

# EDITORIALS

## Genuine Co-operation

The July bulletin of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce contains a word of praise for city officials in the message of President Paul Loranger.

Says Mr. Loranger: "The Torrance Chamber of Commerce is pleased and honored with the City Council's confidence in our proposed program for the coming year which will undoubtedly be reflected in the growth and accomplishments of our fine community. Looking back over the report of our community's progress in the past is indeed a testimonial to fine management and direction by the City Council and administrative personnel. The Board of Directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce unanimously welcome City Council representation on their official board, thus bringing about an amicable arrangement long desired by the Chamber of Commerce."

It is essential that such cooperation be continued and encouraged. The rapid growth of the community imposes constantly increasing problems and it is encouraging that city officials and Chamber leaders are working together for the good of Torrance. Directly associated in an important work is the Chamber of Commerce Development committee headed by Dick Felker. Serving with him are C. T. Rippey, Fay Parks, Sam Levy, Dr. Ingold, Perry Connett and Otto Kresse. With men of this character accepting community leadership Torrance cannot help but be improved.

## Model of Flight Safety

The Air Charter Service, operated by the University of Illinois, recently completed eight years of operation without an injury or death. This was reported by the University's Institute of Aviation. The Institute operates thirty-seven aircraft at its own university airport near Urbana, Illinois, and has mile-long concrete runways and ample taxiing and airport space.

In addition to its charter service, the university planes are used to teach students to fly, and last year 191 students took flight instruction at the airport. Its planes, in the same year, flew 185,182 miles.

The Air Charter Service safety record is a good demonstration of what can be done in the field of aerial safety. Carefulness, scientific methods, and the good facilities and mechanical equipment have been combined by the University's Institute of Aviation to produce its safety record. It is highly doubtful if the university could have operated an automobile institute, traveling the same number of miles, without having experienced a number of accidents.

All of which adds up to the conclusion which some flyers have held for many years—that private flying is not as dangerous as private driving on today's highways. There seems little doubt that when private aircraft are built which can descend safely in the event of an emergency, private air travel will become more safe than long-distance automobile travel.

It should be remembered that in the air drunken drivers cannot run into you, even if they tried, under most circumstances, and there is also another dimension for adequate traveling space—depth. Whereas a highway can easily become overcrowded, it is almost impossible to overcrowd the sky, as long as aircraft can fly up to 10,000 feet, or even higher.

## Record of the "U. S."

Recently the world's fastest Atlantic superliner, the United States, completed its ninety-eighth crossing of the Atlantic and two years of service. It was just two years ago that the United States broke the Atlantic passenger-ship speed record on its initial run.

That was the first time an American ship had held the record in a hundred years. The United States Government has been criticized for contributing money toward the construction of the United States, but her record in the last two years proves she would be a tremendous asset in time of war—just as were the Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth in World War II.

Although the United States is not nearly as large as either of the Queens, displacing about 53,229 gross tons, as compared to over 80,000 for each of the Queens, she is faster and can do almost the same job as the Queens.

Her ability to make more crossings a year, and to berth and sail from piers in New York, Le Havre and Southampton, without waiting for the tide to rise, enables her to speed up her schedule, and thereby compensate for her smaller size.

In two years the largest American passenger ship on the seas has carried twelve per cent of the ocean travelers carried by ships of all flags on the Atlantic run, in addition to much first-class merchandise, several thousand automobiles and 500,000 bags of mail. Her record indicates she was a wise investment for Uncle Sam and that she would be almost invaluable in time of war.

## Fire Danger at Peak

There have been few seasons when the danger of brush and forest fires has been more acute than at this time. Records of the Torrance and surrounding area fire departments reveal a disarming number of grass fires, reflecting the tinder-dry conditions with which all of Southern California is faced.

