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SOCIALIST DEMAGOGUERY

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Oregon once had a vigorous Democratic party, truly devoted to its party's principles of government. It was a conservative party and, despite the fact that it was a minority group, succeeded in holding virtual parity with Republicans in state and county offices. In our state legislature party politics entered into few issues and, in fact, few people cared about party affiliations of their senators and representatives.

But now Oregon's Democratic party has been absorbed in the advance of Fabian socialism. This advance was evident in the last session of the state legislature where party division was a more important factor than in any session of recent years. The trend has been more and more apparent as left-wing leadership gained control. That the change has been complete, and that the Democratic party exists in name only, is indicated in the platform adopted by the State Central committee at a meeting in Portland. The platform was written by Senator Richard L. Neuberger.

The platform favors President Truman's Fair Deal program for all of Oregon; it supports the CVA project, the Brannan farm program, repeal of the Taft-Hartley act and Oregon's 1947 "anti-labor laws" (which were not anti-labor but actually protection to labor from radical exploitation) expansion of social security, aid to small business, "equalization of educational opportunities, legislative reapportionment and "policies of liberalism."

The platform is about as thorough a piece of socialist demagoguery as we have seen.

Webster defines demagoguery as skill "in arousing the prejudices and passions of the populace by rhetoric, sensational charges, specious arguments, catchwords, cajolery, etc."

Certainly this definition fits perfectly the platform penned by the talented senator-author, Neuberger, a ring-leader in the capture of Oregon's Democratic party by Socialists and Fellow Travelers.

Let's look at some of the phrasing of the democratic platform:

First and foremost, we support enthusiastically a Columbia Valley Administration, to develop and protect the vast soil, water, hydroelectric, forest grazing and fisheries resources of this region.

Why not state it truthfully and use the words "exploit and politically dictate, control and manage" in place of the words "develop and protect" and also add "the people, their lives and property," to the resources enumerated? But "first and foremost" what business has the CVA project in a party platform, except as our socialistic, planned-economy advocates hope to impose a communist-type government over the Northwest region by giving it a party label?

Neuberger cleverly linked support for the Brannan plan, which has been rejected by all leading farm organizations by tacking on:

We insist that present freight rate discriminations against Oregon farmers and food processors must be abolished.

What a swell piece of arousing prejudice and passion! And how about these "catchwords," "sensational charges," "specious (deceptively beautiful—Webster) arguments"?:

- • • repeal of the Republican-sponsored anti-labor laws of 1947 in Oregon.
- • • aid to small business and protection for the consumer through eliminating price discrimination and monopolistic tendencies.
- • • prevent humiliation of Oregon's senior citizens and degradation of our dependent children.
- • • registration and voting procedure, made difficult by the Republican party, disfranchises thousands of Oregonians.
- • • liberalism in which the people of our state will feel that government belongs to them and not to a small clique which has ruled Oregon for many decades.

At first glance these phrases are appealing, but stop and analyze them for their truthfulness, catchwords, deception, appeal to prejudice, rabble-rousing.

The pattern and phrasing of this platform is an excellent example of political demagoguery at its best—or worst—and a sad commentary on the enslavement of a once honest, conscientious and patriotic minority party through the surreptitious tactics of Fabian socialism.

Dog From Japan Poses Expensive Airline Problem

SEATTLE. — (AP) — If Tech. Sgt. James E. Lane would only step forward, please, Fudgy would have a home, air line officials would be much relieved, and a trans-Pacific mystery would be cleared up.

Fudgy, the cause of this trouble, can't explain. He's a pooch. And even if he could talk it wouldn't do much good he's a "Sukiyaki terrier," who was flown here from Japan a month ago and appears to have a very limited understanding of English. Sgt. Lane, or someone, must be pretty fond of him, too. The prepaid air freight charges from Haneda airport, Tokyo, were \$30.4. He was consigned to Technical Sgt. James E. Lane, general delivery, Seattle. Air line heads surmise that Sgt.

Non-Title Fight Set

SEATTLE. (AP) — John L. Davis of Oakland, Calif., and lightweight champion Ike Williams of Trenton, N. J., meet here Jan. 27 in a 10-round non-title match, promoter Jimmy Flitten has announced. Davis won three straight main events here before laying off to undergo plastic surgery for facial cuts which had brooded him during the scraps.



