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POLITICAL PROPAGANDA

By Charles V. Stanton

Gen. Rafael Trujillo, dictator of the Dominican Republic, is not one of the persons I most admire.

I don't think too highly of the general, nor of his policies and practices. I am, though, rather surprised at some of the editorial comment I have read throughout the state. It seems to me some of our editors, and great numbers of our people, have fallen before political propaganda.

Trujillo reportedly wrote a letter to Gov. Holman urging the defeat of Congressman Charlie Porter of the 4th Congressional District of Oregon. He accompanied his letter, it is stated, with the threat that Dominican trade relations with Oregon might be cut off.

Now none of us likes dictation. If anything arouses our ire, it is when someone outside our own district starts picking on one of our politicians and tries to tell us how to vote. That makes us real angry. We don't want anyone, not even a politician from another state, trying to tell us how we should mark our ballots.

Naturally, the general's letter has been waved quite vigorously politically. Many of our voters have been stirred to anger against the Dominican dictator that he would dare stick his nose into our business. Some of our good editors have likewise joined the chorus, pointing out the dictator's own cloak-and-dagger activities, the playboy vices of his son and other such derogatory remarks.

Right To Intervene

So far as references to the general's activities are concerned, most of what is said doubtless is true. I'm not for one minute defending his rule, nor am I condoning his married son's reported peccadilloes with some of our publicity-seeking actresses.

But if American politicians deliberately stir up animosity against rulers of foreign countries, if they name names, applying epithets such as "murderer," if they decry dictatorships, and lend encouragement to revolutionists and terrorists, and then the other fellow a right to be peeved? If one of our American officials seeks by every means to oust Gen. Trujillo from his political job, and makes speaking tours outside the United States to talk against the general's policies, hasn't that same general a perfectly legitimate right to attempt at home the political defeat of the American official?

I agree perfectly with the Oregon editor who said that Trujillo is "stupid," and a "numbskull" for writing the reported letter. But I say we are being equally stupid if we fail to recognize the waving of that letter as a piece of effective political propaganda. Certainly Trujillo has a perfect right to resent Porter and to work against Porter's re-election. Porter's attempts to set himself up as a one-man State Department, his personal battle against dictators and, in particular, his attacks on Trujillo give the Dominican dictator equal privilege.

Dictators Opposed

Several times in this column I have made personal objections to Rep. Porter's gallops outside the boundaries of the United States to spread his propaganda. He loves to relate the fine reception he received. He can quote people who support and join his stand. Surely an attack against dictatorship has its appeal. But if he is going outside the United States to fight dictators, does he have a right to object, as he did object, when those same dictators try to bring about his defeat?

In Eugene on Sept. 21, he urged that the United States avoid all "unnecessary identifications with dictators;" that our ambassadors be instructed to be "cool but diplomatic;" that we lend encouragement to democratic countries and high officials; that we give no medals to dictators, and that we curb any U.S. statement which might show "approval" of dictators.

Our Latin American countries have long been ruled by dictators and terrorists. Politics has been exceedingly corrupt. A great number of people in those countries are illiterate.

Yet, despite these handicaps, there has been a movement away from dictatorship and toward democracy. We are, and should be, encouraged by this trend.

Mr. Porter, however, in my opinion, has succeeded only in stirring up the revolutionists, the claqueurs and the radicals. What he says in the United States and what he says abroad are, I believe, two completely different things. He is privileged to say as a congressman in America many things I do not believe he has a right to say outside the boundaries of this country.

If he is to go into Latin American countries with his propaganda, then it is my contention he has no right to rant against a letter proposing his defeat when that letter is written by one whose political job and personal reputation Porter has been trying to ruin.

Scotts Valley Elementary Schools Totals 91 Students

By MRS. GEORGE EDES

The Scotts Valley Elementary School has an enrollment of 91 pupils. The average for each of the four rooms is between 20 to 25 students.

The Yoncalla Elementary School has an enrollment of 254, which is about the same as last year.

Mrs. Rota Bolin returned home recently to Sandy after spending a month with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson in Scotts Valley.

Freddie Doeller recently accepted a position in Seattle. His family will move there when living accommodations are found.

