

EDITORIALS

Furse's Fresh Flashes

ON IMMIGRATION

A good example of the liberal immigration policies of the United States over the years is seen in an advertisement recently run in The New York Times. The ad was sponsored by the Friends of Sicily in America, and was placed in the New York newspaper to welcome President Giovanni Gronchi of Italy.

The ad noted that 3,000,000 Americans of Sicilian origin, welcomed the Italian President. Later on in the ad, it was stated that Gronchi had done a job and helped greatly to develop the natural resources of Sicily, whose 5,000,000 people will become another bulwark against Communism.

In other words, there are now 3,000,000 Americans of Sicilian origin in the United States, while there are only five million Sicilians in Sicily. Nothing could show the liberal features of the American immigration program more clearly than this.

CUT OFF UNTIL OCTOBER

One hundred and sixty-six men are being left in the Antarctic until next October by Admiral Richard E. Byrd's South Pole expedition.

The ships of Admiral Byrd's fifth expedition to the South Pole are now leaving, and soon only 166 of the original men sent on the expedition will be braving the darkness and extreme cold of the Antarctic.

These men are to make preparations for scientists, who will arrive in 1957, and who are expected to make important progress in the scientific field, in the study of weather, cosmic rays and other phenomena, such as magnetic fields.

The 166 men are actually completing construction of a base for U. S. personnel, which includes more than thirty buildings, and which will house scientists and other Americans, in the years to come. They will be isolated until October when ships can again get through.

About the only consolation we could see in such duty, which cuts these men off from contact with the rest of the world between now and October, is that they will not be subjected to stupid television ads, the urge to buy the latest model automobile, or the temptation to hold up a bank. Another is that they are serving their country well.

TOO MUCH OSCAR NONSENSE

The much-ballyhooed stars of the acting profession are getting beside themselves in the working up of various award presentation extravaganzas.

The annual awards of moving picture honors is now something that comprises two or three programs, and each has a liberal dose of soap-opera dramatics involved. Each provides the opportunity for a number of our movie stars to get in a few dramatic licks, as they call up the winners, exchange pleasantries and just stand there—looking serious.

In our humble opinion, we think these shows should be shortened, the winners paraded limited to a reasonable number, and time allotted for this sort of business shortened or utilized to better advantage. We realize there are many movie fans, and that we are probably not sufficiently "sent" by the current rages of Hollywood to become enthralled at the long list of names called, the walk to the rostrum and the presentation, which dyed-in-the-wool fans eat with a long spoon.

Nevertheless, our vote is for fewer super-dupe award extravaganzas, less super-personic music and less nonsense.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceedingly small; Though with patience stands He waiting with exactness grinds He all.
—Von Logan

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Some folks go out and let a 10-ton truck run over them. Others prolong the agony. They get elected as city councilmen.

A political meeting was broken up in a hurry here the other night all because of a wrong motion — one of the guys reached for his hip pocket.

While on the subject of politics, we'd like to tell you about one old staunch Republican here who always attends the Democratic meetings just to keep his disgust fresh.

People used to deny themselves luxuries to have money in the bank. Today they do without money in order to have the luxuries.

Showing us a moose head hanging on the wall, a local game hunter told us he shot it early one morning in his pajamas. We would still like to know how it got in there.

When a woman says "I'll be ready in a minute," you can be sure of one thing — she speaks English.

A local father with a son in college tells us that languages are the most expensive part of a university education. Last month's bill from Junior included \$10 for English, \$20 for French, and \$115 for Scotch.

Down Memory Lane

20 YEARS AGO

Undermining of the Platte river bridge by the river north of Plattsmouth, caused Highway 75 to be closed. . . Stephan Davis of Plattsmouth took second in the American Legion district oratorical contest at Nebraska City, speaking on the subject, "The Recent Supreme Court Decision on the TVA" . . . For 28 years, reported the Journal's Nehawka correspondent, Nels Anderson, proprietor of the Nehawka amusement hall, had taken down in the spring and put up in the fall a vestibule at the door to help keep out the cold but said he would not do it for another 28 years since the lumber would not last that long. . . Plattsmouth city council heard a suggestion by Mayor Lushinsky that the local cemetery be turned over to an association of citizens.

30 YEARS AGO

Peter Opp of Nehawka, Mrs. Lena Kopp of Louisville, and Otto F. Lau of Weeping Water became citizens through district court action at Plattsmouth. . . The Cass county sheriff captured a bootlegger traveling out of Kansas City through Nebraska on a motorcycle. . . Plattsmouth, put into Class B, was preparing to meet Clay Center in the opening round of the state basketball tournament at Lincoln. . . Mr. Langhorst was burned on the face and hands by an explosion when he turned up the oil on a burner at his store in Elmwood. . . Harrison Gayer of Murdock filed for county clerk on the Democratic ticket and George Sayles, the incumbent, filed on the Republican party ticket.

