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'Guilty' at Nuernberg

Nuernberg is a historic German city. Once famed as a center for the manufacture of toys, Hitler brought the modern city into prominence as the seat of his great party rallies. Another unique chapter was added to its long history when the international military tribunal held there its trial of German Nazi and military leaders. The trial occupied 11 months. The tribunal has handed down its verdict. The death sentences imposed upon 11 of the convicted conspirators will be carried out within 15 days unless sentences are modified, as seems improbable. Eight of the defendants were sentenced to imprisonment and three, Hjalmar Schacht, Hans Fritzsche and the elusive fox, Franz von Papen, were acquitted.

History was made in bringing men to the bar of international justice on charges of waging aggressive war and on crimes against humanity. The tribunal confirmed the statement of its charter that the nations by agreement had outlawed aggressive war, and held that the gross crimes against humanity such as revealed in the stark tragedies of mass slaughters at concentration camps were punishable.

The tribunal blazed a new trail in the field of justice. The offenses of which the convicted were found guilty were heinous in the extreme. But never before had men who waged war been convicted and sentenced to punishment after a formal trial. Admittedly there is danger that the precedent may be used to legalize executions of other political and military leaders who lose their wars. But if the judicial process is adhered to as completely and scrupulously as in the Nuernberg trial such danger may not be realized.

On trial was the Nazi system and Adolf Hitler its exponent, quite as much as his collaborators. The ponderous record of testimony, of pictures and other evidence preserves for all time the extent of the Nazi crime against humanity. It can never be refuted, though effort may be made to explain it away, by some fresh revisionists who seek to shoulder blame from Hitler and the third reich. That too belongs to history.

When Goering and Keitel and the despicable Streicher and Rosenberg stretch hemp in the prison courtyards the ends of justice and of personal vengeance will have been served on these gangsters. But the woe they helped to precipitate will bathe the world in tears for generations.

Trans-Atlantic Liners

Back from the wars come the great ocean liners, the U.S.S. America and the British Queen Elizabeth. They have been refurbished as passenger carriers and resume their trans-Atlantic crossings this month.

Both these vessels won service stripes as troop carriers. They successfully dodged the subs and the planes and transported thousands of men, with their battle gear to and from ports of the battle theaters.

Now these luxury liners must meet the competition of transport planes which shuttle back and forth across the ocean with routine regularity. They will have patronage, however, from those who still are timid about air travel and from the large number who find a tonic in travel by steamship. For the landlubber a voyage by ship is a rare experience, and introduction to a different world. It is also a restful event, which is quite in contrast with the quick hop by air from Ireland to Newfoundland.

Already predictions are made that these will be the last of the great luxury liners to be built. They required subsidy before the war, which was before flying was so competitive. However, the great increase in travel may give them enough volume to operate without loss. Until these ships operate long enough to show what their postwar business will be, no new keels for such vessels will be laid down. It is altogether probable that the international rivalry for bigger and bigger and faster and faster passenger vessels, as exemplified in the Italian Rex, the German Bremen and Europa, the British Queen Elizabeth and Queen Mary and the United States' America, is at an end, at least for size. The newer ships will be smaller, but fast, more like the Grace Santa ships or the new Alcoa ships for the Caribbean trade.

Men still will go down to the sea in ships, and they will want them comfortable like the hotels on land, and somehow money will be provided for their construction and operation, though much of it may come from government treasuries.

WAA Confusion

A house investigating committee criticizes the War Assets Administration for sloppy and wasteful practices in disposal of war surpluses. We hardly see how it could be otherwise. Enormous quantities of goods have been dropped just where the army and navy got through with them. Immediate pressures for sales were put on. WAA had to make inventories, warehouse goods, arrange a selling organization, meet the demands of veterans and of public bodies for preference, avoid ruin to private manufacturers and try to get something out for the government treasury. Sure the job has been badly handled. But think what it would have been had the house committee been doing the selling instead of the investigating.

