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Eyes on the Conventions

The bird-and-snake fascination with which the American people are keeping their eyes glued on the terrible drama now stalking across Europe is causing a dangerous neglect of our own affairs.

Only about a week now remains before the Republican party meets in Philadelphia to choose its candidate for the presidency. Three weeks after that the Democratic party meets for the same purpose.

At the moment it is of course true that the present and future relations of the United States to the rest of the world are the most important concern of the people. Yet the President chosen this fall will be at the head of the government for four years. It is highly unlikely that the present war will continue that long.

Therefore the election of the President is not less important but more important than when only domestic issues are to the fore. There will be plenty of domestic issues in the post-war period, and the fact that they are temporarily obscured by the war does not mean that they will not come strongly to the fore by 1944.

Nobody can be elected President until he has first been nominated. So the current disregard of the nominating conventions is unfortunate.

Neither party can afford at this critical time to nominate any but the man it believes best-fitted to pilot the nation through troubled waters. Back-room compromises and strictly political jockeying will find little sympathy. All attention of political leaders in both parties should be concentrated on choosing the leader of highest possible quality and ability.

The conventions have become vitally important, because from one of the two meetings will emerge the man who is to lead a united America in the troubled days to come. This is democracy in action, and nothing will be more reassuring to the American people than a straightforward, serious, statesmanlike job at the two national conventions.

One can marvel at the traffic control effected by the Nazis to keep their mechanized columns rolling so fast, especially after a Sunday afternoon on a U. S. highway.

In its journey around the sun, the earth travels at the rate of 1112 miles a minute, about as fast as anything we can think of, unless it be a blitzkrieg.

Checks are coming back in suits this summer. This being just the return of a fad, not of prosperity, they will be seen only in the material and not in the pockets.

EARLY EXPLORER

HORIZONTAL

- 1 The Genesee who discovered America in 1492. 8 He was seeking a new route to the East. 13 Owl's cry. 14 Console. 16 Unoccupied. 17 Mature. 18 To set upright. 19 Orderly. 20 Part of Roman month. 21 Baking dish. 22 Eighth of a circle. 24 Lawyer's charge. 25 Eggs of fishes. 26 Sums. 30 Toady. 34 To make a speech.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

SPHINX LUTHERS... RABBIT'S FOOT... 35 Rabbit's foot. 36 More certain. 37 Pertaining to parents.

VERTICAL

- 8 Opposed to outdoor. 9 Nick. 10 Notion. 11 Enthusiasm. 12 Colonists. 15 Onto. 23 Stopped. 24 To strip of blubber. 25 Unseasoned. 27 English coin. 28 Sailor. 29 Gnawed. 30 Constant companion. 31 To dine. 32 Wrath. 33 Golf device. 35 Wages. 38 Serf. 39 Bullfighter. 41 Surfeited. 43 Moon goddess. 44 Supreme. 45 House cats. 46 Malted rock. 49 Bulgarian coin. 51 Starting bar.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-55 and a small illustration of a man in the bottom right corner.

'Ach! You're Just Seeing Things Under the Bed'



Selection Is Made

- Justice of Peace, Precinct No. 5: John Chapman. Constable, Precinct No. 5: Aaron Bryant, J. N. Allison. Justice of Peace, Precinct No. 6: W. E. (Bill) Brown, H. S. Stubblefield, R. W. H. Kennon. Constable, Precinct No. 6: R. L. Wilson, J. J. Honca. Justice of Peace, Precinct No. 7: G. W. Hardin, S. H. Evans. Constable, Precinct No. 7: W. P. Small, Sr., Clifton Hoard, Sex Hulin. Chairman, Precinct No. 5: F. W. Dill, W. R. Huestis.

Why Didn't You

hundreds of horses reverberated from the ministry-of-marine building to the chamber of deputies. Across the Seine they surged past the deputies' building where the sad looking statues of bygone French statesmen looked down, past the military governor's headquarters and on through the streets of Paris.

