

EDITORIALS

Easter Seals

The 1958 Easter Seal fund campaign is now under way throughout the nation to provide assistance and training for children and adults physically handicapped from birth or crippled through injuries or accidents.

Locally, the Easter Seal Drive is sponsored by the Crippled Children's Society of Los Angeles County which must raise \$625,000 this year in order to continue their hope and help-giving services.

Your Easter Seal Society maintains regional recreation and rehabilitation centers in Pomona, Long Beach and San Fernando Valley, in addition to a headquarters center at 325 W. Adams Blvd., Los Angeles.

Easter Seal funds also support 13 day camps throughout the Southland, a number of organized youth groups to help the handicapped gain social and physical skills, and Camp Paivika, the Easter Seal summer camp in the San Bernardino Mountains which was the first resident camp in the nation designed and built exclusively for handicapped youngsters.

Your Easter Seal Society maintains a Sheltered Workshop and an Industrial Workshop to assist the handicapped in learning skills for regular job placement and also sponsors a parent program in which some 3000 parents of crippled children participate to study their mutual problems and to learn about the care and guidance their children are receiving.

There is never a charge for any Easter Seal service, and these services do not duplicate those of any other agency. Last year, the Crippled Children's Society of Los Angeles County helped 8621 children and young adults suffering from arthritis, epilepsy, multiple sclerosis, cardiac conditions, cerebral palsy, diabetes, muscular dystrophy, post-polio handicaps and other crippling conditions.

This work must continue. The 420,000 physically handicapped of our nation must not be let down. You are urged to give generously to the Easter Seal Campaign which will continue until Easter Sunday, April 6. And you are also asked to use the colorful Easter Seals that are being sent to you by volunteer workers who have given of their time as contributions to the campaign.

Remember, 83 per cent of our Easter Seal contributions remains right here in Los Angeles County for direct services to the Southland's handicapped. The rest goes to finance research and service programs of the state and national Easter Seal Societies.

Opinions of Others

Governor Goodwin J. Knight pointed to California's many contributions to nuclear knowledge—the development of the original cyclotron by Dr. Ernest Lawrence; the UC radiation laboratory at Berkeley, the AEC installation at Livermore; the Mare Island atomic submarine construction. But of all our mighty achievements, the most significant, the most heartening must be the fact that private industry's reactor and power generator have been pumping some 5000 kilowatts of atomic electricity into the kitchens and factories, the living rooms and shops of this state.—Alameda (Calif.) Times-Star.

Unemployment Facts

A claim for unemployment insurance is not valid if the worker's total "base period" wages were less than \$600. If the applicant received more than 75 per cent of his wages in one quarter he generally will need to have earned at least \$750 in total wages during the base period.

If he had a claim the previous year, the \$600 or more must have been earned during his last benefit year as well as during his normal base period.

The base period is a 12-month period, the earnings during which determine whether the applicant may qualify for unemployment insurance, and if so, how much. It is the 12-month period ending four, five, or six months before a claim is filed, depending on a formula involving the month of the quarter in which the claim is filed.

If eligible, the applicant may draw not less than \$10

nor more than \$40 a week. The maximum number of weeks is 26.

Readers of this column may obtain a pamphlet on unemployment insurance by writing a card or letter to the Department of Employment, 1628 Cravens Ave.

LAW IN ACTION

The Fleeing Felon

The California Penal Code says that it is the governor's duty to have arrested and handed over to the executive authority of any other state "any person charged in that state with treason, felony, or other crime, who has fled from justice and is found" in California.

Under the Uniform Criminal Extradition Act the written demand must claim that the accused was in the demanding state at the time of crime, and that he fled afterwards. With the demand goes

Typical TV Cowboy Show



YOUR PROBLEMS by Ann Landers

Her Mind 'Poisoned' By Ann

Dear Ann: I'm a girl 18 who has been reading your column a long time.

You've just about poisoned my mind against marriage to the point where I'm actually afraid to consider it.

Almost every day in your column you print a letter from a woman whose husband beats her, won't give her money, or is running around with his secretary or the lady next door.

Why in the world don't you ever print a letter from a woman who is happily married? It would be refreshing. One gets the impression from you, that marriage is just a legalized cat-and-dog fight.

Is it possible that you, personally don't think very highly of marriage, which is why you put it in the worst possible light? How about it? —Fraidy Cat.

It's not true that I don't think highly of marriage. We have had it right in our own family.

The reason you read about so many unhappy marriages in this column is because this is a PROBLEM COLUMN—get it?

Dear Ann: The advice you gave that girl who had a child out of wedlock and wanted to get married in a white satin gown and veil, really stunk.

THE FREELANCER by Tom Rische

How many times a year do you get that "to heck with everything" feeling? How often do you wish that you could just chuck everything and start all over with a clean slate?

