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## THE LAND OF THE FREE?

By Charles V. Stanton

If you are one of the radio audience listening to broadcasts by striking members of *The News-Review's* composing room crew you doubtless have heard frequent references to "guinea pigs." You have been told that we are trying to wreck the International Typographical union by refusing to permit the union to control all new type-producing processes and all processes preparatory to production of type. The ITU spokesman has said repeatedly that "Boss Jenkins" is using Roseburg and Klamath Falls newspapers experimentally in an effort to prevent the union from obtaining its "rights."

If you have been inclined to believe those statements, you must have been confused if you also read in Friday's *News-Review* the Associated Press dispatch from Texarkana, Tex., reporting that the ITU had lifted the charter of the Local at Hot Springs, Ark., because printers there refused to obey an order to strike. Printers at Hot Springs were satisfied with their jobs and voted against a strike. Unions at Texarkana and Eldorado walked out, as they did at Roseburg and Klamath Falls, presumably ordered to do so by international headquarters. The three affected papers in Texas and Arkansas are published by C. E. Palmer, who told The Associated Press that the strike was called because he refused to grant union jurisdiction over typesetter processes.

### Propaganda Methods

One of the most common of propaganda practices is to charge the victim of the propaganda campaign with the illegal or unfair practice which actually was initiated against him. Thus, here at Roseburg and in Klamath Falls, *The News-Review* and *Herald and News* are being accused of being "subsidized" by publishers to initiate "guinea pig" experiments to break the ITU.

Actually, the reverse is true. Small daily newspapers are being subjected to strikes by the ITU in an effort to force jurisdiction on the industry. Scores of strikes, identical to the one in Roseburg, are in progress in widely scattered parts of the country.

Take, for instance, the case of ITU printers at Fort Smith, Ark. They conducted satisfactory negotiations covering wages and hours with Publisher Donald W. Reynolds. They signed a contract. The ITU refused to ratify the contract because it contained no clause for jurisdiction over new processes. The Local, on the other hand, was satisfied and voted against a strike.

The ITU moved in, revoked the union's charter, cancelled the contract with the publisher, and ordered the printers to find jobs in other plants or other locations, giving them a limited time in which to obey the edict.

The revocation of the ITU charter at Fort Smith occurred last June 26, the day the Roseburg local called a strike against *The News-Review*.

### Bulletin Tells The Story

If you still are not convinced that the publishers rather than workers are being used as "guinea pigs," you might consider a bulletin circulated to ITU members throughout the nation by the independent party within the ITU.

Under a heading "Randolph Pledges . . . More Strikes, More Assessments," the bulletin says:

At a special union meeting held in Chicago on Feb. 5, 1950, President Randolph again donned the robes of the prophet of doom and submitted to the members of No. 16 a future program for the ITU, calling for more strikes and more assessments. Randolph further stated that the large locals appeared now well "under control" due to the "glorious victory" he and his \$50,000-a-year lawyers negotiated with the Chicago publishers in settling the long strike in 1949.

But he warned there is much new danger on the horizon and that there are so many small-town publishers who must be "put in their places" that the present \$6,000,000 in the defense fund will only be a drop in the bucket and the membership must be prepared for more assessments.

We believe these historical facts furnish ample evidence that the local ITU spokesman is not telling the truth when he charges the publisher with making "guinea pigs" of "hometown" workers. The exact reverse is true. ITU is striving through tyranny and dictatorship to impose its will upon the small dailies and thereby gain more unjustified control over the industry.

### They Prate of Protection

Propagandists for the ITU prate of the place of their organization in "protecting the rights of the workman."

What kind of "protection" is being given when satisfied workmen are ordered to quit their jobs, sell their homes and move to new locations? What kind of "protection" is the ITU giving when it throws hundreds of its members out of their jobs to walk picket lines in scores of small cities throughout the country? What kind of "protection" is it when the issue concerned in all these strikes would not put one more dollar into the pocket of the workman or affect his job security? What kind of "protection" is it that forces the workman into the ranks of the unemployed for the one and only purpose of giving the ITU, as an organization, more power over management.

Can we continue to call this country "The land of the free and the home of the brave," when the laboring man can be forced to dance like a puppet at the end of a string, and the public exposed to threats and intimidation at the will of tyrannical dictators?

### Locals

**Expected Here**—Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beard and daughter, Marilyn, and son, Donald, of The Dalles, are expected to arrive in Roseburg this weekend to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Brand and family in Westmoreland. Mr. Beard was formerly principal of the senior high school in Roseburg.

