

SOME WILL DROWN

Already the nation's first summer-season drownings are occurring. Recently, near Seattle, Martin Brown fell out of a boat into a lake and could not save himself.

A teen-age girl managed to make her way to him in her boat, and extended her hand. Brown grasped it and, apparently, was saved. However, when another boat arrived just a few minutes later, the teenager had lost her grip and Brown's hand had slipped away and he had disappeared under the water.

We cite this incident only to remind readers that the swimming season is at hand and that drownings are now beginning. Despite all the Red Cross work in swimming training, lessons and so forth, a great many people in this country still cannot swim.

This is particularly true among older people, who did not enjoy the easy access to swimming pools, lakes, and so forth, because of inadequate transportation in their younger days. Therefore, many older fishermen and older vacationists, are each year frivolous enough to take to the water, in a boat without adequate safety precautions. They should always sit on a lifesaver-type seat, or wear a life-preserver. It takes only a few seconds to drown, and the number of drownings which occur each year is certainly impressive.

To avoid trouble, swim in safe places, where a life-guard is on duty, keep children well attended, never swim immediately after eating a heavy meal, and never over-exert yourself in the water to the point of utter exhaustion. If you follow these rules, and use life-preservers in boats, you will probably survive the swimming season in 1956, and we can think of no reason why you shouldn't.

ON BUYING AN AUTOMOBILE

The Journal Monday carried a short resume on local auto dealers, their general outlook on what is to come during the next few months and during 1957.

It was encouraging to note that Plattsmouth franchise dealers had that "forward look" and, while battling a general let-down in the industry this year, were in no way discouraged and looked for better times ahead.

Right now the automobile business is overrun with "gimmick" deals. Many fast operators are in the business, some on corner lots and not a few "come latelays" who advertise unheard-of "deals" to get an unwary customer into his show room. From there the fast talking, fast thinking, and a good boy with a pencil takes over. If the purchaser isn't a smart "cookie" himself he winds up with what he thought was a good deal until he looks over his payment contract.

Plenty have been "taken" by this "gimmick"—a high trade in, cost price on the new job—BUT, the dealer's profit is tied up in that paper the unwary purchaser has signed. Most "gimmick" dealers are not seeking a cash buyer—they want monthly payments where they can tie in excessive interest charges, extras for service, get high profits on insurance costs, and a dozen other tricks that are slipped into the contract that can cost an unwary buyer from \$300 to \$800 extra in a 36-month payment plan.

Plattsmouth is fortunate to have dealers who lay their plans on the line. They can be checked by your attorney for hidden profit gadgets and in most instances the buyer will get a better deal, better

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Whoever wants to lie need only begin to talk about the weather. —Haussa Proverb

