

EDITORIALS

The Knowland Granite

Senator William Knowland may be a Republican but he has proved himself again and again, a true independent. He should appeal to Americans who respect courage and intellectual integrity and who still believe good old-fashioned honesty in thought and purpose have a respected place in our modern American living.

Senator Knowland's chief opponent in either party at the primary next Tuesday is a very personable and formidable aspirant—Attorney General Edmund G. "Pat" Brown. Brown has friends in every political faith who not only like him personally but who have considered him a good attorney general. Many of these friends now think he would make a good governor and many think he should have gone on being just a good attorney general.

Certainly no conscientious American will doubt Bill Knowland's devotion to his country and to his principles. On many occasions he has differed with his own party and he has been a veritable Gibraltar when the right as he saw it became the issue. He has international stature, earned by the very will that now finds him carrying the ball for a cause that is most unpopular with a considerable block of California voters, namely the so-called "Right to Work" ideal.

Californians can expect the same kind of solid action from Senator Knowland if they elect him governor next fall. It takes a long time to alter the surface of granite and, win or lose, Bill Knowland will keep the granite of his character long after the axe swingers in both major parties have tried to scratch the surface.

Knight for Senator

Some of his actions as governor have made Goodwin J. Knight a controversial figure in his own party but the qualities that made him a good governor for California will make him a good senator for this the second state in the nation.

Gov. Knight possesses statesmanlike qualities and very special talents in the field of legislative procedures. His aggressive, scintillating personality has made him known on the national scene and he will be no stranger when he is sent to Washington to represent a state the residents of which have come to know him very well indeed.

It is the sincere feeling of this newspaper that Goodwin Knight will make a good U. S. Senator. California interests would be ably, colorfully and effectively represented by Goodwin J. Knight. We recommend him to the voters next Tuesday.

For Kirkwood

Few officeholders in the history of California have distinguished themselves more than has Robert C. Kirkwood, candidate to succeed himself as State Controller at the primary election on Tuesday.

On the basis of his record for efficiency and the high character of his performance as a farmer, lawyer and citizen he is entitled to the gratitude of voters of all political faiths.

One of the best tributes of many paid by the press to Mr. Kirkwood was that of the San Rafael Independent Journal, incidentally one of the finest newspapers published in California.

"We could go on and on about Kirkwood for he is, in our estimation, one of the brightest lights on the California political horizon. Our guess is that before he is through he will have established a niche for himself in our State's history right alongside Hiram Johnson and Earl Warren."

Many residents of Torrance have met and know Robert Kirkwood. They will tell you of his high qualities and of the desirability of returning him to the office he has filled so well.

The Assembly Race

Voters of the 68th Assembly District may find something familiar about Tuesday's ballot—it will feature the same incumbents for the Assembly that were on the ballot two years ago.

Tom Brewer, insurance executive, successful in the Republican Primary two years ago, is again opposing Democrat Vincent Thomas of San Pedro, believed by many to be one of the most able representatives in the State Legislature.

Brewer has won strong support among Republican backers and will probably repeat his party victory in the primary.

To those voters, however, who prefer to vote for the man, even in primary elections, The HERALD can recommend a continued support for Assemblyman Vincent Thomas.

During his years in Sacramento, Assemblyman Thomas has emerged as a leader of his party, and a strong leader in the Legislature. He has held the position of minority leader of the Assembly, and has been a ranking member of several important Legislative committees.

During the past few years, Mr. Thomas has been an important factor in getting for Torrance many of the things which this booming city had come to need.

He has been able to establish a Motor Vehicle Department branch here; bids will be advertised soon for a new Department of Employment building; he was able to change state laws to permit the city to enter into 50-year leases, opening the way for industrial and commercial development on the city-owned municipal airport; and has been ever alert to the needs of Torrance and the balance of his district.

Mr. Thomas has been instrumental in many of the phases of this city's growth and development, and has earned the right to continued support.

The HERALD recommends this support without qualification.

Boy On Burning Deck



REYNOLDS KNIGHT

Do People Want Small Cars?

Does the American public want a small car? If you're a Big Three executive, you have to be willing to bet a hundred million dollars on a YES answer.

Various groups and individuals have recently voiced their sentiments regarding the need for a small American car. And these comments have been supported by varying kinds of market surveys, including the simple one of asking immediate friends and neighbors what they think. While reports that the average American would like a smaller car may be well based, General Motors, Ford and Chrysler are not convinced.

They claim that plenty of people still want big cars, and that those who want smaller ones either want a car that looks like the present ones but is cheaper, or they want the exotic flavor of a foreign machine. To provide a smaller version of current models at less money, say auto making officials, is impossible.

So two of the largest producers, GM and Ford, have designed and engineered small cars in readiness for a change in their current market appraisal. But probably no decision will be made until they see the public's reaction to '59 models this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. America will be able to register their votes on car length at that time. Unfortunately, a NO to big cars could hurt the economy a little.

