

# EDITORIALS

## Complete Crenshaw

The importance of completing Crenshaw Blvd over "the hump" to connect with Palos Verdes Drive South is heightened by the proximity of opening date of Marineland.

Marineland promises to become one of the greatest tourist attractions in Southern California and highways presently serving the coastal site already are inadequate to properly handle Sunday traffic. Almost impossible traffic conditions can be anticipated in Palos Verdes Estates and this delightful residential community can look forward to some unhappy problems.

The problems, however, are impossible of local solution. The county and state must accept them with a vigorous approach. Completion of Crenshaw at the earliest moment certainly should take priority.

And speaking of Marineland. In conformity with this newspaper's policy of adequately covering the important events of interest to this area, THE HERALD today carries a story on this vast new enterprise on the feature page of this edition.

## Business Uptrend Seen

The nation's top economists are agreed that business definitely is on the upturn and that the country as a whole can look forward to sound prosperity during the last four months of this year. Few go so far as to predict a boom and, for the general welfare, this is encouraging.

Many family budgets have suffered some shrinkage during a readjustment period so inevitable after the boom conditions actually created during the Korean war. Many economists still contend the country generally has had a high level economy, one that is still unmatched in few places in the world.

Dr. Gabriel Hauge recently told 42 governors in New York that a business upswing was about to start. Hauge is one of the economic advisers to President Eisenhower. In his opinion the United States economy is "catching its breath" for a new advance and that the retreat from peak records of 1953 finally had been stopped.

Most of the governors were reported to be in agreement with the presidential adviser and to have reported conditions in their states as conforming to his analysis. Hauge's statement is supported by an imposing array of figures. He is also backed up by the opinions of most of the country's business writers.

In his opinion, the readjustment which took place at the end of the 1953 boom was a logical one, one which was sure to follow a war period such as was entered into when this country began operations in Korea. The readjustment, however, has been made, in Dr. Hauge's opinion and without too much strain on the individual or business. The prospect now is for improved business, although not for a return to boom conditions.

## Indo-China Truce

The truce in Indo-China puts a temporary stop to a long and bloody war which has taken some of the best blood of France and given communism a stronger grip. Russia again has triumphed, at little or no expense to herself, and the cause of freedom has new worries and concerns over the future.

While open warfare has ended for the first time in many years, there must be no illusions about the security of the free world. Americans generally are chagrined over the course of events, that started with the first recognition of Soviet Russia, and they may well be. The last opportunity to correct or offset some of the blunders in our diplomacy was passed up during the first year of the Korean war when, had the Truman administration listened, our military leaders might have polished off communistic aggression once and for all. That change seems gone forever and we must now be content with avoiding bloodshed wherever we can.



## LAW IN ACTION

### MORE QUESTIONS ABOUT WILLS

More questions about wills have come in. Some of the answers may interest you. Here are the questions and answers:

- Q. May a person make his own will?
- A. Yes. Such wills are "holographic" wills. Where properly drafted they are valid in California. You may in fact prepare and execute a formal will, if you do it with the proper formalities and it is in proper form.
- Q. Why all the formalities in drafting and executing a will?
- A. The formalities and the form of wills are so clearly set out for one reason: When the testator (will-maker) is dead, he cannot come back to tell people what he meant to say, nor can a court decide whether the will is genuine, unless the testator takes great care when he makes his will to conform to the formalities. Thus: Two witnesses, or three if you can get them. Then somebody is alive to swear that the will is in fact authentic. The formalities that surround the will making are needed since the main character in the drama will not be there to testify when his will goes through

the court and his property is divided.

- Q. Is there any objection to holographic wills? That is, a will fully written, dated, and signed in the hand of the will maker?
  - A. There is no legal objection. Many holographic wills go through our courts. But long experience shows that they do not always carry out the wishes of the maker. Often they give rise to unnecessary law suits or expense. The maker does not always know enough of the laws, including probate and tax laws, to draft his own will effectively.
  - Q. Is it a good idea to dispose of property by some other means than a will to avoid probate, in whole or in part?
  - A. Many people think so. A proper answer depends upon individual cases. There may be tax and other disadvantages in so doing.
  - Q. May persons not lawyers draft wills for others and give them legal advice?
  - A. No. While you may draft your own holographic will, our law forbids unlicensed persons to do such services for you.
- NOTE: The State Bar of California offers this column for your information so that you may know more about how to act under our laws.

## 50-50, Red Calculations



## 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!

### YOUR HEADLINES OF THE FUTURE

Earthquakes terrify India's religions into day of prayer! ... German invention of broadcast electricity astounds world! ... London diplomat arrested for Red spying! ... Three day cruise of outer space planned by West Coast Scientists! ... Riots in London over new food policy! ... Mexico demands new voice in world policy! ... Three day diet introduced for relief of all pains and ailments! ... Drunk drivers have automobile impounded for one year! ... Record heat wave hits Midwest! ... Alaska alerted over flying saucer formations in constant sightings! ... Eagles menace many rural areas! ... Community singing grows in favor! ... New method found for mushroom growing in your extra room!