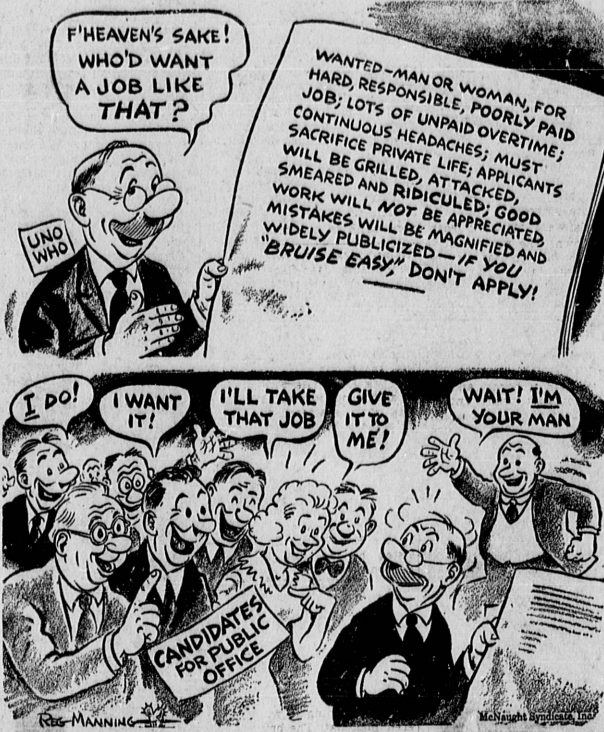
While the danger of fire is ever-present it is significant that few ever start without the carelessness of some individual. A cigarette butt from a passing car can threaten the property of others and destroy forests that have taken generations to grow. Except for occasional forest fires in the mountains set by lightning, virtually every major burn has been touched off by a careless human.

Preventing fire is each person's responsibility. This extends to the very young who must be taught early the danger of fire by parents who are themselves practicing what they preach.

The practice of thrift has become a forgotten virtue in all too many American homes. Enjoyment of a national wealth, the like of which the world has never known, has prompted many to forget the value of the good American dollar. For those who would practice this homely virtue the merchants of Torrance are offering "Dollar Days" tomorrow and Saturday. Here's an opportunity for thoughtful housewives, throughout this growing trading area to make their dollars do double duty.

The human race learns slowly: just eight or nine years ago, in 1946 and 1945, the experts were telling people not to buy goods at inflated prices—to wait until they came down. Shades of post-World War I days!

# Politics



## Criswell Predicts

An Accurate Glimpse of the Future

Criswell will answer your questions if you will write him in care of the Torrance Herald, signing your full name and address. Only initials will be used in the answers which will appear in rotation as received and as space permits. There is no charge for this service. Write Criswell Predicts today!

**FOR PEOPLE AND PLACES:** Chancellor Adenauer, there will be a unification of all Germany within the next three years! . . . Tokyo: The next Japanese rage will be the folk songs of America which will replace the present oriental soul songs! . . . King Tribhuvana: You face a revolt in your India province of Nepal . . . Moscow: You can expect the bloodiest purge in Communist history by the end of this year! . . . Clare Booth Luce: Your new autobiography, "Lengthening Shadows," will prove a best seller! . . . Las Vegas: Prepare to become the convention city of the West in 1955! . . . Perry Moore: You will soon appear in a Broadway musical with great success!

**A VERY FAMOUS PREDICTION:** Nostradamus in 1555 predicted the exact date of the French Revolution—July 14, 1789—264 years later! One of our readers from Shreveport, La. asks "Did Nostradamus predict the Atom Bomb?" . . . Yes, Nostradamus in 1545 predicted that "In 400 years, the Monster will be dropped on the hour of high noon on a clear day, and shall blind the sun with its dazzling light!" When we consider in 1545 Nostradamus predicted in 400 years, 1945 plus 400 years equals 1945, the year of the dropping of our first atomic bomb, which was dropped at high noon on a clear day over Nagasaki, this is quite a remarkable prophecy! Nostradamus further

**COMING HUSH-HUSH EVENTS** America is being overrun by bogus people carrying bogus titles, who are defrauding many innocent citizens of huge sums of money! If any titled person contacts you to sell you any item, check into their past most carefully thru your attorney or your bank! No naturalized American has the right to use a title, and if a title is used, you can be certain that the person is not a citizen, and in some cases may be wanted by our Immigration Bureau. Many of these confidence people are entering the country through the Mexican border, Florida and the eastern border of Canada! . . .

### IT'S A FACT

**HENRY A. WALLACE** . . . BEGAN EXPERIMENTING WITH AGRICULTURE AT 8 . . . HE PRODUCED A HYBRID PEARL PANTRY . . . WALLACE'S HYBRID CORN IS NOW AN IMPORTANT U.S. CROP . . .

**"BATTLESHIP" OF THE DESERT!** "BATTLESHIP" *YAZIDE KHAST* . . . Certified rock willows in the middle of IRAN'S DESERT HOUSING 200 PERSONS. HAS NEVER BEEN CONQUERED BY AN ENEMY! . . . IT IS VIRTUALLY IMPREGNABLE . . .

