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By the Editor

We Make Our Bow

Herewith the first of what we hope will be a fairly regular series of columns by the editor. We presume there should be a reason for such columns as this, plus a particular reason for launching this one at this particular time. There is. It happened to be next on our list of things to do that we "finally" got around to."

There are a number of things left on this list, such as fixing up our windows, installing new lights (we are now at a distinct disadvantage sharing with our customers over the counter after 4 p.m., since they can see us but we can't see them), and finally getting out and shaking hands with people, and maybe even trying to sell some space in the paper.

This is a thing we have studiously avoided, up until now for three reasons: (1) We were too busy to leave the office. (2) We didn't want to ask a potential customer to buy a product that didn't meet our own standards, and (3) We were too busy to leave the office.

But having now emerged from the darkness of our nether regions to the faint daylight of the front office, we think it only a matter of days until we can find the courage to face the bright sunlight of outer space, and the time in which to do it. We have another long list of "things we hope to get around to," which will not be explored at this time.

There is also a very good reason for having a column such as this at all. This commentator admits to certain eccentricities, one of which is that he has a very definite opinion of what the position of a newspaper in a one-newspaper town should be. He believes that, despite the fact that it is privately owned and enjoys certain monopolistic advantages, its policy needs to be erected along lines similar to that of a civic or quasi-civic institution. It must serve the needs of the people who read it and the community which supports it. It must be truthful, and it must report news accurately, and not in a biased manner. However, it must also be ready and willing to act as the collective voice of its supporters, or when there is an issue, as a sounding board for both sides.

There must be some place in the paper where readers can find out what "this newspaper" thinks and believes in. And this column is that place. It is hoped that the column will serve other, not necessarily lesser purposes, such as providing a sales platform from which worthy causes can be promoted, providing a showcase to display the inner workings of the "mind" of a newspaper, and furnishing an outlet for the righteous indignation which, upon occasion, courses through the veins of this commentator.

On another page the same facilities are provided for readers. We fondly hope that the heading "Readers Write . . ." will always contain a bouquet or two, but if this is not to be, we do not wish it to be devoid of cabbages.

What Will the End Be?

The August 23 issue of Life magazine contains a photograph of a field of circular tents in Texas. They are on sterilized earth and "inflated" with 1,600,000 bushels of grain each. It is hoped the grain will keep five years and qualify for price support loans.

The warehouses over the nation are full of grain, old ships are being cleaned out and filled with grain, and now tents are being erected.

Foreign nations are taking over our export grain markets. And still the taxpayers put up the money to maintain an inflated price for raising more grain than can be used.

How crazy can a nation get? Sometimes we get a little upset over this sort of thing. However, we now have an answer to our most vexing problem. We can produce a lot more papers here at the Journal plant than we do now. But we would have difficulty in selling them. If we can find the right form to fill out, we could go on producing excess papers and let the government pay us to store the surplus.

The experience gained in the National Guard, learning the use of all office machines and office procedure, he felt would aid in future jobs while advancing in rank for his ultimate time in service.

The "better job hunting," however, went "by the board" as the urge for higher education spurred Larson to investigating ways and means of entering the University, and with some money saved—a small financial gift—board and room for working—and a job part time for cash, he applied for admission—passed the exams, and the claims, "one of the happiest days of my life was when I was accepted into the University of Hawaii."

Land of the Free

The following reflection comes to us from our correspondent, Joe Serra, in Portland, Oregon. It's worth its weight in gold:

"This 'land of the free and the home of the brave' slogan of ours needs some scrutiny. We been taking it for granted. But when you look close there are some leaks showing at the seams. The 'freedom' part of the slogan looks dubious when you say to yourself, 'I reckon it would be a good idea to have a little speck of gold in the sugar bowl for an emergency.'

"Since 600 B.C. when the King of Lydia first minted some coin, there has been just one world-wide item that has always had value—gold coin. And before that time, gold nuggets, hammered gold or what had you in gold came first and always the desired possession. And this leads up to why our 'land we grind, new spark plugs or something. We are not clickin' just right. This notion of 'freedom' gets a crimp—and you get the jail house, if you are caught with a couple 10 buck gold pieces in your denims.'

"Regulation and regimentation has been heaped upon us for 20 years—we would hardly know freedom if we met it down on Main Street. Other countries—world wide—let their citizens possess gold if they choose, but for us 'enlightened' folks here in this 'land of the free,' 'taint so. It is time to slow down and check our oil."

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Drum and Bugle Corps Journeys To Wolcottville

Wawasee Post No. 223 Drum and Bugle Corps will go to Wolcottville, Ind., Monday October 11, when they are to put on an exhibition drill in honor of Governor George Craig, who will be speaker at the Republican Rally, to be held in the Community building.