MOTORISTS' BELIEFS—Horsepower, U.S.A. is a study team's project name for a busy manufacturing center near St. Louis that is being surveyed in-depth concerning the driving habits and beliefs of the American public. The pilot community name is kept secret to prevent citizen self-consciousness in answering questions.

The survey was inaugurated by a major automotive parts manufacturer to gather hard facts about the American motorist's knowledge and treatment of the vehicle he drives. The ultimate goal is to improve merchandising of the firm's products. Car owners by the hundreds are being asked questions such as:

What do you think an engine tune-up should include? How long do you think your car's fuel system should last? How often do you have your car lubricated? Do you rotate tires, and if so when?

Answers to these and 43 other equally specific questions obtained in intensive on-the-spot personal interviews compose the four-month survey which is scheduled for completion this month. One out of every 75 car owners in the community of more than 100,000 will have been contacted.

THINGS TO COME—Got any big packages? There's just been designed a new lightweight—only 10,450 pounds—Diesel highway tractor that will handle in the 55,000-pounds-and-up hauling range... or maybe vibration is your problem—a new floodlight lamp has its filament on tungsten springs... and now there's a noise-proof welding helmet.

FIVE-YEAR GROWTH—By the end of 1958 cans for liquid detergents are expected to be produced at the rate of 400 million units a year although their use only started five years ago.

C. S. Stephens, American Can Co. assistant national sales manager in charge of non-food containers, said the industry produced some 300 million cans for liquid detergents in 1957 and "all reports we have indicate further substantial growth this year."

Light duty detergents of the dishwashing type should account for most of the growth, he said, since most of the liquid products on the market are in this category. Continuation of a recent trend toward more use of all-purpose liquid detergents for household cleaning jobs also is expected to contribute to growth, he added.

"This year, which is the fifth anniversary of canned liquid detergents, might also see more realization of the tremendous potential for heavy-duty, family wash detergents in liquid form," he said. "This could result in a far greater increase in output." In 1956 Cancro was making its "non-drop" detergent containers for only 15 labels.

Today it makes detergent cans with 114 different labels.

SOME FARMERS HAPPY, BUT—Total farm income for the first quarter of this year was up 11 per cent over the corresponding period last year despite the weakness in the rest of the economy. But the rise does not reflect the situation for individual commodities.

Hog and cattle raisers and potato farmers are enjoying healthy income increases but cotton growers and sheep raisers are feeling some pain.

The hog and cattle men have been getting as much as 25 per cent more than a year ago while their costs remain just about the same. The price for California's late spring potatoes has more than doubled while the size of the crop is only down 7 per cent.

On the other hand, low wool prices have been knocking sheep raisers' income around while cotton farmers have been hurt by the low quality of their '57 crop.

BITS O' BUSINESS—There is no fuel like an old fuel: kerosene demand is rising with the use of this old petroleum by-product as a jet fuel ingredient... Buy your almonds now as rain and disease has cut crop estimates 25 per cent... The possible steel rise July 1 is apparently improving order-taking by producers... Leading flaxseed crushers have cut prices twice since April.

FROM OUR MAILBOX by Our Readers

Hobby Show

Editor, Torrance Herald:

The Torrance Terrace Garden Club and the North Torrance Fuchsia Society would like to express their thanks and appreciation for the generous publicity your paper has given our recent Hobby, Art and Flower show held in the Civic Auditorium, May 16, 17, and 18th.

Your wonderful cooperation made it possible to find many interested people in the community, consequently receiving their support and enthusiasm.

This year the show surpassed in number of entries as well as attendance at the show, and we feel you were largely responsible for the success of the show with articles and pictures published each week.



The Old Timer
"It's wonderful for a girl to get a Bachelor's degree—but she'd rather have a bachelor!"

We are looking forward to next year's show knowing that we will again receive the same support of the community.

THE TORRANCE TERRACE GARDEN CLUB THE NORTH TORRANCE FUCHSIA SOCIETY



and I Quote
"A boy becomes a man when he walks around a puddle instead of through it."
—Pat Buttram.

"The best way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once."
—H. N. Ferguson

"One of the benefits of being 80 is that you no longer want the things you couldn't have when you were 20."
—Otto Harbach

"The man who said close doesn't count never sat next to his girl in a hammock."
—Arnold Glasgow

A New Soviet Foreign Policy

WASHINGTON, D.C. Since the rise of Khrushchev we have been confronted with a new kind of Soviet foreign policy... the policy of the status quo. Every maneuver of recent weeks... from the proposals for a Summit-meeting to ending nuclear tests... is geared to attain an acceptance by the West and particularly by the United States of the status quo of the political stranglehold Communism has on Eastern Europe and its influence in the Middle East.

A close examination of the various Bulganin letters (prior to his demotion), and the public utterances of Nikita Khrushchev since, indicates that Soviet foreign policy is attempting to win the stamp of approval on what it now holds. It is a policy indeed strange for the Kremlin planners, who heretofore were moving in all directions with their secret plots.