Mr. and Mrs. Dyke Landwehr and Kathleen Burns of San Diego and Katherine Eyle of Santa Monica, visited Jean Cowan recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brink, who have been living at the Delmar Record home in Elkhed for a few months, have purchased a unit of four houses near Highway 101, south of Winchester Bay.

William Nelson of Chippewa Falls, Wis., visited the Eric Stenseth home recently.

Kathy Dickey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Dickey, left for Milo recently where she will attend Milo Academy.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Pitts and family of Drain rented the Aunt Laura home recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Jones and family, moved recently to the Hoffman home.

Eldon Lee attended the Third Annual Assembly of the Methodist Men, held in Salem recently.

Mrs. Nina Rust of Chadron, Neb. is visiting her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Rust in Elkhed.

John Dunham of Oroville, Calif., visited the Delmar Record home in Elkhed recently.

Eugene Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Collins, is home on leave from Ft. Ord, Calif., where he spent six months in active National Guard duty.

Hugh A. Mulligan

AP Newsfeature Writer

When the hula hoop craze finally burns itself out in an epidemic of dislocated hips, the fad makers of America might look into blimp walking as a replacement item.

Bizarre, time-consuming, dandy escapism for old and young, blimp walking could become bigger than bingo. Bird walking and girl walking aren't even in the same league.

I was introduced to this little known sport when assigned to cover the recent flight of the Navy blimp, "Snow Goose," to the North Pole region.

The first of several lessons took place on a gravel runway in the Arctic with pot holes deep as oil drums, mud like an inch-thick layer of peanut butter and puffs colder than a muskox's metatarsal.

It takes 50 men, 15 on each of the two forward mooring lines and 10 each on the lines amidship, to nuzzle along the black-long silver bag puffed up with more than a million cubic feet of helium.

Blimp walking is done in two directions: toward the mooring mast away from it, depending on where you want to go and where the wind wants to take you. Frequently these aims are in conflict. Then you either drag the blimp or it drags you.

It's a little like trying to get an elephant through a subway tunnel with a bent token.

Not Flown Like Kites

Blimps are not exactly flown like a kite. They have engines for taking off and landing, but their mastadonic dimensions require some chaperoning. The technique is similar to berthing a big ocean liner: lines are cast off and

grabbed and everyone hopes for the best.

"Snow Goose" always seemed to object to being led by the nose on a leash. Up on Cornwallis Island, 500 miles above the Arctic Circle, she threw a takeoff tantrum and veered off the runway into a ditch. Her right front landing gear held fast in the permafrost beneath the mud, and a distinguished ground handling crew, volunteers all (carefully selected by the Navy pronoun pool: "You, you and you"), set about extricating her.

The party included, among others, a Columbia University geologist, a Navy geographer and geologist, a commodore from the Canadian navy, the commandant of the RCAF base on that remote island, two cooks in crisp white uniforms, assorted commanders and lieutenant commanders, and an Associated Press reporter, namely myself.

Some of the best brains north of the Arctic Circle were on that mooring line when the pull signal was given. Some of the broadest bottoms on either side of the circle were immersed in the mud when it broke.

Blimp walking went over big. Everybody got in on it, mainly because there was nobody else.

William L. Ryan

AP News Analyst

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nikita Khrushchev's remarkable one-question, one-answer interview Sunday has the look of an extremely important development in the Far East crisis.

The Soviet Premier and party boss called in the news agency Tass to tell the world Moscow has not the slightest intention of getting into the fight between the Chinese Communists and the Nationalists on Formosa.

It is plainer than ever now that Moscow is worried by the Formosa crisis. And it is highly likely Khrushchev's words were meant particularly for the ears of the Chinese Communists.

These interviews do not come about by accident, or through the enterprise of some Soviet reporter. Tass is an instrument of Soviet policy. For all practical purposes, it is part of the Soviet Foreign Ministry. A statement like this, distributed by Tass, carries as much weight as a formal diplomatic note.

Oblique Approach

Khrushchev was obliged to use an oblique approach in his warning to Peiping. But he seemed anxious to leave the Red Chinese with no illusions regarding the extent to which Moscow is committed to help them militarily under the 1950 Sino-Soviet Treaty.