The Wawasee Post was selected for the honor by the District Committee man, Ralph Jones of La Grange.

The Post's most recent exhibition was done at Warsaw, for the Warsaw-Alexandria football game. They received much commendation for their precision and were invited to return next year.

The Zolner Pistons management has invited the Corps to put on an exhibition in the Fort Wayne Coliseum this winter, for their basketball and hockey games.

Drum & Bugle Corps Praised by School Supt.

The following letter was received yesterday:

October 4, 1954

Commander Wawasee Post
American Legion
Syracuse, Indiana

Dear Sir:

May I express to you and the Drum and Bugle Corps of your Post my sincere appreciation for their unusually fine performance at our game Friday night.

The precision marching and playing was superior. This group must be a source of considerable pride to your Post.

Our fans enjoyed the exhibition a great deal and I am especially grateful for this expression of good will.

Very truly yours,
Carl W. Burt,
Superintendent
Warsaw City Schools

ERIC LARSON ENTERS U. OF HAWAII

Eric L. Larson son of Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Larson, entered the University of Hawaii, 20 September. He had left Syracuse, 25 July 1953, working at the Kapiolani Super Market, Honolulu about one year, taking his senior High School work at night school and received his diploma the first of June this year.

Prompt cooperation of Glenn Longenecker, principal of schools here, assisted in his acceptance for night school and the University.

Larson had joined the Hawaii Air National Guard earlier and is a Airman Basic with the 199th Fighter Interceptor Squadron as apprentice clerk. He receives \$35 per month, drills each Monday night and one Sunday a month has actual on-the-job duty. He is provided with free transportation to the Hickam Air Force Base at Pearl Harbor.

The experience gained in the National Guard, learning the use of all office machines and office procedure, he felt would aid in future jobs while advancing in rank for his ultimate time in service.

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Wins "Wings of Gold"



The "Wings of Gold" of a Naval Aviator are awarded to Navy Ensign Brent Bushong of Route 3, Syracuse. He was graduated from Purdue University, and received his commission through the NROTC program in June, 1953. The presentation is made by Rear Admiral Dale Harris, USN, Chief of Naval Air Basic Training, during ceremonies at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida. Along with other Navy and Marine Corps student pilots he completed nearly twenty months of intensive flight training to earn his wings.

Tomorrow Is Republican Nat'l Precinct Day

The following letter was received yesterday:

October 4, 1954

Dear Sir:

Based on the premise that "knocking on your neighbor's door" will win the 1954 elections, a brilliant, new chapter in American political history will be written Friday (Oct. 8) with observance of Republican National Precinct Day.

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Bloodmobile Unit Will Visit Muncie Oct. 14

The Bloodmobile Unit will visit Muncie, Thursday, 14 October, at the Methodist church from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The philosophy of the National Blood Program, the giving of blood, combines idealism with humanitarianism. Giving of yourself, of your time, of your efforts in any possible way to relieve and prevent suffering, is the philosophy upon which the Red Cross is based.

A year's planning will be climaxed Friday night when President Eisenhower and Vice President Nixon address party caucuses across the nation on the biggest TV-radio hookup ever used politically.

The half-hour simulcast will be carried over an augmented CBS-TV network of 158 stations and the NBC and Mutual radio networks of 534 stations.

Broadcast time is 9:30 p.m. EST, with a delayed broadcast to Pacific Coast states beginning at 9:30 p.m. PST.

Preceding day begins at dawn Friday when GOP Congressional and local candidates begin meeting new and old party workers at small "powwows" in neighborhood homes.

Kosciusko County Women will participate in the National program by holding a pow-wow at party headquarters tomorrow night. A meeting of committee women, county and township candidates is scheduled for Monday night at county headquarters at the Hayes Hotel in Warsaw, according to Earl Himes, county chairman. Attending from the three Syracuse precincts will be committee members Ernest Bushong, Ernest Buchholz, and Paul Denzel, and committee women Mrs. Lena Bauer, Effie Emmaus, and Mrs. Ernest Bushong. In addition the following candidates will attend: Calvin E. Beck, Trustee; Fred Nolan, Justice of the Peace; Ralph Hoover, Constable; and Earl J. Darr, Charles W. Kroh, and Charles W. Zerbe, Advisory Board.

Emphasizing the importance of recruiting new workers at the new workers at the powwows, Republican National Chairman Leonard W. Hall said:

"This election will be won by knocking on your neighbor's door."