If you're human, chances are that you get that feeling every once in a while. But, after we sleep on it, most of us go right on in the same routine, facing the same problems, and meeting them in the same old way.

Not one young New York girl, however, who made headlines recently when she mysteriously vanished five hours before her wedding. She reappeared a week later, after riding a bus from New York to Los Angeles and back.

Why did she do it? She didn't know.

But why deep down, I think I know, and you do, too.

Like most other people who march to the altar, she got cold feet at the last minute. Unlike most people, she let her cold feet lead her away from the altar. She had to make a big decision and she simply didn't want to make it. She was afraid to

kill in a logging accident. I have two small children.

This fellow (I'll call him Tony) returned to the States last month. He took a bus to the small town where I live and we met for the first time. It was awkward for both of us because my family was sitting around and he felt uncomfortable.

The next day when we were alone, it didn't go very well. We couldn't think of much to talk about. I haven't heard from him since he left town, and I'm wondering if I should contact him and offer to visit him in his home town. He's out of the service now, and ready to settle down. I'm sure we could hit it off better if I could see him without my relatives hanging around.

Quit making excuses, Myrtle. The dream built up in the letters fell flatter than yesterday's omelet. If your soldier-friend liked what he saw, you wouldn't be looking for him; he'd be with you.

The mail-order romance was a flop, so admit it. If he should have a change of heart and decide to try for more favorable circumstances you will hear from him.

Confidentially: BIG-HEARTED BESS: This man doesn't need "a hand," Toots, he needs a foot. Don't be a fool. His "interest" is in your principal.

(Ann Landers will be happy to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of THE HERALD and enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

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Dear Ann: A year ago I started to write to a fellow stationed in Japan. He was in the same outfit with my cousin, and I got interested in him when I saw a bunch of snapshots my cousin sent home.

We've both had troubles and this made us feel we had a lot in common. His wife left him, and my husband was

say "yes," and afraid to say "no."

Police files are filled with thousands of cases of people who have just vanished out of the blue, seemingly giving no prior indication that they were unhappy. Some of these may have met with foul play; many of them simply walked away from their problems.

The old joke about being "stranded at the altar" is based on cases similar to that of the New York woman. Many times, husbands have walked out on wives and children, and wives have done the same. Storekeepers and friends have found themselves "holding the bag" for debts made by men who were not around any more. Children run away from home because they feel they are unloved or misunderstood.

But when we grow up, we have to make decisions.

Should I take a job with Firm A or Firm B?

Should I get married?

Should I buy a house or rent?

Should I buy a new car or make the old one do?

Should I take a vacation or

Deciding Foreign Policy Tough

America is one of the few nations left in the world where one can openly disagree with governmental policy—and not go to jail. We enjoy and cherish the right to criticize anyone, anywhere, any time—even the president of the United States. We are not always right in our criticism, but we have the right to pick a president—and then the right to pick on him. That's America and we're proud of it.

There is no argument with the right to criticize government—or, for example, its foreign policy. Many of us let off steam against certain policies which appear to us to be wrong—appear to us, that is—even though we may be devoid of all the facts. For it is impossible for the average critic to be informed of all the facts necessary to pass intelligent judgment.

This includes correspondents, columnists, commentators, politicians, educators and other observers. Most of such opinions expressed are personal conclusions gathered from fragmentary information, rumors, planted political propaganda—and only occasionally from first-hand knowledge of the facts. Most of the important policy decisions are made behind locked doors, under the strictest confidences and are known to very few trusted officials in Washington, most of whom just don't discuss it for publication.

No columnist, commentator or so-called expert has very much of a news-edge over his competitors. The news-media are treated pretty much the same and "scoops" are few and far between. At least we can generally assume that the Washington "sensational scoop" is nothing but a fragment of somebody's over-ambitious imagination. Statesmen just don't give away foreign policy secrets—and politicians (who usually don't have them) give opinions mainly for the headlines.

Ever since our return from Russia and the Far East we have been exposed to more than average criticism against the administration and Secretary Dulles in particular on foreign policy matters—especially on his reluctance to agree to another summit meeting with the Russians. Most columnists and commentators appear to be against Dr. Dulles. As a mat-

ter of fact, most columnists and commentators are invariably against something or somebody. They seem constantly to emphasize the "wrongs" as though U.S. policy was never right. It is seldom that we read a favorable piece on U.S. foreign policy. It is seldom that we hear a favorable reaction to foreign policy except by those who make it, or implement it, or by those in sympathy with the political party which sponsors it. Excluding the political opposition to Secretary Dulles—which can be discounted almost entirely—too many of his other critics either are misinformed, or not aware of his long and distinguished career in foreign affairs.

