



57 Years An Engineer

Walter Marshall of Teague, Texas, who passed his 57th birthday a couple months ago, has been a railroad engineer 57 years. Marshall takes over a diesel-powered passenger train every night for his run in Houston and returns to Teague the next morning. Marshall shows E. F. Kelenovsky Jr., 7, of Houston, how to operate the controls of the diesel engine.

Politicos In 6 States Scramble Into Position

By The Associated Press
Richard M. Nixon crashed back onto the national political stage with a California triumph while voters in four other states and convention delegates in another named their candidates for November elections.

The former vice president won the Republican gubernatorial nomination in Tuesday's California primary election, overcoming the stubborn challenge of conservative Joseph C. Shell by a two to one margin.

While Nixon, who lost a close race for the presidency in 1960, was pulling away from Shell, Gov. Edmund G. Brown was causing to victory over three virtually unknown opponents in the Democratic primary. Brown seeks a second term.

OTHER RACES
In other races around the nation: Sen. Thomas Kuchel of California, Sen. Francis Case of South Dakota and Gov. Robert E. Smith of Idaho won Republican nominations for new terms.

The Connecticut Republican convention took eight ballots to nominate insurance executive John A. Dempsey for governor.

Rep. Jamie Whitten ousted Rep. Frank Smith from Congress in a battle of Mississippi Democrats seeking the same House seat.

Nixon never trailed in defeating Shell, an independent oilman from Los Angeles and leader of the Republican minority in the California Assembly.

The former vice president, who came out of a short retirement from politics to run for governor,

PROMISES TO ABRAHAM

By Dr. H. Parker, pastor, Church of Christ, 200 West Highway 19, P.O. Box 1382

The plan of the Bible begins to unfold. After the fall of man, the earth became more and more wicked, until the flood became a necessity. After the flood, the worship of idols became prominent. It was then that the Lord separated Abraham from his kinfolk, and made certain promises to him.

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Board Approves Curriculum Plans

AUSTIN (AP)—The Texas Commission on Higher Education approved a University of Houston curriculum which includes six Ph. D. programs and curriculum additions for nine other colleges Tuesday.

"I feel the role and scope of the University of Houston which the commission approved is a satisfactory and reasonable recognition of the needs of Houston and the state," said the university's president, Dr. Philip Hoffman.

The programs are effective next year, when the Houston school comes under state support. Some commission members disagreed at a lack of graduate programs in education and Ph. D.'s in electrical and mechanical engineering. They voted to hear these proposals and others for merging the school's law and pharmacy schools with Texas Southern University at a July 9 meeting.

The commission also: Agreed to consider in July education at Texas A&M. Approved a \$4.2 million budget request for 1962, compared to a 1961 budget of \$3.5 million, for general academic teaching institutions, to meet enrollment increases.

Granted the University of Texas an undergraduate program in architectural studies leading to a degree of bachelor of science (four-year program) and the professional degree of bachelor of architecture (six-year program). Gave Texas Western College separate departments of history, government and sociology, philosophy and psychology, and economics, and business administration.

Gave Texas A&M a graduate institute of statistics with programs leading to the degree of master of science and doctor of philosophy, withdrew proposals to establish a department of forestry and an agricultural economics program.

4-H Clubbers In Competition

Four representatives from Howard County are taking part in the 4-H Roundup now in progress at College Station. They are district winners of a meet in Lubbock a month ago and are representing the county as a grass judging team.

They are Donnie Anderson, Ronnie Anderson, Danny Wash and H. K. Elrod. The boys are being accompanied by Lovell Kuykendall, assistant county agent and will return Thursday. The contest includes competition of district winners from the entire state.

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Impaled Matador

Mexican matador Rodolfo Palafox is shown impaled on a horn as a bull tossed him at a Tijuana, Mexico, bullring. A gash nine inches long was ripped in his abdomen.

Nixon Back In Business

By JACK BELL
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Richard M. Nixon is back in business at a new stand as the Republican nominee for governor of California.

The former vice president took the first step on the comeback road by sweeping to a primary victory over conservative Joseph C. Shell with about 70 per cent of his party's vote.

Off this showing Nixon appeared strongly armed to wage what is regarded as an uphill general election battle against Democratic Gov. Edmund G. Brown. It promises to be a no-holds-barred affair which seems likely to have a direct bearing on the 1964 Republican presidential nomination.

Brown, a heavy-vote winner in his renomination race, is certain to enlarge upon his charge that Nixon is seeking the governorship only as a "whistle stop on the line to Washington."

Nixon is on record as pledging that "I shall not be a candidate for the presidency in 1964," but almost no politician in California was willing to count him out of the running for that prize should he win the governorship.

