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This Week's Motto:

Everyone broadens with age. The trouble is that it is so noticeable.

A Continuing Battle

Medical science, with many victories to its credit, still has a hard and difficult road to travel. Though other illnesses of man have taken body blows, there are still dread maladies — cancer — the leukemias — certain hereditary ailments — all yet to be tamed.

An outpost on such medical frontiers is the City of Hope near Los Angeles, a pilot medical center. Over the years, scientists there have developed numerous "firsts" in the battle against catastrophic diseases.

Only a "pilot" approach could develop such weapons against cancer as the first radioactive cesium unit in daily use in the U.S., or a parent participation program in a Children's Wing caring for fatally-ill youngsters.

The City of Hope recently launched an Institute for Advanced Learning in the Medical Sciences. Modeled on Princeton's work in the physical sciences, this institute is a "retreat for intellectuals" concentrating on the long range problems of biomedical research.

Over the years this 90-acre pilot facility has accepted, without cost to any patient, and without discrimination, victims of the yet unsolved maladies.

Now, in behalf of the City of Hope, your help is asked. Let your contribution reflect the importance of the searching and the solving that the City of Hope has set as its pilot mission on Hope Sunday, June 4, when your neighbor comes to your door on behalf of this famed Medical Center.

Opinions of Others

"Reading proof on an editorial I found that my fingers on the typewriter keyboard had birthed an appropriate new word: 'government.'" — J. D. Blizzard, Dillon (S. C.) Herald.

"If the United States is going to have to go it alone against communism, let her save her money for the gigantic defense budget that will be required, rather than fritter her wealth away on unappreciative nations who take handouts from anyone without so much as a thank you." — Irwin Scheel, Mabel (Minn.) Record.

"The story of 4-H is a solid case for optimism. The farm youth organization and its work make the abhorred roving, black leather-jacketed packs of delinquents seem almost unimportant by comparison." — Thomas M. McKnight, Mooresville (N. C.) Tribune.

From the Mailbox

By Our Readers

A Brazen Act

Editor, Torrance Herald
Last Tuesday, between 5 and 6 p.m., a young boy in his teens, came to the 26300 block on Belle Porte Ave. in Harbor City, and so brazenly removed a battery and wires from a six-cylinder car, parked in front of the owner's home that the neighbors who saw him, thought he was a boy called to do the job. He was riding a red, we think, Triumph motorcycle.

It behooves the parents of youngsters like this one, to find out where they are getting the equipment for their cars and motorcycles, etc. If this thief isn't apprehended soon, what will he do when he is in his twenties?
One crime leads to another

until it leads to a cell behind bars, then it's too late for a young life that could have been an asset to humanity instead of a disgrace.
—M.K.J.

Editor, Torrance Herald
I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the privilege of being able to work with you on the Torrance Courts Committee. I appreciate very much everything you have done to help us successfully conclude this project. It is with a deep sense of pride that I extend this appreciation to you from myself, the Council, the Bar, and from all the people of the City of Torrance.

BORIS S. WOOLLEY,
Chairman, Torrance Courts Committee

Out of the Past

From the Files of the HERALD

Memorial Sunday observances, preceding the time honored Memorial Day services, May 30, will be held in this city at the Torrance theatre Sunday morning at 9:25 o'clock with the Bert S. Crossland Post, American Legion as honored guests of the Torrance Men's Bible class. Lt. Gov. Frank Merriam (later governor) will be the speaker.

Torrance has an average per capita cost of municipal government, according to the state controller. The cost per person is \$19.76. Los Angeles' cost is \$34.86 with Long Beach even higher at \$43.31.

The city's theatres were offering such attractions as Mary Pickford in "Kiki" when she was known as "America's Sweetheart". Ann Harding, Clive Brook and Conrad Nagle were starring in "East Lynne" at the Fox-Redondo.

Royal Palms Grove ran an enticing ad for its Wednesday and Saturday dances. "Enjoy the charms of the famous tropical garden, the romantic gleaming through the trees" etc. Ladies 25 cents; gentlemen 75¢.

