



The Roundup

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"There but for the grace of God go I." This comes to mind whenever I see a polio victim. Why am I spared? Why am I (or you) allowed to walk around on two good legs, when better than I have felt this disease's crippling blow? I certainly don't deserve any more than the next man—maybe a great deal less. We see them spending their days in iron-lungs, wheel-chairs, on crutches and held up by heavy, cumbersome braces. Maybe, if for no other reason, it is to teach us what real courage and fortitude can be in the face of stark adversity.

NIK-NAKS — A catastrophic occurrence: school on Saturday.

But it had one good feature—at least for me. My morning paper was delivered on time. The newsboy had to rise early to take his papers before school instead of taking that last minute nap. . . . If Fidel Castro is a hero, then I will have to revise my understanding of the meaning of the word "hero" . . . No plan, "massive resistance" or otherwise, is justified if it closes the public schools. Keep the schools open at any cost.

THE OLD WEST—When was the sound barrier first broken? If our scientists are correct it was somewhere out on the Western plains, when the first bullwhip

was cracked over a team of stubborn oxen. The scientists claim that the "crack" of the whip caused by the tip of the whip traveling at a speed in excess of sound. High speed cameras were used to prove that the whip, traveling through space at a high speed, actually broke the sound barrier.

INTERESTING FACT ABOUT THE OLD WEST—Harry Wheeler, an Arizona Ranger, could throw five empty cartridge shells into the air and shoot all five before they hit the ground.

You can't trust Russia. 225 pages and some of it not easy reading. Numerous legislative proposals are included, although for the most part they are not given in detailed terms. More about these will be heard as the suggestions are sent to the Congress in the form of actual bills.

Every President's economic report is a political document. As a result, the report will be rather generous in the claims it makes for the wisdom of the Administration and its policies. In this regard the current analysis is no exception, but its contention of the part Government played in bringing about the recovery is more modest than many in the past.

Most of the credit for the upswing in business is given to non-governmental action—to the "inherent features of our economy . . . to our free competitive institutions. To the stability of our institutions of savings, banking and finance, and the character of our people, notably their industry and resourcefulness and their capacity to take a confidence and balanced view of the nation's economic prospects."

"Our objective," in the words of the report, "now must be to establish a firm foundation for extending this economic advance and price stability into the months and years ahead." To accomplish this, it said:

1. "We must zealously safeguard and improve the institutions of our free and competitive economy."
2. We must "wage a relentless battle against impediments to

full and most effective use of our human and technological resources."

3. "We must continue to enlarge and improve the plant and equipment that supplant human effort and make it increasingly productive."

4. There must be "firm confidence that the value of the dollar will be reasonably stable in the years ahead."

In other words, we must maintain competition, improve output per manhour, encourage private capital investment, and protect the value of our currency. That is the recurring theme of the report, but most emphasis is placed upon preventing inflation. Over and over there are statements to the effect that we must have growth at a sustainable rate without inflation.

Every segment of our nation must cooperate if we are to have growth with stable prices. Government must hold spending within reasonable bounds and below the level of the current fiscal year. Our tax system must be reformed to eliminate the present stifling affect upon savings and investment. The Federal debt must be managed with superb skill. And Congress must stop coming to the aid of every industry or line of activity which runs into economic troubles.

The banking system must limit

it expansion of credit and the money supply to a non-inflationary growth rate. The Federal Reserve Board of Governors will be intimately involved in such limitation.

Management must have the courage and foresight to invest in labor saving machinery and other capital improvements, to resist unwarranted wage demands, and to develop new products which appeal to the public.

Labor leaders must forget the idea that there should be a wage increase for their members every year, regardless of the profitability of the employers.

Business men and local public officials "must stop running to Washington for financial aid for everything they think might be to their benefit."

And, the public at large must exercise care in its buying, and show its disapproval of increasing prices.

Obviously this is a trying program. But it is not a program of austerity. It merely means that consideration for the welfare of others must be given at least equal weight to selfish interests. That is not asking too much when one bears in mind that the alternative is erosion of the value of the dollar, recession, unemployment, and a general weakening of the nation.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The healing power of spiritual enlightenment will be emphasized at Christian Science services Sunday.