**LOUIS LEON GOLAR, JR.** . . . POUNDED HIS HEAD WITH A Mallet FOR 2 HOURS TO INCREASE HIS HEIGHT BY 3/4 INCH AND MEET WEST POINT ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS . . . HE WAS ONLY 5 FEET 3 1/4 INCHES TALL . . .

WHAT AMERICAN WAS FIRST TO CROSS THE ENGLISH CHANNEL BY AIR? ANSWER NEXT ISSUE

### By JERRY CAHILL

Do not limit yourself to this man, for he is gradually becoming an alcoholic and is not good husband material. He has embarrassed you many times in front of your friends and relatives, and is most certainly not a gentleman. There are many others who would be only too happy to have you as a wife, and I suggest that you widen your circulation.

### THE MAIL BOX

**Kiwanis History** Editor, Torrance Herald: We of the Torrance Kiwanis Club wish to commend you on the series of articles about the history and tradition of Kiwanis that recently appeared in your newspaper. These articles were factual, interesting, and certainly were the result of careful writing and editing. The Kiwanis story will now be known by many more of the people in Torrance and vicinity. On behalf of the Torrance Kiwanis Club Board of Directors, thank you. J. B. SCOTTON, President

# Washington Notes

# It's Your Country

By JOHN W. BECK

**E.D.C. AND ADJOURNMENT** Unless the French ratify the EDC agreement, the adjournment of Congress on July 31 may be delayed, or President Eisenhower may be forced to call Congress back in special session to consider early sovereignty for West Germany. The Eisenhower Administration is hoping the French Assembly will ratify the six-nation European Defense Community before its scheduled adjournment on Aug. 15.

**JOBLESS PAY** Unemployment among workers insured for unemployment compensation dropped 96,200 during the week ended July 3 to 1,177,100, the lowest level since the 1933 Christmas week, according to the Labor Department. Initial claims of jobless workers for benefits rose by 2,200 to 34,449 during the week ended July 10. This was thought mainly due to temporary layoffs during plant shutdowns for vacations, inventories and model changes.

**NIXON'S HATLESSNESS** The domestic hat manufacturers are protesting the apparent hatlessness of Vice President Richard M. Nixon, in appearing bareheaded at public functions. The hat industry is fearful that the V. P. will set a style trend that will prove disastrous to the industry.

**RED PLANES** General Earle E. Partridge, Far East Air Force commander, estimates that Russia, China and North Korea have 7500 combat-ready planes in the Far East—1000 planes higher than the top previous figure. United States air strength totals about 2400 bombers, fighters, reconnaissance and transport planes, the general said.

**POLIO** The Public Health Service reported that 758 new cases of poliomyelitis were reported during the week ended July 10—an increase of 84 per cent over the preceding week. This is about 20 per cent less than the number reported in the corresponding week in 1953, however. The cumulative total for the year is 5458 cases, compared with 5261 for the corresponding period of last year.

**REENLISTMENT BONUSES** Under the new armed services reenlistment bonus law, recently passed by Congress and signed by President Eisenhower, an Air Force sergeant completing a four-year hitch will be \$516 richer, and a private first class \$372 for signing up for another four years. The old law offered \$160 to each and was considered too low to keep good men from being drained off to civilian pursuits—especially in the higher grades where well-trained career men are a particular asset.

**RHEE VISITS U. S.** South Korea is on an official visit to the United States to discuss the future of his war-battered nation with President Eisenhower and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

**DEFENSE SECURITY CHECKS** Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson recently announced that, since the start of the Korean War, the industrial security program resulted in checks and clearances by the Pentagon on about 20,000 plants and 500,000 employees for access to top secret, secret and confidential material. At present, about 200 plants and 4000 employees are being cleared each month. In the last four years, clearance was refused to 688 persons by industrial security boards.

**GI BILL TRAINING DEADLINE** Those veterans who were discharged from service on or before Aug. 30, 1952, who desire educational benefits under the Korean GI bill are warned that they must enroll in a training program of their choice before Aug. 20 to take advantage of the benefits the Veterans Administration has announced. All courses are approved by the State Department and the VA.

**BUILDING AWARDS** Heavy construction awards reported in the week ended July 14 jumped to \$431,055,000 for the second best week in 1954. The total, consisting of \$254,677,000 in private construction and \$176,478,000 in public construction, brought the volume for the first 28 weeks of this year to \$7,557,127,000—ten per cent behind the record pace of a year ago.

