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Editorially . . .

A Rejuvenated GOP

Few who watched the Republican convention via TV (and we spent hours glued to our set last week) will deny that the Republican Party for the first time in a decade, emerged with a truly fighting slate. General Ike teamed up with the youthful and truly dynamic Dick Nixon are proof in themselves of a radically rejuvenated Republican Party.

And if you want our opinion of just who the real loser was in that convention, we regretfully nominate Governor Fine. We have talked with a lot of folks since the convention and next to commenting upon the nominations, the subject most discussed was the spectacle our governor made of himself when he interrupted Joe Martin during his speech and when he mounted the platform and almost shook the moderator's teeth loose, demanding an adjournment. If he didn't realize the public was watching, he must by now. And the public reaction to his behavior is not good, if folks right here are any criterion.

For the first time in many years, Lancaster County's delegates were on the bandwagon from the start. It was thrilling too, to be able to watch and identify two of our good friends, Hensel Brown, of Lancaster, and Bill Moore, of Chester County, as they cast their ballots during the polling of delegates. Then later Dr. Howard Witmer, of Lancaster, was interviewed—and sounded mighty natural, too. Just as though he was handing you one of his little packets of sugar-pills.

Turn The Fan Thisaway

We don't know whether the climate here is changing or not (we'll have to page Sam Miller) but we do know that these torrid spells hit us this summer more abruptly than ever before in our recollection. The other morning, for example, we were chilled when we woke up in the morning, only to have the thermometer outside the office go shooting up to ninety by noon.

It's naturally hard for the body to adjust itself to such sudden changes and when you couple with the heat, the damndest humidity you can find anywhere in the country, it's not hard to understand why Miami, of all places, reports a big summer tourist business this year.

Trouble is that by the time you get south, the weather here changes back to a brand mighty hard to beat anywhere. Guess we'll just have to try and keep cool and collected, ain't it?

In this day and age of everything mechanical and automatic, it's a pleasant respite to see the actors face to face (within tomato-throwing distance, so to speak). So the other night we hid ourselves up to Gretna and enjoyed the play. Stock plays of this type date back scores of years but we never fail to be thrilled by entertainment of this kind. And then to go back next week and see last week's villain enacting the role of hero, that kind of stuff you just can't beat anywhere!

How Much Is A Billion?

Here's one from Brevits which crossed our editorial desk this week and which we deem worthy of repeating: "If a person had started in business in the year A.D. 1 with a billion dollars capital, and if he had managed his business so poorly that he lost \$1,000 each day, in 1952 he still would have enough capital left out of his original billion to continue in business, losing \$1,000 a day, for almost an additional 800 years, or until the year 2739. The U. S. National Debt on July 5, 1951, was \$254,652,514-692.28."

Bits O' Business

Life insurance in force reached a record \$253.1 billion at the beginning of this year. With 210 million policies in force there is an average of more than four policies per family. . . This may partially explain why Metropolitan Life Insurance has replaced the Bell Telephone System as the country's largest business. . . Consumer income during April ran at an annual rate of about \$259 billion compared with an annual rate of \$245 billion in the same 1951 period. . . Cigarette output will be an estimated 421 billion cigarettes for the fiscal year ended June 30—up three per cent over the previous fiscal year.

For Your Scrap-Book

When wealth is lost, nothing is lost; when health is lost, something is lost; when character is lost, all is lost.

—German Motto.

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BY A WISE OWL

Here we are, plugging away in the midst of vacation time, while everybody and his brother are swimming at the shore, motor-ing here and there, fishing in Canada, or just loafing about. Of course, I'd much prefer going when it's cold, but by that time everybody's settled down to work and they think I'm crazy when I suggest a vacation. Anyhow, I never get one.

One of these hot nights that you can't sleep and you want to make your wakefulness worthwhile, just sit back, real quiet in the doorway, and watch the usually sophisticated young girls and new matrons walk home from the last show or a late canasta game, in the quiet darkness IN THEIR BAREFEET. . . It's the America of yesteryear, clean and wholesome, before unrest and dissatisfaction took hold.

It sure pays to get up in the morning, not the early bird who catches the worm, though, cause confidentially I don't have a hankering for worms, but in the early hours of dawn I saw an embarrassed local garageman tote a can of gasoline downtown to his disabled automobile. There's no reason why I should add to his misery by divulging his name. He'd never live it down!

Speaking of automobiles reminds us of "Prince" Albert, one of the attendants at Auments. The other day a car pulled in there and when the driver complained it wouldn't run, Prince took a look at it and told him he needs a new fuel pump. So, he called garageman Norm Heisey, who promptly came up and inspected the car. Then he turned to the men and said: "Try putting some gas in it, then it'll run."

Sunday my wife came in from a drive and announced: "I scratched the front fender a little. If you want to look at it, it's on the back seat. . . Nice goin'!"

Jimmy Markley wrote us that he had a bunch of sharpshooters out hunting, when one of them called that there was something dead in the road with three stripes. A PFC called out: "Let it lay, it's either a skunk or a sergeant."

Bill Enck was watching the Republican Convention on television while they were calling out the states and delegates' names in alphabetical order. The next one up was Wyoming and Bill exclaimed: "Why they're not in alphabetical order! They called Y-oming before Washington." . . . Will someone please enlighten him?

A Florin lady went into Wolgemuth Inc. and told them she wanted to buy an electric washer. "What type do you prefer?" the clerk asked. "I'm not particular," she replied, "just so the machinery is sealed in so the old man can't get at it."

You know there's an awful lot of wives around here who turn the handle when their husbands' noses are against the grindstone.

John Shelly visited friends on the east-west coast of the Big Chiques Creek on Sunday. . . I'll bet you thought we wouldn't put that in, didn't you?

The girls of today have an awful good excuse for not learning to cook. They have to wait until food prices come down, cause right now food is too expensive to experiment on.

I bumped into a terrific domestic quarrel last night, and as I stood at the screendoor, the wife stormed: "You crook! you liar! you cheat! you didn't tell me before we were married that you were a drunkard, a thief, a wife beater and a no-good loafer!" "That makes us about even," her husband replied wearily. "You didn't tell me your mother was planning to live with us."

Did you ever stop to think that many a supposed big shot is nothing but the noise from a small air gun? . . . If you haven't, look around and listen.

A traveling salesman from down Salunga way, disgusted with his unproductive area wrote the following message to his home office: "If Joe Stalin wants more territory, he can have mine."

Sit back and relax, now. This heat can't last much longer — say about 50 or 60 days.

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