**From Nebraska**—Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Allen of Omaha, Neb., and L. M. Allen of Portland are weekend guests here of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Allen of Vista court apartments. E. H. Allen is senior member of the nationally recognized Allen & Reynolds advertising agency of Omaha. L. M. Allen is a Portland business man, and W. A. Allen is co-publisher of the Roseburg and other city directories.

**Back From Funeral**—Floyd Carter has returned to his home in Roseburg from Glenham, S. D.,

where he has been the last three weeks, having been called there by the death of his father, Fred A. Carter, pioneer Campbell and Walworth rancher, who died June 27. Funeral services were held at Glenham, July 1. Survivors include four sons and three daughters.

**Will Go To Springfield**—Mrs. Story Iles of Roseburg is leaving Saturday evening for Springfield to spend the weekend with her son, Ferrell Iles, and family. She will be accompanied home Sunday evening by her two granddaughters, Bonnie and Lorelee Iles, who will spend a week vacationing here.

**Attend Conference**—Walter Malory, president of the Roseburg Rotary club; Arlo Jacklin, vice-president; Story Iles, secretary and V. J. Miceli left Friday for Vancouver, Wash., to attend the district meeting of presidents and secretaries of Rotary. The new district governor of Rotary resides in Vancouver. They will return to Roseburg Saturday evening.

## If Need Be



## Scapes from the MENDING BASKET

By V. J. Miceli

Of all the funny tales we have heard about the antics of a packrat, the one told us last evening by a friend and neighbor, Bernell Goin, about the eastern Oregon experience of his sister-in-law and her husband, is the funniest.

Mrs. Payne was standing watching her husband do some work with the "cat," work that included pushing over an old building. The landlord also stood near Mrs. Payne, watching. Suddenly from the debris out shot a huge packrat heading straight for Mrs. Payne. She fled towards the house, taking a fence and a woodpile as it she had wings.

The landlord, whom I shall have to call Mr. X, grabbed a stick for a club and fell in behind the packrat, all three traveling at top speed in the same line. The astounded man on the "cat" saw nothing of the packrat. It appeared to him as if Mr. X had suddenly become demoralized and was chasing the lady with lethal intent. He lost no time in becoming No. 4 in the race, only he thought himself No. 3, his one idea being to stop, and stop permanently, the man with the club before he could harm the fleeing Mrs. Payne.

The door slammed behind his wife. A second later a door slammed again, and Mr. Payne assumed that meant pursuer and pursued were inside the house. . . . he sprinted in what may have been a world's record-shattering speed! Bursting through the door he found his wife breathless, unharmed—and alone!

A sudden racket in an adjoining room located the man with the club who was using it in a determined effort to finish off Mr. Packrat. The furious and breathless husband collapsed into relieved laughter, and thought he never would be able to stop laughing.

The man with the club finished off the victim, with some damage to the pile in which the rat had finally taken refuge. . . .

And from then on Mrs. Payne was able to lay things down without having them mysteriously disappear! In the packrat's nest were found such items as a missing slip, stockings, and various other lost articles. For some time the men-folks in the house had been doing their level best to outwit the packrat and catch him, but without success.

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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reds who are going around our flank hope to get in behind us and trap us and CAPTURE us.

According to all accounts, the commies are seeking to throw another flanking column around us on the east. What they hope is to bring these two flanking columns together BEHIND US.

This is from Washington: "A Pentagon briefing officer (the Pentagon is the building in Washington that houses the war department) says American forces will HOLD somewhere south of the Kurn river and get built up for our offensive. He did not pretend where the stand would be made."

Where will the stand be made? I don't know—of course. But if you will get out your map we can do some guessing among ourselves.

There are no more rivers crossing the Korean peninsula from east to west. So that is out. Well have to stand without the defense of a

river in front of us. Keep going down your map until you come to the southeasternmost tip of the peninsula. There you will find a town named Pusan (on your map it may be called Pusan; they are one and the same). Pusan has a minor river coming down from the north. We might be able to get behind it for whatever last stand defense it might offer.

Pusan is the port through which we have been bringing men and supplies into South Korea. If we can hold this port, we may be able to KEEP ON BRINGING IN MEN AND SUPPLIES until in time we might build up enough strength to mount a counter-offensive and drive the commies back to the north.

That, I suppose, is what this briefing officer in the Pentagon (a "briefing officer" is one who tells the correspondents and others concerned what it's all about) has in mind when he says well make a stand somewhere south of the Kurn and "get built up for our offensive."

It's about all there is left to do.

