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A FAIR FIGHT?

By Charles V. Stanton

So the International Typographical union is preparing to declare war on the entire community! The people of Roseburg, who refuse to bow the knee to union dictators, are to be made to suffer for their independence!

We don't know, of course, the reaction of the general public to Monday evening's statement, broadcast by a local representative of the ITU, but, for our own part, we're boiling mad.

If the ITU wants a fight with *The News-Review*, that's O.K. We'll fight! But when the union openly and arrogantly declares its intention to impose its tyranny on a whole community, involving every man, woman and child, it's time to find out whether we're mice or men.

Perhaps you didn't hear Monday evening's broadcast.

In case you didn't, the announcer, wiping away crocodile tears with a velvet glove, hiding brass knuckles, after relating that *The News-Review* had been placed on the "Do Not Patronize" list by the Central Labor council, and that such action brought all affiliated unions into a common fight against *The News-Review* said, in part:

We are somewhat saddened because it was necessary to take such drastic action. Being branded unfair is an awful name for an offender to bear, as well as his organization. THIS COULD SNOWBALL INTO A GRAVE SITUATION, one which our town cannot afford to experience at this time. Fair and ethical conduct on the part of both labor and management can prevent such conditions. Yet, we union members did everything we could to avoid this action. Our every effort to negotiate a FAIR contract was absolutely refused. So now organized labor in the Roseburg area begins its fight for its rights and its VERY EXISTENCE. This action means that it is the duty of all members of unions affiliated with the Central Labor council, A.F. of L., and the members of the I.W.A., C.I.O., of Roseburg not to patronize *The News-Review*. It is up to the individual members, however, whether they wish to patronize business concerns or individuals who continue to advertise in *The News-Review* or support it. AND THEREIN LIES THE DANGER. We 12 union printers, for whom this action was taken, will exercise restraint and be fair, TRUTHFUL, and impartial in all our dealings in connection with the situation, in the hopes it will not jeopardize OTHER labor-management relations in the Roseburg area.

Let's Have The Truth

Capitalization in the above-quoted statement is our own. We capitalized the word "truthful." We indeed hope the ITU spokesman will be truthful in the future. So far the ITU has not been truthful. It has lied — deliberately lied — to the people of the Roseburg area. We could use milder language but we are not in the mood for mild language.

The ITU lies when it says it offered *The News-Review* a "fair" contract. The ITU has offered *The News-Review* NO contract other than its dictatorial form, in which it proposes to take over management functions as a means of circumventing federal law, and imposing uneconomic restrictions upon management and impeding progress by control over ALL new processes.

The ITU lies when it says, as it has repeatedly, that the striking composing room workers had a contract with *The News-Review* until LAST NOVEMBER.

The News-Review and the ITU have had no written, signed contract since NOVEMBER 1947.

When the Taft-Hartley act made a closed shop illegal, the ITU refused to enter into a contract without the closed shop provision. The contract with *The News-Review* expired in November 1947. Since that time, AT THE REQUEST OF THE UNION, no NEW contract has been written. The wage scale has been adjusted from time to time. It was verbally agreed that provisions of the old contract, not in conflict with federal law, would be continued as a guide to the relationship between *The News-Review* and the union.

The ITU lies when it says it is fighting for its "very existence." The existence of the ITU has never been threatened in any action by *The News-Review*, nor is it threatened now.

The News-Review offered to renew the provisions of the old contract, amended to avoid conflict with federal law, fully recognizing the union's right to represent all our composing room employees. It also offered to discontinue the teletype-setter process, now in use, but it refused to sign a contract granting CONTROL over that process.

The ITU lies when it says the publisher is "playing around with these rich and selfish outside influences who are subsidizing him." The reference is to the publishers' association which is far from being a "rich" organization. *The News-Review* stands on its own feet and is NOT being subsidized.

The ITU, on the other hand, boasts of a \$16,000,000 "war chest."

We could go on and on with the list of lies, misinformation, and sophistry of the ITU, but our purpose is not that of entering into an argument.

We do not believe it necessary to defend *The News-Review*. This newspaper's acts, policies and service are well known. The public can judge from the long record of service to the community, our past relations with organized labor, and our participation in civic affairs whether this newspaper is an unfair corporation.

Tyranny Not To Be Tolerated

The purpose of this lengthy and heated column today is to challenge the threat of bullying and tyranny posed by the ITU, which in its broadcast Monday evening, announced that the mud, sticks and stones, so far hurled exclusively at *The News-Review* are now to be thrown violently in the direction of innocent bystanders.

Will the fair-minded people of Roseburg accept without resistance the insinuation that this dispute "could snowball into a grave situation?"

Or the less veiled threat contained in the following statement from Monday's broadcast?

