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The Happy Warrior

We extend our felicitations today to Premier Shaw on his 78th birthday anniversary. As the Irish say, "May his shadow never grow less!"

That goes for the Grits as well as the Tories, though they have to be careful about how they say it lest it be misunderstood in the next election campaign.

He got into the political arena at an age when other men were creeping out of it and taking to their slippers and the fireside, a cozy nook and a bedtime toddy to warm their bones.

Premier Shaw is still sturdily pursuing his objectives, and as he passes the 78th milestone he's as unwinded as when he set out. What is the secret of his enduring vitality?

That doesn't mean, of course, that one shouldn't profit by experience as one puts the miles behind him with unabated zest. To hold the same views in age as we did in youth, says R. L. Stevenson, would be to act the part of an unteachable brat, well birched but none the wiser.

Historic Achievement Now it's part of history—man's most significant and exciting space adventure which reached its climax Saturday when Gemini 7 astronauts Borman and Lovell made their meteoric dive back to earth after a record 14 days in orbit.

This most spectacular of all displays in spaceship handling was, of course, much more than that. It marked an important new line of spaceflight development, paving the way for the forthcoming Apollo trip to the moon and enabling future

astronauts to carry out missions that involve two or more ships or actual linking of ships. It will also be essential to the development of an orbital rescue service which would cover astronauts who might be stranded if their retrorockets were to fail to fire.

So far no astronauts have been stranded in orbit as a result of spacecraft malfunction, but there was a moment when Lt. Col. Glenn's first orbital flight produced doubts of recovery. If, as has been predicted by one space expert, there will be more than 280 nonmilitary flights into orbit by 1965, rescue operational technique could be very important.

Data of vital importance to future space flights was gathered by Borman and Lovell in their Gemini 7 spaceship. Perhaps the most important related to the experience of the astronauts themselves as they underwent the longest period of weightlessness anyone has yet endured.

For Another Term As expected, General de Gaulle has been elected for another term in yesterday's presidential contest in France. The question now is whether he is prepared to modify his more extreme policies which were subject to so much criticism during the campaign.

This concerns his rigid stand against British membership in the European Common Market. Much has changed since he slammed this door on Britain two years ago. The Franco-German alliance, which de Gaulle hoped would mature free of "Anglo-Saxon" influence, is dormant, if not dead.

The general went so far, in his campaign, as to express a certain amount of sympathy for Britain's Common Market aspirations. He might now be prepared to allow British membership provided that the other five Common Market nations—most of whom have long favored British entry as a counterweight to France—agreed to abandon their goal of a tightly knit political entity.

To Eat More Pork Henry IV of France promised his people a chicken in every pot. Now, 400 years later, the Italian government is aiming at a pork chop in every pot. The outcome of this attempt to persuade the Italians to eat more pork, is of interest to farmers on this continent.

Our Yesterdays TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (December 20, 1940) The British command brought up new troops before Bardia for a last heavy blow in that Libyan sector, and declared officially that the rear wing of the Italian army trapped there was facing imminent capture or annihilation.

EDITORIAL NOTE The New Zealand parliament recently asked the Massey University there to research new ways to use fish. It came up with the bright idea of a fish sausage.



BRINGING HIM DOWN TO EARTH FLYING THE JETS

Kerosene Stages Striking Comeback

Cinderella of the petroleum industry is kerosene. Driven out of style with the mellow Victorian parlor lamp, it has returned to fly the nation's jets. "King Kero" was the darling of the petroleum industry until the turn of the century. It illuminated almost every home in the United States.

The Queen's Archers

In medieval days the best long-range weapon was the longbow. It had versatility and range. It was quick to load and fast to fire. Today, with nuclear weapons terrorizing the world, it is still the long-bow that defends the Queen of England when she visits Scotland on state occasions.

Savings Bank Losing Ground

The government's strangest white elephant appears to be dying a natural death. It is the Post Office Savings Bank—a curious kind of bank which for years has broken all the rules of modern competitive banking and still managed to hold thousands of depositors across Canada.

Our Yesterdays

TEN YEARS AGO (December 20, 1955) Prime Minister Eden announced in London, England, that Selwyn Lloyd S.I. would become foreign secretary and Harold Macmillan, 61, former secretary for the last four months, would become chancellor of the exchequer.

Too Many Red Cells

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen Polycythemia is the opposite of anemia. The number of red blood cells varies from six to 12 million. The normal figure is about four to five million. There is a corresponding increase in the hemoglobin or iron content.

Primary polycythemia (vera) exists when no cause can be found. The bone marrow is overactive and is manufacturing red cells faster than the body destroys them. Leukemia is a comparable malady except that white cells are involved.

Others complain of headache or a feeling of fullness in the head, weakness, dizziness, and a dull feeling leading to a reduced capacity for work. Itching, aggravated by a hot bath, is not unusual and may stem from the sluggish flow of blood in the surface capillaries.

RESTRICTIONS L. G. writes: Are cocktails harmless in diverticulitis? REPLY Not in moderation. On the other hand, many attacks of diverticulitis have been traced to individuals who harbor these pockets in the colon should not drink unless they can limit themselves.

CAESAREAN SECTION Mrs. A.K. writes: If a caesarean is to be done, does the woman have to wait until she is in labor? REPLY No. Caesarean sections usually are scheduled a week or two before the baby is due.

DENICOTINIZED M. G. writes: How long after giving up cigarettes will it take for the lungs to clear up? This person smoked a pack a day for five years. REPLY Cough disappears in three days to three years, depending upon the severity of the irritation.

HARD PALATE SENSATION F. G. writes: What causes itching of the roof of the mouth? REPLY Inflammation, irritation, allergy, and nervousness are the most common origins of this sensation.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

In older days we were urged to struggle toward success. Today there may be more tax advantages in being a failure—Calgary Herald. At the rate predecessors of Columbus are being claimed, it may turn out that North America was really never discovered at all—Ottawa Journal.

May Hurt African Cause

By Carl Mollins Canadian Press Staff Writer African demonstrations of anger at Harold Wilson's policy towards Rhodesia's rebel white minority have alienated British public opinion and probably added to the British prime minister's popularity at home.

Even as Wilson was being snubbed by an African walkout at the UN, British Conservatives sympathetic to Smith were collecting signatures on a 100-name parliamentary motion interpreted in some quarters as seeking negotiations with the Rhodesian rebels.

Instant Tradition The Oregonian Banbury Cross is to be moved from the center crossroads of Banbury, England, because it is a traffic hazard. Which proves that tradition is quite different in England than it is in Oregon.

stand on the site of the original one. "And, anyway," he added, "this cross is only about 100 years old." Only 100 years old! Why, our Skidmore Fountain is only 77 years old, and no one had better try to move it! This doesn't necessarily mean that Oregonians are more bound by tradition than Englishmen.

ROYAL BANK announces a new branch in the ROYALTY MALL at Upper Queen & Connolly OPENING MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1965 Our Manager, G. G. Miller and his staff cordially invite you to visit us in our new branch in the Royalty Mall. We offer a complete range of modern banking services, including Safe Deposit Boxes and a Night Depository, and you'll like our friendly, customer-first way of doing business.