President Kennedy is expected to campaign personally for Brown. He has predicted the governor's re-election if the voters can be sold on the national ad-

ministration's record. Nixon expects former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, who winters at Palm Springs, to speak at a fund-raising dinner and to get in some other campaign licks for him.

One familiar face that seems likely to be missing is that of Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona, spokesman for party conservatives and chairman of the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee, Nixon and Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel, who won Republican renomination in a breeze, have made it clear they don't want Goldwater peddling his wares in California.

In grudgingly conceding his defeat, Shell, an oil-wealthy former football star, gave none of the usual lip service to party unity. Asked if he would back Nixon in November, he replied: "I support certain principles and I am not a me-tooer and I never will be. I will support any candidate who, both by his actions and his words, supports those principles that I have espoused."

This thinly veiled threat to lead a conservative stay-at-home movement in November was not lost on Nixon.

There is almost unanimous agreement among California politicians that to win the governorship any Republican must have the backing of 90 per cent of his own party's voters plus 20 per cent of Democrats. This formula pays tribute to the 43 edge the Democrats have among about seven million registered voters.

Although he denounced the John Birch Society and its aims, Nixon made every effort not to anger the GOP conservatives while bidding for November support from Democratic moderates. Shell neither actively sought nor discouraged John Birch Society support.

John Birch Society members, of course, could continue to regard Nixon as an enemy who had denounced them and their precepts. But their real voting strength was demonstrated as relatively unimportant when Shell ran far behind in the ballot count.

Nixon's course was pointed toward a middle of the road campaign in which he could tab Brown as ultra-liberal and a Kennedy spender.

It was an almost sure bet that Nixon would run against Kennedy as much as against Brown, whom he has described as an "amiable but bungling" man. On the other hand, Brown has a rousing vote of confidence behind him in a primary where he piled up a much larger total than Nixon.



Assistant DPS Director

Wilson E. Speir of Midland was announced as new assistant director of the Texas Department of Public Safety. Speir, who was advanced to the rank of lieutenant colonel, has been commander of the Midland region since 1957. He succeeds Joe S. Fletcher, who resigned April 20.

William Beebe, Explorer, Dies

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad (AP) — Funeral arrangements were incomplete today for Dr. William Beebe, 84-year-old naturalist, author and explorer who won fame for his daring dives to the ocean floor in a bathysphere.

Dr. Beebe died Monday night at the tropical research station he founded here in 1945 and presented to the New York Zoological Society, with which he had long been associated. He had been in ill health for some years.

Beebe was best known for his

ocean descents in the 1930s. His drop to the Atlantic floor off Bermuda in 1934, a depth of 3,028 feet, was a record that stood for nearly 20 years.

To the scientific world Beebe was also known for nearly 100 animals and birds named after him and for his 22 widely translated books and hundreds of scientific papers.

A native of Brooklyn, Beebe became curator of birds at the Bronx Zoo at its opening in 1899 and the next year began a long series of zoological expeditions. They took him to Nova Scotia, Mexico, Trinidad, Venezuela and British Guiana.

He made his first trip to the Caribbean in 1908 and later became an authority on the region's underwater life. He began his oceanographic expeditions in 1925

and continued them until 1939, exploring the waters around the Galapagos Islands, the West Indies and Haiti.

He is survived by his second wife, the former Elsyth Thane.

Sergeant York Reported Better

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A hospital spokesman says Sgt. Alvin C. York, 74, should be able to return to his farm home at Pall Mall, Tenn., by the weekend.

Doctors have been examining the World War I Medal of Honor winner to determine what caused internal bleeding two weeks ago. York was resting well today.

Ecclesiastical Trial Is Planned

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Presbytery's complaint against the Rev. D. Stuart Merriam, on which he will have an ecclesiastical trial, includes charges of "untruthfulness" and "false bearing."

The Presbytery authorized the unusual procedure of an ecclesiastical trial for the ousted minister of the Broadway Presbyterian Church.

The Presbytery said Dr. Merriam "deceived" a U.S. State Department official by not informing him that Dr. Iraj Dehghan,

a teacher, was listening in on a telephone conversation regarding allegations of corruption in Iran.

Later the Presbytery said, Dr. Merriam permitted a reporter to hear a tape recording of the conversation. Dr. Merriam thus broke a confidence, the Presbytery said.


Dr. Merriam's supporters contend that the Dehghan incident was used as a cover-up for a desire by the Presbytery to get rid of the clergyman because of his relatively conservative theological leanings.

