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VIEWPOINT

REDWOOD EXPANSION

We hope the federal government goes ahead and expands Redwood National Park in northern California by the 48,000 acres President Carter supports or even by the larger acreage figure proposed by Rep. Burton, D-Cal

And we say that not without sympathy for the loggers who fear job loss if this timberland is withdrawn from commercial use and set aside as wilderness, the Lincoln Star said.

There may be immediate job losses associated with a cutback in tree harvesting lands, but the losses probably won't be as severe as the loggers are claiming, and the problems won't be nearly as great as they would be in the future if such preservation policies are not adopted

The loggers, some of whom stopped in Lincoln on their way to Washington to protest the planned park expansion, won't see it that way "More Jobb, Less Parks" expresses their sentiments on the subject as does another sign they carried addressed to one of the supporters of Redwood National Park expansion Sierra Club Take a Hike "

But that is essentially a "to-hell-with-tomorrow" approach.

Nebraska Sierra Club President Bob Warrick of Meadow Grove, in recognizing logger reaction to the park proposal, takes exception to that approach. "Not that we oppose their right to protest," Warrick said, "but they are taking the same shortsighted approach to conservation of our natural resources that the strip-mining industry does Namely, let's rip off today and tomorrow is somebody else's worry It is a known fact that the redwood industry is cutting itself out of the future and is cutting trees in areas of severe erosion, damaging the existing park "

This problem involving the failure of opposing elements of American life to strike a balance between short-term job and profit pictures on the one band and the resource drain and environmental quality on the other is of course not unique to the redwood issue.

The same thing is seen in the strip-mining controversy, as Warrick noted, in which opponents of strict controls say land reclamation regulations will result in such great expense that scores or thousands of jobs will be lost and energy will be prohibitively expensive We don't believe that for a minute

The same approach is taken in labor opposition to President Carter's proposed tax on gas-guzzlers and to rebates for the purchase of fuel-efficient cars and the proposed penalty tax on gasoline

And it is seen in opposition by the bottle and can industries to container deposit legislation, which would be an aid to cleaning up the environment and cutting down on energy consumption

We are not turning a deaf ear to the legitimate fears of labor or industry But it's our belief that decision-makers must balance short-term and long-term needs and what is in the best interest of the nation now and in the future in light of resource development and quality of life

In the context of a proper balance, there can be no substitute for such things as park expansion, strip-mining control, so-called bottle bills and energy conservation measures, the Star said

AS TIME GOES BY

Craft pass NC

FORTY YEARS AGO
—1937—

Four racing craft trying to travel to Fort Benton, Montana, from St. Louis, Mo , passed Nebraska City after having spent the night in Rulo . At least 100 merchants were expected to represent Nebraska City at the Hamburg, Iowa, according to B M Spencer County relief officials reported that old age assistance and assistance for dependent children would be slashed considerably starting with the July checks Sheriff Carl Ryder said an invesitgation would be made into a mysterious assault upon Elmer Bose on a county road near Otoe by a masked man who said he had been hired to kill Bose

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
—1952—

The Dionne quintuplets celebrated their 18th birthday Mrs Grant McNeel reported that a collection of Civil War relics were placed on display at Arbor Lodge State Park The new A & W Root Beer Drive-In opened at 11th Street and Sixth Corso Cornel Wilde and Maureen O'Hara starred in "At Sword's Point" at the Pioneer Theatre.....Eighty-six pupils made the honor roll at Nebraska City Senior High

TEN YEARS AGO
—1967—

John Barton, Senior High American History instructor, walked off with top honors in the Nebraska City faculty golf tourney at Steinhart Park .- Paul Holliway, physics, science and chemistry instructor at Nebraska City Senior High, presented Ralph Reed with the Bausch and Lomb Science award .Some of the Junior class members elected to the National Honor Society at Nebraska City Senior High were Deanna Sands, Diana Landis, and Terry Braye.....Steve Exline was recognized at the Nebraska City Senior High honors convocation by Principal H.D. Bettenhausen for school and community services.

