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## HARRY AND HOOVER

By Charles V. Stanton

For 20 years the Socialist-Democrats have been campaigning against Herbert Hoover. They're still at it. But are they now creating a "Hoover" within their own party? Has Truman been tagged for the role of the Democratic "Hoover"?

Are the sins of the Socialist-Democrats to be piled upon Truman's back? Is he to be made the scapegoat?

He is getting the cold shoulder from party leadership. He has been thoroughly snubbed by the party nominee. His offer to conduct a "give-em-hell-Harry" whistle-stop campaign was rudely rebuffed. The man who by all precedent should be the titular leader of the party is being ignored. What does it all mean?

There is found a significant clue in a letter bearing Stevenson's signature.

When Tom Humphrey, editor of the Oregon Journal's editorial page was preparing an endorsement of Stevenson he wrote the Governor asking several direct questions. The answer to one of those questions is particularly revealing.

Humphrey quotes Stevenson as follows: "As to whether I can clean up the mess in Washington, I would bespeak the careful scrutiny of what I inherited in Illinois and what has been accomplished in three years."

Harry isn't going to like that. Harry is a man of much pride and great ego. He apparently believes that Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln should move over and make room for him on the pedestal of fame. To call his administration a "mess," and particularly having it so termed by the party nominee, will make Harry very unhappy.

### Disgrace Hangs Over Head

The campaign strategy, we believe, is plain. There can be no denying the corruption, graft and inefficiency of the present administration. Too much evidence has been placed before the voting public. Campaign leaders, therefore, are planning to heap all the sins of the administration upon Truman's head. He is to be pushed aside as one unclean, while a pure knight in shining armor, mounted on a spotlessly white charger, rides into the fray with a battery of "Throw the Rascals Out." The "mess" is to be frankly acknowledged. But, instead of the blame being placed where it belongs, the "rascals" propose to stay in power by transferring the guilt to Truman. He is to be made the Democratic counterpart of the Republican Hoover. He is to be given the smear treatment. Instead of his rightful place as party leader, spearheading the campaign to elect his successor, he is to be a virtual pariah, from whom the "righteous" party leadership draws aside its robes to avoid contaminating contact.

It is probably good political strategy to select a scapegoat; to pile upon him the odium collected by a party too long in power; to campaign upon a purity platform. But it's hard on Harry.

### Plan Might Boomerang

It is interesting to conjecture what might happen if the plan is carried too far.

Harry certainly cannot be happy with what has transpired to date. His ego has been rudely shattered. His dream of a rip-roaring campaign — which he thoroughly enjoys — with himself as the keynoter, has been exploded. Rudely he has been denied the office of titular leader of the party, a spot that should be his through long established tradition.

But Harry has been thoroughly trained in the school of machine politics, where self-sacrifice for purposes of expediency is a paramount virtue. He may meekly accept the burden of sin, assuming the scapegoat role for the sake of the party. If tossed a few crumbs, he may behave himself.

On the other hand, Harry is somewhat short-tempered. He is given to writing nasty letters if he thinks he is being pushed around. It is quite possible his ego will not withstand the jolts it is getting.

It is no secret that Harry tried his best to get Eisenhower to run on the Democratic ticket. It also is no secret that his original choice for a successor was not Stevenson. He endorsed Stevenson only when told to do so.

Harry may get his back up if he is pushed too far. He might write some more nasty letters. Rather than be made the target for abuse from his own party, he might cast a bombshell into the works and make monkeys of his detractors.

He probably is too well steeped in machine politics to take such course. He possibly is willing to allow himself to be sacrificed upon the political altar. But he won't like it. And that Truman temper might explode. It's an interesting possibility.

**Scrap From the MENDING BASKET**  
by Vidnett Martin P.O. Box 574, Drain, Or.

Maybe it's because I'm a Martin too, even if not befathered, that the doings of purple martins interest me so much. Maybe it's because I still remember the flying circus that went on around the many-roomed birdhouse I built with the help of a baby in rompers who solemnly handed him every nail. Anyhow — I like purple martins.

The July Audubon Warbler (edited in Portland by Mrs. H. C. Judd) tells of Dr. Stanley Richmond's efforts to raise the birds hereabouts. Says Dr. Richmond, who lives in Eugene: "I have ten hand-raised birds flying over my place this year. One of them was hatched from an egg from the other nine were taken from wild martin nests over on the coast."