BELLY BUSTERS—The South Main street hill became a mecca for Roseburg's small fry Saturday when it was blocked off to all traffic because of the slippery packed snow. In a matter of minutes, the street was teeming with sledders, equipped with everything from cookie sheets to fancy sleds. The daredevil pictured above is young Steve Duncan, age 6. An estimated 150 youngsters (and some not so young) used the course during the day. (Staff photo).



"Well," said a pretty girl, airily, to her companion, as the two girls waited for the light to change, "if I don't like being married to him I can always get a divorce, can't I?"

As I walked along I thought of marriage . . . and wondered how much of the attitude just quoted was due to the casual way married men and women these days announce in the public press that as soon as they are divorced . . . they will marry somebody else!

And then I thought of Mary Extue, an English nurse who had come over here, fallen in love with a young man who had plenty of money, money which he himself had put forth no effort to acquire, money which in due time he lost . . .

Did Mary decide that the marriage vow meant only half of what it said? Did she say, "Well, the 'for richer . . . for better' parts were all right, but I don't think I like the 'for poorer . . . for worse' parts. I'd like a divorce."

No, indeed. They sold their really lovely home, and matching furnishings; they went to another state and were to start all over. But somehow James Exkue —we'll call him by that name—became embittered. Not having what it took to look in the mirror and take stock of his own responsibility in the matter, he began to blame everybody, everything else.

Such corrosive bitterness could not fail to have an effect upon him physically. (The newspapers and magazines are running many articles now in which physicians of repute are giving emotional and mental causes for physical distresses, aren't they?) His physical distress was acute, and in time he was confined to a wheel chair. Has been, for years. He was still able to write bitter letters to the newspapers; I read some of them years ago . . . and I wondered sometimes at their being printed!

To read his outbursts one would not know that his wife was courageously nursing each day, doing all the housework outside those hours, patiently giving her husband all the loving care he needed . . . Someone asked her once why she didn't put him in an institution? Her answer was to quote the marriage vow.

Truman Has Rosy Program To Boost Everything—Including U. S. Debt

By PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

President Truman apparently tries to spell out "a 50-year-plan for the United States" in his latest message to Congress. He says that the first 50 years of this 20th century were the hardest—what with two world wars and everything. But the next 50 years—oh boy and oh baby—are going to be just dandy, as the man outlines it.

There isn't anything the Republicans can cook up that will compete with this. They might as well quit trying. The President's message is as full of prophecy, uplift and noble intentions as any collection of New Year's resolutions ever assembled. The script reads like a certain Sunday night radio oracle's predictions of things to come.

And if the President's predictions also turn out to be 83.1416 percent accurate, what a great, wide, wonderful world it's going to be that your children's children will live in.

This message will probably be criticized by the President's opponents as being utterly fantastic cream stuff. But the man could be right. And at this turning point in the 20th century, when there is so much to be scared and gloomy about, it is nice to know that the chief executive can look at the world through his rose-colored bifocals and find that everything is jake.

Shower of Blessings
Mr. Stalin and the Moscow planners never offered the comrades anything nearly as good as what Mr. Truman promises. The pie he puts in the sky would really be worth waiting for, if it could be had by the year 2000. In international affairs, there will be world peace. The atom will be under international control. The United Nations will be a going concern and will have forces to preserve international law and order. World commerce will be regulated under the new International Trade Organization.

Other nations will share America's prosperity through an expanded Point-Four program of technical assistance to underdeveloped countries.

All these blessings showered down on others will be multiplied by three or four at home. The President predicts there will be a fairer distribution of wealth. Business will have greater incentives to produce.

The farmers will have their income supported by the Brannan plan or some such. Labor will produce more and get a greater reward. There will be increased freedom from poverty and drudgery—presumably through more pay for less work.

The standard of living will rise. Middle-income and low-income families will be able to get cheaper housing. Unemployment insurance rates will be higher. (Age insurance and other social security benefits will be greater.)

In the Day's News

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to get into Shanghai and says he is going to head for Tsingtao.

LET'S interject a word here about Tsingtao.

