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CHRISTIAN CRUSADE

Charles V. Stanton

Evangelist Billy Graham reportedly is receiving tremendous ovations in India. Press reports tell of the great crowds greeting him, even at most unfavorable hours.

Prior to his departure on a tour, including India and various points in the Far East, Graham sent a letter to the press explaining the purpose of his campaign.

He said, in part:

We are taking this tour with two objectives in mind: first, to present Christianity; and secondly, to try and build some good will for the United States.

Khrushchev and Bulganin have made a tremendous and at least a partially successful bid to the masses of India. This is a strategic subcontinent. One out of every six people in the world is an Indian. We cannot ignore the strategic importance of these people.

Many people do not realize that the earliest Christian churches in the world were found in India. They were founded by Saint Thomas in the early part of the first century. All the churches of various denominations are cooperating in these meetings, and it is estimated that from 50,000 to 100,000 people a day will come to our meetings. We are hoping that the people of India will realize that we in the United States have something of moral and spiritual value to offer as well as economic aid and engineering know-how.

In addition to the cities we visit in India, we will be holding great public meetings in Hong Kong, Manila, Taipei, and various cities in Japan and Korea.

American Failures

It is going to be interesting to see how these vast masses of humanity will respond to the same message that has been successfully presented in Europe and America. It seems to me that we in America have failed in the psychological warfare. I feel that a spiritual presentation is at least one contribution that can be made toward making friends with the masses of people.

In the past we have been able to reach the leaders of people. Khrushchev and Bulganin were smart enough to go over the heads of the leaders and appeal directly to the people. In my opinion, we need to do the same thing.

It will, indeed, be interesting to see how the masses of humanity in India and the Far East respond to the message of Christianity.

Has America been overlooking its most potent weapon? We profess to be a Christian nation. But have we used Christianity militantly?

Soldier Of The Cross

We place great store by our engines and instruments of war. We hold our advanced position in atomic research and production as a threat over potential aggressors. But by these very policies we are committed to a continuing armaments race which offers no hope of an ending short of war.

We have tried to maintain allies through bribery, holding out dollars and goods and engineering help in return for friendship. But true loyalty can never be purchased. Loyalty must be earned. Any friendship based on bribery with material things is shaky and transient.

But Christianity has come down through the ages with constant gains in power and civilizing effects. It has retained its vigor in the face of persecution. It has remained firm while governments went down in ruins. It is above the ability of the most powerful weapons of war to destroy.

Perhaps in our ideological warfare we have been overlooking the one weapon which could serve us best.

Billy Graham has proven himself the great Christian crusader of the age. He has adopted the role of a Soldier of the Cross. If we will pray as earnestly for his present mission as we would pray for soldiers on the battlefields, we may find that the Christianity he carries to the masses of the world, hungry in spirit as well as in body, will serve us far better than our billions of foreign aid dollars and the even greater budget required for a desperate armaments race.

Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP) — Some things a columnist might never know if he didn't read his mail:

That there are more than 1,500,000 people named Smith in the United States, and the number increases by about 110 every day.

This doesn't include the Smythas, Smythes, Schmitts, Schmidts or Psmiths.

That if you pick up a handful of good soil you hold more living organisms in your fist than there are human beings in the entire world.

That American industry in the next ten years will spend 36.5 billion dollars on research and development, more than 1 1/2 times the total expended since the birth of the nation.

That in 1941 only about a million American families owned two or more cars, but now 4.5 million do. (But do they fit in a 1941 garage?)

That in autopsies performed on 193 cars killed in highway accidents not one was found to have consumed a wild bird. The stomach contents consisted mostly of mice, young rabbits and rats.

That perhaps the most crime-free community in the world is Karakelic, a Turkish village with a population of 450. In the last 99 years not one of its inhabitants has been arrested.

That you may not be able to teach an old dog new tricks, but Joseph W. Lippincott, a Philadelphia bird authority, found old crows learned to speak more readily than younger ones.

