

# EDITORIALS

## EASTER, 1956

Easter, a major observance of the ecclesiastical year, falls on the first day of April this year. The observance occurs between March 22nd and April 25th each year, depending upon the moon.

The word "Easter" is derived from the Teutonic goddess, Eostre, whose festival was celebrated each spring, according to several sources. Her name was supposedly given to the observance and celebration of the Resurrection.

It is interesting to note that eggs became symbolical of Easter at a very early date. In fact, the egg was used to represent a symbol of new life before the Resurrection.

The coloring of eggs at the spring festival is also of very ancient origin, and it is thought that the Egyptians, the Persians, the Greeks and the Romans all used eggs in this way.

The connection of rabbits with Easter eggs, as we now know it in the United States, is derived from the old pagan custom which regarded rabbits as emblems of fertility—as emblems of new life.

It was only during the Nineteenth Century and the war days of 1861-65, that non-ritualistic churches began elaborate observances of Easter. These were initiated to bring as much consolation as possible to the homes of those who had lost loved ones.

Easter, traditionally, carries the message of hope to all the Christian world, and therefore is a major spiritual event. The religious significance of Easter is often overlooked, but it should be stressed, along with the Easter eggs, bunny rabbits and mystic customs which bring so much exhilaration and joy to children.

## FARM FIGHT CONTINUES

The highly-publicized fight in Congress over farm relief continues. Recent Senate passage of a farm bill does not constitute clearance of the last major hurdle.

The Senate-passed bill, which is far different from one passed in the House last year, must be passed on by the lower body. By the time you read this, the bill might have been referred to a joint compromise committee, or the House could have taken other action.

The prospect is that the bill will go to a conference committee, and the bill which emerges from this committee will be different from either the Senate or the House bill, although it will contain only features that were included in one of the two bills.

Even after this hurdle is passed, and if both Houses can agree on a conference committee bill and pass it, then that conference bill will go to the White House. Here the bill meets another stern test, since some Republicans have predicted that President Eisenhower will have to veto the bill, because it provides support for farmers in many forms which are contrary to the principles of the Administration's farm program.

If the President vetoes the conference bill, the question goes back to both houses and the question arises whether any farm relief will be voted this year. Should no bill get final approval this year, the farm issue will be the hottest single issue in the 1956 election, and if conditions continue as they are, the farm situation will definitely be a handicap to President Eisenhower and his Vice Presidential nominee.

## THE SOUTHERN MANIFESTO

One of the most significant by-products of the recent Southern manifesto in Congress might be a speeding up of the trend toward a third party.

While it is too early to predict with

### THOUGHT FOR TODAY

What we have to learn to do we learn by doing. —Aristotle

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## Furse's Fresh Flashes

A local fellow says he never realized how hard it was to drive a bargain until he bought a second-hand car.

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Our town sot will drink anything put before him, but he's very particular about the oil that goes into his car.

★ ★ ★

About the only difference between Lady Godiva and Paul Revere was that the Lady was air-conditioned.

★ ★ ★

If our hairline keeps receding, we're going to get us one of those forehead falsies.

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A husband is a man who is spouse broken.

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Some guy can make a fortune if he will invent a woman's purse with a zipper in the bottom—that's where they always find something.

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With necklines dropping lower every year, it's a good thing French spring fashions are featuring higher waistlines.

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And, speaking of these new spring styles, Flipper Fanny, our dainty little contour twister, says they may be French creations but there's an awful lot of American showing.

assurance that a third party will emerge from a divided Democratic Party, it was interesting to note that the presentation of the Southern manifesto to Congress recently was a most solemn event, so grave that neither supporters nor opponents of the resolution spoke a bitter word.

It is certain that no such manifesto, involving a repudiation of the Supreme Court by some one hundred members of Congress, has been placed on the record in recent years. Not only does the manifesto reflect upon the Supreme Court decision, but it lowers the prestige of the court. A hundred Senators and Congressmen cannot all be included in the hair-brained category.

On the other hand, it is certain that the majority in Congress cannot, and will not, go along with the manifesto. A large majority of House members and a good majority of Senate members will support the Court's decision on integration in the schools, and it may be that a historic debate may develop in the Senate chamber on the question before adjournment.