Some Are for It



Teachers, State Clash Over Credentials Bill

By JAMES DORAIS
Educational problems are traditionally major concerns of every session of the California State Legislature, and this year is anything but an exception. What is different about the current session are some surprising realignments of allies and the emergence of interest in various aspects of public education by many groups who in former years have left the arguments up to the "pros."

Most startling, perhaps, was the failure of the powerful combined forces of the State Department of Education and the State Printing Office to hold the line against long voiced demands for abandonment of the outmoded single choice adoption and state printing of elementary school textbooks. The "book burning" fiasco, revealing that large quantities of "surplus" books were consigned to ashes, was largely responsible for legislative attention to this problem.

A surprising controversy has developed between the



"It's hard to know exactly when one generation ends, and the next one begins. But it's somewhere around 9 p.m." — E. L. Holmlund, Marshall County (Minn.) Banner.

California Teachers Assn. and the Brown administration over legislation to revise teacher credential procedure. Supporting the recommendations of the Advisory Commission appointed by former Governor Goodwin Knight for heavier emphasis on subject matter in teacher training, the Democratic administration is strongly backing a bill which reduces the number of different kinds of teaching credentials from 41 to 5, writes strict requirements for subject matter training into law, and denies anyone who lacks an academic major the right to become a school principal or superintendent.

The teachers' association has advanced a bill of its own, which also reduces the number of credentials to five, but leaves the determination of teacher training requirements to the State Board of Education, and does not limit the right of "nonacademic" teachers to become administrators. Unlike the Brown-backed bill, the CTA bill makes it mandatory for elementary teachers, like high school teachers, to have five years of college training.

The CTA, which has pioneered the whole study of teacher credential revisions, contends that writing subject matter requirements into law is impractical and ignores the value of courses designed to teach prospective teachers how to teach.

Another "first" is the exposure of legislators to the views of rural and small town areas opposed to the State Department of Education policy of mandatory consolidation of school districts. A David versus Goliath operation, this educational effort is spearheaded by the newly formed California Small School Districts Association, which holds that mammoth sized school districts do not in all instances provide better education nor save money.

Law in Action

Disposing of Property

As a rule you can dispose of your property by will in at least three basic ways:

1. Outright bequest
2. Beneficiary - controlled trust
3. Trustee - controlled trust

Each way has advantages. The tax results are different. 1. Outright Bequest. A husband may leave his net estate to his wife outright to do with as she likes. Her inheritance, if kept intact, would be taxed a second time upon her death, subject in some cases to certain "previously taxed property" adjustments.

2. Beneficiary - Controlled Trust: Suppose the husband wants his wife to have the same control over his property but wants to have it managed for her. He could then set up a "beneficiary-controlled trust." Under it certain trustees would hold and manage his estate. His wife would get the income for it for life. She could withdraw the principal any time. The tax would be the same as the "outright bequest" method. When she died the principal would be taxed as part of her estate, subject to the above-mentioned adjustments.

Gains and Brains

By ESTEY I. REED
"Poverty consists in feeling poor" — Emerson. Once upon a time there was an unhappy sultan. The wisest men from the East could give him no hope unless he could get, and wear, the shirt of a happy man. Notices were sent into every corner of the empire, offering fabulous rewards for a completely happy man. At last, learned doctors found a shepherd who was pronounced an entirely happy man. But lo! When he came before the sultan, it was found that he had no shirt!

3. Trustee - Controlled Trust: Under this type of trust, the wife would get the income but would not get the principal unless the trustees decided that she needed it for her proper comfort. The principal is available to the wife only if the trustees decided she needs it. But, removing her right to withdraw the principal, no part of the trust would be taxed a second time at her

Did the Russians Put a Man in Space as Claimed

CHICAGO — This reporter is absolutely certain... as the entire world is certain... that Commander Alan B. Shepard Jr. did travel 115 miles above the earth in a flawless sub-orbit in a 3000-pound capsule. Some 26 minutes after he was hurled aloft at Cape Canaveral, the 37-year-old hero jumped jauntily from the helicopter which landed him on the carrier USS Lake Champlain.

Several hundred US and foreign reporters watched the bellowing Redstone missile put him into space and hundreds of others saw him land with his parachute at sea.