It lies up the Yellow Sea from Shanghai and across the Yellow Sea from Korea. Back in the days when we were talking glibly about protesting the liberties of the South Koreans against communist aggressions, our navy built up a big base there.

There was a lot of talk about what our navy might do if the comreds stormed Tsingtao some cold raw day. That was 'peculation that in such an event we might fight.

Well, we didn't fight. We got out. Probably we were wise to get out while the getting was good. Anyway, the reds hold Tsingtao and that is where the Flying Arrow is headed for at the moment to discharged her cargo.

TWO American destroyers are hovering in the Flying Arrow's vicinity, with orders to help if she blows up or sinks or something but to GET OUT OF HER VICINITY as soon as she is seaworthy.

A Nationalist Chinese gunboat is lurking in the offing ready to smack the Flying Arrow with more shells in case she does get seaworthy and doesn't blow up from internal pressure of her wet cargo or some other reason.

To add to the general mess, the commander of the U. S. Seventh naval task force, which is cruising around in the general vicinity of the ruckus, has ordered American ships PROTECTTD from Nationalist gunboats WHILE ON THE HIGH SEAS.

But—The orders from Washington are for U. S. naval craft to stay out of Chinese territorial waters—which are the waters inside the three-mile limit.

OUR navy, of course, could blow up all the gunboats and other vessels of the Nationalist Chinese navy out of the water in about seven minutes after the order to do so was given.

But—That might start a ruckus that would drag the Russians in, and nobody wants that. The idea is to let sleeping dogs lie as long as they are willing to lie.

Meanwhile we mutter in our beards about indignities to American ships engaged in commerce on the high seas—just as other nations have been muttering in their beards for centuries under similar circumstances. Muttering in your beard costs nothing and seldom stirs anybody up to the shooting point.

AREN'T "international relations" funny?
WHY are we getting the news about the Flying Arrow so promptly?

The answer to that is easy. Wayne Richardson, 50-year-old correspondent of the Associated Press, went aboard her at Hong Kong just to be there in case any news happened. He is still on board, dodging shells, keeping a wary eye on the swelling cotton and jute that might crack the ship open at any moment and in between these activities he is sending out his dispatches for us to read.

That's the way with these correspondents. The only rule they know is that the show must go on and the news must be told.

ish public may or may not like me to continue this work in six weeks time."

Bevin referred to the British general election Feb. 23, in which Britain's labor government will either be returned to office or supplanted.

India's prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, commented that though the conference might not have solved the world's problems, "we have learned what the problems are so we can face up to them."

Seizure Of Formosa By Reds Would Peril Defense Line Of America In Western Pacific

By RUSSELL BRINES

TOKYO. — (AP) — The American defense line in the Western Pacific could be the springboard for powerful air blows at the outset of war, but it is not "impregnable."

This is the consensus of views of top ranking military officials in Tokyo as gathered by this correspondent during four years of conversations on defense problems.

(In Washington, Senator Tom Connolly (D-Texas) quoted Secretary of State Dean Acheson as saying that the United States had an impregnable ring of defenses in the Western Pacific without Formosa. This was disputed by some republican senators attending the Senate Foreign Affairs committee session addressed by Acheson. They said that the secretary merely nodded when Connolly made the statement.)

No responsible officer would comment publicly today on reports of Secretary Acheson's testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations committee.

But key officials on the spot have made clear this picture of western Pacific defenses:

American bombers from Japan, Okinawa and the Philippines could cover thousands of miles of potential enemy territory from southeast Asia to Siberia.

We can give a good account of ourselves," say air officers on the spot.

But, to remain useful, these bases must be defended against a triple attack—enemy air assaults, possible combat landings and blockade. This would involve the combined defensive facilities of all three services.

If Formosa Falls
Japan and Okinawa are ringed now with Soviet or Chinese Communist airbases capable of launching short range assaults. If Formosa falls, the nose will be lighter around Okinawa, where the American garrison now considers its mission is to get in as many blows as possible before being knocked out.

World War II in the Pacific proved that no island is defensible against a sufficiently determined enemy. American forces took everything they wanted. The cost was high for the Americans, but this factor apparently is far less important in Soviet military calculations.