"The birds are great pets, catch most of their own food but accept some from me daily. They sleep in bird houses at night and perch on the high power lines in back of my house most of the rest of the time. . . . Apparently there is a calcium shortage here in the valley and the purple martins will really come a long way for it (crushed egg shell).  
"If one can scatter a considerable amount of finely crushed egg shell on dark ground in the yard, purple martins will most surely find it and come down. Other swallows as well as some of the seed eaters will partake too."  
Dr. Richmond trapped a family of martins, and had to hand-raise the young because the parent birds refused to do so in captivity. However when accustomed to captivity their instincts are not dulled. "For example, the bird which was hatched from the eastern strain, at the age of 60 days, began to undertake seriously the feeding of five little nestlings and even though still accepting food from me, would fly out and return with a mouthful of assorted insects for the gaping young 'uns. Since it takes a purple martin two years to mature, this was quite a performance, I think."

## Benevolence Sure Is a Screwy Business



## Fulton Lewis Jr. WASHINGTON REPORT

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WASHINGTON — The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization was having a field day infiltrating the American educational system when it stubbed its toes on a series of pamphlets entitled: "Towards World Understanding."

The pamphlets are the outpouring of a series of UNESCO global conferences, none of which had anything to do with the American school system. They were distributed widely among schools in the nation, however, but it was not until 1951 that the counter-attack against them started. UNESCO's first reaction was that the pamphlets are not the responsibility of UNESCO and that they did not necessarily reflect the views of UNESCO.

The pamphlets were printed by the International Documents Service, Columbia University Press, New York City. At one point UNESCO spokesmen claimed that this was just another agency that could print anything about UNESCO it wanted to print.

The U.S. National Commission for UNESCO publishes an information bulletin. On April 14, 1952, it stated, at the bottom of page one: "The International Documents Service, Columbia University, is the OFFICIAL sales agency of all such material within the U.S."

The April issue of the bulletin was devoted to defending the pamphlets, "Towards World Understanding."  
One of the charges made against the pamphlets is that UNESCO "advances the doctrine that the prime function of public education in the United States must be that of capturing the minds of our children, at the earliest possible age, for the cause of political world government."

UNESCO terms this criticism "wilful distortion," and states that the international seminars "discuss neither education in the United States nor world government. What is advocated is international cooperation and international understanding and loyalty to mankind as a whole. They do advise against the kind of selfish nationalism which leads to the rise of dictators. They do not discuss political world government."

UNESCO pamphlet No. 4, entitled "The United Nations and World Citizenship," states: "In our time, we need to dedicate education to the service of the human community as a whole. The ideal to be pursued is that, whether in the home, the social environment or the school, our children should be educated to live with others and to prepare themselves for citizenship in a WORLD SOCIETY."

Even without UNESCO, the American educational system long ago realized the necessity of teaching American children that people in other lands are also people. But we were also taught to let others govern themselves as they see fit. UNESCO thinks differently, and is attempting to force its views on our schools, despite their denials. Here is another quote from pamphlet No. 4: "So far as the school's part in this process is concerned, we summarize its object as being to secure in the child a sense of community, first in the class, then in the successively larger groups comprised by the school, the neighborhood, and the nation, in a progression of loyalties which will enable him to later reach the climax of membership in the WORLD COMMUNITY."

Article 1, section 3 of the

UNESCO constitution states: "With a view of preserving the independence, integrity and fruitful diversity of the cultures and educational systems of the state members of this organization, the organization is prohibited from intervening in matters which are essentially within their domestic jurisdiction."

How and what we teach in American schools is certainly within the "domestic jurisdiction" of the United States. Yet, here is an official statement of UNESCO, issued on Nov. 14, 1951:

"It is well known that UNESCO seeks to impress on youth the importance of international understanding and cooperation as a path to peace. We resent the attacks on our educators who teach about UNESCO and the United Nations. The attacks distort the purpose of UNESCO, and sometimes they are directed toward control of courses of study and of the content of textbooks, the end in view being to diminish opportunities to learn the true aims of UNESCO and the United Nations."

Pamphlets one to 10 of the series "Towards World Understanding" are in toto an attempt to influence, guide and propagandize American teachers on what should be taught in schools. Nobody resents UNESCO telling its own story to American pupils. We all ought to resent, however, UNESCO telling American teachers what to teach to our sons and daughters. We have the greatest school system in the world. We had it for decades before UNESCO was born. Let's keep it that way.

