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EMERGENCY SERVICE

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Our peaceful Umpqua Valley seldom is visited by disaster, but when a rare emergency is experienced the voluntary response on the part of the public is indeed heart-warming.

No sooner had our weekend flood started to assume disaster proportions than volunteers mobilized for service.

While reserve police from city and county organizations, volunteer firemen, national guardsmen and others assumed directed duties, hundreds of people took up the work of evacuation. Fishermen responded to radio calls with boats and motors. Trucks were furnished to salvage household goods. In all flooded sections the response was immediate.

Concern for the homeless was demonstrated in many ways. An appeal for cots was canceled within an hour because more were volunteered than needed. Official services of the American Red Cross were augmented in many localities by the work of other organizations as well as individuals. More than forty people reportedly found refuge in one private residence at Dillard when forced to evacuate their threatened homes.

Particularly impressive was the service given by Roseburg's two radio stations, KRXL and KRNR. The crew of the former, marooned at the new station by high water, kept close contact with all disaster areas by telephone, relaying news and information. Close cooperation between the radio stations, police, mill companies, school officials, and others, added much to efficiency and suppression of panic, and furnished an excellent example of community service. Immediate response by the public to radio bulletins indicated the great value this means of communication has in times of emergency, and how, in a space of only a few years, we have learned to rely upon it.

We speak heartfelt appreciation of the entire community to all the groups, organizations and individuals responding so ably, efficiently and tirelessly with emergency service.

Ballot Measures

VETERANS BONUS FUND

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Oregon voters will be torn between sentiment and economy in voting on the veterans bonus proposal at the Nov. 7 general election. The bill would call for an outright gift of an unknown number of millions of dollars, probably around \$50,000,000, to veterans of World War II serving from Oregon.

The bonus measure, entitled on the ballot "World War II Veterans' Compensation Fund," is initiated and supported by veterans organizations.

They point out that a bonus was given veterans of the First World War; that industry made huge profits during the war; that high wages were paid workers, while men in the armed services were getting \$50 per month; that income tax discounts were given during the war years, which, in effect, gave industry, business and workers a bonus approximately equivalent to the total cost of the bonus payment now proposed for veterans.

The measure would pay veterans at the rate of \$10 per month for domestic service and \$15 per month for overseas service, with a maximum of \$600. Veterans 50 percent or more disabled would receive the maximum regardless of length of service. Members of the Merchant Marine are eliminated.

Veterans estimate the cost at about \$43,000,000. Opponents claim it would cost between \$60,000,000 and \$90,000,000. The 5 percent of total state property valuation set as a limitation on bonds would permit raising \$75,000,000. The actual cost probably would fall between the two sums claimed by supporters and opponents, or around \$50,000,000.

Some people contend that compensation for veterans is a federal rather than state function, yet 18 states have paid a bonus to veterans. It also is contended that World War II veterans already have been liberally compensated with severance pay, G. I. Educational benefits, etc.

So we have ample material for argument on both sides.

Surprise Visit Paid By President Truman

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman paid a surprise visit Saturday to an orchid show.

With William D. Hassett, a secretary, and William J. Hopkins, White House executive clerk, the President cut short his customary post breakfast walk at 8:45 a. m. EST to spend half an hour at the exhibit. The show was in the American Security and Trust Co. building near the White House.

Truman was escorted around the display by Daniel W. Bell, president of the bank. Bell gave the President a prize flower to take to Mrs. Truman.

Damages Demanded For Alleged Defamation

Lois M. Biggs has filed suit in the circuit court for \$10,000 against Chad Hetrick for alleged defamation and damage to the reputation.

The plaintiff charges Hetrick with making public intimations that she and her husband were not married, with the intent to "injure, disgrace and defame" her.

BERKS ESTATE IN PROBATE

The estate of Henry Berks, who died Sept. 28, has been admitted to probate by order of County Judge D. N. Busenbark.

The order names Anna Rainwater as executrix of the will and C. B. Calkins, Elvira Coade and Gordon Ware, administrators.

Our Changing World



Scrap from the MENDING BASKET

By Viannett S. Martin

What's the idea of running an outdoor motor with "oil"? EJ had given one of her children a broom and said child hadn't even learned to sweep things under the rug. Seeley Creek is making music again. But no matter how much it rains, our spring, since it has a new house over it, rises gradually with no surface water to color it suddenly or overflow it. We never had less than fifteen inches of water last summer, even in canning time. But oh, you people who have gravity to keep your water pipe full when the power's off! Don't I wish we had, too. When the power goes off, my first thought is to run for the big tub and set under the eaves. The "outages" seem less often now than the first year or so we were here: really nothing to complain about. Considering what the electric employees have to do in the way of maintenance, our service is simply wonderful, isn't it!

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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out rheumatic fever and have temporarily helped against some kinds of cancer. The trouble has been that both ACTH and cortisone are scarce and very, VERY slow and hard to get in quantities sufficient to help a LOT of people.

The drug is names furacin. Furacin is derived from furfural. Furfural is a by-product in milling flour and soybeans. For that reason it can become endlessly plentiful.

Two thoughts occur: 1. Until SMART MINDS come along and find it out, we never know the gold that may lie in the gravel we kick about with our feet. 2. Wouldn't it be wonderful if ALL OF OUR SMART MINDS could be devoted to projects like that instead of having to be devoted to thinking up new weapons to kill each other with?

K. T. Keller, one of Chrysler's top big men, has been named director of our guided missile program. . . . a guided missile is a rocket bomb that can be launched against our enemies, maybe thousands of miles away, when it has been completely developed, and GUIDED ELECTRONICALLY to its target. . . . use of guided missiles has been sketchily termed "push-button warfare." . . . Keller says in Detroit today: "The military importance of guided missiles is fully appreciated by the U.S. and it is felt that the program should be expedited. But on account of the HUMAN ELEMENT there will never be a real push-button war. You just can't get along without the human element."