A free nation through a free press was told specifically all the eye-witness pertinent facts of the flight... how Commander Shepard rode 33 tons of brute force into space... how he was sealed in the 9-foot top shaped space capsule for 3 hours and 24 minutes before launching... and every word he said, "What a beautiful view... my only complaint was the ride wasn't long enough... I feel fine; the doctors won't have very much to do."

The US government had invited, in addition to the US press, all the accredited correspondents from all the nations of the world, friend and foe alike, to see the launching and the return. They all knew where the capsule was going... where it was expected to land... with all the press fill-ins for accurate coverage.

All this was America in action... freedom at work... proof of truth, trust and good intentions.

On the morning of April 12 Radio Moscow interrupted the usual morning musical programs with the simple announcement that a world space ship, named Vostok (East), with a man on board, was launched at 9:07 a.m. near the city of Sverdlovsk, (where US airman Francis Powers was captured) in an attempt to orbit the earth.

The radio identified the man in space as Major Yuri Alekseyevich Gagarin, age 27. Radio Moscow continued to issue minute-by-minute bulletins of the Vostok's position orbiting the earth. At 12:25 p.m. came the proud announcement from Chairman Khrushchev that Major Gagarin landed safely on Soviet soil at 10:55 a.m.

Soviet radio and press issued the following details: Gagarin reached a height of 188 miles (compared with 115 miles of Commander Shepard)... the capsule weighed 5 tons... time of flight 1 hour 48 minutes... speed of 285 miles a minutes... and quoted the conversation from Gagarin to the earth while he was in orbit.

This is how it was done in Russia. No other nation in the world... no monitoring station in the world has confirmed the voice of Gagarin while in orbit. We have only Russia's word. No correspondents... Communist or foreign... were permitted to witness the shot or the return landing.

On the basis of such unconfirmed statements, the US press and government lauded Russia's "around-the-world achievement" and probably convinced most of the nation that the details as announced

by the Communists were true. Maybe they were. Maybe the future will confirm their accuracy. But in the absence of scientific confirmation outside Russia, this reporter, from eye-witness coverage of Russia and the Iron Curtain since 1931, raises his voice in skepticism just on the strength of Soviet claims. All we have at the moment is the word of deceivers and blackmailers from way back.

Isn't it possible that they tried a man in space in the capsule which was monitored by stations around the world? Isn't it possible that the original man in space disintegrated... and the Russians, knowing a U.S. attempt was about to be launched from Cape Canaveral on a sub-orbit flight, had a stand-in parachute on earth for a grandstand landing for purposes of propaganda?

We confirmed a Soviet capsule... and only a capsule... in space April 12. This we know. But the human part of the orbit is unconfirmed and skepticism is most

certainly warranted. This is not to deny the superiority of Soviet space science... Soviet thrust, hard fuels, rocketry. All this, too, has been confirmed. But... and we think this is important... why did they not permit even die-hard Communist correspondents to witness the test?

Why did they not release the news of the attempt beforehand, so monitoring stations could be alerted to give credence to the Soviet achievement? Why all the secrecy? Why were newsmen barred?

Certainly looking at a missile on the platform reveals no secrets, for the same missiles were paraded on May day in Red Square. Certainly, covering the "cosmonaut" landing on Soviet soil could reveal no secrets other than the way he reached the earth.

Our skepticism is raised... and with good reason, from our experiences inside Russia. Maybe we are prejudiced... but on the other hand, maybe the US and the world are the victims of the biggest hoax in modern history. We shall see.

Little Chats

On Public Notice

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By JAMES E. POLLARD

WHEN IS DELINQUENT (No. 22 in a Series)

Quirks in the law often confuse the layman. There are even times when the bar and the bench are puzzled. And not infrequently both attorneys and the courts differ in their interpretations of the law.

Technicalities may arise in the area of public notices, or legal advertising, but not often. One of these peculiar situations resulted when a professional man traded a building lot he owned on a piece of rental property. He had a clear title to the lot on which some assessments were due for street paving, sidewalks and similar improvements.