Paul's healing of the cripple at Lystra, as related in the Book of Acts (Ch. 14), will be included in the Lesson-Sermon entitled "Spirit".

A correlative passage to be read from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy declares (324:19): "Paul was not at first a disciple of Jesus but a persecutor of Jesus' followers. When the truth first appeared to him in Science, Paul was made blind, and his blindness was felt; but spiritual light soon enabled him to follow the example and teachings of Jesus, healing the sick and preaching Christianity throughout Asia Minor, Greece and even in imperial Rome".

The Golden Text is from I John (4:6, 13): "We are of God; . . . Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit."

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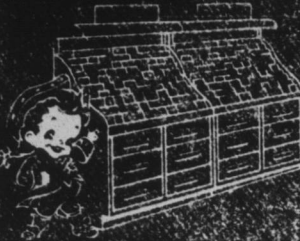
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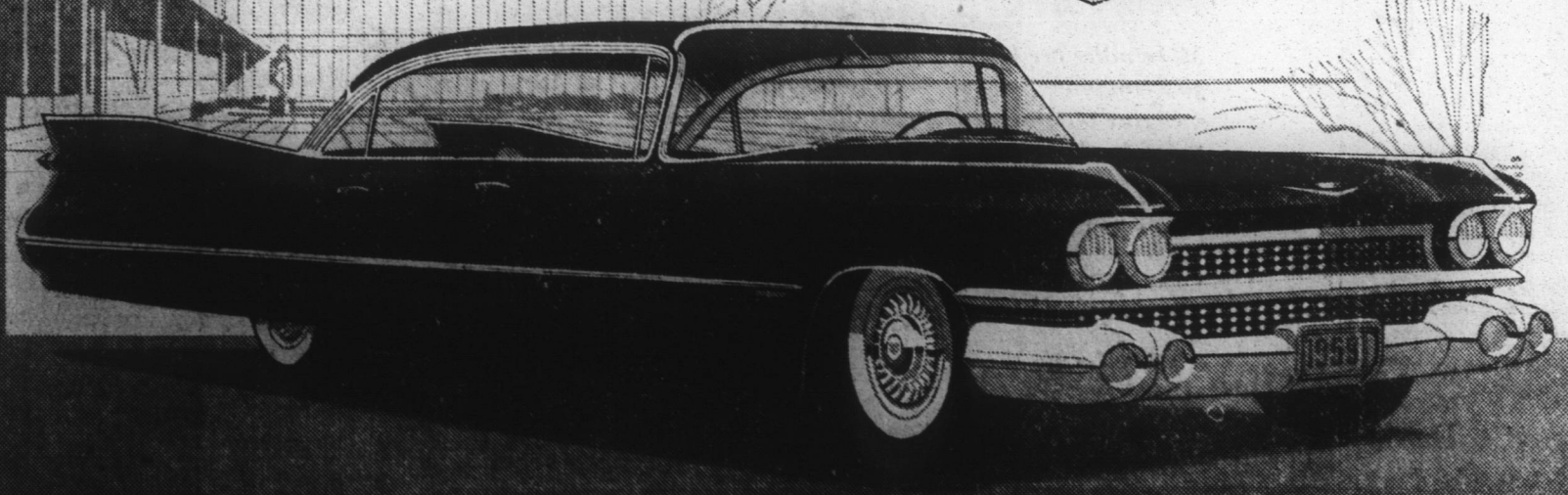
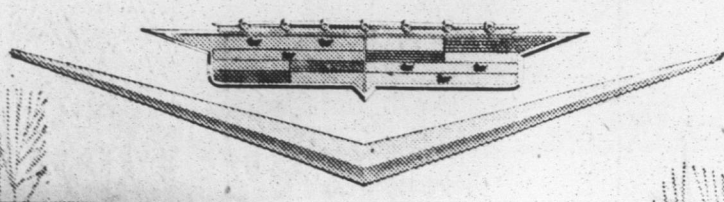
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