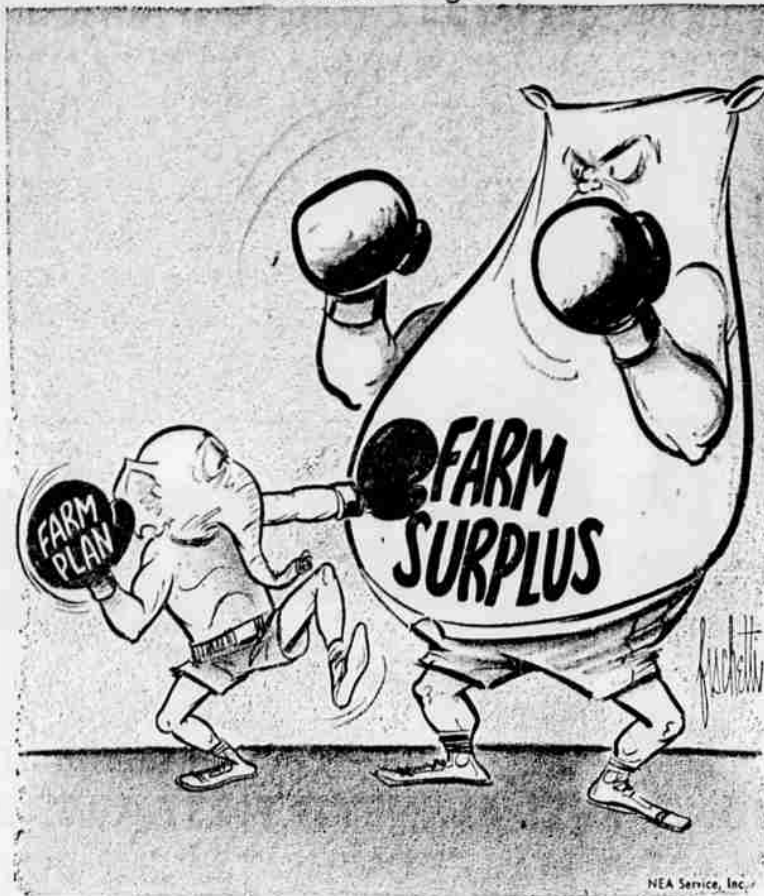
That the coffee percolator was invented by James H. Mason of Franklin, Mass., in 1863.

That 50 per cent of the nation's annual 1,200 to 1,400 poison deaths in the home (aside from fatal gases) occur among children 4 years of age or less.

That 60 per cent of the successful parlor games now popular in America were invented by amateurs (but please don't send your ideas for new games to me; all I play is "trivia").

That physicians for Cesare Borgia

Obvious Target



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In The Day's News

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tionation. Red Bluff was then a wild and woolly town.

It was in those days that the old Tremont got its start. It housed them all—miners, freighters, boat hands, adventurers, gamblers. It took care of their needs. It sheltered them. It fed them. Fire razed it once, but couldn't stop it. It was rebuilt, and went right on taking care of those who came.

It was the center of its community then, as it still is.

It was in those early days that diversion of the Klamath river was first proposed. It was quite a scheme. The idea was to dig a channel southward from Tule Lake and by means of this channel to carry the waters of the Klamath to the Pit river. The Pit would then carry them on to the Sacramento, where in the summer season they would reinforce the Sacramento's dwindling flow and maybe enable the boats to come clear on up to Redding, thus shortening materially the land haul to the mines.

There was another string to this bow. By diversion of its waters into the Pit, the bed of the Klamath could be uncovered and the recovery of its placer gold would be made easy.

The project was embodied in a bill, and the bill was introduced in the first California legislature. But this first legislative assembly was a busy one. The lusty young state had a lot of business to be done and the session wasn't long enough to take care of all the bills that were offered. Many of them fell by the wayside, and the Klamath diversion bill was among those that fell.

Here in Southern Oregon we've been laughed at repeatedly in recent years because of our fear that the waters of our great rivers will be diverted and taken elsewhere if we don't see to it that they are put to complete beneficial use.

We've been told that we're seeing things at night—that no such thing can ever happen.

Well, maybe not. But the fact remains that more than a century ago the idea of exporting the water of the Klamath river for use elsewhere was born. It has been revived at intervals ever since.

Personally, I'm glad we're getting the water of our rivers NAIL-ED DOWN. It's high time. If, here in Southern Oregon and Far Northern California, we leave ANY of our water lying around loose and unused, the time will come when somebody will come along and take it away from us for use elsewhere.

Private Utilities Policy Criticized

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The National Rural Electric Cooperative Assn. was told Tuesday that bringing electricity to rural America "didn't look like a profitable venture to the power companies, so they did nothing about it."

Jerry Voorhis, executive director of the Cooperative League of the United States, told delegates American farmers "milked by lantern, their children studied by lamp light, their wives cooked and ironed over wood and coal fires as long as they relied on the profit motive of utility companies to bring them electricity."

It took the electric cooperatives with their service motive to electricity rural America, he asserted at a panel session.

Voorhis said cooperatives have provided a yardstick for all power rates for all consumers and are a reversal of "what is probably the most ominous trend in our whole economic life"—the concentration of control of important business more and more in few hands.

He said cooperatives can best build capital by paying off the principal of the REA loan and crediting—in capital credits—the members each in proportion to his rightful patronage refund.

Use Of Unlawful Broadcasts In Grand Jury Proceedings Due For High Court Ruling

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court this week agreed to say whether evidence obtained by listening in on illegal radio broadcasts may be used before grand juries and in trials.

The case involves Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. H. Sugden, cotton farmers of near Yuma, Ariz., who were indicted for conspiracy to violate the immigration laws in the employment of Mexican "wetbacks."

The Sugdens had a farm radio station which was used to broadcast messages from the Sugden home to operators of trucks on the farm. A Federal Communications Commission engineer listened in on the broadcasts, resulting in government charges that the radio equipment was used to warn farm employees immigration officers were on their way to various cotton fields. The government said this enabled the "wetbacks" to hide.

"Wetbacks" is a term applied to farm workers who cross the Rio Grande illegally.