The Presbytery had said Dr. Merriam, 38, was too "rigid" in his approach to theological matters.

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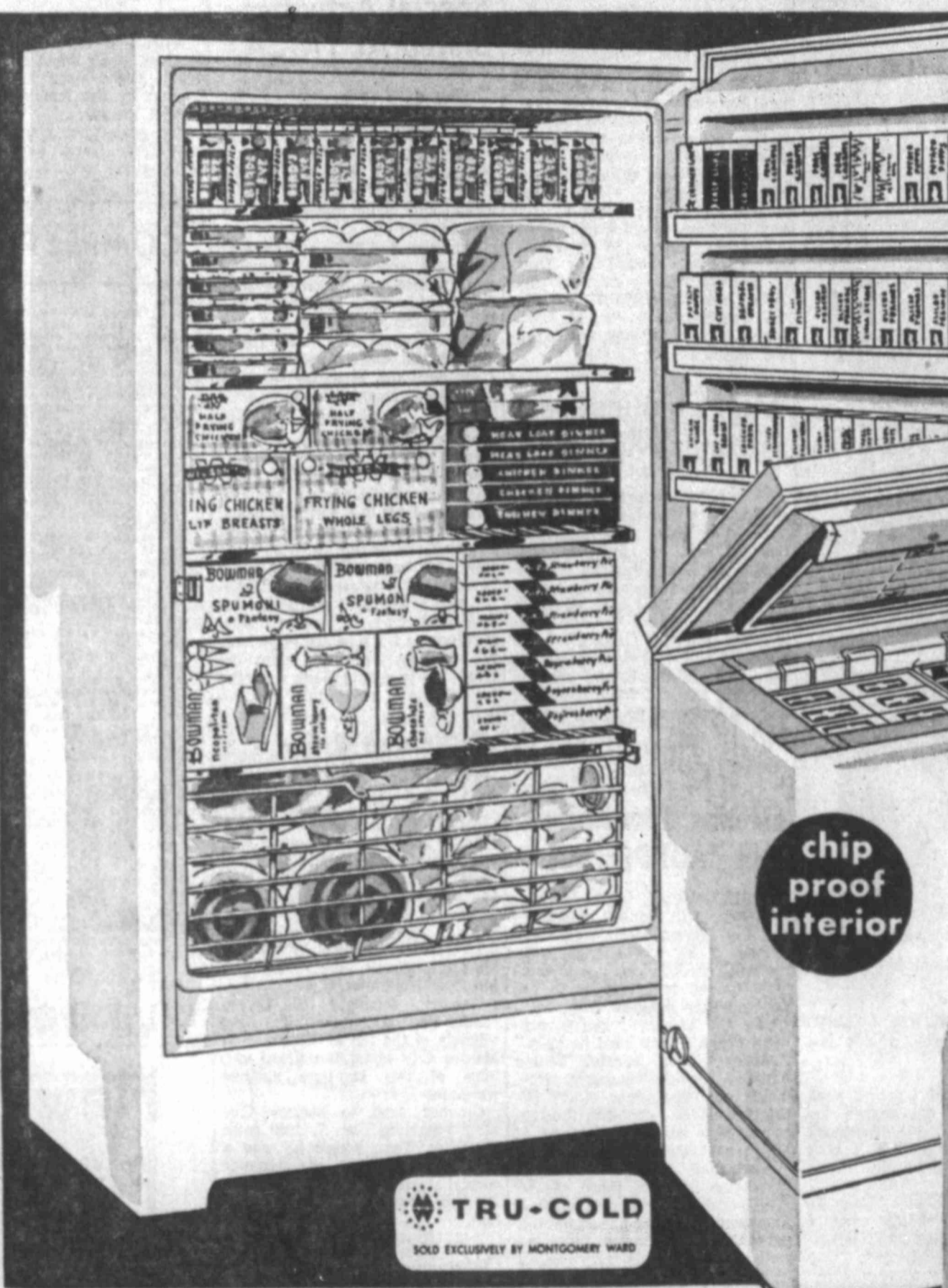


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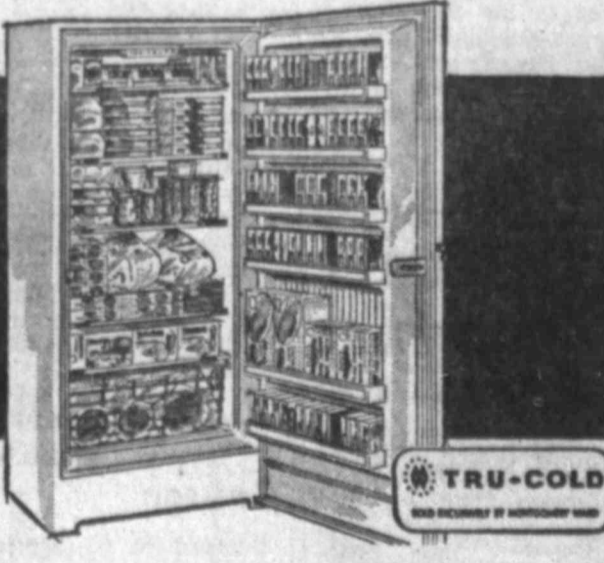