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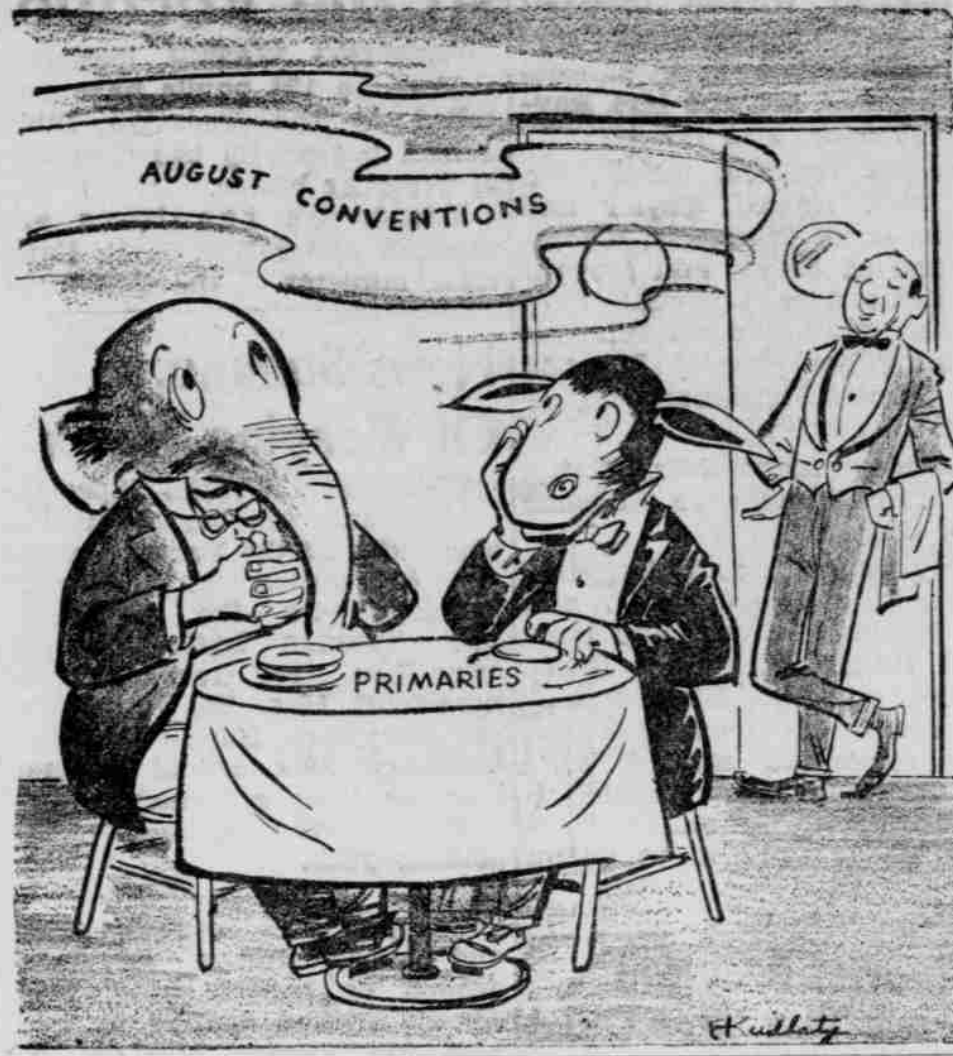
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Waiting for the Main Course



Brown of California, Governor Clements of Tennessee and Senator Humphrey of Minnesota as among the Vice Presidential hopefuls.

"If I was committed to Kefauver for Vice President I would get no support from any of them," Stevenson explained.

He went on to say that he would certainly be open-minded about Kefauver for Vice President. But then he added:

"If Estes gets into these primaries and makes me spend a lot of time and money fighting for the nomination," said Adlai, "then I'll never take him on the ticket."

This left Estes with a tails-Stevenson-wins, heads-Kefauver-loses alternative. He decided to enter the primaries.

People-to-People Friendship The importance of President Eisenhower's idea of a committee of private citizens to promote people-to-people friendship was illustrated just two weeks ago when a group of Americans and Frenchmen dedicated a French-American hospital at St. Lo, the point in the German lines where Gen. Omar Bradley's troops broke through after the Normandy landing.

There has been so much petty bickering between French and American politicians of late, that a lot of Americans have forgotten the basic people-to-people friendship existing between the two countries. It was very evident at the hospital's dedication ceremony, however.

Clair McCollough, of Lancaster, Pa., who made a special flight to Paris as special representative of the Friendship Train committee reported that sentiment toward the American people was deep and friendly; that the French particularly appreciated the hospital because it was a joint enterprise.

It was not a gift from the U. S. Government. The French

were too polite to say so, but actually they raised more money for the hospital than did private Americans. Not a penny of U. S. Government funds went into the project.

The American who deserves most credit for pushing the hospital is Robert Blake, of the Guaranty Trust Co. in Paris, who could well have been made a member of Eisenhower's Citizen's Committee for People-To-People Friendship.

Note - The Friendship Train money that went into the St. Lo Hospital was insurance money paid after the Communists burned down a warehouse containing part of the Friendship Train food in the winter of 1947-48.

Stevenson-Kefauver Ticket Mike Disalle, the ex-mayor of Toledo who Washington knew in the thankless job of prime administrator during the Korean War, is now running for governor of Ohio. However, he's also keeping a weather eye on the national campaigns.

