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Strings on The Stigma

Short-sighted, provincial-minded county board members are in for an awakening if they see any hope in revision of the social security laws to solve their problems of making a financial success of a home for the aged better off both they and the county's aged and ill will be.



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Our Town News of Your Neighbors Gathered by The State Journal Staff

It's true that the addition of pension cash to the other money used for support of such a home would be welcome. But no proposal or recommendation so far offered has included a plan which would include an institution at Verona as one of the approved institutions.

The recommendations of welfare agencies and officials of the local, state, and chronically ill they want to build at Verona.

And the sooner they are awakened, and national levels have all contained some reference to the fact that pension aids should be permitted only for those who entered public institutions VOLUNTARILY. The wording may be different in the various recommendations, but the meaning remains the same.

If an aged person doesn't go to the public institution to live of his own free will, no pension grants can be given to him, even though the present laws are revised.

And what's to detain the aged from volunteering to live in a new county home if it's built? The sociologists have the answer; the Verona hospital and home trustees have the answer; the aged themselves have the answer: Verona has a stigma attached to it. Verona is the poor farm to everyone, even though the institution no longer is commonly known by that name.

And the aging, ailing humans who fill the county's private nursing homes to the doors now, would rather stay where they are than go to the poor farm.

While the question may seem to be an academic one to the outsider, or even to the county board members, it isn't. Because every person who goes into that home is going to have to answer these questions affirmatively before he can be considered to have VOLUNTARILY entered the home:

Will I be happy at the poor farm? Will the care be better at the poor farm than it is where I am now?

What will my friends say when I write them and tell them I'm living at Verona?

Will they know that I'm paying my way at least partially at Verona with my pension money or will they thrust me into the category always reserved for those poor people at Verona?

How much easier it would be for the aged to say "Yes" to all those queries if the home weren't at Verona at all, but near Lake View, where the county's own advisors have recommended it be placed.

And how much more federal aid would find its way to the county treasury to help foot the bills of the institution!

Finding Out the Hard Way

From the Kenosha Evening News: "Even with the installation of parking meters, Kenosha has a Christmas traffic congestion problem. This was shown Friday evening when motorists, willing and ready to pay for a parking space via the parking meter plan, just couldn't find any in the shopping districts."

Uh-huh, now Kenosha, like Madison, finds out the slot machines don't pay off as promised.

Meat on the Table

Consumer resistance movements undoubtedly have cut into the sales of high-priced cuts of meat since removal of price ceilings. But the only final answer to the price problem is more meat, which in turn will depress costs as consumer demand is filled.

Americans may withstand the expensive temptation of top-quality roasts, but the normal, healthy human being will demand meat of some kind to replace the higher priced cuts. Therefore, the buyers' strike can be only of a temporary nature.

That the continuance of such strikes won't be necessary for too long is indicated by Bureau of Agricultural Economics figures showing that 435,000 head of stocker and feeder cattle have been moved into feedlots of eight principal corn-producing states. This is an increase of about 8 per cent over the November, 1945, record figure for those states.

During November this year, fat cattle prices strengthened, feeder cattle showed little change, and corn made a sharp seasonal decline. With the spread between fat and feeder cattle much the widest on record, with corn supplies close to a record crop, and the price of corn only a little higher than a year ago, indications are that a record number

of cattle will be fed in the Corn Belt during the next six months.

That presages a record amount of good beef on the market by next spring to satisfy our meat hunger at moderate prices.

HANDICAPPED When bragging about the home town, it's pretty hard to sound convincing with a tongue in your cheek.—A. A. L.

Stassen's Entry Hailed as Model

It's Found Refreshing Compared to the Others'

By THOMAS L. STOKES

WASHINGTON—IT IS SOMEWHAT REFRESHING to have an ambitious young fellow like Harold Stassen step right up to the front of the platform and say, clear and strong: "I am a candidate for president."