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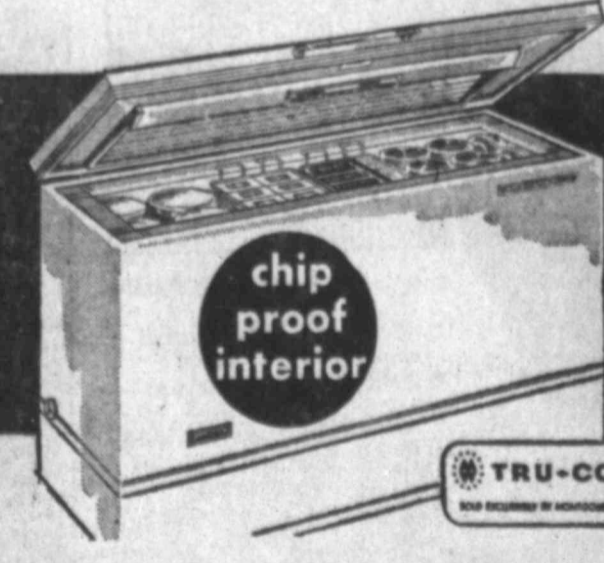
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Poage Cites Estes Case In Farm Bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. W. R. Poage, D-Tex., asserted "there will be a Billy Sol Estes in every state and three or four in some" unless the administration farm bill is passed.

Sen. Karl Mundt, R - S.D., took an exactly opposite view. He said if the House passes the bill approved by the Senate, "A lot of new Estes - type scandals" will be created.

Poage, member of the House Agriculture Committee, made his comment in testimony aimed at winning approval of the House Rules Committee for the bill. Mundt spoke out on radio and television.

Poage said the current program, under which \$1 billion a year is paid to store surplus crops held by the government, "is an invitation to the Billy Sol Estes of the nation."

Estes' far - ranging financial dealings, which involve storage fees, fertilizer tanks and cotton allotments, are now under investigation in Congress and in Texas.

When Rep. Clarence Brown, R-Ohio, a member of the Rules Committee, interrupted to say "There are no Billy Sol Estes in Ohio, thank God," Poage retorted:

"Just give it time. There will be if we keep building up unlimited, unneeded surpluses."

The farm bill, already passed by the Senate and due to come up in the House soon, would apply compulsory acreage controls on feed grains for the first time if two - thirds of the farmers vote for them. If the controls are rejected in a referendum, the government would sharply reduce support prices for those crops.

The rules committee hearing was expected to last several days.

Elks Convention

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Six-month-old Chuck Taylor of Lafayette, La., appears to be intently following the actions of Nick, a registered Boxer, in the art of taking a step necessary to propel his stroller. The lesson took place when the little boy was visiting his grandparents' home in Richardson, Texas.

12 Women Join 'Operation Hope'

Twelve women from the Bellview Baptist Church in Midland have been added to the personal contact group of the Big Spring State Hospital.

Recently re-named "Operation Hope" the group consists of volunteers who agree to spend one hour each week with a specific patient. The idea behind the program is to let patient and visitor learn more about each other so both may gain from the mutual friendship.

The women will visit the hospital each Thursday during the summer. They are Mrs. Vaughn Peacock, Mrs. Wilda Mize, Mrs. Dorothy Gaunt, Mrs. J. R. Truss, Mrs. Nora Landersdale, Mrs. Edith Hardy, Mrs. Leanne Smith, Mrs. Hugh Mason, Mrs. Thelma Cartwright, Mrs. W. G. Turner, Mrs. Alice Stripling and Mrs. G. C. Broxson.

Body Found

HOUSTON (AP) — Two fishermen checking a trotline Tuesday found the body of Fritz Klander Jr., 30. He drowned Sunday in Lake Houston when he fell off his water skis and his ski belt broke.

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Pecos Physician Credited With Sniffing Out Estes

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Pecos, Tex., physician was identified as the amateur investigator who put federal authorities on the trail of Texas financier Billie Sol Estes.