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

## Editorial Comment

From The Oregon Press

### HIGH SPEED RAIL CARS

**Ashland Tidings**  
More and more of the modern, high-speed diesel rail cars, built by the Budd Co., are being placed in service by railroads of the country. As to be expected, the Southern Pacific is a notable exception.

The fast, stream-lined cars, with self-contained power unit, are being used by many railroads for secondary service, where a conventional train is uneconomical. On lines where these cars are being used, they are either showing a profit or have reduced the operating loss to such a level that the railroad feels continued service is justified.

It is apparent that the Southern Pacific sees Southern Oregon only as a source of freight revenue and a most handsome source at the present time with heavy shipments of lumber and fruit.

The Daily Tidings still believes that the Southern Pacific could develop a sound passenger service, using the Budd rail cars, over the Siskiyou line, running from Roseburg to Dunsmuir for Shasta Daylight connections, or from Eugene to Dunsmuir, the entire length of the Siskiyou line.

But we suspect that the SP will continue content with its lucrative

## In the Day's News

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the other day that (as is its unquestioned right and privilege) it will support Stevenson. Acknowledging gratefully the proffered assistance, Adlai said (among other things):

"I can only give my best, with RUTHLESS objectivity, as I have done here (in Illinois) to the PAIR of the politicians and the business men WHO LIKED IT THE OLD WAY." (Meaning, I presume, the mink coat and deep freeze school of "business" men.)

He added: "My job is to persuade the country that it can have a change without changing parties and that the HAZARD OF CHANGING PARTIES may bring bad changes along with the good changes."

Personally, it seemed to me that Stevenson was nominated in order to STOP KEFAUVER — whose crime-busting activities and predictions "the politicians and the business men who liked it the old way" — just COULDN'T tolerate. The drift of events in the convention strongly suggested the thought that Stevenson looked to them like the best pinch-hitter available under the circumstances.

I think they had the pious idea they could put him over and then HANDLE HIM AFTERWARDS.

Maybe, if elected, he'll surprise them and will turn out to be one who can't be handled. Smart schemers sometimes do get slipped up on — and so far Stevenson seems to be an admirable sort of person.

But I still think we need a change, and I'm quite sure I'll give you a COMPLETE change than Adlai COULD give us — no matter how much he might want to. The pressures of party politics are tremendous and I doubt if Stevenson OR ANY OTHER DEMOCRAT could give us as complete a change in Washington as we need.

Incidentally — Let's not forget WHY we need a complete change in Washington and in the bureaucratic set-up throughout the country.

This is the reason: Too much power held in too few hands too long is always dangerous.

## Reader Opinions

### Says Senator Morse Out Of Step With GOP

ROSEBURG — A few days ago Senator W. Morse said for publication that the Republican platform is out of date by half a century. The reason that he made that statement is that he wanted to be a member of the platform committee but because he has always voted with the Democratic-Labor party, the Republicans refused to appoint him to that committee.

Morse is one of those "rule or ruin" persons. If he can't have his own way, he is willing to scuttle the party. He has always faithfully followed the Democratic-Labor party line and wanted to write the Republican party platform in the image of himself and his New Deal-Fair Deal party. He says that he is a maverick, which Webster defines as "An unbranded animal." He is branded with the big letters "ND" for New Dealism. So far as the Republican party is concerned, Morse is a Trojan horse, with this difference, that he has all the qualities of a jackass. "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau."

Since Morse is entirely out of step with the Republican party and is entirely in step with the Democratic-Labor party, why doesn't he get over on their side. They would welcome him and the Republicans would be glad to get rid of him.

GEORGE DAVIS, Roseburg, Oregon

### Wage Boost Now Impossible, Coal Operators Say

NEW YORK — Negotiations on a new contract for 75,000 hard coal miners began here Tuesday with the industry announcing at the outset that a pay increase was "impossible" at this time.

John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, sent word that he was detained in Washington but might arrive later in the day to join in the talks between representatives of the union and management.

Just before the opening session began, Edward G. Fox, president of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Co. and chairman of the management group, told reporters: "The industry is unable to meet any increase at this time. It would be impossible."

He said the industry was facing strong competition from the oil and gas industries, particularly natural gas.