### WHAT YOU WILL DO IN 1975

Through trend, precedent, pattern of habit and the unalterable laws of cycle, I predict that on this very same day, exactly 21 years from now in 1975, you will suddenly find that all metal coins will be withdrawn from the market, and only paper money used! This will be done by all nations of the world, for gold and silver will become most precious at that time, for metal will have become scarce, and will have become completely replaced by plastic. Silver and gold coins will eventually become museum pieces, and in the years to come our grandchildren will behold them with awe under a glass case heavily guarded! Check this above prediction carefully and see if I am not right!

### JUST FOR YOU GIRLS!

The new Feminine Automobiles, compact, smart and sleek, will do more to change the fashion of your dress than any other discovery or invention to date! You will soon bid goodbye to the billowing skirts and the frout-frou dresses! Your skirts will be comfortably styled, short and youthful. Your sleeves will be right fitting, and your armholes cut large, for driving. Your hats will be smartly small and pert, clinging to the head. Any accessories you will have will be severe patterned and compact. Yes, the small automobile will definitely control the cut of your clothing for years to come! 1955 will mark the first year that the woman will be completely free of man and independent of man from a financial standpoint. Yes, 1955 will be the year you women will come of political and legal potency!

### WHAT PEOPLE WILL DO!

Potomac poisoning will soon be a thing of the past due to a coming discovery by our scientists who will perfect a way to prepare food which will outlaw this deadly killer. A harmless preservative will be added and this will insure public safety. Three out of every 5 deaths occur and result in a roundabout way from stomach upsets due to tainted foods. Yes, in six years we will live longer and happier thanks to the coming advancement of science! ... Minnear, the Lynwood, Calif., manufacturer of telescopes, will soon market a complete home set which will aid the children in their schoolwork plus opening up a new hobby to all adults. The study of astronomy will soon be offered in our public schools and our little world will become very "space conscious!"

Dear Criswell: It is with weary heart and hand that I write this letter to you. I know that it is not too long before I am called, but I have a problem that must be solved before I draw my last breath. Should I leave all my money to this nephew who is my only living relative, or should I let my life-long lawyer handle it for me? Please excuse my scribbling but I have very little strength left in my hand. ADA 94

My dear Ada: I advise you to leave your estate in the hands of your lawyer for handling. Prepare your will now, and I know that you are quite desirous of taking care of your nephew, but he is an extravagant boy and should be controlled. There are many charitable organizations who will memorialize your name for the bequest you leave them.

My dear O. A. E.: The book you mention is not the best book to read, and in many cities it has been banned from all bookstands. This book deals with a very sensitive subject and one should be most wary of the contents.

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or become a lady of leisure? MAY 1010  
My dear May: When you married this man he told you there would never be a day in your life when you would have to go out to work. Quit your job, and remain at home for you have a very large house to take care of and you are wearing your self out. If your husband says anything simply remind him of the promises he made, which were so gallant. His pay is quite good and there is no reason why he should not give you more money to run the household.

My dear Hattie: Civilization is taking great strides and in many ways it is hard to adapt ourselves to the rapid changes that come about. By all means accept this washing machine, for it is simple to operate and it will make your work so much easier.

My dear Doty C.: There is no need for you to go out and work, and your husband should not down on his drinking if things are to improve in your home. If you desire to get spending money for yourself you can do something at home which will not take up much time. I advise you to write to the Government Printing Office in Washington, D. C. for a pamphlet on how to make money at home. Take better care of yourself and do not let your husband touch any money you make.

My dear Elsie GB: I advise you to sell out immediately and take this money with you when you leave, for if you do not

## The Bible Speaks

International Uniform Sunday School Lesson  
By Dr. Kenneth J. Foreman

An amateur gardener once wanted to raise some corn. In his little plot he did not have much room. He looked in his book and it said there should be three feet apart, so he decided there was only room for one hill, as he wanted to plant other things, too. So Dr. Foreman he planted his one hill of corn.

But of course he never found any ears on his cornstalks. He did not know that one stalk of corn will not "make" by itself. Now human beings are like that, and especially Christians. Corn standing off by itself never is real corn, and a Christian off by himself is not a complete Christian. There are religions which suppose that a person can please God best if he becomes a hermit and carries on, so to speak, a single-track conversation between himself and God. But the Christian religion at its best, knows better. Christians cannot become what they ought to be without the companionship and help of other Christians. Christianity without fellowship would not be Christianity.

A Shared Faith Consider one very important form of fellowship: Worship—that is, public worship, in church on Sundays or otherwise. Why do we worship together? Wouldn't it be just as good if each of us worshipped alone? Private worship is necessary too, to be sure. "Enter into thy closet and shut thy door" is still Christ's directive. But Christ himself joined regularly in public worship even though in his day it was pretty formal. One of the reasons for public worship is that it is a united witness, a testimony of faith. Many churches repeat the Apostle's Creed on Sunday mornings. But even when they do not, public worship is the expression of a faith which can be shared, and is shared. When the communists took over the Chinese government, they did not attack the churches directly. What they did was to appoint official meetings, and require every citizen at the home on Sunday usually set for church services. They knew very well that if you can keep Christians from worshipping together you keep them from witnessing to their faith, and you are helping that faith to die.