Justice Department officials confirmed reports that Dr. John Dunn, 34, uncovered the original evidence in the bizarre case which led to the collapse of Estes, multi-million dollar grain storage and fertilizer tank empire.

The informants presented this picture of Dunn's role.

In February 1961 Dunn's wid-

owed mother, who operated a retail credit office in Pecos, told him of an unusual number of chattel mortgages carried by farmers dealing with Estes.

Dunn checked into the situation, suspected possible violations of federal banking laws, and conferred with Dan Smoot, a friend and former FBI agent.

Smoot arranged for Dunn to discuss his findings with the FBI in El Paso.

The FBI relayed the information to an assistant U. S. district attorney, but he found no viola-

tion of the banking laws.

The FBI report was then turned over to the Justice Department in Washington, and the department instructed the FBI that there was insufficient evidence to warrant further investigation.

Dunn continued his investigation and later tried to interest Sen. John Tower, R-Tex., in the case.

Tower said he lacked adequate staff to pursue such an investigation and suggested that Dunn contact Texas authorities.

Dunn then turned to the independent, the Pecos bi-weekly newspaper of which he was co-owner.

Oscar Griffin, editor of the independent, took up the investigation and on Feb. 12 — one year after Dunn's original interest in the case — began a series of stories.

The stories aroused new FBI interest in the case, leading to Estes' arrest March 29.

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Janet Prohaska, left, graduated from Ceres High School near Modesto, Calif., and graduating from Modesto Evening High School at the same time was her mother, Mrs. Edward Prohaska, center, and her grandmother, Mrs. Alvin Gardiner. They plan to go on to college.

Education-Press Links Are Called A Priceless Heritage

DALLAS (AP) — Dr. Willis Tate, president of Southern Methodist University, declared in a recent address that the "undeniable union of education, responsible citizenship and the free press" is more than ever before a priceless heritage for America.

He said the union is a prime necessity because of the present complex age of constant innovation and change.

Dr. Tate made the statements in a speech at the annual spring meeting of The Associated Press Managing Editors Association.

The university president expressed appreciation for the partnership which exists between the institution of a responsible free press and the institution of higher education.

Noting that the world today is in the midst of a "renaissance and explosion of knowledge," he said the population has doubled in 50 years, the nation's gross national product has double in 20

years, and the college-age population winning degrees is doubling each 18 years.

Dr. Tate said that "all of this has forced us to look at the way we think, the way we educate and the way we interpret the great ideas and values which form the core of our way of life."

The educator added, "We must be able and unafraid to be innovators in passing on and interpreting these ideas for today's world, so that our people are prepared to make responsible decisions in the space age."

Both the institutions of education and the press must continue to say: "We trust the people," Dr. Tate declared.

"But our efforts to implement this faith today require a great deal more of us than was required two centuries ago," he added.

He compared Benjamin Franklin's Gazette of 1729 with the

complex modern task of educating and informing citizens.

"Behind such a contrast in operations between Franklin's Gazette and our age's daily newspaper lies two centuries of innovations and of attempts to update and improve one of our nation's greatest educational forces — the free press," he said.

He drew a parallel between this effort of the press and the task of educational institutions, saying that for both the fostering and encouraging of the free expression of honest opinion and relevant ideas is no easy job.

"It cannot be done at all," he added, "unless we have a climate for innovation. Before we can have innovations creative enough to deal with our complex problems, we have to have a climate in which we—education and press—are free to examine, free to look at old propositions from a fresh viewpoint. We must even be

free to search for what we're not looking for."

The SMU president said that successful innovation regarding the great ideas of our times and the values of our past depends on finding and encouraging the nation's young thinkers to discover and give their own highest and best.

"We must find young people

who have the quality of... going to the root of all problems and propositions.

"We must find young people who are driven to examine everything, students for whom no basic assumptions are sacred, for whom everything comes under the critical eye, the doubting mind.

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Jet Pilot Finds Blimp Easy Going

EDITOR'S NOTE: What are the sensations of a jet pilot who takes a day off and flies a leisurely blimp? Lt. James A. Willess Jr., freshly graduated from Reese Air Force Base at Lubbock, was asked to try it. He did and wrote this story. Willess is from Dallas and is a graduate from Texas A&M.

By LT. JAMES A. WILLESS JR.
U.S. Air Force

Written for The Associated Press
I've been flying jets at 400 miles per hour. Recently I piloted a blimp and lazed along at 40 miles per hour.

The sensation? Absolutely fantastic! I'll take as much blimp time as I can get.

Here's why:

You can put your feet up on the dashboard, lean back in the seat, which doesn't even require a seat belt, and relax. And you see 10 times more country than you ever see from the very, very busy cockpit of a jet.