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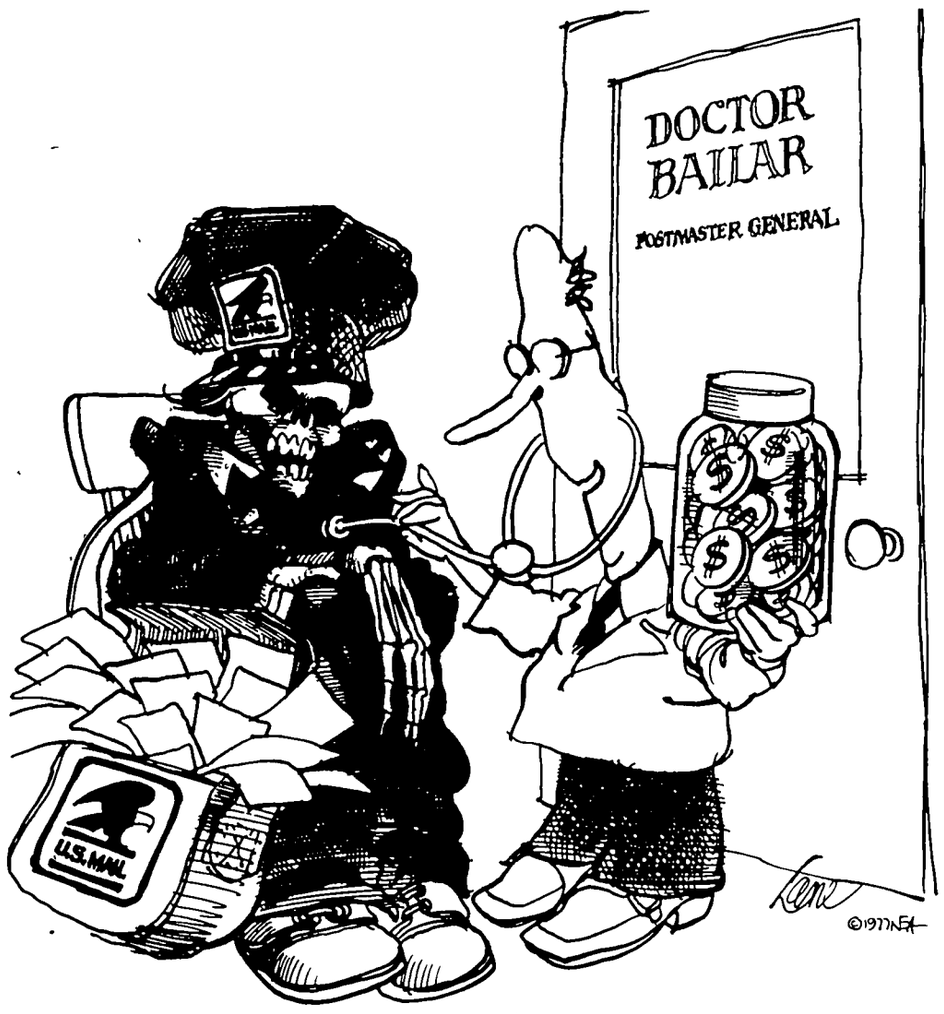
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"Take these regularly and get plenty of rest."



Don Oakley

COMMENTARY

Worsening postal crisis

Saturday delivery of mail seems fated to go the way of the three-cent stamp.

Unless Saturday service is eliminated, Postmaster General Benjamin J Bailar has told a Senate subcommittee, the first-class rate will have to be raised to 16 cents early next year, along with increases in other classes, to meet projected deficits. Without Saturday service, however, the first-class rate coule be pegged at 15 cents. For a while, anyway.

But while the Postal Service cites surveys showing that most people would be willing to trade mail-less Saturdays for a smaller increase in the cost of a stamp, no combination of service cuts or postage increases can do more than postpone a crisis that is fast approaching

That crisis is in the form of instant electronic, computerized communication, a development which critics of the Postal Service say it has utterly failed to anticipate or become involved in.

