

## Washington News From an Inside View

Argument, Sentiment, Comment

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Two Prominent Americans  
On Monday evening of this week, I had the pleasure of attending a small dinner meeting at which Harold Stassen was present. The former Minnesota governor, back in civilian life after more than two years in the Navy, is again being "prominently men-

tioned" as a possible Republican presidential nominee in 1948. I have met Mr. Stassen and talked with him several times both before he entered the Navy and since. Shortly after he was discharged from the Navy, I heard him make a speech to a group of Congressmen and their guests,

and was a little disappointed, because I felt he was pulling his punches and seemed conscious of the fact that he was politically prominent. After hearing his relaxed and straight-forward discussion the other evening, I was very favorably impressed and believe that my former reaction was due to the fact that Mr. Stassen was so newly returned to civilian life at that time that he had not had a chance to adjust himself to the changed conditions in the country which he found after a prolonged absence.

On the evening following the session with Harold Stassen, I attended the dinner of our little 78 Club, at which Eric Johnston, former president of the United States Chamber of Commerce and

now with the movie industry, was our guest speaker. Johnston, like Stassen, is a young and forward-looking American of prominence, who, also like Stassen, will have an important part in the future economic and political events of our country.

Seeing and talking with these two brilliant young American leaders somehow had the effect of giving me a feeling of renewed confidence in the future. I know there must be hundreds, possibly thousands, more such able men ready and willing to do their part toward the reconstruction and reconversion of our war-shocked country for an era of peace and prosperity based upon the truly American conception of free initiative and private enterprise. There is little they can do now, but I think there is a time coming, in the not too distant future, when they can and will be a potent force.

### OPA Letter Score

Letters from constituents voicing emphatic opposition to OPA and all its works are continuing to pour in to the offices of all members of both House and Senate. Checking with other members, I find their experiences similar to my own, in that letters urging the continuation of OPA have practically ceased. Last week, my letters totaled 38 in favor of OPA and 196 against. The count today is 46 letters in favor of OPA and 389 against.

The mail barrage against OPA, which the people of the country have hurled at Congress, is obviously having its effect upon the Senate Banking and Currency Committee which now has the bill under consideration. That committee, which was earlier reported to be in favor of continuing the OPA law with few if any changes, is now taking almost the same attitude as indicated by the action of the House of Representatives when it passed the bill some weeks ago.

Sugar For Home Canners  
Sugar for home canning will be more plentiful this year than last, according to the Sugar Rationing Section of OPA. Present estimates of the total sugar supply for the country for 1946 show that about 300,000 tons more will be available during 1946. This is a little less than a 15 per cent increase in the supply.

Of the above increased quantity, 250,000 tons will go to home canners who last year found at locations for that purpose cut just as canning season arrived. There will be no increase in the basic individual sugar ration.

## Northwest Mill Workers Accept Pay Boost Offer

TACOMA, June 1.—(AP)—Agreements to bring to 10,000 employees in the plywood and door industry in the Northwest a five-cent hourly increase in wages were announced yesterday by the Plywood and Door Manufacturers Industrial Committee.

The committee announced it had agreed on a five-cent hourly increase with Plywood, Box Shook and Door Council, District 9, of the International Woodworkers Association, C.I.O., and the Puget Sound district council, Lumber and Sawmill Workers, A.F.L.

The increase will apply in all brackets. The committee said it had submitted the agreements to the wage stabilization board for a ruling, and that the increases would, if approved, become effective retroactive to April 1 to members of both unions.

The proposed adjustment upon ratification by the respective unions, with whom, the committee said, it had negotiated separately, will affect approximately 10,000 employees in the plywood and door industry in the northwest.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., June 1.—(AP)—A 5-cent-an-hour increase for some 5,600 CIO-IWA pine industry workers of Oregon and California has been agreed upon by negotiators for the union and Pine Industrial Relations Committee, Inc., it was announced here today.

The increase, if approved by individual unions, operators and the Wage Stabilization Board, will boost the minimum sawmill rate to \$1.07½ and the box factory wage to \$1.05.

Under the agreement, the wage boost will become retroactive to April 1, and will fix wages for one year or until April 1, 1947.

The renegotiated raise maintains the remanufacturing differential. The balance of the increase will go to other users of sugar. Sugar stocks in storage are large in some of the western refineries, but these stocks will be moved to market with increasing rapidity with the approach of the new beet crop in October this year.

within the industry, as well as the 2½ cents differential between pine and fir.

### Azalea

AZALEA, May 26.—(AP)—Mrs. Goldie Davis and son, Billie, of Grants Pass spent Sunday here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Jantzer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Miller and family attended to business and shopping in Roseburg Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Phelps shopped in Roseburg Saturday.

Mrs. R. C. Johns and her mother, Mrs. C. Chapin, spent several days here this week at the former's home. They returned to Grants Pass Thursday where Mrs. Johns is receiving medical treatment. She is reported to be improving.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jantzer shopped and attended to business in Portland Wednesday. They visited in Junction City Thursday with Mrs. Jantzer's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lehman.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lunnen left Wednesday for Los Angeles, Calif., to visit for several weeks with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Hauck, of Linwood, Calif., moved to their home on upper Cow Creek. They bought the Springer ranch. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Johnson and daughter, Judy, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doyer, and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stanley, visited Sunday in Myrtle Creek at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hardage, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Booth, Jr., spent Saturday in Roseburg shopping and attending to business.

Stanley Jantzer spent Thursday and Friday in Portland on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil McCallum and son, Dale, left Sunday for Arkansas where they will visit relatives and friends for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Johns left Thursday for Oroville, Calif., where they will visit Mr. Johns'

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johns. Mrs. William Jantzer spent Monday in Grants Pass where she had dental work done.

### Sutherland

SUTHERLIN—The Rev. and Mrs. L. G. Weaver, who have been visiting in Sutherland with friends, left last Monday for their home at Joseph, Ore. Mr. and Mrs. Weaver were residents of Sutherland for several years and Mr. Weaver was the pastor of the local Community Methodist Church.

Mrs. Maude Vogelphol was taken ill Tuesday and was taken to Eugene the latter part of the week by her daughter, Mrs. Miles Batchler, where she will receive medical treatment.

Mrs. Leslie Jones spent part of last week in Portland visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Al Niederberger.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Harris of Washington, have bought the R. C. Slape residence on East Fifth Avenue and have taken possession.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Jordan of Roseburg were in Sutherland Saturday greeting friends and transacting business.

Mrs. Brittain Slack was confined to her home for several

days last week by illness. John Cook, who is very ill at his home on South State Street is reported as no better. Mr. and Mrs. Dean Cook and son, Paul, who were called here from Eugene, returned to their home for a few days but expect to return soon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ferris have gone to the coast to spend a few days. Dick Longbrake was taken very ill Monday night and was removed to Mercy Hospital, Roseburg.

Horton Thompson was away on business the first part of this week.

Mrs. Jacob Lucas and child left for Los Angeles, Calif., where they will visit for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans of Portland arrived in Sutherland to visit with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Welch and sister, Mrs. Catherine Roberts, for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Chase of San Francisco spent several days in Sutherland visiting with the former's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Chase.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Wade spent the weekend visiting at Camas Valley with Mrs. Wade's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Butler.

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