In this Goodyear blimp, a craft 150 feet long, I floated along over Dallas at 200 feet, actually peering into people's backyards. Once I saw a dog fight. I watched children scurrying around, saw kids racing their bikes.

Dean Mealy of Akron, Ohio, flew the craft as the 11-man launching crew got us into the air. Then he turned the controls over to me after five minutes instruction, and I was the pilot for a delightful hour.

My Air Force jet carries 813 gallons of fuel and burned 230 gallons an hour. The blimp gets along on five gallons an hour for each of its two small engines. If you want to take it easier, you can cut off one engine and throttle the other one back to three or four gallons an hour.

The blimp can go along at 25 miles per hour or it can just hover. Once I trailed after a couple of young ladies who were wandering along a lane. They looked about 19 and attractive, but you can't always be sure from 200 feet! Well, from a jet they wouldn't even have been a blur.

The tanks of the blimp hold 100 gallons of gasoline and you can park 100 more gallons in the six-passenger seat room if you desire. And if you want to, you can fill the two close-up little engines right from the cabin, in flight. Mealy has done it.

Worst experience he ever had was when the 8,000-pound blimp, which carries 132,000 cubic feet of helium, was caught in a thunderstorm.

"Thought I never would get down," said Al. "I wallowed for hours but the ship stayed together."

If you don't have weather to contend with, you've got it made. You can stick your arm out the window and get less wind than from your auto. You don't have to watch out for planes—the regulations say they must give you a wide berth. You have the right of way over everything but free balloons, and the skies are not exactly filled with free balloons, are they?

Move the controls and the blimp lazily responds. Point the nose up or down and the air speed doesn't decrease or increase by more than two miles per hour. No stalls to worry about, either.

Just float along, watching the leisurely cigar-shaped, s h a d o w and peering into backyards and country club pools.

This is the worthwhile pace. Next week I think I'll try a horse and buggy.

ON THE SHELF

By The Associated Press

THE TEXAS STORY, by David S. Switzer, 75 cents.
This is a paperback of only 54 pages written by a former newspaperman and minister designed for school use but which is expected to go on general sale.

The purpose is to show how the American way of doing this affected Texas from the first colonization by United States citizens. Despite the effort to point up a particular outlook, there is sufficient pure history to make it valuable for a quickie look at the state's early past.

The book stops the story about the time Texas gained its independence from Mexico.