Internal Revenue agents have been digging into the taxes of Ex-Senator E. V. Robertson, Wyoming Republican, and Robertson has appealed to some of his former Senate colleagues to intervene in his behalf.

The tax transaction under investigation involves the sale of the Coe Ranch in Cody, Wyo., long owned by Robertson's brother-in-law, but managed by the ex-senator who was born in the British Isles but came to this country as a boy.

Robertson bought the ranch from his brother-in-law at what was considered a cheap price, later sold it to the Hunt Oil

Company, owned by H. L. Hunt, the famous Texas friend of Joe McCarthy. The sale was made by a complicated lease arrangement which Internal Revenue has been investigating. The cattle on the ranch were sold separately.

Queried by this column regarding his tax difficulties, Robertson refused to comment. "I am no longer a public official," he said. "This is my own private business. There is nothing I care to say."

Reminded that any tax violation, even by a private citizen was a public matter, the ex-senator replied that he still had nothing to say.

Portrait of An Indiana Farmer Senator Capehart of Indiana, who also manufactures Capehart TV sets, had this to say on the Senate floor recently about farming:

"Mr. President, I deal in farm products every day. I am a farmer. I sell hogs practically every month in the year, and I buy and sell cattle. I raise corn. I do not suppose there is ever a time when I do not have corn on my farm. I sign the checks, and deposit checks for that which is sold. I just recently sold soybeans, wheat and hogs and had recently bought some cattle. So I am one of those Indiana Farmers about whom the senator from Oklahoma (Kerr) has spoken. If I know anything I know that much."

Cass County Farmers May Apply For Wheat Acreage Allotments

WEEPING WATER (Special) -Farmers on land on which no wheat was seeded for grain for any of the years 1954, 1955 and 1956, may apply for a 1957 wheat acreage allotment, according to Ivan G. Althouse, Chairman of the Cass County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee.

To be considered for an allotment on a farm which had no wheat seeded for grain for any of those years, the farmer must apply in writing to Cass County ASC Committee by July 16th.

Blank applications forms are available at the county ASC office in Weeping Water for use in filing requests for allotments.

Small Business Loans Can Be OK'd in Omaha

OMAHA - Authority to approve loan applications in which the Government advances up to \$15,000 has been received by L. S. MacKenzie, manager of the Omaha Office of the Small Business Administration, located at 705 Federal Office Building, 15th & Dodge Streets, Omaha.

In making the announcement, MacKenzie said: "Mr. Wendell B. Barne, Washington Administrator of the Small Business Administration, had stated that this new authority is in line with an all-out effort being made to expedite processing of loan applications."

LETTER BOX

The Journal welcomes letters from readers for this column on any subject. Your name must be signed to all articles intended for publication, however, by request, it can be omitted from the letter appearing in print. (Contents do not necessarily express the opinions of this newspaper.)

Dear Editor:

We wish to take this means of thanking you for making us the recipient of the \$100 award. Our members and the farmers in this community should derive a great deal of good from the sprayer that we will build with this award. The sprayer will be available starting next fall soon after school opens.

You are to be commended for not only giving of space in your paper to agricultural groups but for being unselfish with your own financial awards. Sincerely yours, Roy Smith, President Don Hansen, Advisor

Dear Editor:

In the Journal of May 17th I see by the article of the class of '56, that it had 79, the largest in the history of the school. That is incorrect. I recall in 1921 the class consisted of 101 and as I recall one did not make the grade so only 100 graduated. Some of the class members were Carl Schneider, Mason Wescott, John Sattler, Clare May Morgan, Verla Becker, Clair Hudson, C. E. Platt was the Superintendent.

Just to keep the records straight best wishes to the class of '56.

Sincerely, O. C. Hudson, Sr. EDITOR'S NOTE: The claim that the Class of 1956 was the largest was made by class members and supported by school officials. However, since publication of the story crediting the Class of '56 with overdoing all others, several members of other classes have informed us their's was bigger.