LOBBYING INQUIRY

Eight Senators have been named to a special panel that is to conduct an inquiry into lobbying, campaign contributions and corrupt political practices. The group is evenly divided both as to party and to its members' votes on the recently-vetted natural gas bill.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Blodgett & Krjacic, Inc. to Granville Heebner 2-13-56 L. 10 B. 2 Valley View \$1,000.
Geo. J. Gade & Eleanor to Adolph L. Fedde & Mary Ann 12-30-55 Fr. SE14, 9-12-10 & W. 16,27 A L. 5 Sec. 10-12-10 \$1,000.

The WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

by DREW PEARSON

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DREW PEARSON SAYS: DEMOCRATIC LEADER WITH CORONARY TAKES MORE REST THAN EISENHOWER; LYNDON JOHNSON BATTLES AGAINST RECORDING PRIMARY ELECTION CONTRIBUTIONS; WORST SENATE SCANDALS WERE IN PRIMARIES.

Washington — The Democrats aren't advertising it, but they are nursing a health problem just as bad, if not worse, than that of President Eisenhower — namely, that of their Senate Leader, Lyndon Johnson of Texas.

Since Congress reconvened, Johnson's absentee record has been worse than Eisenhower's. Both men, of course, suffered coronaries, but Johnson is about 20 years younger than Eisenhower.

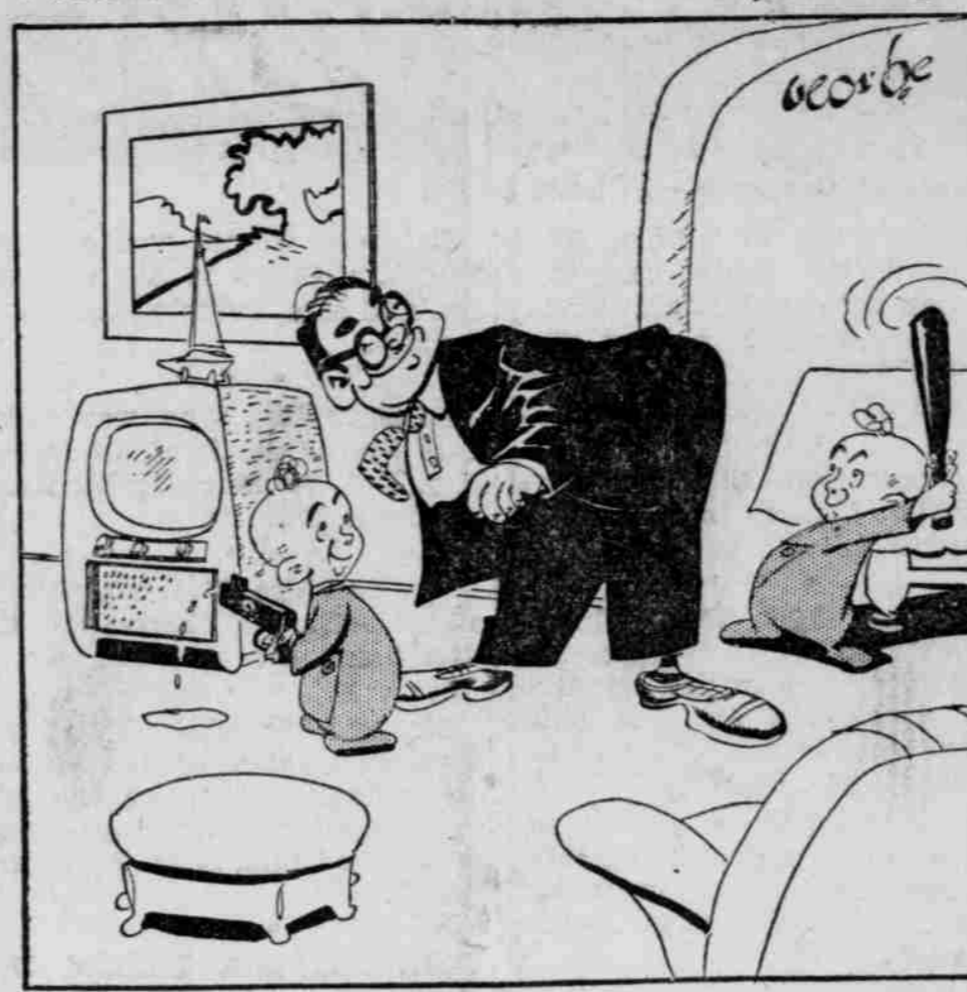
Senator Johnson returned for the opening of Congress around January 1, then left a few days afterward for Florida and Cuba for about 10 days, during which the preliminary natural gas debate droned on.