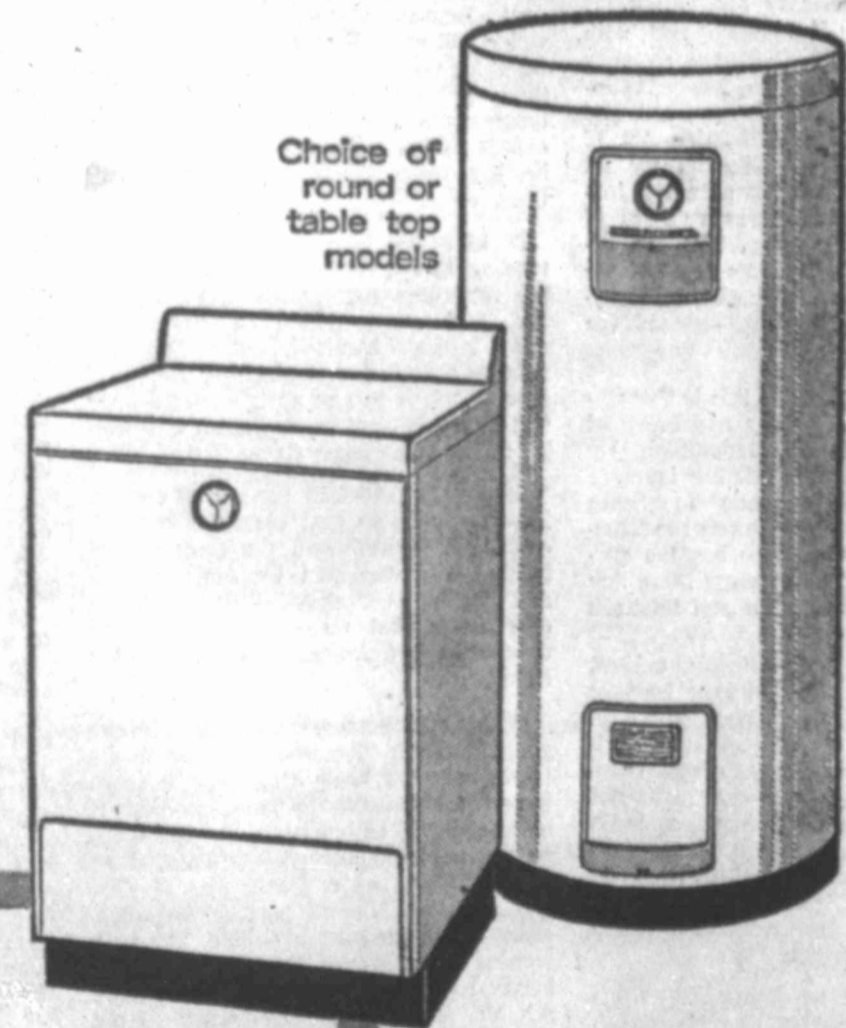


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A Devotional For Today

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over.

Maybe We Had Better Look Back

Satchel Page, the venerable and colorful baseball pitcher, had this to say about part of his philosophy: "Don't look back; whatever it is that is following you may catch up."

A Fundamental Concern

At a time when Scott Carpenter's earth orbiting overshadowed the biggest conservation conference since the days of Teddy Roosevelt, President Kennedy made the rather startling conjecture that more lasting benefit might derive from being first to get fresh water from the sea than from being first in space.

Holmes Alexander Unification For All The Country

EXERCISE CLEAR LAKE, Florida — The lieutenant colonel had a name tape reading "U. S. Air Force" sewed to his fatigue jacket, and he was being kidded about it as we waited for the Army paratroopers to come spilling into the Drop Zone.

WHO SPIKED THE PUNCH?



The Kennedy Crash

'We All Caused It'

By J. A. LIVINGSTON On May 29, 1962 — Blue Monday on the New York Stock Exchange — a grim jest went the round of brokers' boardrooms.

To Your Good Health

Not All Kidney Problems Require Diet Control

By JOSEPH G. MOLNER, M. D. Dear Dr. Molner: I have had nephritis (kidney disease) for a long time. About eight years ago I was told that one kidney was functioning about 40 per cent and the other 60, and my doctor said to be sure to have protein at each meal.

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Bullfighter

MORRISON, Okla. (AP) — Buck LeGrand is a bullfighter in baggy britches. LeGrand's brand of bullfighting scorns the red and gold finery of the classic matador for baggy, clownish clothes. He waves a hat instead of a cape—and he never faces the "moment of truth," the final sword-plunging kill of the traditional bullfight.

In the blood develops, then the opposite becomes true. Curtailment of protein is advisable. In a period of years, it is possible for the kidney situation to change, and what once was right now becomes wrong.

Around The Rim

Day By Day

Some people have funny ideas about the AA chapter, its home, and its members. To a few, the name itself—Alcoholics Anonymous—converts the cottage at 615 Settles into the modern counterpart of the pesthouse.

There are others who look on the cottage as a place where drunks, lucky enough to miss the jail, are taken to sober up—that it is the mission of the AA members to pour black coffee down them and cold water on them until once again they can shakily navigate for themselves.

OF COURSE, NEITHER of these descriptions is accurate or adequate. The AA chapter is made up of people who have been hooked by alcohol, who admit they have this problem, and who, for the most part, are constantly conquering the ailment.

Part of the misunderstanding comes from a failure on the part of the average person to realize that there are two kinds of alcoholics—wet and dry. Practically all those in the AA program are the dry variety. Their dryness—the length of time since their last drink—may vary from days to years, but this is the thing they work at, personally and for others.

FOR ABOUT TWO decades now Big Spring has had an active chapter of AA. My experience with them is that they are mighty fine folks. They run the gamut of the social ladder, but their common problem has given them a common grace that all of us could use—the quality of humility.

Moreover, they have other admirable qualities such as honesty and faith. None can be a member of the AA unless and until he or she admits to being an

Inez Robb

Away With Automation!

Automation, shaumation — take it away! Drink may or may not be the curse of the working classes, but automation, sooner or later (and I think sooner), is going to drive all of us, class or classless, into bleeding ulcers, nervous collapse and schizophrenia.

AS A MATTER OF fact, my personality is already splitting like an amoeba after my frustrating encounters with automated hotels, airlines, valets, taxicabs and other phenomena of life once called "common conveniences." They may still be "common," but take my word for it—after a tour of the country—there is no such thing as a "convenience" left in the nation, thanks to automation.

On the alert, women! To the barricades, men! Automation is the creeping discomfort of the country. Unless it is stemmed, and quickly, there won't be an unswayed fingernail or rug in the U.S.A. This is a call to arms! Away with automation, bring back human beings!