Japan capitulated basically because of intensive bombing and the effect of a long and tight blockade. American supply lines for its bases are far longer than any the Japanese maintained. In time of war, the United States would have to supply its own troops and import food for the Japanese and Okinawans to minimize the threat of internal upheavals.

Reds Strong In Subs
The Soviet Western Pacific fleet now numbers between 72 and 100 submarines. It has been reinforced since the war and presumably will be increased further.

Churchill Taking It Easier During Present Campaign

LONDON. — (AP) — Old warrior Winston Churchill is taking it easier in this year's political campaign than he did back in 1945 when his Conservative party lost to the Laborites.

The former prime minister's plans were published as both parties decided to take off their wraps and start electioneering at once. Britain's national parliamentary election is set for Feb. 23. The parties have been marking time since it was announced Wednesday for fear of over-spending the limit the law allows them to lay out in any electoral campaign.

Made Tour Before
Before the present parliament was elected July 5, 1945, Churchill made a 1,000-mile country-wide tour by train and automobile in his bid to return to power. In this he'll make no such tour. On his program so far are only four big public speeches. One radio broadcast is scheduled Jan. 21.

He is expected to speak in Edinburgh, Scotland; Cardiff, Wales, and in central sections of Yorkshire and Lancashire. Any other speaking plans are still obscure.

The 75-year-old tory leader saw his first deputy, Anthony Eden. He conferred with Lord Woolton, the Conservative party chairman Saturday.

Woolton let reporters for Britain's conservative newspapers in on the old campaigner's plans at a news conference yesterday.

Conservatives Act
Woolton said the Conservatives have decided the campaign starts right now. They have covered up old party posters to keep their coat from being counted as part of it.

The law says each party may spend only 450 pounds (\$1,260) per candidate, plus two pence (two and one-third cents) for each rural and three half-pence for each urban voter.

Politicians lack legal opinion on whether that applies from Wednesday, when the election date was announced by Prime Minister Attlee, or from the date of the dissolution of parliament, due Feb. 3.

But the Labor party also is going ahead. The ruling party announced that the cost of a London meeting Monday, at which Attlee and Deputy Prime Minister Herbert Morrison will speak, is to be considered an election expense.

BROTHER-SISTER RACE

MIAMI, Fla. — (AP) — A brother and a sister may compete in Hialeah's rich Widener handicap on Feb. 25. Sidney S. Schupper's Miss Disco and Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt's Loser Weeper have been nominated for the race. Both were sired by Discovery out of the mare Outdone.

Births At Mercy Hospital

ROGAN — To Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sierer Rogan, route 1, box 75-U, Jan. 14, a son, Thomas Alan; weight seven pounds.

MOORE — To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Moore, Sutherland, January 15, a son, Robert Allen; weight eleven pounds three ounces.

RICH — To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ivan Rich, 1915 Eden Lane, Jan. 14, a son, Timothy Richard; weight seven pounds thirteen ounces.

SERVES ON REPAIR SHIP

Ernest Young Jr., seaman, U.S.N., of 829 Micelli st., Roseburg, is serving aboard the auxiliary repair ship, USS Conserver, currently spending eight weeks at Kodiak, Alaska.

The Conserver made the temporary cruise from her home port at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, to Kodiak to aid in air-sea rescue and salvage operations.

Before entering the Navy Oct. 4, 1948, Young attended Roseburg high school.

Different parts of the same fur felt wear differently. The backs of most animals wear better than the sides and the sides outwear the bellies and the paws.

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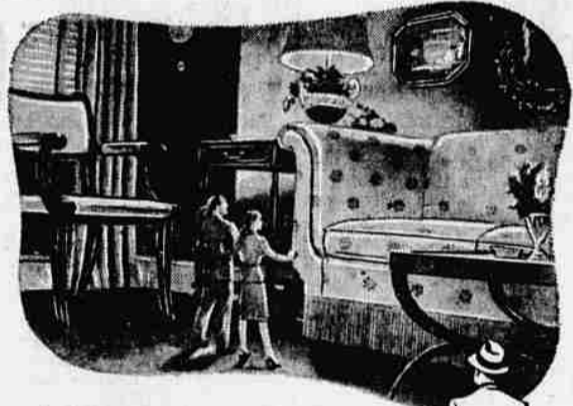
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