Then he flew back to Washington for the climax of the natural gas debate but left immediately thereafter for Texas; flying, incidentally, in a Brown and Root private airplane. George Brown, of this firm, was one of the most effective lobbyists for the natural gas bill and has also been a heavy contributor to Johnson's campaign fund.

Johnson rested approximately a week in Texas. Then when he found that Senators Hennings (D., Mo.) and Gore (D., Tenn.) were likely to put across a pen-

Ticklers

By George



"This is wonderful—one of the twins wants uncle to kiss him good night!"

trating probe of the gas lobby he flew back to Washington.

After about 10 days in Washington, during which he broadened and diluted the three-man Gore investigating committee, Lyndon flew back to Texas for another week's rest.

Thus, since Congress reconvened, the Democratic Senate leader has taken three separate vacations away from Washington. Eisenhower in approximately the same period, took 10 days off in Thomasville, Ga., and a similar amount of time in Key West. Eisenhower, incidentally, has been given orders by his doctors to take 10 days off approximately every month.

Note—In the past three years, Senator Johnson has not called one caucus of Senate Democrats. Though he's head of the party which advocates Democracy, he appears to be afraid to put his leadership to the test of Democracy.

Ike's Mink Gloves

The mischievous mink, which figured in Democratic gift "scandals" a few years ago, along with the deep freeze and Christmas hams, has made another appearance in the White House, this time with a GOP label.

In fact, it might be said literally that President Eisenhower has both hands in the deal.

Republican Rep. Pat Kearney of New York recently sent Ike a pair of mink-lined, pigskin gloves, made by a Johnstown, N. Y., firm. In a note accompanying the gift, Kearney piously observed:

"You can wear these while working the tractor on your farm."

Ike wrote back: "Thanks for the gloves. I'm afraid they are too elegant for ordinary farm work. But they will come in handy on cold days while I am walking around the farm."

Lyndon's "Clean" Substitute

By long - distance telephone and by using the office of the Democratic policy committee in the Senate, Sen. Lyndon Johnson has been bringing all kinds of pressure to sidetrack the "clean elections" bill introduced by Senator Hennings of Missouri and substitute for it his own hastily conceived elections bill, put together by him and Senator Knowland (R., Calif.) after public opinion got hot under the collar against the oil-gas lobby.

Johnson's persuasive sweet talk has been so effective that more than 40 senators have lined up behind his bill. Several, however, have refused, among them Sens. Margaret Chase Smith (R., Maine, Paul Douglas (D., Ill.), McNamara (D., Mich.), and Neuberger (D., Ore.).

"Your bill is truly the whole loaf," Mrs. Smith told Senator Hennings, "because it requires contributions to primary elections to be adequately reported."

In Maine, like many southern states, the important election is the primary, not the final election. Senator Smith feels that the public is entitled to know how much money is spent on crucial primary votes, not merely the final elections, in many states the campaign contributions are negligible.

What Senator Johnson obviously is trying to avoid is the necessity of chalking up for public inspection contributions to primary campaigns. In Texas, for instance, he spent well over a hundred thousand dollars in one of his primaries. In the final election he spent practically nothing. His new, hastily written election bill exempts primary contributions, applies only to final elections.

Primary Scandals

However, some of the worst scandals in Senate history occurred during primaries. In Pennsylvania, when Congressman Bill Vare, Philadelphia Republican Boss, spent over \$700,000 in his primary campaign against George Wharton Pepper, the Senate rose up in righteous wrath and refused to seat him.

ELMWOOD

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Calendar

March 14, 2 p.m., O.E.S. Kensington meets at Masonic Temple; 2 p.m. Women's Society World Service meets E.U.B. church.

March 15, 8 p.m., American Legion meets G.A.R. Hall.

March 16, 6 p.m., covered dish supper O.E.S. at Masonic Temple.

O.E.S. Chapter

Ideal Chapter O.E.S. met at the Masonic Temple Tuesday night, March 5. Bettie Patton, W.M., and Floyd Althouse, W.P., presided. Secretary Helen J. Sumner, P.M. read the minutes and correspondence.

Mrs. Clara Edwards was reported as having entered a nursing home near Union.

Refreshment committee serving after meeting were Chairman Lela Buell, Frank Buell, Ralph and Jessie Dorr, Ray and Margaret Parsell, and J. E. Shreve, and Opal.

Noel Tyson Death

Relatives of Noel Tyson received word of his death on Monday, March 5, after several months illness. He had suffered a stroke and was in the hospital at his death. Funeral was held at Cambridge, Thursday, March 8. Mr. and Mrs. Fleming Robb and Mr. and Mrs. Marion McCrory, from Elmwood attended. The women are sisters of the deceased. Dr. Roland Tyson of Murray drove the McCrory's to Cambridge. He is a brother.