LET US TAKE the leaping, not creeping, automation of the telephone. And how I wish I didn't have to take it. The rapidly encroaching automation of the telephone system is a thing of horror, confusion from coast to coast, and just plain day-to-day annoyance.

Dial any number now, and what do you get? A recording, that's what! A recording that never tells you what you want or must know to make or complete a telephone call that will earn money for the vast company in which I own stock.

I SOLD MY stock in General Electric

David Lawrence

The President And Criticism

WASHINGTON—What kind of "image" do the people have of a President of the United States? Do they think of him as an ordinary mortal who reveals his annoyances and exuberances the same way that the average man does in every day life? Do they think of him as a man of dignity, calmness, and fairness—a man who is not given to bad temper or irascible outbursts, but the kind who, while at times inwardly pained, nevertheless exhibits outwardly the tolerance which a leader of the people is expected always to maintain?

THESE QUESTIONS come to mind when one reads that President Kennedy the other day ordered 22 subscriptions to the New York "Herald Tribune" canceled, thus notifying his entire staff not to read one of the principal newspapers of the country that presents the "other side" as well as the administration's side.

One of the aides of Mr. Kennedy is reported to have argued that, like anyone else, the President has the constitutional right to read what he pleases. This is reminiscent of a cartoon some years ago in "The New Yorker" portraying an injured motorist being carried away, and the single caption read: "He had the right of way."

A PRESIDENT CAN continue to pick and choose what he reads but, if he shuts himself off from criticism, he runs the risk that in this era of polemical politics he will not understand just why public opinion is being turned against him. If he is interested in re-election—and what President isn't?—the man in the White House will want to watch closely the currents of public opinion day by day so he can be more effectively put his own case before the voters, correcting errors and at the same time countering criticism with new proposals or policies.

IT IS EASY enough to say that there are plenty of other newspapers critical of the administration which Mr. Kennedy could readily take the place of the one he canceled. But this is not really a persuasive answer to the criticism which now will spread throughout the country. What will the people think of a President who gives the impression that he cannot tolerate reading the views of those who disagree with him? Is this the kind of image that any man in the White House would really want people to have of their President?

For the people do idealize the office of President. They think of it not merely as a trusteeship in their interest. They have an almost monarchical worship of the highest office in the land. They feel a throbbing of patriotism when the band plays "Hail to the Chief," and the chairman of a meeting says, "Ladies and Gentlemen, the President of the United States." For he is the people's President — their leader, their choice as a ruler for four years.

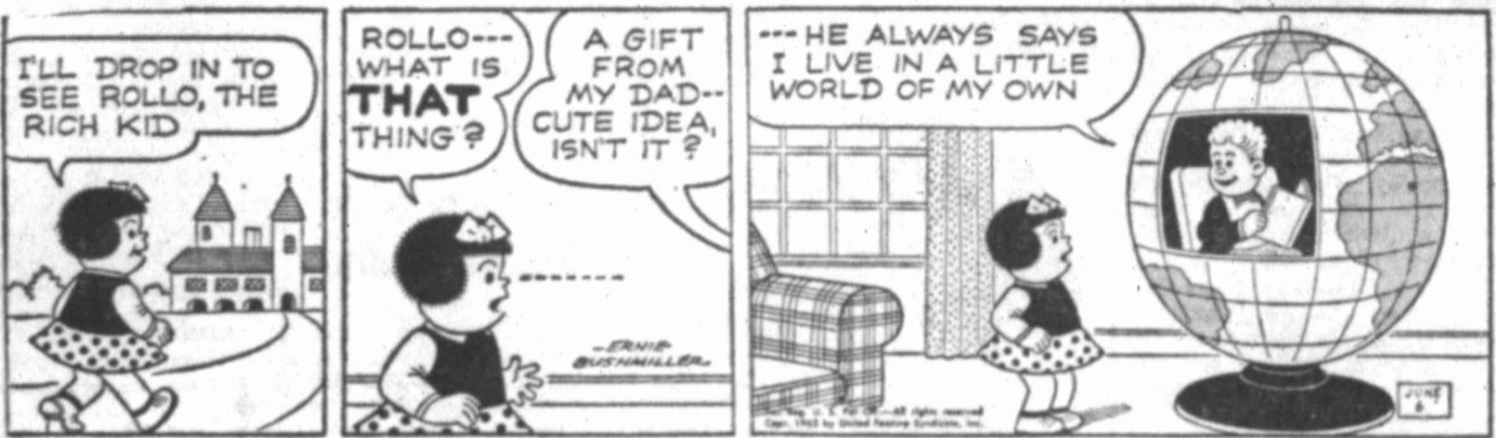
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