To make sure he was entirely in the clear, he wrote a check for the taxes then due as well as for the assessments to date. But he made the mistake of writing the

check to the broker on his assurance that he would take care of the payment, instead of making it direct to the county treasurer.

To make a long story short, the broker unfortunately went into bankruptcy and the payee's money went "down the drain." After a while, in due course, his name was published in a local newspaper as a delinquent taxpayer although he was innocent. When some of his friends learned of it, they joshed him about it.

Still worse, after consulting several attorneys, he learned that because of the technicalities involved it would take an act of the legislature to clear his name. His friends believed his story, of course, but he suffered a lot of good natured kidding. Even this legal accident proved again the power of the public notice.

During This Week

May 22, 1621 - The first New England wedding was solemnized. Gov. Edward Winslow married Mrs. Susannah White, widow of William and mother of Peregrine, first American-born English child.

May 23, 1785 - Benjamin Franklin, in Paisey, France, wrote to his friend George Whatley, in Philadelphia, revealing that Franklin had developed the world's first practical bifocal lenses.

May 24, 1883 - The Brooklyn Bridge was dedicated. John A. Roebling, Prussian refugee, started it in 1867.

May 25, 1793 - Father Stephen Theodore Badin became the initial Catholic priest to be ordained in the U.S. - at Baltimore's Cathedral of St. Peter.

May 26, 1913 - America's original, national actors' union was organized. The Actors Equity Association was formed from an AFL group and locals.

May 27, 1936 - America's initial woman coxswain of a man's collegiate crew made her first public appearance. Sally Stearns, Rollins College, Winter Park, Fla., led the varsity shell against Marietta College.

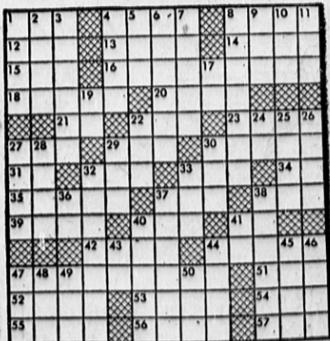
CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- ACROSS
1-Snake
4-Wine cups
5-Flowers
12-Crony (colloq.)
13-Lease
14-City in nickname
15-Hall
16-Enchanted
18-Years
20-Girl's nickname
21-Preposition
22-Openwork fabric
23-In addition
27-Sob
29-Rocky hill
30-Silver (colloq.)
31-Parole
32-Whirlwind
33-Unlouth person
35-Printed
36-French article
37-Mild expletive
38-File in debt
39-Hebrew measure
40-Contender
41-Above
42-Tiny particle
43-Cubic meter
47-Unpleasant
51-Crimson
52-Simple
53-Strike
54-Devoured
55-Edible seeds
56-Schoolbook
57-Unit of Japanese currency

- DOWN
1-Three-banded armadillo
2-Rescue
3-Sufficient
4-War god
5-Strikes
6-Deer's horn
7-Walk pompously



- 37-Wager
38-Musical dramas
40-Brag
41-Guido's low note
43-Territorial Force (abbr.)
44-Clan
45-Nerve network
46-Paradise
47-Denton
48-Born
49-Period of time
50-Lackadaisical



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STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLARD

Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars

To develop message for Thursday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

ARIES	MAR. 22 - APR. 20	1-40-52-65
Taurus	APR. 21 - MAY 21	23-28-42-48
GEMINI	MAY 22 - JUNE 21	4-9-14-22-32-43
CANCER	JUNE 22 - JULY 23	37-46-53-62
LEO	JULY 24 - AUG. 23	5-25-31-36
VIRGO	AUG. 24 - SEPT. 22	15-18-20-39
LIBRA	SEPT. 23 - OCT. 23	47-49-51-59
SCORPIO	OCT. 24 - NOV. 22	63-70-82-86
SAGITTARIUS	NOV. 23 - DEC. 22	2-6-17-26
CAPRICORN	DEC. 23 - JAN. 20	29-64-83-88
AQUARIUS	JAN. 21 - FEB. 19	13-21-35-44
PISCES	FEB. 20 - MAR. 21	8-10-11-34

Good Adverse Neutral