## Down Memory Lane

### 20 YEARS AGO

The activities of a band of gypsies passing through Plattsmouth was investigated by Sheriff Sylvester . . . John E. Turner, Cass county treasurer, was elected president of the Nebraska county treasurers association . . . BREX superintendent, George Jaeger, said the shop kitenball team was preparing to make a strong showing in the league this year . . . The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church elected its board of elders. They were T. H. Pollock, George L. Farley, L. O. Minor, W. A. Robertson, E. C. Giles, and J. W. Tritsch . . . Stuart Janda was found hanging from a tree, a victim of suicide.

### 30 YEARS AGO

Mrs. E. F. Grybsky of North Eleventh street received serious burns in attempting to save her hatchery from flames originating from a lamp used in the incubator . . . Miss Minnie Klinger announced she would run for city clerk. She was nominated by the Democrats . . . Carl Kunsman announced he would run for selectmen to give voters of the first ward the opportunity to have an experienced businessman represent them . . . Plattsmouth teachers contributed \$40 towards the community auditorium building fund . . . The family of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Squires was readying to move from the city to Dixon . . . The convertible top of the auto of Sheriff E. P. Stewart blew off as he and County Attorney W. G. Kieck were driving to Elmwood . . . Joseph Hadraba was named to an assessors post, having charge of property in the north side of the city.

Washington Pipeline Staff economists on the President's council of economic advisers are worried that prices may become even more inflationary. Heavy business borrowing and price increases in basic metals could mean dangerous inflation, followed by recession . . . Tennessee's baby-faced Sen. Albert Gore looked as if he were struggling to keep a stiff upper lip when he was replaced as chairman of the Senate Lobby Investigating committee. Re-marked St. Louis Post-Dispatch's Ed Woods, watching from the press gallery: "Gore looks like a choir boy who has just been dismissed because his voice is changing." . . . Minnesota's best democratic vote-getter appears to be quiet, modest Congressman John Blatnik, who held his district for Stevenson against the Eisenhower landslide in 1952 and the Kefauver landslide in 1956. Blatnik has been winning by wider margins in northern Minnesota ever since he took the district away from the republicans in 1946 . . . The Army is investigating reports that NATO arms have been smuggled into the desert to help the native uprising against the French in North Africa. Arms have disappeared from NATO's European depots. Army investigators have traced the missing equipment to Egypt, whence it is smuggled to the natives. . . The Air Force is worried that its giant Wheelus Air Base in Tripoli may be in danger.

## The WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

by DREW PEARSON

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DREW PEARSON SAYS: IKE SERIOUSLY CONSIDERS TRIP TO INDIA; FRIEND OF ALCOA MAY BECOME IKE'S NEW TRUST-BUSTER; TOM CORCORAN ARGUES WITH JIMMIE ROOSEVELT OVER BANANAS. Washington — President Eisenhower took 50 minutes the other day to discuss the idea of going on a good-will mission to India during the Democratic national convention next August. He discussed the plan with Evangelist Billy Graham who had recently come back from India. And, judging by the President's eager questions, he has a lot more

## The Assistant



than a mere polite interest in the trip. Because of the snowstorm, Ike was one day late in getting back to the White House from Gettysburg at the beginning of last week. This threw all his appointments out, and jammed up his schedule for Tuesday. Despite this, he kept Billy Graham about 30 minutes overtime talking to him about the trip to India.

The general idea they discussed was, first, that our sagging relations with India badly needed a trip by the president himself; second, that if he flew to India just as the Democrats were meeting in Chicago, it would take the spotlight away from them, also make it difficult for them to criticize him effectively.

The trip would also demonstrate the condition of his health.

Finally, he would fly on around the world, arriving from the Pacific in San Francisco just as the Republicans nominated him for a second term. He could time a triumphant arrival at the exact moment of his acceptance speech.

Ike seemed to like the idea immensely. He gave the impression that he might go ahead with it if his health was up to it this summer.

Note: As part of the Indian mission strategy, Prime Minister Nehru, who visits Washington in July, could invite the president to make a return visit, and the president, in a gesture to the Indian people, could accept immediately.

**New Trust-Buster?** One bright light in an otherwise murky Ike-Administration attitude toward little business has been Stanley Barnes, assistant attorney general, in charge of the antitrust division. Barnes has done a good job.