Old Prospectors Few In Montana

HELENA, Mont.—The thousands of prospectors who swarmed over western Montana in the days of Alder and Last Chance Gulch have few modern counterparts, according to the Montana land board.

Many Highways In State Not Up To Modern Usage

AUSTIN, Texas—Thousands of miles of Texas highways are still far below the modern standard dictated by the needs of present day traffic a four-page layout of "Unfinished Business on Texas Highways" in the June issue of Texas Parade reveals with startling emphasis.

Selection Is Made

112 were issued for prospecting in Lewis and Clark county where Last Chance Gulch attracted thousands of gold seekers in the last century. Although providing only for prospecting, the permits give holders preference in mining leases should they strike "color."

Why Didn't You

During the afternoon Gen. Bogislav von Studnitz, provisional German military governor, visited American Ambassador William C. Bullitt, then walked quickly to the center of the Place de la Concorde and stood rigidly for exactly an hour while part of a German division passed by.

RED RYDER By Fred Ham



Americans Are

(Continued from Page 1). elsewhere in large quantities. Rubber imports alone total more than \$150,000,000 a year. An effort will be made to reduce the dependence of South American farmers on the European market.

Canada Is To Sell Hemlocks To Japan

VANCOUVER—Japan is buying hemlock logs for version into pulp. Order, 3,500,000 feet or less, for the next two or three months being filled.

Advertisement for Texas Electric Service Company. Features a large illustration of a man in a hard hat working on a substation structure. Text includes: 'COOL HEADS AND SKILLED HANDS SAFEGUARD YOUR ELECTRIC SERVICE', 'Clambering up a substation structure on a dark, rainy night is no child's play. Duties such as this call for cool heads and skilled hands.', 'Good electric service doesn't just happen. Routine maintenance work must be supplemented by hazardous emergency repair jobs to protect you from the inconvenience of interrupted electric service.', and 'TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY'.

FICTIONAL STORY

Ticket to Hollywood

By W. H. Pears

Francie who really broke... CHAPTER III... "You're taking this much too seriously, dear. I'm afraid Hat's been filling your head with foolish ideas. Even if you had the ticket, I wouldn't like the idea."



Illustrated by G. P. Whitford

"You're as good as I am!" "I am!" Francie raged... "Gair, don't you take Francie's side. If—if you never speak to you again..."

LATER, when Francie went to her room, she found Aunt Hat sitting on the bed... "What good will it do, Aunt Hat? Pops wouldn't let me go."

"OUT OUR WAY" BY WILLIAMS



Physician Says Tuberculosis Can Be Eradicated

By United Press SAN FRANCISCO — Tuberculosis can be virtually eradicated within a generation, according to Dr. Paul DeKruif, originator and operator of the "Detroit plan" for tubercular control...

eradicate tuberculosis in a generation. "The public doesn't know a rap about tuberculosis," he declared, "and won't convince the politicians."

Gar Rodeos Are Latest In Sports

AUSTIN, Texas.—The campaign of the State Game Department to get sportsmen fishing for gar is bearing fruit. In fact, it is catching on at such a surprising rate that several cities are now planning gar rodeos, believe it or not!

THIS CURIOUS WORLD



DUST FROM AUSTRALIAN DUST STORMS FREQUENTLY SETTLES IN NEW ZEALAND, 1,400 MILES AWAY. ANSWER: Divide total number of base hits by total times at bat, carrying to three decimal places.

KEY OOP By Hamlin



Dodger Medwick



Here's Joe Medwick in Brooklyn livery, and batting in the cleanup position for the Dodgers.

Advertisement for Humble 997 Motor Oil. Text: 'Isn't it about time for you to DRAIN and REFILL with HUMBLE 997 a balanced MOTOR OIL? It is difficult to dramatize the necessity for changing the motor oil in your car at regular intervals. So we ask you to take our word for it: nothing contributes more to economical, trouble-free engine performance.'