Since some 70 per cent of first-class is business and banking transactions, which are especially adaptable to electronic handling, the loss of this volume to private companies would be a tremendous blow to the Postal Service

Winter's deadly toll

Another side effect of the terrible winter just passed has been reported, one much more tragic than high heating bills and fuel shortages

According to the National Safety Council, the winter-ravished month of January 1977 saw home accident deaths soar 33 per cent over the same period in 1976. Preliminary statistics show that all classifications of home deaths were far above those for an average January

Fire deaths, for example, zoomed at least 60 per cent and poisonings by gases and vapors, mainly carbon monoxide, jumped 40 per cent because of the strain put on home heating units and the use of makeshift heating devices to combat the bitter cold

About the only good thing that can be said about the month is that traffic deaths were down 10 per cent

Surprisingly, the severe weather which forced people to remain at home, away from jobs and schools and off the highways, hit the younger population the hardest, Home deaths for all ages groups rose except for the elderly aged 65-74, with the largest fatality rates occurring among children and young adults



Martha Angle and Robert Walters

IN WASHINGTON

Congressional secrets

WASHINGTON (NEA) — One of the practices which not long ago distinguished Congress as a backwater of internal democracy was the proclivity of both the House and Senate for transacting the public's business in secret session

Prior to 1973, between a third and a half of all meetings held annually by congressional committees were conducted in what was euphemistically called "executive session." As a result of reforms in recent years, however, fewer than 10 percent of all meetings now are closed to the public.

But behind that facade of reform there remain abuses of the rules which require openness, a problem dramatized by two unnoticed incidents which occurred earlier this year.

Both involved the most frequently exercised exemption to the open meeting requirements — in cases where sensitive foreign policy, national security, defense and intelligence matters are to be discussed.

That exception is logical but its application often is not, a disparity best exemplified by a meeting several months ago of the Defense Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee at which the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Secretary of Defense were to present their annual "posture statements "

Sen William Proxmire, D-Wis., led the fight for an open meeting, noting that the same two men had offered essentially identical testimony at earlier public hearings of the appropriations subcommittee in the House as well as the Armed Services Committees of both the House and Senate

But Sen John L. McClellan, D-Ark., chairman of both the full committee and subcommittee, wanted a secret meeting because "having to clear the room" whenever a classified matter was considered "would be disruptive to any kind of orderly procedure."

Because of the dispute, the subcommittee recessed without hearing the planned testimony. At the following day's session, McClellan produced Sen. John C. Stennis, D-Miss., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Stennis acknowledged that his committee did indeed receive similar testimony in open session, but proposed that McClellan's subcommittee ignore that precedent in the name of expediency.

"We will get along a lot faster," said Stennis, "with closed sessions, getting right down to the milk of the coconut " The subcommittee thereupon voted 8-3 to hold a secret meeting

The second incident occurred only a few days later at a meeting of Stennis' committee Sen Thomas J McIntyre, D-N H , was intensely interrogating Gen David C Jones, the Air Force Chief of Staff, about the percentage of existing targets in the Soviet Union which the White House requires the Defense Department to be capable of destroying in the event of a Russian attack on this country

McIntyre and Jones discussed a 1974 memo on nuclear weapons deployment The next day, Stennis' staff embargoed all references to that exchange in the stenographic transcript of the meeting The version of the hearings later printed for public distribution deleted three portions of the McIntyre-Jones colloquy

That's all quite logical and reasonable, except for one crucial flaw The hearing was open to the public, and many of the country's major news organizations — including United Press International, the New York Times, the Washington Post and the Baltimore Sun — had reporters in the room

Both UPI and the Times promptly reported McIntyre's disclosures that a) in the event of nuclear war, our retaliation strategy requires "a percentage of destruction only in one category — economic recovery" and b) the Defense Department is mandated by the White House to wipe out 70 per cent of all Soviet industry.

Despite widespread publication of those revelations, the Senate insists that the material remains officially secret to this day.

Berry's World



"Just think! If we'd been on the Concorde, we'd be home by now!"