National Precinct Day sets the stage for two vital goals: recruiting workers who will help us get out again the 34,000,000 voters who selected President Eisenhower and a Republican Congress in 1952, and signing up in Republican ranks the 5,000,000 voters who failed to cast their ballots for Congressional candidates of either party in 1952.

The President is expected to speak out directly to urge election of Republican candidates, following up his Hollywood Bowl address of September 23, when he called for renewal of the 1952 seal and vigor of GOP campaign organizations.

Republican National Precinct Day was originated last winter by the National Federation of Republican Women.

Choristers Meet To Plan Cantata

The Choristers of the First Methodist Church held their monthly meeting at the home of Miss Florence Foster Thursday evening 30 September.

During the business meeting, plans for the Christmas Cantata were discussed, and election of officers was held. Mrs. Fred Clark was elected president and Miss Florence Foster was elected secretary-treasurer.

Mr. Ernest Bushong announced that a gift of \$25 had been given to the Choir by Mrs. Elkins for the purpose of buying some new music.

After the regular practice session, refreshments were served, and the male section of the choir entertained with some barbershop singing.

Joe McArdle To Be Rotary Club Speaker Monday

Joe McArdle, former assistant football coach at Notre Dame University, will be the speaker at the Rotary Club meeting Monday evening at the Pickwick.

McArdle is graduate of Fordham University and is now manager of Central Manufacturing Company.

"It is seldom that a man of this caliber comes to Syracuse," said a spokesman for Rotary. "Every Rotarian should be out to hear this outstanding speaker."

Upturn Seen In Real Estate And Building

Real estate and construction were seen as leading America's economy through a general upturn that is proving a "major stimulant" to other fields of business activity, according to a statement made by Dick Denzel, local real estate man who recently attended the Indiana Real Estate Association State convention at Evansville.

The giving of blood—for anyone who may be in need of it—embodies the same spirit that prompted the founding of the Red Cross.

Giving blood means more than obtaining blood; it is giving something infinitely precious, something that cannot be manufactured, something that may mean life itself for others. It is an expression of neighborliness without thought of personal reward.

The giving of blood is imbued with the psychology of peace for it leaves its humanitarian mark in the hearts of those who give for their fellowmen.

It is predicted that two thirds of America's families will own their own homes by 1960, compared with about 50% at present.

Construction is the largest single production activity nationally.

"Real estate and building provide economic nourishment to production and employment in so many industries and businesses that there is a cause-and-effect situation at work that has built greater confidence in the business future all down the line," said Denzel, who is president of the Warsaw Board of Realtors.

All of the conditions are present for a 1954 that will close with high levels of production and employment and usher in another good business year for 1955. Personal savings are the highest since the war years, and employment is holding at sustained high levels.

A convincing indication of business confidence in the advance of the national economy is a high volume of expenditures for new plants and equipment, which is running close to peak levels and there is also a significant rising trend in machine tool orders.

Caine Mutiny Play At Fort Wayne

One of the most keenly-anticipated stage shows of the decade, "The Caine Mutiny Court Martial," the New York and Hollywood production of Herman Wouk's new full-length play based on the author's Pulitzer prize-winning novel, comes to the Scottish Rite Auditorium, Fort Wayne, Wednesday, October 13. The show is presented by Pi Chapter of Psi Iota Xi, philanthropic sorority.

Heading the National Festival Company's all-star cast are Paul Freeman, and committee women Mrs. Lena Bauer, Effie Emmaus, and Mrs. Ernest Bushong. In addition the following candidates will attend: Calvin E. Beck, Trustee; Fred Nolan, Justice of the Peace; Ralph Hoover, Constable; and Earl J. Darr, Charles W. Kroh, and Charles W. Zerbe, Advisory Board.

Tickets are available at the St. Gall Church and the reception restaurant where 360 guests sat down at one time.

Bowling News Open In Chicago

Denzel Realtors lost 3 games to Garmen Lumber at Goshen Alleys. Scores: Lola Buhrt, 371; Lola Gilbert, 433; Elly Blakesley, 354; Kate Auer, 313; Mary Popenfoose, 347.

Ligonier Lanes

Womens' League—Vans Pure Oil won 2, lost 1. High game and series, Betty Kline, 190 and 481.

Pickwick won 2, lost 1. High game E. Connolly, and W. Finton, 441; high series, W. Finton, 441; 157; high average, B. Griswell, 170.

Women High Average, C. Karr, 138.

Warsaw Lanes

Womens' League—Fay and Faye won, lost 2. High game and series, Pat Cripe, 162 and 427.

Picher's won 1, lost 2. High game and series, F. Holloway, 143 and 390.

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