We realize there are a small minority who want to see labor ground into the dust, and they will continue to support *The News-Review*. All you need to do is look in that paper — their ads will be there for all to see. On the other hand, there will be those who are sympathetic to our cause. You won't see their ads in a non-union paper. They are the ones who deserve our entire and exclusive patronage. "Help those who help us" should be the motto and battle cry of all organized labor in this fight for our rights, and until the issue is settled.

Is this a free America, or have we so far deteriorated in our independence that we are to kneel meekly before tyranny and dictatorship? Are fair-minded, honest, intelli-

School Discipline Topic At Meet Of Administrators

The need for discipline in our schools was stressed and agreed upon at an administrators' conference held in Eugene Thursday, July 12.

Senator Thomas Parkinson of Winston, chairman of the state interim committee on education and chairman of the education committee in the senate during the last legislature, attended.

Others in attendance were: Dr. Hugh Wood, professor of education at the University of Oregon; Dean Lobaugh, assistant superintendent of Eugene schools; William Tugman, managing editor of the *Eugene Register-Guard*; Elizabeth Ducey, Portland, member of the advisory committee on the study of elementary and secondary schools; H. L. Shrivin, president of the Oregon School Board association and chairman of the Harrisburg school board.

While it was generally agreed by those present that the need for greater discipline was imperative the educators differed on types. Lack of proper discipline is causing many "fine talents to die on the vine," according to Tugman. "Schools are a reflection of our community," Lobaugh pointed out. He went on to say that the community begins with the home—the same point where proper discipline should germinate.

Senator Parkinson contended that the first step of discipline was in the hands of parents who should start the youngsters to school at the age of six. "Self-discipline at the age of six is all wrong," he declared. "There is great need for direction while he is under our control."

CASE DISMISSED
Judge Carl E. Wimberly has issued an order of dismissal in the case of Hope Bassett vs. Doran R. Siems based upon the motion of the plaintiff.

Escape from the MENDING BASKET
By Vianett S. Martin

Dear me, I'm used to shooting a dozen perfectly friendly cows out of the front yard, so when I saw several head of stock heading for our yawning welcoming gateway and our roses, I started to shoot them. But one of them stopped, stared belligerently at me, and made a queer kind of "you-and-who-else" bellow, pawed a bit and just stared.

Just then E. J. came around the house, invited me to go indoors and stay there, and he yelled cordially at the belligerent one . . . the young bull bellowed right back, and stood his ground, in fact advanced hopefully in E. J.'s direction. E. J. lost his enthusiasm for whatever plan he had, and tossed a handful of gravel across the fence. The gravel didn't please the caller; he talked right back and headed in the gateway, intent upon bringing things to closer quarters.

Along came a jeep then with a young man in . . . the jeep kept right on by. The bull looked after it and snorted and pawed. Back came the jeep weaving a zig-zag,

Locals

Vacationing From Portland — Miss Shirley Ogle, who is employed by Northern School Supply company, Portland, is spending two weeks vacationing in Roseburg, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Ogle.

State Picnic — Ex-Minnesotans will hold their annual picnic at Jantzen Beach park, Portland, Sunday, July 30. The gate will be open at 10 a.m. Those attending are asked to get passes at booth outside the gate entrance. Only the tax will be charged for admission. Hot water will be furnished for coffee. Those attending are asked to bring a basket lunch. There will be stations for every county so as to meet friends. A program will be presented.

Benefit Dance — Glide Grange will hold a benefit dance Saturday 22, at the Grangehall. Home-made ice cream and pie will be served. Proceeds will go to the Bob Blakeley family, whose home was destroyed by fire last week.

Vacationing — Mr. and Mrs. John Todd and children, Marilyn, John, Carol and Loretta, of Roseburg are spending their vacation at Bandon beach.

Will Return To Office — Dr. R. L. Dunn will return to his offices in the Masonic building Wednesday, July 19, following a trip to Denver, Colo., to attend the Dr. Leo L. Spears Chiropractic Sanitarium conference held July 2-9. He was accompanied by Mrs. Dunn. Upon their departure from Denver, they were joined by Mrs. Dunn's sister, Mrs. William Quackenbush, of Lawrence, Kan., who accompanied them on a tour of Yellowstone park, after which the latter returned home and the Duns went on to Washington to visit Dr. Dunn's relatives in Sumner.

Dr. Warren Smith, Noted Geologist Passes At Eugene

EUGENE, July 19 —(AP)—Dr. Warren D. Smith, 70, nationally known geologist and a member of the University of Oregon faculty from 1914 to 1947, died at his home here Monday.

The author of numerous scientific articles and a number of books on geology and geography, he headed the university department of geology 33 years.

Born in Leipzig, Germany, May 12, 1880, he came to this country early in life and received college degrees at the University of Wisconsin and Stanford.

He was a geologist for the U.S. mining bureau in the Philippines in 1905-06, and in 1920-22 was of strategic services.

He was a member of the Royal Geographical Society of England, the American Geographical society, Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Chi and a number of other honorary organizations.