Did you ever stop to think that IT'S BECAUSE OF THE HUMAN ELEMENT THAT WE HAVE WARS? Nine wars out of ten start because somebody wants to boss somebody else. No impulse is more "human" than wanting to boss somebody else.

That's the "human element" that is responsible for communism. The smart communists want to boss the dumb communists. The point is that the dumb ones have to be converted to communism before they will submit to being bossed.

Getting back to the cheap drug that promises to pinch-hit for fabulously expensive ACTH. Wouldn't it be splendid if we could find a drug (cheap and plentiful) that when administered to people would cause them to WANT TO GET ALONG WITH EACH OTHER instead of everlastingly quarreling with each other?



WINNERS OF NOBEL PRIZE—Dr. Edward C. Kendall (left), head of the biochemistry laboratory at the Mayo clinic, Rochester, Minn., and Dr. Phillip S. Hench, (right), also of the Mayo clinic were named as two of the three joint winners of the Nobel prize in Medicine for 1950. The prize went to the three scientists for their work on two hormones promising relief to millions of sufferers from rheumatoid arthritis. (AP Wirephoto.)

FULTON LEWIS, Jr.'s



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WASHINGTON, Oct. 29—Quite by accident, Senator Joe McCarthy has been following Vice President Barkley around the country, making speeches in behalf of republican candidates.

Democratic toadies among the columnists and commentators have been giving out that the Wisconsin senator is being ignored by the populace, and draws only a handful of listeners. Actually the reverse is true, and the comparison of McCarthy crowds to those attracted by the Veep is embarrassing the Democrats painfully.

For instance, the boys ought to subscribe to the San Diego, California, Evening Tribune. Barkley spoke there recently, and drew an audience estimated by his own people at 800. One day later McCarthy hit town, and packed an auditorium of 2,500 people. The San Diego newspaper carried accounts of both talks, along with an estimate of the attendance.

Politics aside, however, McCarthy has been digging up, and is using in his speeches, additional information about communist infiltration in the government. Some of it is recommended reading.

In the Congressional Record for October 20, he notes that in 1946, the Canadian government handed to President Truman a list of 150 names of American citizens who were involved in or connected with the soviet espionage net, exposed in Canada.

The list has never been made public, but if you think all of them are out of the government, even now, guess again.

In the same issue of the record, McCarthy takes another look at a few of the customers who were floating around with the Soviets at the time the communist couriers were playing leapfrog across the border between Washington and Ottawa. The material in the record is from the files of the State department. Included are portions of the F. B. I. reports on one P. Bernard Nortman. Also, on one Mary Jane Keeney.

Mrs. Keeney and the Nortmans are pals. All got a going-over by the F. B. I. in connection with the investigation of Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, who was tagged by Whitaker Chambers and Elizabeth Bentley as running a soviet spy ring while employed by the government.

Mrs. Keeney works currently on the United Nations. Last year, before the house Un-American Activities committee, she did the usual shadow-boxing when the 64 dollar question was asked about her communist friends. This fact, however, did not deter the State department from recommending her to a \$15,000 a year U. N. job. She is still there, and says now on her, inasmuch as she belongs to the U. N., which in her opinion is international and untouchable by our government.

Nortman was the subject of a crying jag by a prominent reporter for a "Liberal" New York morning daily. He was busy feeling sorry for Nortman in 1947, when the State department removed Nortman from the federal payroll along with 9 soviet lovers. Naturally, the State department didn't bounce Nortman of its own free will. It took a lot of pressure from a congressional committee. And, as usual, the Civil Service commission

Lewis' favorite newspaper exclusives—disclosure that only "favorit had been granted air mail contract —resulted in cancellation of the contracts.

Lewis, who is 47, started his career as a reporter on the Washington Herald in 1924 and later became its city editor. He covered Washington for International News Service and Universal Service from 1928 to 1937, when he started his six-a-week broadcasts over 320 stations of the Mutual Network.

SEATTLE — (AP) — Teamsters from 11 western states wound up their regional conference here Friday with pledges of aid in rooting out communism and a warning to railroads to stay out of their province.

Teamster boss Dave Beck promised all-out support of his powerful AFL teamsters to the American trucking industry in its trade war with the railroads.

Beck, international vice-president of the Teamsters, told closing conference session that the railroads were doing everything possible to halt the progress of the trucking industry. "They will not succeed," he promised.

The railroads, Beck declared, are important and "we want them to be prosperous. We don't want to destroy them. By the same token, we don't want the railroads to destroy the trucking industry."

Teamster delegates pledged themselves to cooperate in every way with federal agencies to clean out communism from the western area. They also voted aid to the Sailors' union of the Pacific in its jurisdictional battle with Harry Bridges' Independent Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union over the loading of steam schooners.

The delegation also voted to oppose the re-admission of the Machinists union (Ind.) into the American Federation of Labor. The Machinists this year won control of Boeing Airplane Co. employees in a hotly disputed battle with the Teamsters. Re-admission of the union has been set for Jan. 1.

Meeting Of Air Reserve Training Unit Canceled

The regular meeting of the 9415th volunteer air reserve training squadron, Roseburg, scheduled Wednesday, Nov. 1, has been canceled.

The meeting was called off because of the weather and use of the army by refugees, Lt. Col. Theodore Wirak, commanding officer, announced.

The next regular meeting of the squadron will be Nov. 15, in the armory at 8 p.m.

Vital Statistics

Divorce Suit Filed ROBINSON — Anna Lee, vs. Wilbur A. Robinson.

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