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SPIRITUAL ARCHITECT

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Election by the Junior Chamber of Commerce of the Rev. W. A. MacArthur as Roseburg's junior first citizen will be approved by all city residents familiar with "Mac's" activities.

It is seldom that ministers are selected for special honor because of civic work. Pastors of large churches, merely attending to their pastoral duties, normally do more work than any one individual should be expected to perform. Consequently few have time for the civic tasks they would like to undertake.

We are amazed by "Mac's" capacity for work. His congregation is large and busy, demanding much pastoral attention. Yet he is an able leader and a participant in nearly every church event and activity. His scholarly messages at scheduled services indicate much study and preparation. The spirit and enthusiasm of the membership of his congregation show that he has neglected none of his responsibilities as a spiritual leader.

Despite his diligence as a minister, he finds time for work with the Chamber of Commerce, Red Cross, Community Chest, Kiwanis club, schools, youth groups and other civic bodies. He also appears frequently as speaker or master of ceremonies at various public meetings or programs sponsored by organizations.

It may be news to some of his friends that "Mac" was a student of architecture prior to entering the ministry. He has chosen, however, to apply his knowledge and boundless energy to the building of character and a better community rather than to the erection of material structures.

BAD NEWS FOR ERRANT FATHERS

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly does not claim to be an orator, but upon occasion he does a rare job of giving constructive advice to a culprit, or verbally flaying a malefactor.

We recall one particular case in which the prisoner had deserted his family, leaving his wife and several small children penniless. We wish we had recorded the judge's words, but we were so enthralled by the oral castigation we forgot for the moment our job as a reporter.

The theme was that in the animal kingdom man is the only beast that ever forsakes his young. That lower animals will starve themselves to feed their offspring; will risk any danger for the sake of their young. A man who deserts his children, said the judge, is the lowest and most degraded of all animals and no punishment is too severe.

The present session of the Oregon legislature has before it a bill which will make punishment of family deserters more certain.

Men now can leave their families and flee to other states, whereupon it becomes a costly and difficult procedure to bring them to justice.

A bill introduced by Senator Jack Lynch would make an order from an Oregon court enforceable in other states having substantially similar or reciprocal laws. Many states now are adopting this kind of legislation. If Oregon joins, courts will be in a far better position to protect abandoned children and relieve the welfare agency of a heavy load.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950, the Oregon State Public Welfare Commission paid out \$4,208,558.48 for aid to dependent children, the grants involving 3,833 families and 9,549 children. In addition, approximately 1,000 children received state aid through child caring agencies and 1,016 were cared for in foster welfare homes. All of this cost does not result from desertion on the part of the father, but a considerable portion could be eliminated through reciprocal legislation by the various states.

ESTHER GEDDES REPORTS

We are glad that Esther Geddes has consented again to report legislative sidelights for *The News-Review*.

Esther's column during the 1949 session was more widely quoted in the state press than offerings from any of the reports by special writers covering the legislature.

But more important than general acceptance of her comments by the press was the fact that through her column she succeeded in creating more public interest in the work of the session. Many of our subscribers told us that they followed legislative proceedings much closer than ever before, because of interest developed through reading Mrs. Geddes' column.

She combines a keen sense of observation and analysis with ability to express facts and opinions in a most enjoyable style.

Small Business Assured Share Of Defense Contracts

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Mobilization director Charles E. Wilson has pledged "every effort" to see that small business gets a fair share of defense contracts and survives the coming squeeze on civilian materials.

He gave that pledge in testimony for the senate's small business committee. Some senators have voiced the fear that small manufacturers may be put out of business by production controls unless they obtain defense work.

Wilson conceded there will "unfortunately" be a time lag in some cases between the curtailment of civilian output and the conversion of plants to defense production.

Twelve G.O.P. Senators Urge Adoption Of FEPC Law

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Twelve Republican senators have asked Congress to adopt a fair employment practices law, a move that is certain to meet with strong opposition from Southern Democrats.

Senator Ives (R-N.Y.), spokesman for the GOP group, told the Senate the legislation is an answer "to one of America's most serious domestic problems."

The bill would ban discrimination in employment because of race, color, national origin, or ancestry. It provides for enforcement measures under a Fair Employment Practices Commission.