Khrushchev accomplished his purpose in this way: He quoted President Eisenhower's Wednesday news conference comment questioning Red China's calling the Formosa Strait shooting only a civil war. The President had said that if it was a civil war, he wanted to know why Khrushchev indicated the Soviet Union was ready to take part in it.

Khrushchev leaped to the opportunity. Acting the part of a man hitting the ceiling at the "tricks" of his antagonists, Khrushchev

thundered that he never did say any such thing. What did he say, then?

In Khrushchev's own words, he has not given the slightest hint that the U.S.S.R. is ready to take part in a Chinese civil war. The U.S.S.R. would come to Red China's help only if the Red Chinese were attacked "from without," or "speaking more concretely, if the U.S.A. attacks the Chinese People's (Communist) Republic."

Only Civil War

What goes on, says Khrushchev, is indeed a civil war, and thus an internal Chinese affair.

This spells it out for Peiping. If the Red Chinese go too far, if they attack and are met by force, the Soviet Union reserves the right to avoid involving itself in a war with the United States. Only if the United States attacks is the U.S.S.R. obliged to come to Red China's help with military support.

Khrushchev got this message across through the transparent device of an arranged interview limited to one question and one answer. His anxiety to do so confirms the impression held by many in this capital that the Soviet Union cannot wholly control Peiping in the Formosa Strait crisis.

The Red Chinese, smelling a victory, might be too much inclined to pour on pressure to the limit, in their own display of brinkmanship.

So Khrushchev is saying to the Chinese: All right, that is your own internal affair. If you are not attacked directly from without, specifically by the United States, that lets us out. You go it alone.

Peiping is not likely to take kindly to the Khrushchev statement. But it will make the Red Chinese think carefully about going off the deep end.

Editorial Comment

From The Oregon Press

'STANTONISM'

Sutherland Sun

It's a shame to see our old colleague Charlie Stanton losing his grip. There really no other way to explain it. It's a long fall from the studiously backgrounded and well written articles on timber problems and other subjects long featured by the erudite editor of the Roseburg News-Review to the pathetic rattle of last Tuesday's effort by the same man entitled "Red Ransom."

In his Tuesday editorial Stanton set a new low in journalistic ethics and became responsible for a bad example which might well be closely studied in schools of journalism. He has apparently attempted to revive the old McCarthy techniques of the broad brush and the big lie—but in adapting this form of public abuse to the editorial column we think it rates a new name, and we are pleased to suggest one: "Stantonism."

In case you missed this gem of fuzzy thinking, it started out like this:

"Previously in this column mention has been made of how often our 'liberals' echo the Communist line; how they frequently speak like Khrushchev."

Now McCarthy in his prime would have had trouble outdoing Stanton on that one. But the technique can be used both ways, like a double-edged axe. How about the same sentence with a few words changed? Like this:

"Previously in this column mention has been made of how often our 'conservative editors' echo the fascist line; how they frequently write like Hitler and sound like Trujillo."

Of course the whole point of Charlie's editorial was an attempt to smear the reputation of Congressman Charles O. Porter in the hope that such tactics will enhance the feeble chances of Porter's opponent in November. Congressman Porter happens to disagree with Stanton on the merits of our present foreign policy in the Far East.

As a matter of fact it's becoming obvious that a majority of the people of the United States dis-

IN THE DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

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expected to set its wheels down in London in about six and a half hours. It was a non-stop flight.

Because of the prevailing headwinds it encountered, the west-bound plane was expected to take somewhere in the neighborhood of 10 or 11 hours. It made one stop—in Newfoundland.

That's pretty fast!

What does it all mean?

It means a lot of things.

It means, for one thing, that the world is shrinking.

In an effort to realize how much the world is shrinking, let's drop back about a century—when horsepower was HORSE power. Let's forget the rest of the country and deal in terms of our own Far West.

One of the famous fast trips of the early Far West was made by the Juan Flaco (Thin John when rendered from the Spanish into English) who rode from the Pueblo of Los Angeles to Monterey in the reputed time of a little better than four days. General Kearney's expedition had got into trouble with the Spanish Dons, and was getting the worst of it. Juan Flaco rode to Monterey for help.

He didn't ride one horse all the way. At least one horse was shot from under him. He wore others out. Each time he lost a horse, by hostile bullet or exhaustion, he had to hunt up another horse. That made his time all the more remarkable.