It was highlighted by contrast. For, on the same day, Sen. Arthur Vandenberg (R-Mich.), had backed away shyly and said he wasn't a candidate. And the day before Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-O.), had said at Atlanta that he wasn't an "active candidate," whatever that means. And subsequently, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York said he was not ready to announce his candidacy.

DESPITE THE NATURAL EGOTISM of politicians, they can become the most striking violets whenever anyone dares suggest that perhaps they might like to be president.

And, all the time their wives know the secret. And they figuratively have their acceptance speeches prepared, ready for delivery with appropriate gestures and emphasis. They can almost feel on their faces—properly upturned—the chill January wind that sweeps across the plaza in front of the Capitol where presidents take their oaths.

There's nothing quite like the etiquette that's grown up about this business of being a presidential candidate. All political punctilio is strange, but this part of the code is the strangest and most amusing.

It permits an otherwise honest man, for example, to stand up and tell a straight-faced lie, which he knows he is telling and the public knows he is telling. This is said advisedly, for some who now are denying they are candidates are doing quite a lot, and so are their friends, to promote their candidacies—and some of them got busy long ago.

THE ETIQUETTE HAS SOME BACKGROUNDS in convention and some in practical psychology. For instance, we love that old saying about the office seeking the man, and like to think it's true. But it's a good deal like that song "Did you ever see a dream walking?" Did anyone ever see an office out looking for a man? Not if the man saw the office first—and he usually does.

Then there's the practical reason—and this part of it has some backing in public psychology—that if a man declares himself too early, then he's out in the open where his enemies can sharpen and kill him off. That is one of the first things every political writer learns. He never forgets it, he never lets the public forget it, and he never lets the candidate forget it, the dear shy gentlemen.

BUT DON'T THINK, JUST BECAUSE A fellow doesn't declare himself, that he hasn't his troubles, and is not the target of stratagems, and sometimes devious and dark they are, and behind the scenes. Don't think for a minute that Brothers Taft and Dewey and Bricker and Vandenberg and Warren and Saltonstall and any others who might be ambitious are not watching, with eagle eye, just what each is doing.

Mr. Dewey, you may recall, was not officially a candidate in 1944 until practically the moment of his nomination. And what a great big surprise! Franklin D. Roosevelt was a coy gentleman, too, back in 1931. Oh no, he wasn't a candidate either.

Yet, all the time, a great-big fellow named Jim Farley was traveling about the country lining up delegates—and a right good job he did, too. There's one thing I always remember about Big Jim's work, and how effective it was.

IT WAS ONE CRITICAL NIGHT in the 1932 convention when it looked as if the Roosevelt forces might be cracking. A leg man, covering the convention floor, I was sent out to try to find out what was going on. I headed for one delegation where a huddle was going on. That looked like trouble. There was disaffection. A delegate or two wanted to leave Mr. Roosevelt and vote for someone else. Being curious, I asked a member of the delegation why it had decided in the first place to be for Mr. Roosevelt.

"Well, Jim Farley came out and asked us—and nobody else did," was the reply.

HAROLD STASSEN IS OUT ASKING, and there's no law against that yet. And, furthermore, he's discussing the issues.

YESTERDAYS (25 Years Ago . . . Dec. 21, 1921)

Lake Mendota is still open despite the zero weather which struck the city today.

Clara Kimball Young is playing in "Hush" at the Strand theater.

(15 Years Ago . . . Dec. 21, 1931)

Prof. Richard T. Ely, 78, honorary professor of political economy at the University of Wisconsin, was secretly married last summer to one of his pupils, Margaret Hahn, 30, it was learned today.

The long and celebrated social feud between Alice Roosevelt Longworth and Dolly Gann has been brought to a happy ending. The two women were reported to have met and chatted pleasantly at a luncheon yesterday in Washington D. C.

(10 Years Ago . . . Dec. 21, 1936)

Richard and Ruth Hart, twin son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis J. Hart, 2221 Oakridge ave., celebrated their eighth birthday today.