**Purge, American Style** **SORDID CHAPTER:** Another sordid chapter in the "Get McCarthy" story has been written, Senator Charles E. Potter, an alleged Republican and a member of McCarthy's committee, has proved himself to be a willing dupe and hater of man for those who are determined to protect the communists and fellow travelers in government and defense agencies. Potter, eager for the spotlight and naively vulnerable to flattery from the high command, had been convinced by the alleged Democrats on the committee to disrupt and demobilize McCarthy's staff. His action has forced the resignation of the committee's chief counsel, Roy M. Cohn, and has placed other staff members in jeopardy through the demand that all be discharged unless approved by a majority vote of the committee.

The liquidation of the brilliant and capable Cohn may temporarily ease the pressure on some of the other staff members; but it is safe to say that if any of them attempt investigations which would get to the hard core of communist protectors in our government, they too will be purged. Thus, through a scheme that was not even graced by subtlety, the vitally important work of this senate investigating committee was chopped off before it could disclose the master minds behind the conspiracy to weaken and destroy the security of the United States.

**EFFORTS POOLED:** What the Kremlin, the Daily Worker, the fellow travelers, the smear artists, and the notoriously leftist Americans for Democratic Action were unable to accomplish, has now been achieved by the pooling of their efforts with those of an alleged Republican administration official on the promise to rid the government of communists and communist coddlers.

To assume that the final, if not the initial, steps in this plot to "get McCarthy" and end his investigations into communist activities were not directed by the White House would be the height of naivete. The record of the executive department, though never forthright, has been all too clear to the discerning observer.

With their pious promises to weed out the communists still echoing in the ears of deluded voters, the newly installed administration began at once to take obvious steps at the country's most vigorous and effective communist hunter, Senator Joe McCarthy. The President who did not know whether he was a Democrat or a Republican (and apparently still does not), together with his internationalist advisers and brainwashed stooges, overlooked no opportunity to chant the left wing litany of witch hunter, character assassin, fascist, book burner, etc. The technique was to discredit McCarthy by innuendo, leaving it to the left wing press and the communist Daily Worker to identify him as the object of the accusations.

**STRATEGY EXPOSED:** When it was thought by the anti-communists in the White House that the public mind was sufficiently conditioned against McCarthy, the trumped-up Stevens-Adams charges of preferential treatment for Pvt. C. David Schine were released. These charges, as everyone who viewed the full televised hearings surely knows, fell flatter than a pancake, leaving the plotters with their soiled and embarrassing strategy showing.

How, at this point, was the Republican administration to explain its shoddy attempt to liquidate the duly authorized Republican chairman of a senate investigating committee engaged in fulfilling the very promises that administration had made to the American people? How was it to explain the connivance of its own justice department, of its own defense department, of its own Secretary of the Army, with holdovers and former advisers of the "red herring" Truman administration? Why, for instance, had it been necessary to appoint the Truman-Rosenberg henchman, John Adams, as chief counselor to the Republican Secretary of the Army, Robert Stevens? Why had the Republican Stevens found it necessary to seek the advice of left wing Democrats, to include the former Truman advisor, Clark Clifford, in framing the charges against McCarthy and his staff?

**REPUBLICAN STOOGES:** Whither their case against McCarthy deflated like a punctured bubble and with these embarrassing questions hanging in the air, there remained to the administration one more bold and brutal stroke. Overt and definite action was now in order without further pretense of fairness, for the work of the McCarthy committee must be ended at all costs. To carry out this final stroke and do it quickly, they needed a Republican stooge on McCarthy's committee to team up with the Democrats. In the little man Potter, not overburdened with either brains or scruples, they found their man.

We know now how much credence to place in their sanctimonious protestations about the "rights of the individual." Their eagerness to protect the rights of Fifth Amendment communists contrasts curiously with their total disregard for the rights of members of McCarthy's staff; the Defense Department refuses even to give them reasons for denying them clearance. And the little dupe from Michigan, Charles Potter, has been quite willing to condemn without evidence and to wreck the careers of these staff members whose only sin has been to try to protect this nation from communist subversives.

In Russia they carry out their purges by trials and the firing squad. Here we do it with the double standard and the double-cross.

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**THINGS TO TALK ABOUT**  
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THIS IS THE 400TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR OF ISAAC WALTON'S "COMPLETE ANGLER," WHICH HAS GONE THROUGH MANY EDITIONS.

The United States sent diplomatic representatives to 76 countries in 1953. The best 1953 U.S. representative included 48 ambassadors and 3 ministers.

THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WAS THE BIGGEST BUDGETER DURING 1953. THE BEST LIMITATION IS \$75 BILLION DOLLARS.

J.B.C.