By Stanley James, Journal Washington Reporter

WASHINGTON, June 7 - The lid is about ready to come off another sizzling interservice wrangle in Washington and this being an election year there on Capitol Hill ready to make the most of it.

This time it is not solely a case of a conspiracy against policy. It centers around a dispute over the capabilities of certain weapons and of course, it touches on the role to be played by various services, also, in the air.

The Air Force is involved in the middle, and is in the unfortunate position of being the youngest of services getting the most money and stirring up the most envy among top brass in the other two, older services.

The Army, under General Maxwell Taylor, is taking on new theoretical function. The Navy, having won its carrier battle some years back, is fighting for a major role in strategic warfare. The Navy is winning this battle.

The Army is having tougher going. The Air Force, for one thing, thinks the Army's much-touted NIKE ground-to-air defense missile is a flop. High bombers traveling fast can often elude the NIKE, the Air Force believes, after a thorough study. Moreover, planes can approach a target and let loose guided bombs fifty miles away from a city to be hit, and get away before reaching the NIKE's range - says the Air Force.

The Army says it isn't so. The NIKE is the answer to enemy air attacks, says the Army, especially the new NIKE B. Congressmen on Capitol Hill are now demanding a test between the Air Force's two interceptor missiles and the NIKE. So far no thorough comparison in the form of an actual test, has been constructed.

The Air Force has two guided missiles, on the order of a Navy missile, which can be controlled in flight. The Air Force once rejected the NIKE and says its designer is himself suggesting the Army make a change in its missile defense program.

Naturally, this stirs a hornet's nest among those who have billed the NIKE as a great defense weapon, and it certainly has been relied upon by Members of Congress to the tune of hundreds of millions of dollars. If the Air Force is right, the Army is behind the times.

But the case isn't settled yet. President Eisenhower is an old Army man, and although most top Air Force officers are too, the Chief Executive wants the Army to have a fair hearing. And he doesn't want to have a big row over defense weapons in and election year or any other time, for that matter.

Also entering into the happy picture at this time is a difference of opinion as to the Navy's capabilities to maintain a strategic bombing offensive with its huge carriers. How much the Navy can contribute in such a sustained offensive is a matter now being thrashed out between service brass and Congressmen, but there is a

difference of opinion on this among Air Force and Navy officers.

In the end, President Eisenhower will have to set policy on the issues now so alive. Strategic bombing is an Air Force mission but the Navy will probably be encouraged to help all it can. And the Army will get its chance to prove the value of the NIKE. If the NIKE is not adequate under modern conditions, someone may be on the hot seat.

Senator Walter George holds the key to the Administration's hopes for a big foreign aid program this year. The retiring Georgia dean of the Senate has said in recent years he was voting for a large foreign aid bill for the last time. Now that he has accepted President Eisenhower's call to become his special ambassador for the NATO organization, Senator George might be more inclined to support a liberal foreign aid figure.

Pressure from back home on George - against big foreign aid appropriations - has increased in recent years, as the people in most sections seem to be tiring of these huge programs while the U. S. taxes remain high. In Georgia Senator George's probable successor, Herman Talmadge, was ready to tear into George on this issue.

The House has whacked more than a billion dollars off the Eisenhower foreign aid program. Senator George and the Senate are the President's hope to have some of this amount restored.

4-H Cooking Cuties Begin Trees Study

By Irene Chriswiser 4-H Reporter

The Cooking Cuties met at the home of Barbara Chandler on June 1.

The business meeting was held. We received books on yard beautification and cooking. We learned to measure dry and liquid ingredients.

We started learning to identify kinds of trees and shrubs. We have a new member, Ann Nutzman. Refreshments were served and the meeting adjourned.

Advertisement for Vic Vet says: WORLD WAR II VETS WITH FIVE-YEAR TERM GI INSURANCE WILL PAY HIGHER PREMIUMS AND RECEIVE LOWER DIVIDENDS FOR EVERY RENEWAL. IT'S TIME TO CONSIDER CONVERSION TO PERMANENT PLANS OF GI INSURANCE.

WEEKLY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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