Mrs. E. M. Tiffany, well known Madison dress designer, died today after a long illness.

How Did It Happen? During October, Wisconsin's bicycle fatality rate increased from one every four weeks to one every week.—Motor Vehicle department.

Stassen Favors Labor Act Change

Backs 'Cooling Off' Prior to Strikes

SOUTH ST. PAUL, Minn.—(U.P.)—Harold E. Stassen, first declared candidate for the 1948 Republican presidential nomination, said Thursday he hoped to extend his organization to other states shortly and that his early emphasis would be on labor-management policies.

Briefly outlining his views to the United Press, the former Minnesota governor said he believed the Wagner act should be amended.

"Unfair practices are set out for employers," he said, "but not for labor. This should be rectified for the protection of both parties."

He advocated a more free exchange of information between labor and management and urged a national labor law similar to the one he fostered as Minnesota governor. The Minnesota law provides for a "cooling off period" prior to any strike.

"Legislation abolishing strikes would not be effective," Stassen asserted, "but there should be a curbing of strike abuses."

Stassen said he was not ready to announce the date of his proposed European visit, but indicated it would be imminent.

Presently, Minnesota has the only formally-organized Stassen for President organization but the former naval commander said he intended to take his campaign to other states. Most of his views, he said, will be presented to the people directly by addresses and articles.

Feted by Friends Home for the holidays with his family, Stassen was feted by friends and political supporters on his return Wednesday.

Many of his well-wishers still were bewildered by Stassen's sudden declaration of his presidential ambitions. But a deluge of telegrams and messages pledging support greeted him on his arrival from Washington.

"Most of the people seem to like what I stand for, and are asking why they can do to help," Stassen said.

He said he would open headquarters in Washington after the holidays to maintain contact with Republican congressmen, many of whom he is depending on to push through his program of "liberalism."

Sasche Heads City Shrine Club Earl Sasche was elected president of the Madison Shrine club at noon today at Hotel Loraine. He replaces Leon Fitzgerald.

Emil Becker was elected vice-president; John Salzenberger was reelected secretary, and A. W. Enoch was elected treasurer. New trustees are Alfred Kjevrud, Arthur Strelow, and R. C. Stephenson.

Officers will be installed Jan. 3 at the next meeting of the club, which will be the first to be held at the city YMCA. The club formerly had met at the Hofbrau, gutted in a recent fire.

Sun Prairie Schools Plan Programs Sunday SUN PRAIRIE—Pupils of Sacred Hearts' grade and high school will present their annual Christmas program at the parish hall at 2:30 and 8 p. m. Sunday.

The glee club and various grades will furnish music. Characters in the plays will be Ash Marie, Jeanie Jesberger, Donald Anderson, Mary Ann Veith, Ronald Steindorf, Donna Hulsizer, Leo Renz, Larry Liebert, Allan Rauls, Francis Renz, Eugene Beers, Reuben Suchomel, Dolores Virchow, and Mary Wagner.

Mary Martin Opens at Drury Lane Theater LONDON—(U.P.)—Mary Martin opened in Noel Coward's new musical "Pacific 1960" at the Royal Drury Lane theater Thursday night before a new audience of cheering Britishers.

It was Miss Martin's first appearance in England, and marked the opening of the 263-year-old theater which had been closed since the beginning of the war.

Reindictment of Two Set in Treason Case BOSTON—(U.P.)—Evidence will be heard Dec. 27 and 30 by the federal grand jury here in a move to reindict Robert H. Best, and Douglas Chandler, on treason charges, U. S. Atty. George F. Garrity has announced.

Garrity said the men now were held on an indictment returned in Washington in 1943. Since then, he said, additional evidence has been obtained, thereby amplifying the charges.

In addition, he said, the law states that the men must be tried in the same district where they were indicted. Since the airplane bringing the pair here from Europe was forced down at West-over Field near Chicopee, the scene of the trial automatically was shifted from Washington to Boston.

