dollar is considerably less than half. At the present time the farmer's share is about 44 cents. The remainder of the food dollar (56 cents) goes for many things — labor, rent, taxes, transportation, spoilage, insurance — all the costs of bringing commodities from the farm to the consumer's grocery.

Consumers fail to realize also that while they have food at the lowest expenditures per hour of labor, they too have services that consumers do not receive in other countries. Such added features as ready-to-serve dishes, freezing and special packaging are added to American consumers at a price which is lower than consumers in other lands can buy the simple food unit.

BURN-PRINTED GARBAGE  
WINSLOW, ME. — Boy Scouts on the warpath against "printed garbage" in this community with a house-to-house collection and public bonfire.

The Scouts collected all the lurid books, turned them in and stood by to watch Scoutmaster Richard McKilip burn off the pile and see more than 1,000 comic books and other objectionable printed matter in the crime, horror and sex category destroyed.

A Classified Ad in The Journal costs as little as 35 cents



By Stanley James, Journal Washington Reporter

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 — President Dwight D. Eisenhower is performing what could be his greatest service to the people of the United States these days. In his capacity as Chief Executive he is making a calculated effort to secure peace with Russia and a decade or more of world stability for this generation.

But the President is beset with many difficulties, including widely divided ideas on foreign policy within his own official circle. His Senate Republican leader, California's Bill Knowland, cannot see the President's policies. Knowland thinks the Communists will win anything other than an armed clash.

This could mean a new war, and the President — like so many leaders of countries throughout history — hopes to avoid another catastrophe like World War II if it is at all possible. And there are enough signs that Russian Premier Georgi Malenkov is not desirous of another world war to make the presidential effort justified.

No one can predict the outcome in this grave policy-making matter, and it might turn out that the President was wrong in believing there is a hope for peace. But the question the Chief Executive must answer in his own conscience, is whether he made every effort to save the world from another holocaust.

Right now Mr. Eisenhower is hopeful that a new world-wide conflict can be avoided. From Moscow come indications that Russians will coexist. The air attacks by Russian fighters are being incorrectly diagnosed by some who disagree with the President's foreign policies. A look at history will show the suspicious Russians very jealously (and carelessly) guard their frontiers.

Not many years ago it was the Russians and Japanese who repeatedly clashed in the Far East. This went on for years before war between the two powers developed, and that war didn't develop at all until the final weeks of World War II — when Japan was obviously beaten.

Incidents involving U. S. planes flying near Russian-controlled territory, have been occurring ever since 1945. They are nothing new. They do not necessarily indicate a war is in the cards.

There is one spot in the world today where war threatens in the immediate future, and that is on Nationalist Chinese islands. The United States would probably not resist Communist Chinese efforts to capture Nationalist-held islands other than Formosa, but would resist a Red effort to invade this stronghold with the Seventh Fleet.

The Chinese, pledged to capture Formosa, are said to be about ready to make the initial effort — which probably include attacks on small islands between Formosa and the Chinese mainland, possibly the Tachen Islands. The President hopes to avoid a war with the Chinese, favors a policy which would commit U. S. ground troops to the defense of Formosa (but would commit the Seventh Fleet).

This is, basically, the policy recommendation of Army Chief of Staff Matthew Ridgway.

The defeat of the President's party in the recent election has

convinced many of his friends that Mr. Eisenhower will run again in 1956. It seems pretty certain that the Democrats will go along with the President on his foreign policy but that there will be all kind of trouble in the domestic field.

To get the chance to put this legislative program through, he will have to stay in office beyond the term of the 84th Congress. Moreover, he faces a draft which will make the Truman draft of 1948 look insignificant. Republicans are convinced of the need for the Eisenhower name on the ballot.

Mr. Eisenhower's effort to avoid another world war will also weigh heavily in his mind when the time comes for him to step down. The disagreement within his own party on how to live in peace with the countries' enemies will tend to make the Chief Executive hesitate before turning over the helm to one less experienced in the field of foreign policy.

These considerations, and others will very likely influence Mr. Eisenhower, and reports that he has already told some intimates he would run again are popping up.

## ORGANIC LITTERS BEST

Organic litterers, like peanut shells and ground corncobs, are better poultry house litters than sand or mineral rock. Twelve materials were tried in Delaware tests. Organic litters in order of preference were: peanut shells, sugar cane cobs, oat moss, sugar cane fiber, sawdust, wood shavings, cottonseed hulls and cornstalks. Mineral rock and sand created dust from the litter itself or from dried droppings. Average losses from infectious bronchitis were greater in flocks raised on mineral litterers.

## Prehistoric Skull Shown In Smithsonian Exhibit



Washington, D. C.—A 1,500-year-old Peruvian skull on which the original surgical dressing of finely woven cotton gauze is held in place by strands of wool, is part of an exhibit showing the evolution of bandages, presented to the National Museum by Johnson & Johnson, the firm which pioneered and developed the manufacturing of sterile surgical dressings and its availability for medical use throughout the world. The display features the type of lint dressings actually used in the Civil War, as well as the first type of wet dressings created, and then takes the viewer all the way through the evolution of bandaging up to the modern sterile bandages presently used in hospitals and homes throughout the world. Presentation to Dr. A. Remington Kellogg, Director of U. S. National Museum, was made by Dr. William H. Lyden, Johnson & Johnson Vice President in Charge of Research.

## WEEKLY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

### Famous Statue

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| <b>HORIZONTAL</b>               | <b>VERTICAL</b>            |
| 1 Depicted famous statue, the — | 1 Weta                     |
| 3 Victory                       | 2 Satiere                  |
| 7 It now is in the —            | 3 Born                     |
| 13 Interstice                   | 4 Leave                    |
| 14 Ingenious                    | 5 Pen name of Charles Lamb |
| 15 Pedal digit                  | 6 Missile                  |
| 16 Angry                        | 8 German river             |
| 18 Mountain in Crete            | 9 Chaldean city            |
| 19 Half an em                   | 10 Town in Kenya           |
| 20 Gabbles                      | 11 Enigma                  |
| 21 Displaced person (ab.)       | 12 Warehouses              |
| 23 Mature                       | 17 Near                    |
| 25 Robust                       | 20 Spread                  |
| 27 Cuckoo                       | 21 Indians                 |
| 28 One-spot                     | 24 Hurt                    |
| 29 Providing                    |                            |
| 30 Weight (ab.)                 |                            |
| 31 Greek letter                 |                            |
| 32 Negative reply               |                            |
| 33 Proceeds                     |                            |
| 35 Goddess of discord           |                            |
| 38 Impolite                     |                            |
| 39 Domestic slave               |                            |
| 40 Diminutive suffix            |                            |
| 41 Injures                      |                            |
| 42 Samaritan (symbol)           |                            |
| 48 Superlative ending           |                            |
| 50 Toll                         |                            |
| 51 Point a weapon               |                            |
| 52 Stops                        |                            |
| 54 Things to be done            |                            |
| 56 Musical exercises            |                            |
| 57 Subdue                       |                            |

Here's the Answer



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| 26 Performers            | 44 College degree (ab.) |
| 33 It comes from         | 45 Gazelles             |
| 34 Beginning             | 46 Therefore            |
| 36 Interior              | 49 Kind of cross        |
| 37 Sailor                | 51 Insect               |
| 42 To the sheltered side | 53 "Coyote State" (ab.) |
| 43 Assemble              | 55 From (prefix)        |