29th Anniversary

dell's home in Lincoln was the scene of the 29th wedding anniversary celebration for Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Schoenberg of Camp White, Ore. They have been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. E. Shreve, and husband in Elmwood and other relatives. The three women are sisters. Other guests were George Wilson, father of the women. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gonzales and Scott from Guthrie Center, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Winther and son Ronny and daughter Susan Kay, Omaha; Mrs. Effie Smith and daughters Thelma and Marjorie, Lincoln; and Mrs. Trona Van Andell.

Dr. and Mrs. Schoenberg returned with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shreve to Elmwood and left for Oregon Monday afternoon from Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gonzales and son, Scott, Guthrie Center, Iowa, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Gonzales, Saturday and were overnight guests, after attending the anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Schoenberg. They returned to their home in Guthrie Center where he is the publisher of a newspaper.

Mrs. Claude Hewitt and Mrs. Marjorie Thomsen of Lincoln, daughter and grand-daughter respectively of Mrs. Nettie Mendenhall, visited her Tuesday on her birthday. Mrs. Thomsen's husband is expected to be discharged from service soon. The couple has been separated most of the time since their marriage and are now making plans for their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ahrens and children and Mrs. Adeline Rhoden of Weeping Water spent Sunday evening, March 4 with their aunt and sister, Mrs. Ruth Davis.

Miss Maud and Miss Jessie

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Cremer's niece, Mrs. Arthur Riedesel, and children, Ashland, and their brother, Fred Cremer, Waverly, were visitors at their home Monday, March 5. They came to offer birthday greetings to Maud as it was her birthday.

Study Club Meets

The afternoon study club of the Methodist church W.C.S. met at the home of Mrs. Ruth Monning Tuesday. Devotions were by Mrs. C. A. Bronn. The study of the American Indian was completed. Mrs. Bell Coakley gave a talk on the Nebraska Indians. She taught school at an Indian village, Macy. She has made a study of this subject for a number of years and also brought with her a collection of articles.

P.N.G. Meets

The Past Noble Grand's of Rebekah Lodge met Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Marjorie Schlapphoff. Mrs. Elizabeth Moonie, the president, conducted a business meeting. The secretary read some of the old secretary's minutes of the years 1933 and 1934. The past presidents of the club were honored. Twenty were present. All met the little baby, Susan Ann, who has come to live as the daughter of the Schlapphoffs. She has been with them about a week and is 11 months old. Mrs. Verna Miller was co-hostess assisting in serving refreshments.

Miss Grace Wood entertained Monday evening, March 5, honoring the birthdays of Mrs. Maud Cremer and Mrs. Nettie Mendenhall. Others present were Mrs. Emily Gonzales, Mrs. Ruth Monning, Mrs. Mabel Wood, Miss Lena Rieke and Miss Anna Clements. A covered dish supper was enjoyed by all.

Gerald Churchill returned from Grand Forks, N. D., Friday evening, to Elmwood. He is employed there with the U. S. Army Engineers in the construction of a new Air Force Base. Mrs. Churchill, who has been at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cremer, returned with her son, Steven, will remain with his grandparents until the end of the school year. They took Clico, a white Siberian husky dog, with them to their new home. They brought him from Alaska.

Mr. Churchill reports there was two feet of snow on the ground at Grand Forks, when he left and most mornings the temperature has been around 20 below zero.

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CALENDAR

- Tuesday, March 13 — IOF meets at hall.
 - Thursday, March 15 — Eagles Auxiliary will hold a regular meeting Thursday, March 15 at the Hall at 8 p.m. There will be an officers meeting at 7:30 p.m.
 - Thursday, March 15 — Naomi Circle of the Methodist church will meet Thursday, March 15, at the home of Laura Keller.
 - Thursday, March 15 — Gleaners Circle will meet Thursday, March 15 at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. George S. Garrison.
 - Thursday, March 15 — Mrs. Don C. York will be hostess to the Dorcas Circle of the W.C.S. in her home at 1221 Ave. A., Thursday, March 15.
 - Thursday, March 15 — Naomi Circle Methodist church meets with Lora Keller. Silent auction.
 - Tuesday, March 13 — The Camp Fire leaders will meet Tuesday, March 13 at 8 p.m. with Mrs. J. Howard Davis.
 - Friday, March 16 — Junior Legion Auxiliary will meet with Mary Ann Dingman Friday, March 16 at 7:30 p.m. Bring Easter tray favors.
- A Classified Ad in The Journal costs as little as 35 cents

