COME ON THROUGH,

I ALWAYS WIN

Gambling on the Red

SUCKER -

Government Keeps Butter Price High

SUGGESTIONS for handling "surplus" butter reflect the desperation that seems to be seizing some officials as the mountains of butter in federal storage pile up.

The most desperate is that of Howard H. Gordon, president of the Commodity Credit Corp., the government agency that handles "surpluses." He proposes the government buy all butter produced at 30 cents a pound, sell it in regular trade channels, and then pay the butter producer the difference between 30 cents and whatever Secretary Benson proclaims is the support level.

Consumers would then get butter at 46 or 47 cents a pound. And the producer would get from 26 to 37 cents-in addition to the original 30 cents-to go on selling more butter to government.

You have to go back to the Brannan Plan for all farm commodities to find anything quite so fantastic.

Still, Congress has to do something. Secretary Benson is to announce new support levels by April 1. Now butter is supported up to 67 cents. But under the law the secretary has to support it at not less than 56 cents. And that is probably not low enough to relieve government of the necessity of going on buying butter.

There is no real butter surplus. The demand for butter is always far greater than our capacity to produce it, provided the price is "right." As in everything else, "surpluses" accumulate only when monopolies or governments raise prices above what would be set by competition.

The American people would consume the country's butter production if permitted to by government.

How Bad Are Roads?

THE highways of the state are simply in a deplorable condition, according to the publicity. They are broken, crooked and not wide enough, and it would take billions of dollars over a period of years to put them in shape, it is said.

But are they as bad as all that? As a matter of fact, are there not more roads and better roads than there have been in the past?

Of course, it is possible to find stretches of broken-down highways. It has always been possible and perhaps more possible formerly than at present.

It is good business for some to picture the highways as just about impassable and to set up figures and statistics to prove. It helps to persuade the state to put up more hundreds of millions for more roads, even to borrowing them to do it quickly.

The promotion works too well. For one reason, almost everybody favors good roads. They are easily softened up not to oppose high taxes or big loans for more and better roads. The state, however, should not go to excess

Reasonable building and maintenance of highways require many millions of dollars in this state without getting alarmed and excited into throwing fantastic amounts into the business. The Thruway is costing us \$1.3 million a mile, which shows how fast roads can mount in cost.

Tilt at Titles

NOT since their ancestors won their spurs and garters by working long hours at becoming master hackers with broadsword and mace, have so many titled Britishers had to work for a living. The days when a title was an indication of probable wealth have long gone. Bringing home the bacon has become the daily chore of many a baronet and hereditary knight.

Result has been, mourns the manager of Burke's Peerage, the "Who's Entitled to be Who" of Britain, that many of these sprigs of nobility ignore their background. "It seems to be the fashion now for those who inherit an ancient title to try to forget it," he said.

Naturally. Wouldn't it sound a bit odd to the Army? E. B. Y. lean out of your car at a filling station with the request, "Fill 'er up, m'lord," or "check the oil, Sir John, and wipe these windows like a good fellow."

We recall the story of the king of one of Europe's largest and strongest nations, who insisted that all his sons learn a trade. It was feet. merely intended as good discipline for the lads, but one of them was discovered many vears later, working as a garage mechanic in New York City. One of Kaiser Wilhelm's sons. he was. He wasn't using his title either.

Ads Look Good

OUR Democratic legislators and candidates have been deploring the state of unemployment. They are not only doing their country a disservice by stirring unnecessary alarm, they simply are wrong.

The Star-Gazette prints daily about 20 inches of help wanted ads, 2 inches of situations wanted ads.

The New York Times on a recent day had 38 columns of help wanted ads and 3 columns under situations wanted.

We pointed out the other day that there were more unemployed in 1950 than now, and nothing dire resulted then.

Will the day ever come when TV comedians don't spend so much time talking about themselves?

Junior Editorial

Want to Try It?

The second of

IF YOU take a few minutes every day to 26:41 read something good, you will have something no one ever can take away from you. It's good to have money, but money can

be lost.

A wealth of knowledge gained from readgate of heaven, is the key to let ing what's worth while will be yours as long us into its holiness and joys .-as you live.

The habit of reading something good every day can be very valuable to you. Want to try it?