Back in those days, in the West as elsewhere, travel TOOK TIME. Because travel took so much time, people traveled relatively little. It was not uncommon in those days for people to live out the span of a lifetime without ever getting more than 50 miles from home.

The world is changing. The time is not far off when those who don't get ALL OVER THE WORLD in the course of a lifetime will be the uncommon ones.

That brings me up to the point

N. Carolina's Atty. Gen. Raps Court Edict Foes

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — North Carolina's attorney general says states seeking to side step U.S. Supreme Court decisions against segregated schools can only go "out of the business of public education."

Malcolm B. Seawell declared here that shutting of schools in Virginia and Arkansas demonstrates the results of policies of defiance and massive resistance to the law of the land.

"We here in North Carolina, no matter how distasteful the law may be to us personally, are living under the law and not in defiance of the law."

Seawell was sharply critical of Arkansas Gov. Orval E. Faubus for dealing "the most damaging blows yet given to the attempts on the part of people who, in good faith, seek to keep alive public education in the South."

He added, "It is unthinkable to me that any people possessed of their senses would say, in effect: 'We will close our schools and let our children grow up in ignorance.'"

Seawell, addressing a group of bankers, spelled out North Carolina's moderate approach to the school integration crisis. Limited school integration is under way in three of the state's cities — Charlotte, Greensboro and Winston-Salem.

Seawell said the state's pupil assignment law, under which token integration has been carried out, represents "the best solution to a problem that is both social and legal."

Thinking It Over

By Robert L. Dieffenbacher, D.D.

(Written for NEA Service)

The sack dress has been swallowed up in obsolescence. It has gone the way of so many temporary desires to be different. In spite of the rise and fall of the styles, we must not veer away from change. Change is essential if man is to make progress. Material change is always taking place and most of it is for the better.

Spiritual change is also taking place. Most of this is for the better. A few folk seek spiritual change for the better and find themselves following fads. They worship the golden calves or idols fashioned by a man. They take seriously the imagined messages of the stars or of the tea leaves.

They soon find that these supernatural styles are no more satisfying than the sack dress. There is no spiritual change which will bring a person nearer to God except change through repentance, study of God's teaching and prayer.

Russians Leap Ahead In Tracking Sputniks

WASHINGTON (AP) — After lagging at first, the Russians appear to have leaped ahead of this country in developing accuracy in tracking satellites.

Dr. Robert Jastrow said he got this impression while attending a recent scientific meeting in Moscow. He said the Russians have declined to give details on their methods.

Jastrow, a consultant to the Naval Research Laboratory, said Soviet scientists reported in essence they can compute the position of their Sputnik III at any given time within 80 meters of its actual location. A meter is a little over a yard.

This would be three to five times as precise as the latest U. S. system.

Reader Opinions

Country Store Support At Winchester Thanked

Because there are few people who do not read this column in The News-Review, I would like to take this means and opportunity

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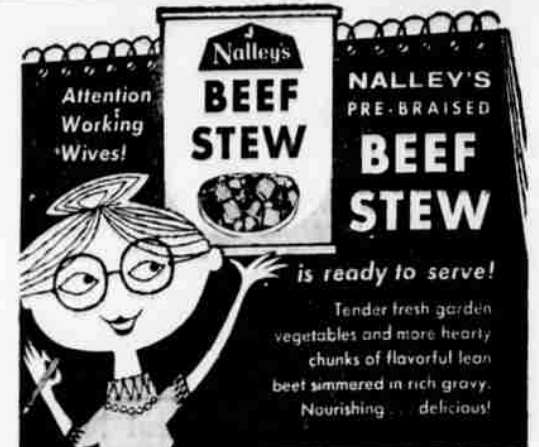
OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Gov. Raymond Gary estimates that integration in Oklahoma's school system saved about one million dollars last year.

R. H. Emans, school finance director, said savings, plus tighter tax enforcement and redistributing, gave the schools about 2½ million dollars more than was anticipated.

on behalf of the Winchester Community Center to publicly thank each and every one of you who so generously contributed articles to be sold at our Country Store, Friday, Sept. 26th, and those who came and purchased our wares; all those, in fact, who made our sale a very successful affair, which netted \$38.22.

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