Western Lane county expressed its protest over power failures by hanging in effigy Bonneville promises, Administrator Raver and other figures, whereupon the regional representative of Bonneville reportedly called for an investigation by FBI and demanded apology from the pranksters. The hangings heat no water and light no storefronts, and the FBI is hardly a secret police yet, so neither side to the controversy earns better than onions on this episode. Western Lane was the tail that went with the hide when the Central Lincoln PUD bought the whole West Coast Power co. system that strung along the coast. It hasn't relished the inclusion and has suffered wretched power service but potshooting Bonneville does not solve the problems of finance and construction necessary before service becomes ample.

Lane county will vote on a special levy for six mills to raise \$900,000 for a new courthouse. Its present building is overcrowded, like Marion's, and ugly, so the vote ought to be in the affirmative.

For weeks a ship, the Mello Franco, has been tied up at Coos Bay and the harbor put under boycott for sailings because of a jurisdictional dispute between two labor unions. The trouble did not originate at that port, but it suffered because the Mello Franco was picked as the test ship. Government conciliators made no headway in settling the dispute. Finally the maritime commission has sold the ship to France. A French crew will board it and sail it away. Presumably the embargo on Coos Bay will be lifted and perhaps the dispute forgotten. But things have come to a sad pass when our government has to sell a ship because of its own impotence and labor's stubbornness in a dispute of little importance. Friends of labor like Senator Morse gag at this sample of abuse of power.

International Business Machines has perfected a machine that utilizes electronics so it can multiply six-digit numbers by others equally large and produce answers at the rate of 100 cards a minute. Six-grade Geraldine would like to rent a junior model for nine months.

Paul Mallon's BEHIND THE NEWS

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 1—The Hannegan campaign strategy seems well designed to dig Mr. Truman out of the Wallace hole through the bottom.

Or to put it this way: having approved the right of Mr. Wallace to speak freely in New York in the campaign, Mr. Truman then fired him for having done so.

Hannegan hired him back (with Florida's Senator Pepper) to make more speeches elsewhere for a corridor of office. It is with which the administration is not in sympathy.

No doubt to carry out this consistency to its illogical conclusion, Mr. Hannegan will fire both Wallace and Pepper next week.

Thus the hole gets deeper. Daylight is hardly visible, democratically speaking, now, at the top of it.

Certain associates of the democratic national chairman insist the scheme of extrication by imbedment—or what might be simply called going upward by going down—is not entirely lacking in direction—conscientiousness. They whisper in the darkness of side-courts that if Mr. Byrnes will wind up the Paris meeting by October 15 with something saleable in the way of a peace, and then come uproariously with this into the United Nations organization meeting next October 23 (just on the wing of the final domestic campaign drive) a more pleasant atmosphere will be created between Russia and the United States.

Would Be in Better Position

Then the administration can go forward into election day in a cloud of glory, with Wallace not so far out of the administration as Mr. Truman put him and Pepper hardly the paprika he claims to be.

The only trouble with this is it seems hardly possible. A miracle might work affairs around that way in the next two weeks, so, but nothing short of it would do the job. Miracles had a way of happening for the late Mr. Roosevelt, but even common events have unanimously turned against Mr. Truman. No claim has been made that Mr. T. has a rabbit's foot.

Over at the state department anyone can ascertain that expectations for the peace treaties are somewhat short of soul-satisfying.

The twenty-one nations at Paris must approve what the Russians want, because the meeting was arranged that way, but they have been no indication that they will like what they get. The peace may be effected to a considerable degree but it cannot be expected to be popular. Perhaps some degree of popularity may be whopped up, but enough of Mr. Truman's wishes will remain unfulfilled in the treaties and enough questions will remain unsettled to mark the results as less than a success.

Situation Embarrassing

Now the trouble with this does not lie in the meeting, but in Mr. Truman. He is in an embarrassing situation, because the situation itself is embarrassing if not impossible. The affairs of Mr. Wallace only brought to public vision the complete inner emotional conflict between domestic politics and foreign affairs. Internationally the administration is not appeasing communists; domestically it wants to for political purposes.