Ivan D.E. Beaumont

THE BUCK ENDS HERE

Del is all fired up

The state track meet is one of those great sporting events, but this year it has fired up Del Sutherland of the Falls City Journal

There's a rule at the state meet that penalizes a young man if he's good at more than one event, Sutherland charges

He explained that Steve Orton of Nebraska City was among those who got the shaft

The problem arose when boys had to shuttle between Omaha Burke and Boys Town Orton finished second in the highs and fifth in the lows in the Saturday finals In the meantime the action went on at Boys Town

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Ole' Give-'em-hell Del says:

"When Orton got to the high jump site, the bar was at 6-4. He was told he could either start at the height or wait until everybody else had finished and then start at 6-2.

"It put him at quite a disadvantage with the other guys, who had had their practice jumps and then kept jumping as the bar went up

"He took his three tries at 6-4, and then left

"True, he would have had to clear 6-2 to score in the event, but the others in the event got to try that height after a number of other jumps, they didn't have to tackle the height cold

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"The incidents bring to mind a question Is the State Meet run off for the kids who qualify or is it run off for the convenience of the guys in charge of the various events?

"If the answer is the latter, then the rule is quite proper, and the young men should be penalized for being good

"If, however, the meet is for the boys, then it's a dumb rule, one that should be changed The kids work too hard all spring to qualify for the State Meet to have somebody kick them in the pants because he's in a hurry to get home "

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The Falls City paper had another interesting item Navy Chief Ray Noyes of Nebraska City was pictured in his "dress blues" presented a U.S Naval Academy appointment to Sandra E Schawang at the Falls City Sacred Heart high school graduation

Congratulations to Miss Schawang She is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Earl Schawang

We think the Navy did it right when it assigned Chief Noyes to make the presentation He's not an academy graduate (Uni of Mo) but he's all-Navy and a man who loves to work with youngsters

The newspaper said Miss Schawang was the first woman appointee to the military academy from Nebraska That's not entirely correct Roxanne Gude, daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Gude, received a Naval Academy appointment a year ago when she was a senior at Nebraska City Lourdes

However, she turned it down and the family now lives in Bellevue Perhaps if the Sacred Heart girl accepts her appointment, she will, in fact, be the first gal from Nebraska at the academy

Roxanne is the granddaughter of Mrs Helen Durr, a resident of Riverview Terrace Thanks to Father Schrader for refreshing my memory on Roxanne and family

Today In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, May 29, the 149th day of 1977 There are 216 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history

On this date in 1453, the capital of the Byzantine Empire, Constantinople, was captured by the Turks The date is listed by some historians as the end of the Middle Ages

On this date

In 1736, the American patriot, Patrick Henry, was born in Hanover County, Va

In 1790, Rhode Island ratified the U.S Constitution, completing approval by all of the 13 original colonies.

In 1848, Wisconsin joined the Union as the 30th state

In 1917, the 35th American president, John F Kennedy, was born in Brookline, Mass

In 1943, the Americans defeated the Japanese in the Pacific War Battle of Attu in the Aleutians

In 1961, Attorney General Robert Kennedy asked the Interstate Commerce Commission to take action against segregation on interstate buses

Ten years ago Pope Paul VI named 27 new cardinals, including four Americans

Five years ago In Moscow, President Richard M Nixon and Soviet Communist Party Chief Leonid Brezhnev signed a declaration pledging the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. to an era of peaceful coexistence with a goal of total disarmament

One year ago Mayor Richard Daley of Chicago gave city workers who lived outside Chicago until August 1 to move into the city or be dismissed

Today's birthdays Dancer and choreographer Pearl Lang is 55 Comedienne Beatrice Lillie is 79

Thought for today Men must be governed by God or they will be ruled by tyrants. — William Penn, founder of Pennsylvania, 1644-1718

News in Brief

MOSCOW (AP) — President Nikolai V Podgorny's ouster from the Communist party's ruling Politburo is the first major shakeup in Kremlin leadership since Premier Niklita S Khrushchev was ousted 13 years ago But its effect on the Soviet people and government policy appears to be slight "He doesn't appear to have had a major impact on policy in the past, and I don't see that his absence will have a major impact," a Western diplomatic observer said