Two Birds With One Stone, He Hopes



Scrap from the MENDING BASKET

By Vlahnett S. Martin

EJ didn't get very far this morning—about twenty feet. A motorcyclist headed upward waved him down: "Five trees and a slide across the road!" So the car went back in the garage. We put on foul weather togs and walked down. We knew where the slide would be—hadn't EJ been nodding his head at it for weeks? "That's coming down one of these days!" The rain's coming down, too. Eugene reported 1.34 inches at 6 o'clock. By the looks of the torrent around our spring house, we believe the rain was "a little short of spectacular" as weather report said. However, we enjoyed the novelty of a walk down our pretty canyon. Cascades plunging down every crease in the upside; Pheasant creek a muddy swirling stream below the road. A picture duplicated in hundred of other canyons in Oregon—maybe in yours. Power's on, praise be!

I had expected, as soon as EJ drove away, to write a scrap about the "Holy Report" (A Digest of the Study of Public Elementary and Secondary Education in Oregon, for which T. C. Holy was the chief consultant). Whatever you may think about the findings in this report, I'm sure you will agree it is perfectly printed for a easy reading! The pages are typewriter paper size, widely margined, triple spaced between paragraphs, a d look just like beautifully typed pages. Whoever was responsible for the setting up of the report did much to make it attractive to the eye—and that means much to people who have to wade through a veritable surf of print, as most people do these days.

My ideas about the Holy report were not too clear, so I gladly accepted the loan of a copy from Mr. Kenneth Barneburg, county school superintendent. However, I wasn't quite as confused as the woman he told about who refused to have anything to do with the Holy report; she didn't believe in putting religion into the schools!

At the request of the legislature, the state board of education allocated \$35,000 for this survey. Surely careful consideration of the findings is to the interest of every citizen of Oregon. The report points out the present good features of our school system; then suggests changes in poor features for the better. Anything concerning the welfare of our children is of primary importance to all of us; the Holy report is therefore interesting reading!

China's Rejection Of Bid To Cease Fire In Korea Puts United Nations In Hot Spot

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON — AP — The question of what to do about Red China's aggression in Korea, now that peace moves have failed, threatens to split the free world.

Secretary of State Acheson and other top officials are said to be keenly aware of the dangers of a showdown and are proceeding with caution to draft in cooperation with other nations a U.N. resolution indicting the Reds.

As a result the wording of the resolution may be less blunt than Washington would prefer, in the hope of winning support from as many U.N. members as possible. But even so it will force the issue—will make the nations at New York stand up and be counted on doing something about the Chinese war in Korea.

The possibility that at least one important country, heretofore counted in the anti-communist coalition in the U.N., may vote "no" was indicated by Prime Minister Nehru of India. Nehru said in Paris that to brand China as an aggressor in Korea "would bolt and bar the door to peaceful settlement" in the far east.

Some other nations—perhaps still clinging to a hope for peaceful settlement, perhaps fearful of stirring up more trouble—may follow the same line. The number cannot be known until the vote is taken.

Among officials here this line is regarded on the whole as highly unrealistic. They believe that when the showdown comes, a firm U.N. majority will support a resolution condemning the Chinese Communists as aggressors either directly or through implication by listing the record of their deeds.

In the first place, Acheson and his aides feel the Chinese Reds have now turned down so many opportunities to make peace that any further belief in the practical possibilities of successful and honorable negotiation is simply wishful thinking.

Secondly, they are convinced that to show fear in the face of aggressive Communism is simply to encourage it to more aggression. Acheson set forth the basic United States position on the question in one of the shortest and fastest statements he has ever made as U.S. foreign policy chief.

Bevan Will Head British Rearing In Cabinet Shift

LONDON — (AP) — Britain has named the leader of Parliament's powerful leftwing faction, former Welsh coal miner Aneurin Bevan, to spark much of her rearmament drive.

The 53-year-old former health minister was named to the key post of labor minister in a reshuffle of the cabinet.

As one of the top ministers in charge of the projected \$10,000,000,000 arms program, Bevan will control many phases of production, as well as the supply of manpower to expanding arms factories.

He is due to receive new and far wider powers than the post now commands.

To supply the manpower, Bevan probably will have to call on the government's powers to direct labor. The invoking of these is certain to bring a howl from the labor unions. One of Bevan's jobs will be to keep the unions in line.

Bevan has been a member of the labor government cabinet since it took office in 1945. As health minister, he has been in charge of the nation's cradle-to-grave national health plan and the housing drive.

The veteran laborite is a bitter political foe of Conservative leader Winston Churchill, whom he frequently insults on the floor of the house of Commons. Like Churchill, he is recognized as one of the ablest speakers in British public life.