Coalition to Back Safeguards for Republic:

'Americans All' By CONSTANTINE BROWN

CIGHT PASSED

The present tense and complex international situation is reflecting itself strongly on the domestic front. The Bricker resolution would never have been offered and the present bitter controversy would not be raging if many members of the Senate had not looked back to the administrations of President Roosevelt and Truman.

During the Roosevelt-Truman tenure executive agreements were concluded with foreign nations. temperature is so low that deep These had in effect treaty powers. Neither Sen. Bricker nor his supporters on both sides of the aisle lack confidence in President Eisenhower. Nor do they fear that he may pull surprises such as the Yalta and Potsdam agreements. The legislators are not proposing legislation for the next two to six years. But they fear the uncertain trends of the future and want to build up safeguards "while the horses are still in the

What Do You

Want to Know?

By HASKIN

For answers to questions of fact write

The Star-Gazette Information Bureau,

Q. Is the Alaska Highway

A. Yes, traffic flows over it

even in the depth of winter. The

snow is unusual. On the Yukon-

Q. Is tithing still practiced by

A. Yes, it is. A tithe, 10 per

contribution to one's

cent of income, is considered an

church. Some churches suggest

however, that the 10 per cent

be divided equally among the

Q. Why do trees in the South

never show brilliant autumn col-

ors like trees in the North?

A. Because lower temperatures

have some bearing on the change

of color. As weather gets colder,

the earth begins to harden and

trees are no longer able to draw

much water from it. Lacking

water, the green pigment of the

leaves begins to fade and the

Q. How many parachute jumps

A. At the Airborne Depart-

must a trainee make before he is

qualified for airborne service in

ment of the Infantry School a

student first jumps from a 250-

foot training tower. Before he

graduates he must make 5 jumps

from an airplane. A student's

final jumps are made from 1,000

Q. What is a "legislative day"

A. The period from the time

when either Senate or House

meets after an adjournment until

the next adjournment. Because

the House of Representatives

normally adjourns from day to

day, its legislative and calendar

days usually coincide. In the Sen-

ate, however, the legislative day

often extends over several calen-

Q. Has the new capital city of

A. Not entirely. Quezon City,

the Philippine Republic been

a suburb, replaced Manila as the

official capital by a decree signed

on July 17, 1948, but many gov-

ernment offices remain in

Q. What caused the disappear-

A. Sidewalk obstruction laws

and changing fashions in store

displays. The wooden Indian has

not entirely disappeared; an es-

timated 3,000 still adorn store

A Lift for Today

Watch and pray . . . - Matthew

THE BEST sweetest flowers in

Through prayer, may we find

the strength which triumphs over

temptation-this we pray, Al-

when they are on their knees in

ance of wooden cigar store

completed? R. McE.

Indians? D. T.

fronts.

Brooks.

mighty God.

in Congress? D. I.

yellow and reds to show.

church and secular charities.

church members today? F. W.

Alaska boundary-83 degrees F

open for traffic during the

316 Eye St., N.E., Washington, 2

D. C. Enclose 3 cents postage.

winter? J.McM.

has been recorded.

DIRKSEN expressed these fears graphically when he referred to the Supreme Court decision in the case of Missouri vs. Holland: "This was in the golden days of 1920. At that time the most sensational developments in this country were the marriage of Mary Pickford to Douglas Fairbanks, the Volstead Act, the physical assault against Pussyfoot Johnson who lost an eye in Sweden while he was carrying the prohibitionist torch to Europe. Alger Hiss was then in knee-pants."

Sen. Dirksen illustrated thus that domestic and world problems were then insignificant and that the infiltration of Communist subversion in our midst was nonexistent. In the succeeding 34 years a revolutionary change has occurred in the life of this Republic. We have become deeply involved in international affairs and are carrying on our shoulders most, if not all, the woes of the remaining free world.

* * * WE ARE DEALING today with nations-friends and foes-which are older hands at diplomacy than we are. It would be superegiostic to say that we can handle them. The past has shown that we have frequently lost the pot at the diplomatic poker table though we had the best hand. This was true in connection with agreements made in secret when neither the American people nor their representatives in Congress knew anything about their im-

plications. This has changed now. For instance, after the top secret meetings at Bermuda last December, congressional leaders got a complete fill-in from both President Eisenhower and Secretary Dulles. But because of the experiences of the last 20 years, many Republican and Democratic senators want to take the necessary precaution for the time when a person of another caliber than Gen.

Eisenhower may be at the helm.