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## AFTER HOURS

By JOHN MORLEY

In three trips around the world in the past four years, I have tried to discover the basic reasons why the United States has dropped from a popularity poll abroad, estimated at about 64% in 1950 to some 35% by 1954. The poll percentages are probably inaccurate at both ends, but the "tone and temper" of nations around the world, friend and rival alike, is that the US not only lost much respect, but aroused resentment to a dangerous degree.

The big question is... WHY? I set out to find some answers by talking off the record to foreign government officials, foreign press, US and foreign business men... and most important, Christian missionaries, around the world.

Is McCarthy Responsible? Senator McCarthy's opponents are blaming him for some US unpopularity abroad. This is not true. In the first place, most of the people outside of the big cities abroad never heard of Senator McCarthy. Outside of government officials, who object to McCarthy because he opposes large scale foreign aid, and the foreign press, which has much to lose from a decline in US aid, the average Frenchman, Briton, Italian, Indian or Japanese has no opinion either way on Senator McCarthy.

How many people in the US, for instance, have an opinion on Togliatti in Italy, de Gaulle in France, Attlee in Britain, Mohammed Ali in Pakistan, or Yoshida in Japan? The point is that John and Mary Doe abroad are pretty much like their counterpart in the US, except that most of them go to bed "hungry" every night and have no "stomach" toward US policies.

McCarthy is definitely not the reason. Some of the reasons are "militant Communism," untrained, inexperienced US diplomats, and a foreign policy which was based on the assumption that you could do "business" with the Reds, and win friends permanently with money.

Effective Russian Propaganda The Soviet Union spends as much money for propaganda as all the free world combined, in addition to the money spent by Communist parties all over the world. Communist headquarters are more pretentious around the globe than the offices of USIS (United States Information Service).

Russia has a militant organization working in behalf of Communism around the clock inside every country in the world except Turkey. There are Communists in almost every government in the world. The US has no such militant organization inside foreign countries to propagandize in its behalf. Communism fills economic and political vacuums which are bound to be created in a selfish and imperfect world. They capitalize on inevitable errors of human frailty and judgment, however innocent they may be. Around-the-clock Communism conspires to discredit the United States as a permanent policy in the cold war.

We have some brilliant career diplomats trained to do an effective job. But for the most part our key men administering foreign policy, like our ambassadors, are political appointees and no match for their counterparts in foreign embassies all over the world.

For the most part our ambassadors do not speak foreign languages. They are unfamiliar with the ethnology, culture, traditions of the country to which they are accredited. They depend a good deal on trained subordinates who are more likely to agree with the whims of the ambassador and those of the foreign office of the country they are assigned to, than

to work for the best interest of the U.S. Their promotions are dependent on the recommendation of the ambassador and the foreign office. So they try to create an atmosphere favorable to their future instead of the future of the United States.

Foreign Aid Mishandled The Marshall plan was sent to Europe to save it from Communism. But the administration was not equal to the spirit. Political appointees flooded Europe in charge of the program, without education or experience to do an effective job. Key men like Paul Hoffman, did an excellent job of administration, but the lower echelons fell short of the leadership required.

Favoritism in syphonning funds to pet projects was scandalous. The rich got richer, judging from the wave of European industrialists traveling to the Riviera at a time Europe was lying prostrate in the aftermath of war. This hurt us abroad with the common people.

Contradictory We lost much respect for the contradictions in our past foreign policy. For example, we were spending billions in Europe to fight and oust Communism, while dispatching General Marshall to China with billions to help get the Communists back in power in coalition with Chiang Kai-shek.

We are paying the price now for that fantastic miscellany of policy. This inconsistency of our foreign policy was notorious, arousing disrespect for the US.

Other Causes of Resentment The arrogance of U.S. tourists abroad has not been conducive to winning friends and influencing people. Our lack of decisiveness in Korea, Near East, India and Geneva. The handling of a feminine U.S. ambassador in Italy was indiscreet to say the least. Premature recognition of Israel in 1948 to win Hebrew votes in the U.S. has been opposed in the Forrester circle and lost us millions of Arab and Moslem friends.

Destroying surplus food which millions starved hurt us immeasurably. Our trade tariffs have built up considerable resentment. We lost face in the conference in Panmunjon, Beijing and Geneva. The handling of our war in Korea stunned Asia's millions. The Korea war was interpreted by Asia's masses as a war which it could not win, even with the help of 14 UN members.

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### THINGS TO TALK ABOUT

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AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE SCALE FOR CONSTRUCTION WORKERS IN THE U.S. (AT THE END OF 1953) WAS \$2.72. IT RANGED FROM \$1.69 FOR LABORERS TO \$3.30 FOR BRICKLAYERS.

71 per cent of the total expenditures of the government in 1953 went to three major security programs: defense, foreign aid and atomic energy. Total foreign aid and atomic energy, at total cost, was \$2 billion dollars.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley was the father of legislation on meat inspection, pure food and drug laws. He was Chief of the U.S. Bureau of Chemistry from 1885 to 1919.