In one or two cases he had had to trim his sails, such as dropping the criminal prosecution against Ike's close friend, Roy Roberts, Publisher of the Kansas City Star. But in most cases, Barnes had been forthright in going after monopoly, and recently he brought a criminal indictment against Shell Oil in Boston for fixing retail prices.

However, Eisenhower is now doing to Barnes what President Roosevelt did to Thurman Arnold when he was in charge of the antitrust division. He is kicking Barnes upstairs to the Circuit Court of Appeals. So the big question is who will take his place.

Barnes has certain good men around him, including some holdover democrats and some new republicans. Among the latter is Robert Bicks, his legal assistant. However, the Justice Department grapevine has it that the new trust-busting job will go to Edward A. Foose, socialite politico, who happens to be chummy with Robert Leary, Washington representative of the Aluminum Company of America.

There is no corporation which has been in more hot water with the antitrust division over monopoly than the Aluminum Company.

**Two Roosevelts** Two famous personalities of the Roosevelt administration, Congressman James Roosevelt and brain-truster Tommy Corcoran, had a backstage huddle last week at which they agreed to disagree. Their disagreement was over bananas. "Tommy the Cork," who helped put across some of the foundation laws of the new deal, is still a potent, though unobtrusive figure in Washington. Now a private attorney, he seems to get things done just as well under the republicans as under the democrats. He called in Jimmie Roosevelt because Jimmie is planning to hold a small business committee hearing of complaints by banana jobbers against the United Fruit Company. The jobbers contend

gratified for my first time. Mrs. Amelia Bloomer, who had been formerly invited by members of the Legislature and others, arrived at the door of the State House, at 7 o'clock P. M., and by the gallantry of General Larimer, a passage was made for her to the stand. The House had been crowded for some time with eager expectants to get a glimpse of the Bloomer Costume, and listen to the arguments which were to be adduced as the fruitage of female thought and research. When all had been packed into the house who could possibly find a place for the sole of the foot, Mrs. Bloomer arose amidst cheers. We watched her closely and saw that she was perfectly self-possessed — not a nerve seems to be moved by excitement, and the voice did not tremble. She arose in the dignity of a true woman, as if of the importance of her mission so absorbed her thoughts that timidity or bashfulness were too mean to entangle the mental powers. She delivered her lecture in a pleasing, able, and, I may say, eloquent manner, that enchained the attention of her audience for an hour and a half. A man could not have beat it." I am sure the last sentence must be looked upon as the ultimate in praise from the newspaper man of a century ago.

## Grain Storage Check Needed Now Says ASC

With warmer weather ahead, Ivan G. Althouse, chairman of the Cass County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, reminds farmers that this is a good time to check stored grain under Commodity Credit loan.

A little time and effort now to examine stored grain for possible damage and contamination from rodents, insects, heating, moisture, and birds, may prevent serious losses when the grain is delivered to CCG or when the loan is paid the grain recovered.

Ordinarily, he points out, there is little loss during the cold weather. But later, when the temperature rises, conditions become more favorable for the development and activity of the organisms and forces which destroy or reduce the value of grain.

Among the specific items which the farmer should be on guard against are: Weevils and other insects. Examine grain frequently and fumigate at the first indication of infestation.

Birds usually supply a matter of closing openings so that birds cannot get in. Rats and other rodents close openings where rodents enter. Put on ratkilling drive. If poison is used follow instructions provided by county stabilization and conservation office or county extension agent.

Excessive moisture causes heating and destruction of grain. A mechanical drier may be necessary to reduce moisture. May need to provide better drainage at the bin or move grain to tighter bin on higher better-drained ground.

Chairman Althouse cautions farmers that tighter pure food and drug requirements must be met before grain will be accepted for food. Rodent-contaminated grain can only be used for feed purposes. A little care and caution before the damage is done may save loss and disappointment later on.

## Realty Transfers

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By Stanley James, Journal Washington Reporter

WASHINGTON — The current and sensational developments involving the blasting of the long-nurtured myths about Joseph Stalin, the so-called Man of Steel, who was thought (by most of the Russian people) to have saved the USSR from Hitler's hordes, is the hottest topic among diplomatic sources in the national capital.

Moreover, it is the hottest topic that has come along in the capital in a number of years. The impression in Washington is that Nikita Khrushchev is behind the move, with Marshal Bulganin and Defense Minister Ahukov squarely behind him.