Surviving are three children, Mrs. Wayne Atwood, Eugene; Warren E., of Portland and James F. of Long Beach, Calif.; a brother, Charles F. Smith, Wausau, Wis., and two sisters, Mrs. W. E. Blake-

Dillard Worker Injured In Hammer Mill Mishap

Verne Hixon of Brockway was severely injured Friday morning, while operating the hammer mill on the Emery E. Baker ranch at Dillard. He suffered the loss of part of one finger on the left hand, and two other fingers on the same hand were badly crushed with bones broken. He was rushed to the Roseburg hospital for medical attention, and is now recuperating.

Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

man, Berkeley, Calif., and Mrs. E. J. Harvey, Deerfield, Wis.

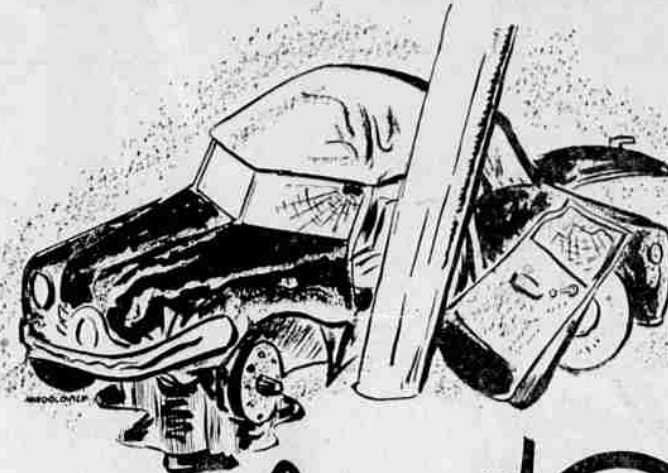
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satisfactorily at his home in Brockway. It is reported that he will be unable to carry on any kind of work for some weeks.

Mr. Swanson and two sons, newcomers into the community, are working on the hay cutter at the E. E. Baker ranch since the accident of Hixon.

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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FORCES. HE SAYS THEY ARE FIGHTING REARGUARD ACTIONS AND AWAITING REINFORCEMENTS. (If any of you ex-GIs were in the battle of the Kasserine Pass in North Africa, you will know what that means.)

Meanwhile, other devilry is afoot. The Communist Sixth division (which we hopefully thought our planes had chewed up the other day) is apparently preparing to OUTFLANK AND ENCIRCLE us on our left the Commies' Fifth and Fifteenth divisions are engaged in an operation designed to outflank and encircle us on our right.

The purpose is to surround and capture our entire ground force in South Korea. We don't need to be told what that would mean.

You will want to know, of course, if all this means that our men and their officers aren't standing up to their job.

The answer is that they ARE standing up to the job heroically. There are just too few of them. We were too little and too late again in Korea — just as we have been at the beginning of every war since the Revolution.

What's wrong with South Korea? I don't know. I haven't been there. But I'd like to quote here a man whom I know and for whom I have a lot of respect. I always

seem to value the opinions of men I know above those of men I don't know. I'm referring to Stanley Earl who used to be CIO secretary here in Oregon. Stanley is just back from a year in Korea, where he served as Marshall plan labor adviser to the South Korean government. He says in Portland:

"The United States never gave South Korea Democratic government, and that proved a fatal mistake. . . . The South Koreans had no faith and little interest in their government. . . . The invasion by North Koreans was made easy by all this. PLUS GRAFT AND CORRUPTION IN THE SOUTH KOREAN ARMY."

Earl goes on: "The South Koreans were near starvation. They were hit hard by inflation. But, with all this going on, American diplomats continued to talk unrealities with Korean bankers and brass hats."

He then adds: "Some of our diplomats are too much above the people. You can't INSTALL DEMOCRACY WITH COCKTAIL PARTIES FOR THE BIG SHOTS and conference with the bankers. Somebody's got to get out and talked to the people of South Korea. Anyway, he sounds as if he knows what he is talking about. He's on his way to Washington to report to ECA officials, and he says he's going to talk also to Congressmen, suggesting that they subpoena all ranking officers of the U. S. mission in Korea to learn the full story."

gent and independent Americans to allow a dictator to tell them what they can buy and where they can buy it, simply because the dictator meets resistance in illegal, unfair demands?

Notice Given Union

The News-Review doesn't intend to be intimidated by threats. It does not propose to submit to dictatorship. It has never crawled and it doesn't intend to start now. It is willing to stand up to the ITU in any kind of a fight. It is not a FAIR fight when the ITU involves innocent bystanders and threatens to turn the community upside down to gain its nefarious purpose.

The News-Review is today giving notice to the striking members of its composing room crew that those who fail to return to work at the regular shift Monday, July 24, 1950, will be permanently replaced. If by that date the ITU does not withdraw its unjust demands, or submit a fair contract, *The News-Review* composing room will be operated as an open shop and we will obtain workmen to permanently replace those who walked off the job without justification.



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