## Farm Bureau Of Douglas County To Be Organized

The Douglas County Farm bureau, affiliated with the Oregon Farm Bureau federation, will be organized within the coming week, according to Bill Howard, editor of the bureau's publication and director of information.

Howard said the organizational drive succeeded in obtaining the required 50 family-members Wednesday, thus assuring the county group of a state charter. Douglas county becomes the 25th Oregon county to qualify, Howard said.

The exact location for the county group's central offices will be determined by the members at a future meeting. However, Howard said there will be individual community units or centers at Glen Dale, Dixonville, Elkton and Vencalla.

Immediately after organization, two commodity departments will be established. The livestock department will be concerned with inaugurating a livestock marketing program and will be associated with the Valley Livestock Marketing association of San Francisco,

sponsored by the California Farm bureau. Howard said the program may also be affiliated with the Producers Marketing association to provide a Portland outlet for local livestock.

The second commodity department will deal with dairying and will be set up in an attempt to study and aid in solving the serious dairy problems noted in this county in the past.

The farm bureau originally started the present Douglas County Farm Bureau cooperative, although there is no current relationship between the two, Howard said. The Oregon federation recently succeeded in placing on the ballot the balanced plan of apportioning legislative districts and legislators for the state. The state group is affiliated with the American Farm Bureau Federation, largest of all farm organizations, which numbers 1,500,000 members in 45 states. State offices are located in Salem.



## Reedsport Housing Survey By County Authority Reveals Unsafe, Unsanitary Places

More than half of the privately owned dwellings covered in a recent housing survey of selected sections of Reedsport are below standards for safe and sanitary housing, the Housing authority of Douglas county revealed this week in reporting on its investigation of the need for homes for low-income families in that area.

Of 343 occupied dwellings examined in survey areas, 179, or 52 percent, were substandard, with dilapidation to the stage of requiring major repairs affecting 130 homes. A total of 102 homes lacked one or more basic facilities such as hot and cold running water, bathing provisions or inside flush toilets.

"The survey was not restricted to the city limits, but covered sections outside which are considered part of the housing area of Reedsport," said H. L. Scofield, executive director of the Housing authority which directed the survey.

"Our aim was to determine the extent of substandard housing and the number of low-income families with veteran status so we could learn how many units of low-rent housing will be needed here, and how large the units should be. Although, no doubt, a number of substandard dwellings were missed, the survey reveals that there is need for the 15 units which have been reserved for Reedsport by the Public Housing administration as part of the national low-rent housing program."

### Bad Conditions Listed

In the homes surveyed, eight were without running water, and 36 had cold water only inside. Twenty shared inside flush toilets; 59 had no inside toilet facilities. Forty-four were without either tub or shower for bathing, and 36 shared bath facilities with other families. Two homes were without electricity.

Half of the tenants in substandard housing paid over \$35.50 per month rent for housing alone; with utility charges included, the figure was \$44.80 per month. About 60 percent of the tenants of units meeting housing standards were paying over \$50 rent per month. Less than two percent of the rental units surveyed were vacant and available for rent.

The survey showed that 66 percent of the families living in substandard housing in Reedsport include minor children. Forty-two percent of the families have veterans as members. Fifteen percent lacked either a father or a mother.

Income-wise, tenants of substandard housing likewise were not getting the breaks. Eighty-six percent of families with incomes under \$3,000 who were renting deficient housing were paying out more than a fifth of their income in rent.

The enumeration, which was completed in March, covered 254 units in multiple dwellings. All single-family structures and 87 families surveyed were of the white race; no trailer houses were covered in Reedsport. Similar surveys were made in Roseburg and

## Army Enlistments On 21-Month Basis Offered

M. Sgt. Ernest J. Grimm, USAF, announced today information has been received by the Roseburg recruiting station that 21-month enlistments are now being offered enlistees in the Army.

According to the announcement from Sixth army headquarters in San Francisco, the 21-month period will be offered in addition to other longer term enlistments.

M. Sgt. Grimm also announced that mental qualifications for males enlisting in the regular army have been lowered.

Adults, 12 p.m.: Mrs. Amy Eggleston, Rebecca Depriest, Mary Moe, Joan Lewis, Lucille Chin.

**Boys Beginners**, 10-13, 12 p.m.: Carl Stewart, Tommy Neal, Roger Steeck, David Sanders, Ralph John, Allen Lindbloom, Verne Coughran, Bill Borgman, Ronald Young, Bernie Hubbard, Roger DeMarsh, Raymond Elliott, Larry Hannon, Michael Thatcher, David Hall, Robert Moore, Eddie Jones.

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V.V.V.

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