The impact which the Communist political aggressiveness has had on the thinking of some American political leaders was also reflected at a little-publicized dinner given last week in honor paradise, God gives to people of Robert Morris, who had just retired as chief counsel for the the closet. Prayer, if not the very Senate Internal Security Committee. Vice President Nixon spoke and stated that the various subcommittees of the Senate and House which had exposed Communist infiltration in America have nowhere near completed their task. Much work was still

ahead of them, he said, and they must pursue it vigorously.

AT THE END of President's remarks Sen. Jenner, the chairman of the internal security subcommittee, announced the forthcoming investigation of the orders issued to the War and Navy Departments in 1944 to destroy tens of thousands of files on subversion.

The co-chairman of this dinner attended by some 350 guests was the Democratic senator from Nevada, Sen. McCarran, former chairman of the subcommittee. He spoke of the threats from the subversives to the security of the country. The struggle against communism in America must transcend party lines, he said. It should be waged by Democrats and Republicans alike.

Then he added that he could foresee the possibility that the members on both sides of the House and Senate aisles, "Americans all," would join ranks in opinion. He is willing to listen. this fight for survival of the Republic. It was the first public statement from a ranking Democrat about the possibility of a coalition of Republicans and Democrats who think alike on this subject.

SUCH THINKING has developed only recently not only as a result of the revelations of subversion in our institutions but also under the impact of what is happening abroad. The difficulties which beset the governments of Europe, and particularly those of France and Italy, are admittedly caused by the manipulations of the Communists and their fellow-travelers of various shades. Communist ideologies are shar-

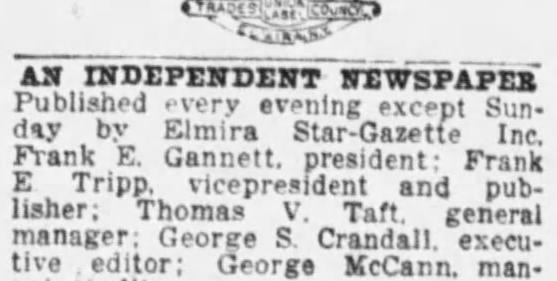
ed by relatively few in the Wostern countries—and even in the USSR and her satallite. of discontent, which exists in- down: evitably in every country, by those devoted to the Red regime is to a large degree responsible

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for the present uncertain world

situation.

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Letters To the Editor

Wants Twain Name For Street, School

Dear Editor:-Frances Myers' letter, coming concurrently with the request of the Southside Businessmen's Organization for a change in name for South Main St., offers interesting food for

Why not have a "Mark Twain (or "Way") extending from the intersection of Pennsylvania Ave. and South Main St., north across the bridge and on up to the intersection of N. Main and Park Pl., then on up Park Pl. to the junction with College Ave. at the college?

This could be made a very attractive street with special significance attaching to the name because of the Mark Twain study on the college campus, the site of the former Langdon home, and the Mark Twain Hotel.

It would also be very appropriate to rename Southside High School as the Mark Twain High

This procedure would leave North Main St. as it is from West Third St. to Woodlawn Ave. and South Main St. as it is from Southside High School to Caton

Frank Tripp should get a prize for the understatement when he mentioned the "atrocious appearance of Langdon Plaza." It could so easily and relatively inexpensively have its "face lifted" and be given at least some semthe lines suggested by Mrs.

interest here are community assets that should be developed to the fullest possible extent as they will pay dividends through the creation of added interest in and for Elmira. People like Mrs. Myers, Miss Gerard and others. who take such pride and interest in the community, are to be commended and should not be subject to criticism and rebuffs when they express this interest through constructive suggestions. The foregoing is what one El-

miran thinks, and it is hoped that enough others will think along similar lines about con structive action on some of the various subjects that have been

J. R. SHOEMAKER

She Thanks Those Who Gave Support

Dear Editor:-I take this opportunity to publicly thank the councilmen for their interested attention to my question regarding the tree situation.

It is also a great satisfaction to realize that the average public is not apathetical, especially when it understands. I thank the many who have informed me of their concern about trees.

I did not represent any group of people. I am a member of the Elmira Garden Club. I did not represent them. I voiced the opinion of many citizens. I did not represent them.

