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SPEED IS ESSENTIAL

By CHARLES V. STANTON

The Douglas county court has placed itself on record favoring the "River Route" between Sutherlin and Lone rock, rather than the "Short Route," vigorously supported by Sutherlin interests.

We do not propose to enter into the controversy aroused by the various route proposals. We would, however, urge construction of a suitable access road between Sutherlin and the North Umpqua timber area at the earliest possible date.

Merits of the respective routes involve many factors deserving careful analysis. The sponsoring Sutherlin interests are very definitely plugging for the "Short Route," which would connect the Calapooia road, at a point near Nonpareil, with the Lone rock bridge. This road, it is claimed would be the cheapest, involving less new construction. Sutherlin interests claim it could be built for log hauling purposes within a short time, while other routes will take longer to open. Sutherlin wants access to the North Umpqua with as little delay as possible.

The county court, while admitting the higher cost and longer elapsed time in opening the river route, contends that by the following the north side of the Umpqua river from Lone rock to Wilbur, with a cut-off to the Calapooia road by way of Cooper creek, it will be possible to open up a large territory now inaccessible, serving large ranches and providing recreational facilities. The distance between Sutherlin and Lone rock, it is stated, would be less than by the route Sutherlin endorses.

Sutherlin Needs Access To Timber

Advantages in grade and curvature favor the Cooper creek route, the court declares, and the additional cost would be justified by service to agricultural lands and the enlargement of recreational resources.

We are not as much interested in which road is opened as we are in getting SOME means whereby Sutherlin's industrial economy can be preserved.

Private timber on which several mills of the Sutherlin-Oakland community depend is limited. Unless those operations can be supplemented by purchases of federal timber, the production rate will drop. Some plants may, in fact, be forced to close.

We hope within the near future to have access roads built into the national forest to permit removal of an additional 110,000,000 board feet of timber annually. A small part of that supply will bolster the Sutherlin-Oakland economy.

If the timber does not go to Sutherlin it will, of course, be manufactured elsewhere. But we believe it very poor economy to build new industrial plants in one area and abandon them in another when it is possible to support an existing community and its property values by furnishing transportation facilities.

The Sutherlin-Oakland community is contributing in large measure to the economic welfare of the county. It is a progressive community. It is interested in the best possible utilization and production. New industries proposed for that area will, if finally installed, permit a much higher degree of waste utilization than at present, while adding much to employment. These new industries, however, will need better access to the federal timber supply upon which our whole timber industry is daily growing more and more dependent.

The county court has given much study to the road problem. We have no criticism of the court's decision. We only hope that every possible effort will be made to speed construction of a road placing the Oakland-Sutherlin community in a position to compete for the timber supply so vital to continued economy.



Scraps From the MENDING BASKET
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How many children wrote a Thank You to old Santa Claus? I wonder? Children always remember the day when they received their Christmas gifts. But why not encourage them to be just as enthusiastic about a Thank You letter to Santa? Good for the children, don't you think?

I do not remember when our children made the change from the usual child thought about Santa to the one we adults delight in; but there certainly was no disappointment expressed. Little did I do in the story who they never felt the way the said: "No Santa Claus, now I don't believe in God, either." I suppose it was because we always stressed that all good comes from the Heavenly Father, and that it is expressed to us in whatever way we need to receive it.

Speaking of Christmas: I guess my copy for Christmas Eve was lost in the deluge of mail circulation then? Well, maybe you did not even read the column that evening, you were so busy otherwise! It may turn up yet.

We had a lovely Christmas, even if it was a little different to what we had planned. I am sure you did, too, especially if you had children in the home! We have enjoyed our neighbors' outdoor lighting! We had a tree, but nothing outdoors. (Do better next year!) But passersby must have been looking at the Roberts' lights and never noticed our lack of "finished" a new house know the thousand and one tasks clamoring to be done, especially with winter here.

A husband giving up his lei-

Local News

Leaves For Convention — Jack Holder of Roseburg left Monday for Chicago to visit friends and to attend the Dairy Queen national convention. He expects to return to Roseburg about Jan. 15.