Mr. Dulles was President Wilson's right-hand man in Versailles in 1919—he served President Coolidge, Harding, Hoover, Roosevelt, Truman, and now President Eisenhower. Any man who is called upon by both Democrat and Republican presidents more than any other American in modern history certainly is not lacking either in ability or wisdom in foreign affairs. President Truman called Mr. Dulles' "Japanese Peace Treaty" a "masterpiece in successful diplomacy."

There are sincere Americans who honestly disagree with the secretary of state. To disagree is one thing—but to call Secretary Dulles incompetent is sheer nonsense and without foundation.

In all probability, because of pressure from our Allies, we will agree to a summit meeting with the Russians before long, without the all-important preliminary arrangements at the foreign ministers' level. Our experience at the Geneva summit conference in 1955 and the disappointing aftermath leads us to conclude that the Russians are again trying to set up a summit conference mainly for propaganda. It appears that way because of their recent propaganda drive all over the world trying to force us into a trap.

It appears to us that Secretary Dulles is wise to the Russians and is miles ahead of his critics in diplomatic astuteness. He and the president publicly expressed their reasons against summit talks with Krushchev and Bul-

ganin. A brief resume goes something like this: Three American presidents between 1943-1955 traveled over 40,000 miles and spent 36 hard days trying to settle things with the Russians. The Russians just traveled across their border, or insisted that we go all the way to Russia for the talks. We met them in Cairo, Yalta, Potsdam, Heheran—and not once did they offer to come to the U.S. or across our border and meet us in Mexico or Canada. We believe this to be an imposition on the people of America.

In addition, the Russians have violated nearly all of the agreements. Stalin entered into six major agreements with Roosevelt—kept only one—to enter the war against Japan, but only after we had Japan prostrate with atomic bombs.

President Truman again met with Stalin and agreed on 14 new arrangements. Stalin violated all of them. Then President Eisenhower met with Krushchev and Bulganin at Geneva in 1955—and to date the Russians have not moved an inch closer to disarmament, closer to a unified Germany, but continue their irresponsible accusations, like their recent reference that we instigated the unfortunate bombings on Tunisia.

The world prays that the next summit conference will bring better results than the previous five, from Cairo in 1943 to Geneva in 1955. But regardless, some critics—the pseudo-experts on foreign policy—will continue to offer a variety of equally pseudo-panaceas based on nothing more than questionable private formulas and conclusions. They pretend to know more than the secretary of state, who has the factual inside track as no other individual has in the whole nation.

The secretary of state devotes every working hour to foreign policy and has ambassadors and experts all over the world who feed him secret facts. Again we must suggest our often repeated conclusion on critics of foreign policy: why is it that they became critics instead of statesmen, if they know so much on how best to secure the interests of the United States in foreign affairs?

FROM OUR MAILBOX by Our Readers

As cochairman of the drive to get the parks and recreation bond on the April ballot, I would like to thank the circulators of the petitions and also the many signers. To get this issue on the ballot we needed 2087 signatures of registered voters. We had approximately 2649 of which 2262 were valid signatures.

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Park Bond Issue Plans Told

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whole of Torrance in the limited time we had, I'm sure there are many who did not get a chance to sign a petition who wants parks as much as anyone. I urge you all to get out and vote, taking your neighbor with you.

I make this appeal to the voters of Torrance with the knowledge that if we fall this time, it will be a long time before we'll have another chance.

While I realize that we are all very tax conscious at this time, who of us would not give 35 to 40 cents a month (to give) children a safe place to play. Breaking it down, that is what the average homeowner will pay and that is only for the first year. The second year it will be cut about in half. I don't have to tell you this is a small price to pay for the safety of our children.

Now that we have this back on the ballot, we want to put on a publicity campaign to make sure everyone understands just what they are voting on. To do this, we need funds. Our finance chairman is G. H. Wade, 19817 Halison. Any contribution, no matter how small, will be greatly appreciated.

MRS. EVA RISOU
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Excellent Award Editor, Torrance Herald:

Congratulations to you, your publisher, and your staff for the excellent award which was made to the Torrance Herald at the California Newspaper Publishers' Assn. convention in Coronado recently.

Although I did not work in the division in which your award was made, I was aware of the fact that your publication was among the finalists and was elected to know that it was selected. Your format

is clean and we are most pleased to have the Herald as a sample of fine journalism in our community.

W. A. KAMRATH,
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El Camino College



"Another thing a lot of women use to take the drug-gery out of housework is all-money."—L. S. McCandless.

"Just when you get enough money to buy something you had classed as a luxury it ceases to be a luxury."—Ray D. Everson.

"In Hollywood it's difficult to tell the difference between a genius and a guy in the midst of a nervous breakdown."—Ed Wynn.

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