Russia's insistence for a Summit-conference has an origin and purpose for different than ours. Such a conference will raise the prestige of Russia and Khrushchev especially at home and among the Soviet satellites... it will reduce Russia's budget on nuclear weapons and satellites, which they cannot afford as readily as we can.

The launching of Sputnik has aroused U. S. public opinion to spending billions which heretofore were unavailable because of an economy-bent nation. Russia's propaganda triumph in launching Sputniks has boomeranged because of an aroused U. S. public opinion to match or surpass Soviet scientific effort to outer space.

Present Soviet foreign policy proposes, among other things, an East-West non-aggression pact, which will amount to U. S. approval of Soviet conquests in Eastern Europe. They want a pact which will recognize Soviet absorption of Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia... and domination of every border country from Finland to Rumania.

Soviet foreign policy is aimed to undermine and destroy NATO by creating an atmosphere of questionable political compromise with Communism, which some Western nations would like to accept as a way out of their NATO defense obligations.

Communist foreign policy, by proposing the banning of nuclear weapons, expects to neutralize the West's European defenses now supported by massive nuclear retaliation in case of Soviet attack. By not agreeing to any kind of sound inspection the Communists seek recognition of its influence in the Middle East now that it has established Communist beachheads throughout the area.

The Kremlin strategists' break up the NATO alliance and U. S. military bases in Europe and the Middle East. Their policy is fixed on removing all defenses from around West Germany, thus denying joint Allied assistance, while Russia continues to arm East Germany.

All this they expect to accomplish by steamroller tactics, either with direct negotiations with us, or jointly with some of our Allies, thus by-passing the United Nations which was established for just this purpose.

Soviet proposals to end all nuclear tests, coming after they completed extensive tests of their own, no doubt had a propaganda effect among the peoples of many nations, although it is questionable if it impressed the governments of these nations. These proposals did put us on the spot.

It is obvious that President Eisenhower and Secretary Dulles do not want to sit across the conference table with Khrushchev, for they have absolutely no confidence in him whatever in fulfilling any agreements that may come from such a meeting. They know the Russians want a Summit-conference to raise their prestige... and try to influence the West in reducing nuclear tests. Russia cannot match the astronomical costs of research and development of nuclear weapons now expended by the U. S. as a result of Sputnik.

Undeniably there is a risk for us in refusing a Summit-meeting, or in ignoring the Soviet program for ending nuclear tests. Soviet propaganda has directed world opinion to their proposals and we are on the defensive trying to justify our position and counter proposals for a more inclusive Summit-conference. We know, for example, that ending nuclear tests, or withdrawing from Europe without ending the present division of Germany, simply hands to Communism the fate of Europe on a silver platter.

THE SQUIRREL CAGE by Reid Bundy

An Oldtimer Has a Question

"Why," asked an oldtimer here this week, "did they suddenly decide that the nation's Unknown Soldier, entombed at Arlington National Cemetery following World War I as a memorial to all of America's fallen soldiers in all wars, was not a fitting tribute to those additional thousands of soldiers that followed him in death in the battles of World War II and the Korean War?"

The oldtimer has a point—one that we can't argue. As a veteran of World War II who has spent six Christmases in an Army uniform, I have been perfectly willing to let the nation's Unknown Soldier represent my friends and fellow countrymen who fell in the war.

Now that they've decided to add another soldier to the national monument from the latest war, might we suggest they go ahead and complete the memorial by adding such a soldier from all wars—the American Revolution, War of 1812, Boxer Rebellion, the Mexican Border War, Civil War, Spanish-American War, and others where Americans gave their lives?

Either we have an Unknown Soldier to represent

all servicemen of all wars, or we have one for each. It shouldn't be half and half.

VACATION

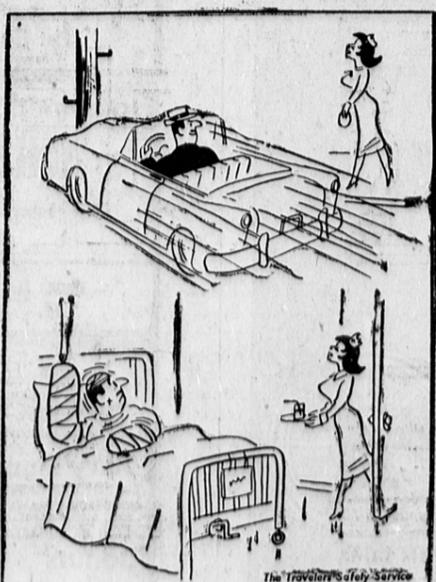
- It consists of 2 weeks
- which are 2 short
- after which you're 2 tired
- 2 return
- 2 work
- and 2 broke not 2!

STAR GAZER by CLAY R. POLLAN
Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars
To develop message for Sunday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

ARIES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
APRIL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
MAY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
JUNE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
JULY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
AUG.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
SEPT.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
OCT.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
NOV.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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The Road Toll

by Jerry Marcus



122,610 paid the toll when their cars left the road.

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