The late Mr. Roosevelt had a genius for traveling both sides of the street in opposite directions at the same time, and if his problems always failed to get solved for this reason, he at least managed to save himself personally. But no ordinary man could do it. Such fantastic politics is even more impossible today because of Russia's position. If our administration leaders were embarrassed by the Wallace speech, Stalin was in precisely the same position. The communists booed Wallace at the PAC meeting, and the speech was not reported in the communist press, until three days after it had been made.

Then criticism swung around to favorable comment, and finally Stalin himself gave an interview denying Russian fear of war and otherwise speaking in the first cordial tone heard out of Moscow.

A sounder and far more popular strategy for the democrats would be to face the situation as it is. Unity on foreign policy should be admitted and proclaimed. Wallace and Pepper should not speak under either democratic or republican campaign banners. Let Mr. Byrnes run the foreign policy and maintain and defend the principles of this country in his negotiations, and as long as he does he will have unity. Such a straightforward stand would leave the administration stronger politically than it now is.

Rule Reversed By High Court

The state supreme court Tuesday reversed a Multnomah county circuit court's award of \$9,000 to Arthur E. Barker, Portland street car motorman, who sued his employer, the Portland Traction company, for damages for personal injuries.

Other decisions: Thur Linn, appellant, vs Clara B. White. Appeal from Multnomah county. Appeal from conviction on charge of attempted rape of a 13-year-old girl. New trial ordered.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Ford, appellants, vs Clara B. White. Appeal from Jackson county. Suit for \$2,000 in revocation of contract to buy property. Affirmed.

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'Ship's Log'

IT SEEMS TO ME

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dispensation which is past. Time has marched away from the new deal of the 1930's. New issues arise, notably labor relations. The people want goods, they want services. They have grown weary with shutdowns and disputes. The true liberals ignored this condition. What they propose is simply additional and stronger doses of medicine like the Wagner labor relations act and fresh plasters casts of government controls and regulations and fresh infusions of deficit financing when the economy drops.

In the field of foreign affairs the Chicago convention is letting itself be influenced by its admiration for Henry Wallace and its antipathy to the red-baiters who continually froth at the mouth when Russia is mentioned. They fail to see that the tactics of Russia are little different from those of Hitler, that neutral minds find it hard to believe that what was wicked appeasement in 1938 is transformed into beneficent cooperation in 1946. The country does not want war, it simply does not believe that Wallace's policy is the way to insure permanent world peace.

I have a great deal of sympathy with the liberals in their disgust at the evidences of blind reaction quite visible in the republican-southern democrat coalition in congress. But the wheel of politics is completing a turn. The new deal belongs to history. The boiling cauldron of politics stews fresh troubles which the liberalism of the 1930's does not solve.

Oregon to Testify At Airline Hearing

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 1—(AP)—Representatives of the state of Oregon, Portland, and the local chamber of commerce were authorized today to testify for 10 minutes each in Western Air lines' application for a San Francisco-Portland-Seattle route.

The civil aeronautics board hearing will be in Washington Oct. 7.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty

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Kiwanis Hears New Education Chancellor

The United States must devise the best educational system in the world with better schools and better men, Dr. Paul C. Packer, new chancellor of the Oregon state system of higher education, told Salem Kiwanis club members Tuesday. "We must work overtime to develop the spiritual overtones which swept us up to such heights during the war."

Expressing the opinion that with a three weeks residence in Oregon he hardly felt in a position to discuss state problems, Dr. Packer talked of his observations in England during the war, of observations in India and of the Russian peoples.

England has no black market, "relatively speaking," Dr. Packer said explaining this by the Englishman's desire to keep faith with the government.

Willard Marks, president of the state board of higher education, introduced the speaker. Marks was introduced by Douglas McKay, Marion county member of the state legislature.