Will Return To Office — Dr. R. L. Dunn will return to his office in the Masonic building Wednesday morning, following a two weeks illness at his home in this city. Over Christmas, the Dunn's had as guests Dr. Dunn's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. David W. Dunn, of Springfield.

TO THE NEW YEAR

By Elsie Karlin

We cannot tell with certainty
The course that you should steer;
But make our trip around the sun
A happy one this year.

Guide us so we see the moon
And stars along the way.
Follow paths that hold for us
Some sunlight every day.

Lead us quickly through the clouds
And storms that block our view
Then let us linger to enjoy
A rainbow's lovely hue.

Time, you have so much to spend
We have but little here.
So make our trip around the sun
A happy one this year

Fulton Lewis Jr. WASHINGTON REPORT

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WASHINGTON — Ambassador at large Philip Jessup blocked an investigation of Communists in the Institute of Pacific Relations and tolerated an IPR lobby trying to force a Communist government on China, a former associate of his informed a senate committee.

Professor Kenneth Colegrove, of Northwestern University, an expert on the Far East, also charged under oath, before the McCarran subcommittee on internal security, that Jessup was the author of the State Department's white paper apology for its failure in China.

"In my opinion it was one of the most false and dishonest documents ever published by any country," Colegrove said.

Jessup currently is Secretary of State Dean Acheson's errand boy at international conferences. He is trotting as a representative of the United States government.

Colegrove knows Jessup well, and its unfortunate the senate subcommittee that investigated Jessup's appointment as U. S. representative to the United Nations Paris fracas didn't have the sense to call him a witness. As it was, the senators heard enough to scare them away from approving Jessup, but not enough to turn him down flat.

Colegrove worked over Jessup at length for doctoring up the China white paper. Then, in an exchange with Senator James O. Eastland of Mississippi, he hung it on our ambassador at large for whitewashing the Reds in the IPR. Here is a sample:

Eastland: "Do you remember Mr. Alfred Kohlberg made charges that the IOR was Communist-controlled?"

Colegrove: "Yes, I was one of the members at that time that voted in favor of Mr. Kohlberg's report."

Eastland: "All he wanted was an investigation?"

Colegrove: "Merely an investigation, an outside investigation."

Eastland: "Did he get an investigation?"

Colegrove: "No; he did not."

Eastland: "It was whitewashed, was it not?"

Colegrove: "Very definitely."

Eastland: "Did Professor Jessup have a hand in that whitewashing?"

Colegrove: "I regret to say that Jessup's name is among the eight who signed the letter to the members informing them that the charges were false."

So far the McCarran committee has uncovered 44 Communists in the IPR and the senators are only halfway through the search. Edward C. Carter, a soft touch for the Reds who cluttered up his office, was secretary of the IPR at the time Jessup was throwing his weight around in the organization. Colegrove, in 1945, heard reports that Carter was attempting to influence the State Department to force Chiang Kai-shek to accept Chinese Communists in his government. Acheson and former Secretary of Defense George C. Marshall were doing the same thing.

Colegrove protested against Carter sticking his nose in the China business, and wrote the IPR demanding an explanation. He said he got a note denying that Carter was pushing for a 50-50 Communist government in China, but knew better.

Jessup was an IPR trustee at the time and Colegrove said he couldn't understand why Jessup didn't stop Carter. Later on he answers his own question when he testified that Jessup was close to the left-wing group in IPR all along.

As late as January, 1949, Jessup spoke before the UN security council and blasted the Dutch government and its stand on Indonesia. Asked by Eastland if Jessup was following the Communist line doing this, Colegrove said:

"Well, that is the Communist line."

Hear Fulton Lewis Daily On KRNR, 4:00 P.M. And 9:15 P.M.

If Russia Were Defeated New Problems Would Arise

By BRUCE BLOSSAT

Even the most cheerful among our prophets concede that war between the West and the Soviet Union might happen some day in spite of all effort to prevent it.