As labor minister, Bevan succeeds 68-year-old George Isaacs, who steps down to pensions minister. The new health minister is Hilary Marquand, 49, who held the pensions post.

U.S. Economy's Strength Pointed Out By Truman

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman has offered some comparisons to bolster his assertion that the American economy is thoroughly sound and capable of growing even stronger.

He said Friday in his economic message that:

1. The nation's total output is more than 50 percent higher than 10 years ago, farm production is up 25 percent, civilian employment has increased by 13 million, steel capacity is up more than 20 percent, oil refining capacity is up 40 percent and electric power capacity has climbed 70 percent.

2. In the five years since V-J day brought an end to war production, private enterprise has invested more than \$90,000,000,000 in plant and equipment. Total manufacturing capacity has gained by between 25 and 30 percent, civilian employment in late 1950 was eight million above the peak year of World War II and output per man hour has advanced by about 10 percent.

3. During the last six months of 1950, private investment in construction, equipment and additions to inventory reached a record annual rate of \$53,000,000,000. The total output of goods and services is now running at an annual rate more than 10 percent above the average for 1949. More people were in civilian jobs at the peak of 1950 employment than ever before.

4. By the end of this year, Americans "can and should" achieve an annual rate of total output more than seven percent above the current level. They must work to increase the total production strength by at least 25 percent within the next five years.

Mr. Truman's message summed up the task of confronting the nation and said:

"There is no question that our economy can sustain the great exertions outlined above, and still remain strong and grow stronger. The past performance and present condition of the American economy make this plain."

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

(Continued from page One)

United Nations for an indictment of communist China as an aggressor."

What will come of it? Let's put it this way: You get in a scrap with a big bruiser twice your size. When the going gets rough, you ask him to quit hitting. He refuses. Whereupon you BRAND HIM AS AN AGGRESSOR.

By the way, he printed a run of the mill picture the other day of the new United Nations building in New York, along with a mild description of its lush interior. I can't remember when anything has stirred up as much cynical comment among our readers. The general drift of the comment has been that if you want an easy life in troublous times, choose diplomacy rather than the army or the navy or the air corps as a career.

The consensus is that a diplomat's quarters are so much better than a foxhole.

From Washington: "The government's decision to go ahead speedily with nationwide price and wage controls brought applause from senators today as a d sent officials into a whirl of last minute preparations.

"In the absence of any official word on exact timing, the best guess seems to be that a general price freeze, probably rolling back high levels somewhat, will come perhaps within a week—almost certainly not much longer."

You remember, I suppose, the old story of the doleful farmer on the road who when asked where he was going answered: "I'm going to town to get drunk—and GOSH how I dread it!"

That's about the way we all feel about wage and price controls—with their probably inevitable accompaniment of rationing.

BUT— It's now unavoidable. War—and preparation for war—upset the law of supply and demand and when the law of supply and demand is upset the free enterprise system goes off its rocker.

This, too, is from Washington: "Government food officials said today upwards of A BILLION POUNDS OF MEAT ARE PROBABLY STASHED AWAY IN FAMILY FREEZE UNITS AND LOCKERS IN ANTICIPATION OF RATIONING."

What we've all been doing in these months since Korea is hurrying to get ours while the getting is good. It sounds bad. But we Americans aren't as bad as we appear to be. When the bombs begin to fall, the GOOD in us will come out.

On that dread day, if it should come, those who have freezers full of meat will haul it out and give it freely and gladly to those who have none and are hungry.

China's Peace Terms Would Erase Hope Of Nationalists, Expose Formosa To Red Grab

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

An ambitious Red China, its confidence bolstered by Moscow's hand upon its shoulder, has (as forecast by this column) rejected the U.N. proposal for a cease fire in Korea and has countered with demands of a conqueror.

The Peiping proposal in effect calls for the recognition of Red China to the exclusion of Chiang Kai-Shek's nationalist regime, which is now cooped up on the island of Formosa. This means that the Communists would be given China's seat in the U.N.

NATIONALIST China is polished off politically by the provisions for a seven-nation conference which would be held on Communist territory. Chiang's regime would be excluded, the conferees besides Red China being the Soviet Union, America, France, Britain, India and Egypt.