Jury List for County Drawn

Names of 20 new jurors drawn from the Marion county jury list by County Clerk H. A. Judd on an order by Circuit Judge E. M. Page was released Tuesday. The following named persons were drawn to fill the panel for the October sessions of the circuit court:

Clifton R. Mudd, Robert C. Irwin, Mabel Lenz, Helen B. Law, Etta M. Eyre Harris, Carl F. Gleason, C. H. Glenn, Althea Presman, Gladys J. Seamster, Ruth Staab, Mary I. Rowland, Olive M. Currey, Doris Moriarty, and Max O. Buren, all of Salem; Iva A. Goodman, Brettenbush; Henry Sealfield, East Mt. Angel; Jewell G. Brinkley, Hayesville; Ruth Iris Jugnickel, West Hubbard; Carl G. Holliday, North Silverton; and Henry Wellman, Scotts Mills.

Public Records

CIRCUIT COURT

Jessie H. Church vs Elmer J. Church: Decree of divorce grants custody of minor child to plaintiff and \$75 per month support money.

M. J. Helser vs Eastman Bros.: Suit asking judgment for services rendered defendant by plaintiff.

S. A. Varbel, Ruby Varbel and Pioneer Trust Co. vs Robert C. Fallon and Myrton Moore: Order that contract of real property sale be cancelled.

Jessie Brown vs Altus Bower, Gertrude C. Bower, and R. L. Wright: Order of default and that mortgage be foreclosed in favor of plaintiff.

Henry B. Koehler vs E. J. Edmunds, Jackson Moore, Don C. Wilson, Clare E. Lee: Order to show cause within 20 days why a temporary injunction should not be issued against defendants.

Ralph Colvin vs Vinita Colvin: Decree of divorce grants custody of five minor children to defendant and \$57.50 a month support money.

Harold W. Butzine vs Doris C. Butzine: Suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment; married at Longview, Wash., April 28, 1945.

N. F. Neiderhiser vs Helen G. Neiderhiser: Answer and cross complaint filed.

Lenora J. Percell vs Harold E. Percell: Reply filed by defendant.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Bert A. Burr, 22, student, McMinnville, and Ramona Rice, 17, secretary, Salem

MUNICIPAL COURT

Earl Clark, 102 W. Miller st., violation of anti-noise ordinance, fined \$5.

Robert P. Harvey, Portland, violation of basic rule, posted \$10 bail.

Edna Lukins, 115 Lancaster dr., violation of basic rule, posted \$7.50 bail.

Clover Haynes, Independence, no driver's license, posted \$5 bail.

Hal C. Cline, Rainier, failure to stop, posted \$2.50 bail.

Bert Scott, Rainier, violation of basic rule, posted \$25 bail.

Calvin Hoelscher, Portland, violation of basic rule, posted \$25 bail.

Alva L. Phillips, route 7, Salem, failure to stop, posted \$2.50 bail.

Jim Tallman, 991 Edgewater st., West Salem, illegal reverse turn, posted \$5 bail.

PROBATE COURT

Estella Lawyer: Order for issuance of citation to show cause if any in petition of Constance Bason.

Samuel C. Parker estate: Order appointing Frances L. Friesen administratrix, and A. A. Friesen, Ted Gordon, and R. T. Gordon, as appraisers.

George S. Schaefer: Order approving annual account of guardian.

Mary A. Isham estate: Order permitting sale of real property.

Ether Daugerty: Order setting October 21 for hearing petition of guardianship.

J. P. Feller estate: Order setting November 5 for final hearing.

JUSTICE COURT

Hazel E. Latorell, Portland, inadequate brakes, fined \$5 and costs.

John Mack and Rosie Mack, charged with failure to send child to high school, trial postponed to October 18.

Pair Celebrate 59th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. White, 146 Marion st., today observe their 59th wedding anniversary, with members of their family and friends planning to gather at the residence for an informal celebration of the event during the day.

They were married Oct. 2, 1887, at Woonsocket, S.D., and came to Oregon 20 years ago. They have lived in Salem since 1932. Their four children, all still living, are J. D. White, Mrs. L. J. Davies and Mrs. Ora Janes, all of Salem, and Mrs. William Arntz, Benton Harbor, Mich. They have 40 grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mrs. White will be 78 in November and her husband will be 81 in December.

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