Suppose that it should. The general assumption is that we would win it, provided, naturally, that we were able to bring to bear the full weight of our economic might.

Somehow the notion has got about that if war did come and we managed to emerge victorious, our troubles would be behind us. The theory seems simple enough. Russian Communists are to blame for the cold war and attendant evils. If they're eliminated, the woes they have thrust upon the world ought to vanish, too.

Yet it's likely this would be only partly true. There would be certain specific gains, indeed. We would be rid of Stalin and his most effective contemporaries, together with the frightful structure of terror they call the Communist government.

But what would fill the void? What kind of government? What leaders?

It is well understood that the West, chiefly the United States, would have to occupy Russia for many years, gradually establishing a new Russian government and pointing it toward ultimate freedom and independence.

Russia is a nation of more than 200 million people, stretching 6000 miles wide, and in all, covering a sixth of the earth's surface. Merely to police it adequately would take an army of considerable size.

Worse than that, the people of the Soviet Union have known nothing but communism for more than 30 years, and even before the Bolshevik Revolution they had gained but the feeblest experience with democracy as the czars grudgingly gave ground.

Furthermore, it is the nature

of communism to destroy systematically all competing loyalties, whether in religion, social groups, labor unions or whatever. So the people in Russia today are literally a shapeless mass. Take away Communist organization and there is nothing.

To build a new government upon this marshy soil would tax the imagination of the most brilliant statesmen.

Does anyone suppose the Russians would quickly and automatically embrace democracy as they threw off the Communist fetters? Our best analysts suggest this is foolish.

More probably we should have to begin with some form of authoritarian government, and it would be sadly noted that the arrangement more closely resembled the departed Communist regime than democracy in the U. S.

There would be anguished cries from statesmen asking if that was what we had fought for, merely to bring socialism back to Russia in new dress.

Congressional search parties might embark for Russia to track down good democrats capable of setting up a really free government.

Yet they would almost certainly come home convinced their journey was fruitless. You cannot make democrats out of slaves in a day or even a decade.

We would have to take the best thing we could get, and hope that time — and our example — would teach the Russians the merits of democracy.

From whatever angle you view it, the postwar management of a defeated Russia would be a problem comparable in scope and delicacy to most of those we shudder at today.

Hungary-Freed Flier Glad U. S. Paid His Fine

WASHINGTON — Capt. John J. Swift, one of four U. S. airmen sprung from a Hungarian jail by U. S. payment of \$120,000, said Monday he was awfully glad this country paid the money.

"I would have tried to borrow the \$30,000 to pay back my share of the fine if it had been necessary," he told reporters.

Swift, first of the airmen to return to the United States, stopped off here on his air trip from Germany to Syracuse, N. Y., where his father is ill.

Swift said the arrest of himself and his companions and their 39 days of day and night questioning was something he had thought just could not happen.

But he knows now, he said, that it might happen to any American. **Gas Shortage Blamed**

Swift said the C-47 transport had not been forced down by Russian MIG planes. Swift put it this way:

"If we had not been low on gas we would not have been so anxious to follow when a fighter passed us and headed toward a lighted air field."

Swift said that he and his crew mates hoped that the plane which had passed them in the darkness was a Yugoslavian craft sent up to help the Americans some two hours after they had strayed from their course.

Congressman Angell Weds His Office Aide

PORTLAND — Rep. Homer D. Angell, Oregon Republican, and Mrs. Margaret Claggett were married here New Year's day.

Dr. Paul S. Wright, pastor of the First Presbyterian church performed the ceremony at the home of Mrs. Claggett's mother.

They will leave Jan. 7 for Washington.

Mrs. Claggett has been secretary in Angell's Portland office for 32 years. The office is to be closed and she will serve as his secretary in Washington. He has filed for re-nomination as Republican candidate for Third District Representative.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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WHAT INFORMATION IS AND WHAT IT IS NOT. We shall have a good start toward dealing with this evil force which has already destroyed much of the value of the dollar.