The U.S. District Court in Arizona threw out the indictment on the ground that federal law prohibits such interception and disclosure of radio messages. The U.S. Circuit Court in San Francisco, however, ordered the District Court to reconsider its action.

The Circuit Court said that while the farm radio station was licensed, the Sugdens did not get operators' licenses until Sept. 17, 1953 and they could not legally use the station until that time.

The circuit court ruled messages broadcast on any after Sept. 17, 1953 could not be used.

"Free use of any radio communications made before Sept. 17, 1953 can be made," the Circuit Court said.

The Sugdens appealed to the Supreme Court. The tribunal will set a date later for arguments on the appeal.

Other Actions Listed

Among its other actions the court:

Decided 5-4 the United States, in extending lands for a project to aid navigation, need not pay a premium because the site is adaptable to hydroelectric power operations.

The decision applied to lands along the Savannah River in South Carolina owned by the Twin City Power Co. Lower courts said the United States must pay for power-site value and set the price at \$267 an acre. The forest value of the land had been estimated at \$37 an acre.

Agreed to review a decision that federal employees paid on a daily basis are entitled to an extra day's pay for each holiday they worked during World War II. The decision by the U.S. Court of Claims here, was appealed by the Justice Department which it said resulted in more than 70,000 pay claims totaling three-quarters of a billion dollars. The worker involved is Alfred C. Bergh, a welder in the Norfolk, Va., Naval Shipyard.

CARPENTERS MEET

EUGENE (AP) — The Oregon State Council of carpenters will hold its annual convention here April 19-21.

Bruce Biossat

Americans familiar with President Eisenhower's program for the coming year know it calls for heavier defense and foreign aid, and new attention to the pressing domestic need for more schools, housing and highways.

No one, therefore, would expect the President's latest budget to be an economy budget, and it is not. Projected expenditures for the fiscal year starting next July are about \$1.6 billion above the expected totals for the present year.

Yet Mr. Eisenhower looks forward to a budget that will be balanced for the first time since 1951. And he foresees continued fiscal stability in the years beyond this budget.

SINCE NO tax increases are called for, how is the administration expecting to achieve a balanced budget at the moment it is stepping up expenditures?

Fundamentally it is counting on the continued rise in business levels to boost federal revenues some \$400 million beyond anticipated outlays of \$65.9 billion for fiscal 1957.

This is a not unreasonable hope, inasmuch as Mr. Eisenhower projected a deficit for the current year and now finds that the boom an aggressive communism.

Confusion, Carelessness Charged By Subcommittee Of Two Government Depts.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate investigations subcommittee said Tuesday "confusion, gross carelessness and lack of coordination" marked the government's big 1954 program of buying grain storage bins.

The subcommittee said such dereliction cost the taxpayers a "considerable" amount but it gave no dollar estimate.

"The Department of Agriculture is severely criticized for its negligence and inefficiency in failing to act and process claims when defective wooden bins were reported," a subcommittee report said.

"The Navy Department (which provided inspection service) likewise is severely criticized for its negligence and inefficiency in wrongfully certifying that defective lumber met government specifications."

There was no immediate comment from either the Agriculture or Navy Departments.

The report, filed with the Senate by Chairman McClellan (D-Ark.), said both agencies were "guilty of gross inefficiency and demonstrated poor business management and lack of initiative and judgment" in handling the purchase of thousands of metal storage bins. The bins are used to store grain held under government price support loans.

The report accused the Agriculture Department of "failure to profit by errors" it said were made in a similar 1949-50 bin purchase program on which the subcommittee said, the government has recovered only \$31,000 out of \$893,864 of claims for allegedly defective bins.

The report said the Agriculture Department and its Commodity Credit Corporation in 1954 bought 54,338 prefabricated steel bins, 8,960 of them at a cost of \$4,887,029 from the firm of Black, Sivalis & Bryson of Kansas City, Mo.

Many of this firm's bins were defective, it said, with parts fitting so badly that moisture and vermin easily could enter through cracks and jagged bolt holes.

The subcommittee said the defects were found only after the

Wilsonville Site Urged For Mental Hospital

SALEM (AP) — Location of the proposed 14 million dollar state mental hospital at Wilsonville was urged Tuesday by representatives of the Clackamas County Court, Salem and Oregon City chambers of commerce, and the Wilsonville Civic Club.

They appeared before the Board of Control to urge that either of two proposed sites at Wilsonville be chosen.

The board also is considering a site near Hillsboro.

Gov. Paul Patterson said the Air Force is considering locating a jet plane base just south of Wilsonville. If such a base would be close to the hospital, the governor said, he would have to get assurances that it wouldn't disturb the patients.

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CONSECRATION SET

PORTLAND (AP) — Consecration of the Very Rev. James W. F. Carman, D. D., of Phoenix, Ariz., as the first bishop coadjutor of the Episcopal diocese of Oregon will be held Feb. 7. Bishop Benjamin D. Dagwell said Tuesday.

Bishop Dagwell will retire in July, 1958 and be succeeded by his coadjutor.

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