

Off The Record Comments

By T. H. Pearce

Folks, you may consider this to be a public service—sort of a lost and found item. I hear that a certain very well-known law officer lost his underwear and despite all efforts, hasn't been able to locate the missing pair of drawers. Now it is my understanding that he is too embarrassed to go around asking folks if they have found a missing pair of men's drawers and, of course, I couldn't possibly mention his name, but if any of you good Franklin County folks happen to find the missing garment you can return same to its grateful owner by contacting me or turning it in to any police officer. Someone told me that a group spent some time Wednesday afternoon looking for the missing pair of shorts in a certain grocery store, but how anyone could possibly lose their shorts in a grocery store, is almost beyond my comprehension. In case any of you have any doubts about this matter let me quiet your suspicions and say that the whole thing is quite in-

nocent. So if you happen to reach into your grocery bag and come up with a pair of men's shorts, well, there is a perfectly logical explanation for it. They were just misplaced by a certain well-known lawman. You may remember that some time back I wrote about a certain girl who was all the time forgetting things. Going to the beach and forgetting to take the suitcase containing hers and her daughter's clothes or going to the lake for a picnic, leaving the lunch basket sitting at home in the yard. I'll have to admit that this girl is showing improvement. She recently showed up some place carrying two pocketbooks. So you see, she not only remembers to carry things with her now, but evidently remembers twice. Then there was a certain lady who recently decided she would get out to the pear tree and

pick a bunch of the things, after hearing her son talk about how full the tree was of nice, ripe, juicy pears. A short time later she came back in the house and told her son that he must be seeing things, there wasn't a pear on the tree. Both went back outside where it took but a few minutes to ascertain that the mother was quite correct. There wasn't a pear on the tree, but there was also a perfectly reasonable explanation for that fact. Seems that she had been looking at an apple tree which had been devoid of fruit for some time. Why shucks, I've even noticed that you hardly ever get pears off of apple trees.

Franklin County folks are always eager to take advantage of a bargain, so I have a suggestion. Buy a season ticket to the Louisburg College Players 1963-64 productions. They are only \$2.50 for adults and for this amount you will get to see four good stage plays. Take my advice and don't miss any of their productions this year. You will certainly get your money's worth.

That glory only is imperishable which is fixed in one's moral make-up.

—Mary Baker Eddy



Eye-catching new styling is combined in the 1964 Thunderbird with unique luxury features including thin-shell bucket seats and the auto industry's first retractable seat belts. A longer hood, integrated bumper and grille and rectangular taillights enhance its traditional look of elegance (top photo). New features of its cockpit motif interior styling (bottom photo) include separate instrument pods, a distinctive new command console, and covered rear seats. An optional reclining seat for the front passenger includes an extendible head rest for complete relaxation on long trips. A new Silent-Flo ventilation system includes a vent at the bottom of the rear window on Landau and Hardtop models. The new Thunderbirds will be introduced in Ford dealer showrooms September 27.

Horse Show Boasts 18 Classes, 126 Horses

The Franklinton Saddle Club showgrounds was the scene of another big horse show Sunday afternoon with 353 spectators braving the blustery cool wind, to view 126 horses being put through their paces by their riders in 18 different classes. Winners as follows: COLTS UNDER HALTER: Winner, Dwight Sanders with Windy. Second Pamela Murphy with Champion. PLEASURE PONIES: Winner, Bryant Newcombe on Tony. 2nd, Debbie Parrish on Twinkle. 3rd, Helen Newcombe on Flicker. 4th, Lynn Carter on Star. WESTERN REINING: Winner, George Parrish on Eagles. 2nd, Jarvis Lawrence on Riffle. 3rd, Bill Forsythe on First Time. 4th M. D. Hill. PLEASURE HORSES: Winner Al Thompson on Poncho. 2nd, Wayne Newcombe on Big Shot. 3rd, Jerry Champion on Stardust. 4th Sandy Dixon on Smok-ey. PLEASURE HORSES (Adults) Winner, George Parrish on