27,000 in Nazi Groups Ordered to British Trial HAMBURG—(U.P.)—British military government authorities today ordered immediate trial of 27,000 member of Nazi organizations convicted by the international tribunal at Nuernberg.

The trials will be held in Germany in the British zone. This was the first formal order by any occupying authority for trials of members of the three Nazi Leadership Corps, the SS, and the Gestapo.

Radio

Tonight's Aces Discussion

6 p. m.—Our Foreign Policy (WMAQ): "Our Economic Policy for Latin America." Spruille Braden, Ellis O. Briggs.

8:30 p. m.—Leave It to the Girls (WGN): Houston Peterson is male guest as panel answers Yuletide problems.

Miscellaneous 7:30 p. m.—Truth or Consequences (WIBA): repeats story of Nativity for three children on stage.

Sports 8:30 p. m.—Basketball (WIBA): Wisconsin at Marquette.

Drama 6:30 p. m.—Curtain Time (WMAQ): "The Cat Had Blue Eyes."

Information for Veterans from VETERANS ADMINISTRATION 448 State Street

Q—I have a job now but may be laid off soon. Am I still eligible to receive \$20 per week unemployment readjustment?

A—Veterans are eligible for readjustment or self-employment allowance for two years after their discharge or the end of the war, whichever is later.

Q—I recently received a disability compensation with which I disagree. Can I appeal this decision?

A—Yes, it may be appealed within one year. A better solution however, is to reopen your claim by submitting additional evidence and ask for a new decision. When an appeal is made, it necessitates that the entire case be transferred to Washington, D. C. When your case is reopened by submitting additional evidence, the same rating board in the Milwaukee regional office is permitted to hand down a new decision.

Q—I am transferring schools at the end of this semester. Can I get my certificate of eligibility back from the one I am now attending?

A—No, you must apply for a supplemental certificate of eligibility, preferably through your training officer with the Veterans Administration at 908 W. Johnson st. This supplemental certificate will show the remaining amount of training time you have coming.

Q—I am considering building a home and using my GI loan guarantee to help finance the venture. Will I be able to use the guarantee loan privilege later when I go into business?

A—A veteran is allowed a guaranteed loan up to \$4,000 on a home or up to \$2,000 on a business. When he has used his total credit on either one or the other, he may make no further use of the privilege. The benefit of a guaranteed loan will be available for ten years after the official end of the war.

WACs Turn German Girls to Better Life

WASHINGTON—(U.P.)—Col. Westray Battle Boyce, commander of the Women's Army Corps (WAC), says the WACs are carrying on a youth program in Germany to teach democracy to young German girls left homeless by the war.

Mrs. Boyce told a news conference on her return from a six-week tour of Europe that "right thinking" German women are supporting the WAC program.

"They realize the need for a program of education for young German girls," Mrs. Boyce said. "There's a great need to train girls living alone, away from friends and family."

The WACs in Germany are teaching these girls useful and constructive occupations, she said. They are providing hobby shops and starting an athletic program.

Mrs. Boyce said 18 WAC detachments are stationed in 16 localities in Germany and Austria. They total 250 officers and 1,950 enlisted women.

She said the WAC force of 100,000 on V-E day had shrunk to 11,115 by last Nov. 1. No recruits have been taken since the war ended.

Amvet Leader Offers Sane Housing Advice WASHINGTON—(U.P.)—Allen Saladin, national director of Amvets, today expressed his feeling about the administration's new housing program with this advice to married veterans:

"Treat your mother-in-law well this Christmas, because you're going to be living with her for a long time."

Better Use Airmail for Late Yule Cards WASHINGTON—(U.P.)—Better use airmail for those still un-sent Christmas cards. That's the advice of the postoffice department, which says that cards airmailed during the weekend will reach even the most distant points in the U. S. by Christmas day.