About the letter by Frances B. Myers, may we ask you to express your opinion of the suggestion that signs bearing the words. "Mark Twain Way," be superimposed on North Main St. and Park Pl. signs. This definitely does not mean to change the name of the streets from the Mark Twain Hotel to Elmira College where Mark Twain's study

Perhaps you could call your councilman and express your WILHELMINA GERARD

Mrs. Frank Colby's

PALINDROMES A "palindrome" is a word,

sentence, or phrase, which reads the same backward as forward. The word itself is from the Greek palindromos, "running back again," from palin, "again, plus dramein, "to run." A couple of word examples are: Hannah; madam.

Mr. R. L. Schadel, of Arcadia, California, has sent a real one: "This reminds me," he says, "of the most wonderful sentence in world-the Latin proverb, Sator arepo tenet opera rotas. . This sentence reads the same clever exploitation of all kinds back and forth, and up and Sator

> Arepo Tenet Opera Rotas. And, Sir, what did Adam say when he first saw Eve:

> Madam, I'm Adam. A better example, indeed one of the best that the English language affords, is put into the

> mouth of Napoleon: Able was I ere I saw Elba. The game of composing palindromes is known to all na-

tions. And as long as interest in words is maintained (which will be as long as men and women speak and write their different languages), it will continue to be a popular pastime. Here are a few palindromes which, though of somewhat in-

ferior merit, have lived: Name no one man. Red root put up to order.

Draw pupil's, lip upward. Snug and raw was I ere I saw war and guns.

You make your own. It's fun, whether they're classic or not. And send them to me. I'd love to see them.

Side Glances



"I was just thinking about those wonderful letters you wrote about washing your own clothes in Korea-like to try a few diapers?"

blance of attractiveness along Mary Margaret The natural setting of Elmira McBride Says . . .



. . . A DOLL IS A DREAM

"What was the best present you ever had?" a symposiummaker asked me the other day along with a lot more people-Mrs. Eisenhower, Eddie Cantor and Oliver J. Dragon among oth-

I didn't have to hesitate a minute. My very best gift was a doll with brown eyes that opened and shut and I had wanted her for a long time more than anything else in the world.

I SUPPOSE every doll received by a little girl these days has, as a matter of course, eyes that open and shut. Even hair that can be shampooed and given permanent waves is no great novelty, nor are dolls that can drink from bottles, be burped, blow bubbles, wear rouge and red nail polish and walk hand-in-hand with their owners, talking busily the while. But when I was a little girl a doll with eyes that opened and shut was the absolute pinnacle

of a female child's dream. Until I was eight I'd owned only rag dolls and those with china heads and painted-on eyes and hair. Because I had no sisters to play with, my current doll was my dearest friend, my constant companion. She climbed trees with me, she waded in the creek with me, she swung with me in the hammock made from barrel staves in our front yard. She hunted eggs with me in the south pasture and slept beside me at night. I must say she always looked the worse for wear because I literally loved her to

mate or herself. AFTER I SAW a doll in the store with eyes that opened and shut I am sorry to say that my china-headed Frances Eleanor Grace Elizabeth became a neglected orphan and my whole

heart was set upon acquiring this

pieces and I was never one of

could make clothes for her play-

those clever little girls

new vision of delight. I knew how much the doll cost and I knew too that my father couldn't afford to buy her. I decided to hint a little to my Aunt Margaret in California. Because was her namesake she sometimes sent me delightful gifts and hoped, if I put it just right, she might come through with the doll of my dreams. But her answering letter didn't even mention dolls and she enclosed a fancy-work apron.

cried myself to sleep and next day when my preacher grandfather came by I approached him for advice. I'd figured out a plan but I thought I'd bet-

ter talk it over with Pa first. That was because of what had happened a few weeks before when I'd triumphantly announced to him that what he had told me about God answering prayers was true. I'd prayed that Edgar, who stood first in our spelling class, would miss a word so that I, who was second, could turn him down. Sure enough, Edgar missed and I moved up

PA'S BLUE EYES looked startled, even shocked, as he explained that he hadn't meant you could ask God to let you profit by another's misfortune. had made a bad mistake, I knew, but I thought it would be all right to pray for a doll, and Pa, when he heard about,

"We'll pray together," he told me and we got down on our knees forthwith and set about

Our prayer was answered. I was grown before I knew that my grandfather, to give me the doll with brown eyes that opened and shut, had decided not to buy the new suit he sorely