Confusion as to what inflation is? Shucks! Mr. Douglas. You know better than that. You know that among clear thinkers (you are a clear thinker yourself) there is no confusion whatever as to what inflation is.

It is what happens when governments GET DISHONEST and resort to shenanigans with money and credit to get themselves out of the holes they've got into as a result of RECKLESS SPENDING.

Let's track this money and credit business (especially money) back into history.

In the dim and foggy beginnings of commerce, there was no money. People just swapped what they had for what somebody else had. That was unhandy. So, in the course of time, the idea of a MEDIUM OF EXCHANGE arose.

Cattle were among the earliest media of exchange. You've heard of "pecuniary" problems. Well, PECUNIA is the Latin word for money. It was derived from PECUS meaning cattle.

For quite a long while, cattle worked pretty well as money. Practically everybody wanted them. They could be moved from place to place, and cattle drew interest! The cows had calves and the calves grew up and thus money increased itself.

But, slowly civilization advanced. People began to TRAVEL, among other things. When you went on a trip and put up at an inn, it was inconvenient to drag a herd of cattle along with you. Besides, it was bunglesome. Imagine handing a cow to the hotel cashier and getting a couple of calves back in change.

Out of all this inconvenience came eventually, with many intermediate steps, which there isn't room here to describe, the more or less universal use of gold and silver as money. They were HANDY.

The practice at first was to WEIGH THE ACTUAL METAL. But, as in the case of cattle, that was bunglesome. So, in time, somebody evolved the brilliant idea of stamping the pieces of metal with a mark GUARANTEEING their weight and fineness.

That was progress! At first the stamp was that of a PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL—something like what we now call a banker. As long as that lasted the scheme worked remarkably well.

THESE PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS WERE HONEST. Then—

A change came. KINGS (that is to say governments) began to put on the stamp "guaranteeing" the weight and fineness. And, as GOVERNMENT came into the money door, HONESTY flew out of the window.

Here's how it happened: The kings (like all governments sooner or later) SPENT TOO MUCH MONEY and got heavily into debt. So they went crooked. They "sweated" the coins they

had stamped with their image. They bored holes in the edges and kept the gold that was bored out and filled the holes with lead and other base and cheap metals.

In time, this resulted in too much money WORTH TOO LITTLE. People lost confidence in it. Prices soared. There was general suffering. In the long run, everybody got gyped, but of course, the slickers, the smart hombres, got off best and the heaviest load of suffering fell on the shoulders of the common, ordinary, honest, decent PLUGS—just as now.

That, Mr. Douglas, is how inflation was born. You know the story. And you know THIS, also: As long as governments are inherently dishonest—

That is to say, as long as they JUGGLE money and credit so they can GO ON SPENDING RECKLESSLY instead of cutting down expenses and economizing as ordinary people have to do when they get head over heels in debt—

Well, as long as that goes on, you and other people can get together in conferences and talk yourselves hoarse BUT INFLATION WILL CONTINUE.

I hope you'll all have a good time at this coming blow-out in New York, but I don't think you'll accomplish much. Before our inflation ills can be cured, we'll have to cure our government dog of sucking eggs.

Ten Years Given Teen-Agers For Assault, Robbery

KLAMATH FALLS — Six teen-aged boys, all graduates of local juvenile courts, were sentenced to 10 years in the Oregon Prison Monday morning for the strongarm robbery of a 72-year-old man Christmas night.

They are Eugene Book, 18, Robert Gene Ambrose, 18, Kenneth Smith, 18, Jerry Tucker, 17, Claude Worley Jr., 17, and Jack Ambrose, 19.

They pleaded guilty to beating and robbing the old man, Gerald Wick, of \$340.

Within half an hour after sentence was passed in a stormy Circuit Court scene, the boys were on their way to Salem.

Parents, girl friends and acquaintances of the six crowded the courtroom. After the first youth, Eugene Book, was sentenced, they broke into shouts and screams.

Judge David R. Vandenberg ordered the courtroom cleared and several persons were forcibly ejected by officers.

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