Eagles. 2nd, Bob Newcombe on Trigger. 3rd, Fred Alford on Andy. 4th, Alva Parrish on Penny. THREE GAITED HORSES: Winner, Jarvis Lawrence on Riffle. 2nd, Marion Sanders on Bugger. 3rd, Gene Bragg on Black Pepper. 4th, Wayne Newcombe on Big Shot. FIVE GAITED HORSES: Winner, William Shearin on King. 2nd, Bobbie Pearce on Blaze. 3rd, Bill Forsythe on Silver. 4th Owen Bragg on Black Pepper. ROADSTER PONIES: Winner, Gene Bragg with Little Queen. WALKING HORSES: Winner, Coppie Green with Bonfire. GO AS YOU PLEASE (Children) Winner, Gary Lee Ayscue on Magic. 2nd, Becky Robertson on Eagles. 3rd, Glen Steed on Dynamite. 4th Barbara Satterwhite on Commanche. GO AS YOU PLEASE (Children eight and under) Winner, Gene Weston on Dolly. 2nd, Susan Wilson on Flicker. 3rd, Pamela Murphy on Champion. 4th LuAnn Bragg on Red Lady. POLE BENDING: Winner, Ricky Newcombe on Bumble Bee. 2nd, Jimmy Robertson on Candy. 3rd, William Burnette on Queen. 4th Rodney Davis on T-Bird. POLE BENDING (Adults) Winner, Bill Forsythe on First Time. 2nd, George Parrish on Eagles. 3rd. M. D. Hill on Sacious Bars. 4th Lindsey Arrington on Stormy. BARRELL RACE: Winner, George Parrish, Jr., on Wimpy. 2nd, William Burnette on Queen. 3rd, Billy Robertson on Little Joe. 4th Butch Meeks on Caldonia. BARREL RACE, (adults) Winner, Bill Forsythe on Eagles. 2nd, B. L. Bragg, Jr., on Chief. 3rd, James Bartholomew on Satan. 4th. M. D. Hill on Sacious Bars. PICK UP RACE: WINNER, Jerry Champion on Stardust, picking up Tommy Carter, 2nd, Butch Meek on Little Joe picking up Rodney Davis, 3rd, David Timberlake on Peaches picking up Jerry Kinton. 4th Mike Arrington on Bubble Gum. PICK UP RACE: (adults) Winner, M. D. Hill on Sacious Bars picking up Ben Whitaker, 2nd, George Parrish on Eagles picking up James Bragg, 3rd, Bill Forsythe on Dan picking

up Bobby Talley. 4th. George Hooks on Caldonia picking up John Nowell.



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News Report From Washington

Kennedy Popularity Down--
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Washington, D. C.--The political pot is already boiling furiously in Washington and elsewhere over the 1964 presidential election. The latest polls show that President John Kennedy's popularity has dropped appreciably. The latest Gallup Poll indicates that the drop has slowed, now standing at 61 per cent approval of the Kennedy Administration. This is still high and should public approval remain at that level, Mr. Kennedy will be reelected.

On the other hand, it is too early to say his election is assured, since it is more than a year before the election and since the President's popularity has declined from over seventy per cent to 61 per cent in a few months. The President has gained some support in the East in recent months but has lost support in the South, Midwest and West. Of course, he was strong in the East in 1960 and weak in the West. The greatest change is in the South, which the President carried but which looks bleak today.

Because the barometer for the President seems to be falling, increased excitement and hope has been generated in Republican ranks. And the key man at the 1964 convention might well be former President Dwight D. Eisenhower. In the last month it has become clear the former President will play an active part in the Republican convention. He has listed twelve suitable Republican candidates, in an effort to broaden the Republican field somewhat, and this was taken as an indication Mr. Eisenhower was not entirely enthusiastic about either Senator Barry Goldwater or Governor Nelson Rockefeller. However, supporters of the two leading Republican candi-

dates can find solace in the fact that Mr. Eisenhower said he could support either of them. The former Supreme Commander and President feels that either would be preferable to another four years of the Kennedy Administration. Eisenhower confidants believe the President prefers a moderate Republican, however, if he has a choice. Mr. Eisenhower was considered by eastern Republicans to be closer to the eastern wing of the party than to the conservative wing, which so solidly supported the late Senator Robert Taft over the years.

The question is how much influence Eisenhower will have. He has begun to interest himself and play an active role at an early date and there seems every reason to believe that he and perhaps former Vice-President Richard Nixon, will both wield influence at the next GOP convention. In fact, some Goldwater supporters see in an Eisenhower-Nixon coalition against their man the one combination that might block him from the party nomination, and while they do not openly admit any lack of confidence, they are working to prevent an Eisenhower-Nixon coalition forming against Goldwater.

They will be satisfied if the former President sticks to the statement he will support the nominee whoever he may be, for they feel nothing can now stop the Goldwater bandwagon. But this assurance is all-important and if Eisenhower should turn thumbs down on Goldwater it would be a heavy blow. Eastern Republicans are not unaware of this and are appealing to the former President to speak out against the radical right, what they term the old conservative-isolationism approach of the Arizona.

The President is unwilling to publicly oppose Goldwater; whether he sticks to this position over the next ten months may be a decisive factor prior

to and at the GOP convention in San Francisco in June.

Lucky Soldier

A sweet young thing was watching some soldiers drill. A rifle volley rang out. With a scream the lovely young lady shrank back into the arms of a young soldier. "Oh!" she exclaimed, blushing. "I was so frightened by the rifles. Won't you please forgive me?" "It's all right," the soldier assured her. "Let's go over and watch the artillery."

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Not So High

Mrs. Henpeck: "Everything is going up."
Mr. Henpeck: "Oh, I wouldn't say that. For instance there's your opinion of me, my opinion of you and the neighbor's opinion of us both."

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