U.M.W. demands have not been made public, but sources close to the union indicated the miners would ask for a pay boost and an increase in the 30-cents-a-ton payment by the operators into the union welfare fund.

They now earn an average of \$2.25 an hour, partial-to-portal, with a 7 1/2-hour work day.

Lewis has served notice that his contracts for soft coal miners as well as those in the anthracite pits will expire Sept. 30.

He has called on his 475,000 soft and hard coal miners to get slip work for a "memorial period" between Aug. 2 and Sept. 2 for men killed in mine disasters.

### Local GOP Trio Will Attend Policy Meeting

Three local Republicans will attend the State Federation of the Young Republican Policy convention Sept. 13 and 14 in Prineville.

Representing Roseburg at the state meet will be John Felt, 913 Nebo; Elliott Molschenbacher, 1068 Winchester, and Dudley Walton, 2032 Catherine.

On the convention docket are problems of agriculture, education, labor, natural resources, roads and highways, foreign policy and State and Federal affairs.

Felt is a member of the labor and industries committee, Molschenbacher the agricultural committee, and Walton the rules group.

### Farmers In Red China Flocking To Cities

HONG KONG — Independent underground reports say the Communist "land reform" program in one big area in South China has backfired, bringing on "famine and chaos."

One newspaper says that in Kwangsi province Red efforts to seize the land sent thousands of farmers flocking to the cities, leaving thousands of acres idle and the countryside facing starvation.

This report says 40,000 farmers in four counties alone have been dispossessed, and possibly 3,000 of them have gone over to the guerrillas.

### Kindergarten Project Calls For Split Votes

SALEM — Eugene School District voters will have to vote separately on (1) whether they want kindergartens and (2) whether they want to pay for them. Attorney General George Neuner ruled Tuesday.

Lane County School District 4 had asked that the authority for the kindergartens and the financing be included in one bill. They fear voters might approve the kindergartens, but provide no money to pay for them. Neuner ruled that state law prohibits the merger of the two measures.

## U.S. Price Tag, National Debt Bear Witness To Government's Solvency

By WADE JONES

After what must have been quite a chore in arithmetic, the U. S. News and World Report comes up with the word that this country is worth one trillion dollars, as is, FOB, on the hoof.

That figure includes buildings, land, equipment and goods. It does not include oil, coal and other underground minerals, perishable consumer goods, military assets and - improvement costs, and works of art.

Residences are the biggest single item of our wealth, totalling \$199 billion. Land is \$160 billion; other buildings \$138 billion; factories,

stores and offices, \$113 billion; machines, factory equipment, railroads, etc., \$110 billion; goods in factories, stores and warehouses, \$110 billion; autos, appliances and household equipment \$103 billion, and gold held in this country, plus assets abroad \$44 billion.

Actually these items total only \$968 billion, but what's a few billions here or there when you've got a chance to make a man, like Uncle Sam, a trillionaire?

The most startling thing to emerge from all the figures is that the national wealth has more than doubled since 1940. It has almost doubled since 1944, when the figure stood at \$499.1 billion.

Interesting also is the percentage ratio between the national wealth and the national debt, both public and private. As of the end of last year the public debt—federal, state and local—was \$241 billion, and the private debt against physical assets was \$270 billion. Together they were 52.8 per cent of our national wealth.

That would seem to make us pretty solvent, and anyway, what other item is there in the world with a trillion-dollar price tag on it except the United States?

## Chinese-Russian Huddle Labeled Begging Mission

By JOHN A. SCALI

WASHINGTON — Some American diplomats Tuesday viewed the top-level Chinese-Russian conference in Moscow as mainly a "begging expedition" by the Chinese Reds.

These officials speculated that the Chinese are dissatisfied with Russia's promises and would plead for:

1. More financial aid to supplement the 300 million dollar loan Moscow promised in February of 1950.

2. Bigger and faster shipments of Russian-made military supplies for hard-pressed Chinese Communist troops in Korea.

3. Removal of Russian troops from Port Arthur and return to Red China of the Changchun Railway as promised by the end of this year.

The State Department has cautiously labelled the Chinese-Soviet conference as "routine" and said such meetings by partner nations are to be expected.

But experts on Russian and Chinese affairs here feel the purpose of the huddle is aimed at finding ways to continue the Korean War rather than at any policy change which might mean peace in the Far East.

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