Washington cannot officially get into the ruckus, but U. S. diplomats are pleased that the Russian people are at least to be given some of the truth about Uncle Joe. If the Russians are given the true picture of Stalin, they might be given the facts on some of his broken pledges to the western allies, it is reasoned.

This may be wishful thinking, but how can the truth about Stalin be revealed without also revealing some of his duplicity in dealing with the democracies? Khrushchev is thought to have made a courageous decision in deciding to let the Russian people in on the monstrous discovery of the era inside the USSR.

That there has been more serious reaction than Khrushchev hoped is pretty well established, but whether the reaction has amounted to anything serious enough to shake his hold on the reigns of the Communist party in Russia—the key to power—is not known.

It is speculated, though, that Malenkov might have been sent out of the country just as reactions were beginning to get hot. The former Premier, who was long Stalin's secretary, and who took over from Stalin after the

latter's death, with reduced powers, but as Premier was sent to England for a three-weeks stay just as news of varied and scattered reactions to the Stalin debunking leaked out.

Present leaders in the Kremlin indicate they have matters well under control. And Malenkov has apparently sided with the present majority sentiment in power, because he intimated to English hosts a few days ago that Stalin was not what propaganda had blown him up to be. Nevertheless, Malenkov could be a key man in the developing picture in Russia, if there is any major reaction to the deflation of Joseph Stalin, people's hero. Khrushchev had not rubbed Malenkov out, in the great Communist tradition of Russia, but only demoted him. He therefore remains as a possible center of a counter reaction, and it seems significant that he was moved out of the country for an extended period — for the first time in his life — just as the recent debunking campaign in Russia began to be felt.

Washington is hearing conflicting reports on the deteriorating situation in the Middle East. From sources close to Israeli armed forces chiefs, the word is that the Arab countries are preparing to attack Israel as soon as they acquire enough arms from Communist and other sources, and Egypt is named as the number-one motivators in the Arab camp.

But from Arab sources, Washington hears that Israel was resigned to a preventative war some months ago, and had actually set March 1st as the opening day of that conflict. Arab sources think world opinion—especially as reflected at the UN — and the supply of arms Arab countries began to receive from the Communists, stalled the Israeli attack.

It is hard to know what the exact situation is in the Middle East from week to week. But the two opposed forces agree on one thing, and that is that war is next to inevitable. Israel is pressing the State Department hard for sixth million dollars worth of "defensive" arms, while the Arab countries are currently buying arms from Communist countries and in some cases, from the democracies.

Before the situation gets better it might get worse. And if deteriorates further, a rmed clashes will almost surely degenerate into uncontrolled fighting. The old war, stopped by the UN, would then have been resumed after a truce of seven or eight years.

## FAUCET RUNS CORN

DETROIT, Mich. — Police held two men for investigation because their kitchen faucet ran pure corn liquor, instead of water. It seems the men had two 600-gallon stills running in a chicken coop outside their home. Serving as a coil, police said, was a pipe leading through sub-freezing weather to a kitchen tap.

## WEEKLY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Here's the Answer

**Musical Instrument**

<b>HORIZONTAL</b>	8 Niton (symbol)	32 Wild beast	42 Departed
1 Depicted instrument	9 Domestic slave	34 Observe	43 Wiles
10 Oils again	11 Dash	44 Hawaiian	45 Misfortunes
11 Age	12 Grade	45 Joint of the leg	50 Compass point
13 Shop	15 Monster	41 German river	51 An (Scot.)
14 At this time	16 It is played with a hammer		
17 Deposit	23 Storage pit		
19 Self	24 Pack		
20 Near	25 It is made of graduated		
21 Artificial language	26 Zeus' mother		
22 Cape	31 Portal in a fence		
27 Pronoun			
28 Exclamation of satisfaction			
29 Behold!			
30 Anent			
31 Shine			
33 Descended			
36 Three-toed sloth			
37 Atop			
38 Weight measure			
40 Royal			
45 Follower			
16 Direction (ab.)			
47 Worship			
48 Sheltered side			
49 Necessary			
52 Lowers			
<b>VERTICAL</b>			
1 Roentgen ray			
2 Biblical measure			
3 Scottish girl			
4 Top			
5 Body of water			
6 Engage			
7 Units			