British Miners Get 5-Day Week May 2 LONDON—(U.P.)—The work week in British coal mines will be shortened to five days beginning May 2, except in pits where arbitration is under way, the national coal board announced today.

Table with columns: FREQUENCIES, WBA 1310, WCF 1200, KMOX 1120, WIS 910, WBL 1200, WNB 1220, WLV 700, WENR 890, WIND 360, WBDN 780, WNTJ 820, WJJD 1800, WCO 880, WMAQ 670, WLS 890



DAN DURYEA WBBM at 9:15

with Herbert Marshall and James Dunn... Life of Riley (WIBA): Riley makes a mistake in his boss' gift. 7:30 p. m.—Lionel Barrymore (WBBM): gives eleventh annual portrayal of Charles Dickens' Scrooge in "A Christmas Carol". Love Story Theater (WGN): Jim Ameche in "Face and Heart". Deal in Crime (WCFL): Ross Dolan trails a wealthy woman during her shopping tour. 8 p. m.—Mystery Playhouse (WGN): "Murder—Win or Place". 8:30 p. m.—Sherlock Holmes (WCFL): solves murder of elderly playwright. 9:15 p. m.—This is Hollywood (WBBM): William Bendix and Dan Duryea in "White Tie and Tails".

Music 8:45 p. m.—Saturday Serenade (WBBM): "Toyland," "Holy Night," "White Christmas," medley of Christmas carols. 9 p. m.—Theater of the Air (WGN): Victor Herbert's "Babes in Toyland," with Andria Kuzak, soprano; Angelo Raffaelli, tenor. 9:45 p. m.—Wayne King (WBBM): "How Deep Is the Ocean," "The Christmas Song," "Stars in My Eyes," "Blue Skies." 11:30 p. m.—Story of Music (WMAQ): "Tales of Chivalry in Opera," with Paula Lencher, soprano; John Garstien, tenor; Overture to "Tancredi," Rossini; "Elsa's Dream" from "Lohengrin," "Lohengrin's Farewell," Procession from "Parsifal".

Variety 6:30 p. m.—Vaughn Monroe (WBBM): guests, Jack Paar, comedian; Lionel Hampton, band. 7:30 Truth or Consequences. 8:30 Roy Rogers Show. 8:30 WLS-Marquette. 9:00 Night News Edition. 10:15 Music for Tonight. 11:55 News Report.

Table with columns: WBA TONIGHT, 5:55 News Report, 6:00 Youth Council, 6:30 East by East, 6:45 Santa Claus, 7:00 Life of Riley, 7:30 Truth or Consequences, 8:30 Roy Rogers Show, 8:30 WLS-Marquette, 9:00 Night News Edition, 10:15 Music for Tonight, 11:55 News Report.

Table with columns: OTHER STATIONS TONIGHT, Patti Clayton WBBM, Boston Blackie WCO, Voice of Business WENR, Q-100 Foreign Policy WMAQ, Arthur Hennig WGN, Record Shop WBBM, Elmer Davis WCFL, Leo Sablon WBBM, Bar Assn. WIBU, Vaughan Monroe WBBM, Curtain Time WMAQ, Farm Report WGN, Hollywood Star Time WBBM, Life of Riley WLS, Life of Riley WMAQ, Twenty Questions WGN, Jamboree WIBU, Scramby Amby WGN, Truth or Consequences WMAQ, Jamboree WIBU, Barn Dance WLS.