• HARRISBURG, Pa — Consumers will feel the squeeze as the federal government tightens its grip on chemicals allowed for use on crops, according to industry specialists They predict that vegetable prices will increase, quality will decline, some specialty foods may become scarce and gardeners and specialty crop growers will be hard hit At issue is an Environmental Protection Agency regulation that requires registration of pesticides and labels that carry a list of specific crops on which a pesticide may be used



HEALTH

Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

Hives on face

By Lawrence E Lamb, M D

DEAR DR LAMB — My problem is that I am constantly getting hives on my face They vary in size from a pea to as large as a quarter They itch and greatly resemble mosquito bites in appearance

I am 20 years old and have had these for several years There is rarely a day that I don't get one and have had as many as three in one day

The problem is that I have no idea what causes them although I have tried to switch make-up and shampoos I have also tried to keep track of a particular food substance without much success, as I still get them even if I haven't eaten for hours

I frankly don't know how or where I can go to be rid of this problem I would be terribly grateful for any advice you can give me as it is so frustrating as well as embarrassing

DEAR READER — Hives are allergic reactions The most common cause is a food allergy Finding out what the food is that causes the problem is not always easy Some doctors put patients on a rigid diet with unseasoned foods least likely to cause allergies If the patient gets along all right then foods such as milk and milk products are added one at a time to be sure it is not the offending agent In the course of time the foods that a person is allergic to will be identified Often it is some spice that is used in foods that is really the offending agent

If you really want relief I would suggest that you see an allergist and let him start you on a program Some hives are caused by contact with chemical but not as often as from food allergies

Less commonly a person may be allergic to animal dander and contact with the offending animal may cause hives People who are allergic to bees may not be able to eat honey without the lips and mouth developing hives

An insect bite may cause a hive at the site of the bite and also may cause generalized hives all over the body — a condition doctors call generalized urticaria Infections of all types can induce an allergic reaction with hives So can the medicines used to treat infections A rash induced by an allergic reaction to a medicine is nothing more than generalized hives

Still other patients develop hives in response to cold and others to heat and sun exposure Screening compounds used to prevent sunburning often help to prevent solar hives For information on screening compounds I am sending you The Health Letter number 7-10, Your Skin Sun Aging, Spots and Cancer

Not all of the so-called screening compounds work and a person sensitive to the sun needs year around protection Others who want this issue can send 50 cents with a long, stamped self-addressed envelope for it Just send your request to me in care of this newspaper P O Box 1551 Radio City Station, New York NY 10019

The hive is caused by a release of a chemical substance in the body called histamine For that reason treatment of the actual urticaria (hives) usually employs one of the antihistamine medicines These can also be used in prevention, for example, immediately after you have eaten something that you know causes an allergic reaction

The drawback to antihistamines is the side effect of feeling drowsy In severe intractable cases the adrenal cortex hormone, prednisone may be used for immediate relief

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It's Possible!

Positive effort

By Robert Schuller

I guess I should have stayed home and gone to church the first man said They were playing golf and doing very poorly The second golfer replied I couldn t have gone to church anyway — my wife is sick in bed

I know too many persons today who are trying to get ahead financially and professionally But they are not trying with that same passion and fervor to be a successful parent husband or wife'

The key is that a positive thought must be followed consistently by positive effort We generally succeed at something when we really have a burning desire to achieve

Anything worthwhile takes time, effort and enthusiasm You can succeed in daily life when you follow positive thinking with positive trying'

Reverend Schuller pastor of the Garden Grove Calif Community Church conducts a nationally syndicated television program.

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The Prayer For Today From

The Upper Room

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven " (Matthew 5 16 RSV)

PRAYER Dear loving Father, help us to show our love for Thee by sharing it with others day by day in Thy service We pray the prayer Jesus taught His disciples, "Our Father, who art in heaven. .Amen."