Just Folks

By Edgar Guest

EASY AND HARD WAY It's easy to grow weary and it's easy to despair. It's easy to be frightened and to

run away from care. It takes courage to keep plodding when the road is long and And believe to bear your burden

that you still have strength Giving up's an easy matter. When your will is being tried,

You can quit at any moment, but

it's you who must decide. It's your battle you are fighting. There are hazards still to You may struggle on with failure

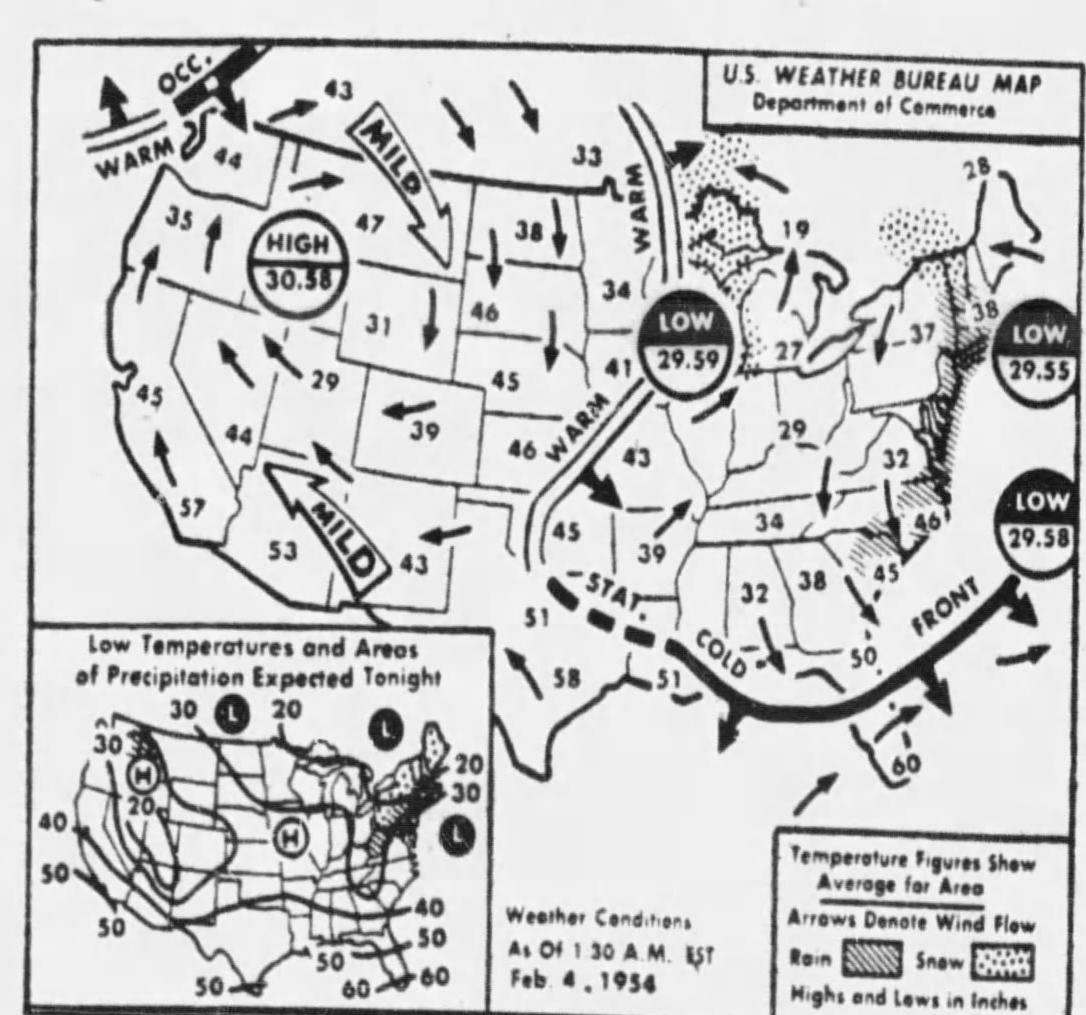
or at once concede defeat.

There's an inner voice that whispers, why withstand another blow? You are bruised and tired, and

hopeless now it seems to further go. Why continue still to struggle? Here's a pleasant place to

And the many heed such warnings, but the few climb to the top. Copyright, 1954

Today's Weather Map



PRECIPITATION is forecast for tonight in parts of the Northeast and in the northern Rockies. Temperatures will remain about the same except for Florida where it will be cooler.