Table with columns: WIBA SUNDAY, MORNING, 7:00 News Report, 7:05 Organist, 7:15 Sunday School, 7:30 String Quartet, 8:00 World News, 8:15 Live of Stars, 8:30 Catholic Cathedral, 8:45 Here's to Veterans, 9:00 Trans-Action, 9:15 The Pet Parade, 9:30 Bethel Lutheran, 10:00 Unitarian Church, 10:15 Socialist Party, 10:30 Holiday for Today, 10:45 Holiday Tunes, 11:00 News, 11:15 First Congregational, 12:00 Music at Noon, 12:15 News, 12:45 Gems of Melody, 1:00 Robert Taylor, 1:30 Live of Stars, 2:00 Carmen Cavallaro, 2:30 One Man's Family, 3:00 Book Review, 3:45 Nations in Transition, 4:00 Symphony Orch., 5:00 The United Nations, 5:45 News Report, 6:00 Jack Benny Show, 6:30 News, 7:00 Charlie McCarthy, 7:30 Fred Allen Show, 8:00 Don Ameche WGN, 8:30 Familiar Music, 9:00 Don Ameche, 9:30 Star Line Party's, 10:00 Night News, 10:15 Behind the News, 10:30 Boy Scout Program, 10:45 New Christmas Sing, 11:00 News, 11:35 Music by Sheenik, 11:55 News Report.

Table with columns: WHA SUNDAY, 8:30 Choral Masterpieces, 9:30 Sunday Music Hour, 10:25 News, 10:30 Rewinding Stand, 11:00 Pro Arte Quartet, 11:30 Reflective Readings, 11:45 News, 12:00 Sunday Musicale, 12:15 News, 1:30 Outdoor Wisconsin, 2:00 Freshman Forum, 2:50 Interview, 3:00 Freedom Forum, 3:30 New World, A'Coming.

Table with columns: OTHER STATIONS SUNDAY, Amateur Hr. WENR, Round Trip WMAQ, Sweet Rhythms WBBM, Country Church WGN, Citizens of Tomorrow WGN, Western Theater WBBM, Robert Merrill WMAQ, Strand Church WBBM, Variety Fair WMAQ, Harvest of Stars WMAQ, Nat. Vespers WENR, Distinguished Guests WGN, Jewell Box WBBM, N. Y. Philharmonic WBBM, Two of Cities WGN, Spotlight WBBM, Cavallaro WMAQ, Dr. Danfield WENR, Old Times WBBU, Mr. and Mrs. WGN, One Man's Family WBBM, Honey Dreamers WENR, Super Songsters WIBU, Quiz Kids WMAQ, House of Mystery WBBM, Waterloo WGN, Sammy Kaye WENR, Enact or Fiction WENR, Hr. of Charm WBBM, Detective Mystery WGN, Diplomat's Children's Party WMAQ, Christmas Cards WBBM, The Shadow WGN, NBC Symphony WMAQ, Family Hour WBBM, Darts for Dough WBBM, Carmichael WBBM, Quick as a Flash WGN, Country Club WENR, W. L. Shirer WBBM, Westberg WBBM, Ozzie and Harriet WBBM, Catholic Hr. WMAQ, Sunday Pat. WENR, Nick Carter WGN, Civic Concert WBBM, Kate Smith WBBU, Bob Burns WMAQ, Willie Piker WENR, Evening, Night Watch WGN, Jack Benny WGN, Promenade Concert WMAQ, Arvin Dale WBBM, Wagner Trio WENR, Jimmy Joy WBBM, Russ Carlyle WGN, Glen Gray WBBM.

Table with columns: NEWS BROADCASTS, 8:30 WJJD, 9:45 WGN, 10:00 WBBM, 10:10 WLS, 10:15 WBA, 10:20 WTVJ, 10:30 WIS, 11:00 WMAQ, 11:00 WENR, 11:15 WTVJ, 11:55 WBA, 12:00 WGN, 12:15 WLS, 12:25 WTAQ, 1:00 WGN, 1:00 WJJD, 1:00 WTVJ, 1:00 WBBM, 1:00 WLS, 1:00 WBA, 1:00 WTVJ, 1:00 WIS, 1:00 WMAQ, 1:00 WENR, 1:00 WTVJ, 1:00 WBA, 1:00 WGN, 1:00 WLS, 1:00 WTAQ, 1:00 WGN.