The coup de grace for Nationalist China is contained in the stipulation that the conference must be preceded not only by the withdrawal of all foreign troops from Korea, but by the withdrawal of American naval forces from the vicinity of Formosa. This Formosan qualification obviously is calculated to achieve a double object:

1. It would render Chiang impotent to move his forces from the island for an attack against the Reds on the mainland.

2. By stripping the Nationalists of American protection it would lay them open to attack by the Russian backed Chinese Communists.

No Peace Desire Seen

All of this was, of course, to be expected when the cease-fire proposals were submitted to Peiping. There has been nothing to encourage the belief that the Reds would feel it profitable for them to abandon their invasion of Korea. They have a million and a half fighting men available. That is, they have the United Nations forces outnumbered 6 to 1.

Only a Chinese desire for peace (which doesn't exist) would persuade them to stop their attack under such circumstances—barring bribery by great concessions. Their sweeping counter proposals contain terms on which they are prepared to bargain.

U. N. In Tight Corner

Well, that's the sorry story. So where do we go from here? The answer is that the rebuffed peace organization presumably will be impelled to pick up where it left off when the cease-fire project was first proposed. That would mean considering an American sponsored measure condemning Communist China as an aggressor.

The adoption of such grave condemnation logically would be followed by some punitive measure. This might take the form of an economic sanction.

The U.N. is in a tight corner. The peace organization is in the position of "being damned if it does, and damned if it doesn't." The lesser of these evils may be some positive and constructive action.

Global Warfare Outlawing Predicted By Scientist

SEATTLE — (AP) — Dr. Robert A. Millikan says he believes mankind will outlaw global warfare.

"Man is intelligent," the noted 52-year-old scientist said in an interview. "He will do & because he must or lose everything we hold dear to civilized life.

Truman Draws Reply On Promise Of Consultation

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman's assertion he will consult Congress in sending U. S. troops to Europe — but won't be bound by it — was labelled by Senator Taft (R-Ohio) as "the end of the bipartisan foreign policy."

At the same time, Senator Wherry (R-Neb) challenged Mr. Truman's indirect claim that the American people will back substantial use of U.S. troops to bolster western Europe's defenses against attack.

The President told a news conference he has authority to send more foot soldiers to Europe and intends to use it. But he will consult with congressional foreign relations and armed services leaders as a matter of politeness before he does it, he added.

He said that, as commander in chief, he isn't bound by any decision Congress makes unless it restricts the number of troops by limiting appropriations.

And if the lawmakers want to go to the country with that kind of a restriction, he declared, he is willing.

He licked 'em once before, the President said in an obvious reference to his attacks on the Republican 80th Congress in the 1948 presidential campaign.

Transfer Of Game Law From State Police Requested

SALEM — (AP) — State game law enforcement would be transferred from the state police to the Game Commission by a bill introduced in the legislature by the senate game committee.

The measure, endorsed by fish and game organizations, would form a separate division of the state police, under supervision of the Game Commission.

This division would receive the same share of fishing and hunting license sales as now is given to the state police.

Drunk drivers would receive mandatory suspensions of driver's licenses under a bill requested by Secretary of State Newby.

The drunk drivers now have their licenses suspended for a year, but many of them are restored by courts long before the year is up.

Under the proposed law, the suspensions would be definite. They would be for 90 days for the first offense, a year for the second, and three years for the third.

Sen. Ben Musa, Th Edalles Democrat, introduced a bill to reduce the corporation income tax rate from 8 to 6 percent. But, he said, his bill would increase state revenues, because it eliminates the provision whereby corporations may deduct their personal property tax from their corporation income tax.

Law Suit Lost Over Cross-Eyed Mariner

BALTIMORE — (AP) — Testimony showed the ship's mate was "cross-eyed, couldn't read charts or steer a course, Federal Judge Calvin Chesnut ruled.

So the judge ruled against Somerset Seaford Co. in its suit to collect \$65,000 for the loss of the oyster boat T. H. Anderson.

The boat was sunk Oct. 15, 1949, when it rammed the sunken hull of the battleship Texas, consigned to Virginia waters off Tangier sound in target practice before World War I.

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A Tribute To . . . Our Civic Leaders

There have been others — such as Benjamin Franklin — who healed family trouble, as well as those of the commonwealth. Today, the fine, efficient men who guide the civic destinies of our community do not have time to personalize their talents. But they work assiduously for the good of the greatest number . . . and they do a most commendable job. They do their utmost—give of their time and effort—to make our community—Your Neighborhood—your life more abundant. Give them your support. Show them you appreciate their goals and achievements!

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