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Publicity and Diplomacy

Too much publicity hampers delicate negotiations at international conferences, thinks Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin.

Bevin's remarks deserve quotation, especially in view of the agitation for freedom of the press. He said:

"One of our greatest handicaps—and I want to make it clear I want no secret commitments—is that I might not even think aloud without it being hurled over to the headlines of the press."

"I am not blaming the Soviet government for it. It is largely due to the United States press that this thing has come in. But even the United States say that this thing that has developed is of little value."

"I am a great believer in the freedom of the press. But I think there are limits. The original intention of the foreign ministers was to be a negotiating authority, issuing communiques as they reached agreement. Now it has gone beyond that, and one of our biggest handicaps in this business of making peace is not only that every word that is said is reported to the press, but I am sorry to say, it has come down to subcommittees and even deputes."

"I hope when we get to the crucial decisions on which the world so much depends, we shall be able to have a frank exchange of views, without commitments, in order to know what is in each other's minds without the glare that has gone on hitherto."

There is much truth in Bevin's complaint. There is a limit to glassbowl procedure on intricate and delicate international matters. In our domestic matters many matters have to be talked over in private conversation before settlements are arrived at. Decisions that are recorded in legislatures and the congress and in boards and commissions may be merely the formal recording of agreements already arrived at by telephone or by personal contact.

At the same time, secrecy is hard to maintain where many interests are involved. One of the great scoops in newspaper history was that of the daily proceedings of the Congress of Berlin in 1878. The sessions were private and under mandate of secrecy. But each day the London Times was able to give quite an accurate report of the previous day's proceedings as reported by its correspondent, M. de Blowitz. The latter in his memoirs told how he got his scoop. He had an arrangement with one of the persons attending the congress to put in his ink hat a summary of the proceedings. The correspondent had a similar topper and would exchange his hat for his informant's in the cloakroom.

Power Relief in Sight

The ill wind of a shutdown of the Reynolds potlines for making aluminum at Longview blows some good. If all of its lines go cold some 60,000 kw of electric energy will be released to help meet the anticipated shortage for next winter.

The shutdown at Reynolds has called to public attention the fact that the aluminum industry is the heaviest consumer of federally produced power in the northwest—44 per cent last year. Another fact is brought out, that these ingot plants require very little labor compared with the quantity of electricity they consume. A peckerwood sawmill gives much more employment per thousand kilowatts of electricity used.

The return to service of a big generator at Grand Coulee now down for overhaul and the completion next fall of a seventh generator will step up production of electric power. This with less demand from aluminum makers should see the northwest through its power crisis for the year. The margin is narrow, however, and with prospect of steady increase in consumption from residential, commercial, industrial and rural users additional installations must be made on steady schedule.

No Back Seat

For once Oregon is enjoying not only the attention of major eastern interests but also the increasing attention and respect of its western neighbors who at times have seemed to regard our commonwealth as a country cousin neither affluent nor overly bright.

Oregon's program to attract and retain tourists already has drawn the rather envious comment of the press in other states. Now comes word that this state led both California and Washington in percentage gains recorded in the dollar value of retail sales for the first quarter of 1947.

A few skeptics might claim the gain in dollar-value sales was more indicative of higher prices than of increased business tempo, but we doubt that Oregon's prices have risen proportionately any more than those in bordering states.

Sharpest advances in dollar-volume were in automotive sales—with Oregon leading. And perhaps quite indicative of this state's stature is the fact that in California and Washington the sharpest drop in volume was in jewelry—in Oregon liquor.

Beatrice Walton Sackett

To the many virtues for which Mrs. Beatrice Walton Sackett was justly famed must be added one of heroism. With great courage she battled in recent years the encroachment of malignant disease, underwent numerous operations which served only to prolong life yet she held herself to her public and private duties with unconquerable fortitude until finally she had to yield to her physical infirmity.

Here was a woman who could be described as the ideal modern woman: Of fine intelligence, strong character, yet truly feminine, who rendered exceptional service in public position and maintained her home and cared for her family. Her work as private secretary to governors of the state and as member of the state board of higher education was regarded as outstanding. Her personal charm and graciousness of manner won for her a host of friends who share with relatives genuine grief over her passing.



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Russell Mack, publisher of Albert Johnson's old paper, the Washingtonian at Hoquiam, won the Republican nomination. The issues now are quite clean-cut. Mack is a republican without any qualifying (or disqualifying) adjectives. Savage is a democrat of the new deal persuasion, a former CIO official. Troy ran as a "Truman Democrat" with his appeal to conservative democrats. The result indicates that the third district democrats are more FDR-than Truman-minded.

The Republicans may find some defection over the rough treatment accorded Bonneville administration's request for appropriations—public power has a strong hold in this third district. Also some labor votes may be lost because of the restrictive measures now being hammered into law by congress.

On the other hand, some conservative democrats will not 'go' for Savage. He is regarded as a left-winger, and leftist popularity is not reviving by any means. The business, professional and farmer vote will largely go to Mack while Savage will get the bulk of the labor vote.

My guess is that Mack will win, though probably not by the 7,000 margin Norman enjoyed in 1946. For one thing the vote will be much lighter. The contest will be spirited and close, and national committees will take a hand in the campaign, because of its importance as a pre-1948 sample of sentiment.

STUDENT CONCLAVE COMING Salem high school will be host next year to the Oregon high school student government conference, it was decided at the weekend conference meetin in Albany. Several Salem high school students attended.

Valley Obituaries

Mrs. Joseph J. Seifer MOUNT ANGEL, May 19.—Mrs. Joseph J. Seifer died Sunday at 1 p. m. at a Salem hospital six hours after the birth of a son who also died.

Agnes E. Vacher was born in Geneva, July 11, 1911, and was married Oct. 15, 1935, to Joseph J. Seifer. They resided on the farm 2 1/2 miles west of Mt. Angel. She is survived by the husband; three children, Patricia, Marlene and Stanley; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vacher, sr., of Woodburn; three brothers, Matt, Frank, jr., and Albert, all of St. Paul; and a sister, Mrs. Lena Strauser, Aurora.

Another brother, John, died in 1943 while in the service. Services will be held Wednesday at 8:15 a. m. at St. Mary's church, with interment in Calvary cemetery here. Recitation of the rosary will be held Tuesday at 8 p. m. at the Unger funeral home, Mt. Angel.

Obituary

STEWART Blair F. Stewart, at Canton, Ohio, May 18. Survived by her husband, Clara E. Stewart of Canton, Ohio; a daughter, Miss Catherine Stewart of Canton, Ohio; and two brothers, Halvert and Ivan Stewart, both of Salem. Announcement of services later by Cough-Barrick company.

FLAXEL John Flaxel, late resident of Salem, at North Bend, May 16, at the age of 79 years. Survived by six step-daughters, Mrs. Marie Schneider, Mrs. Lena Jarvi, Mrs. Elizabeth McAllister and Mrs. Pauline Boettcher, all of Salem, and Mrs. Anna Barren of Whittier, Calif.; two step-sons, Ralph Skopik of Salem and Otto Skopik of Eugene; and a son, Ben C. Flaxel of North Bend. Requiem mass Tuesday, May 20, at 9 a. m., St. Joseph's church. Interment at Belcrest Memorial park.

SACKETT Mrs. Beatrice Walton Sackett, at Coos Bay, May 17. Survived by her husband, Sheldon F. Sackett of Coos Bay; a daughter, Marcia Anne Sackett of Coos Bay; a son, John Walton Sackett of Coos Bay; her mother, Mrs. Mary E. Walton of Salem; two brothers, William S. Walton of Salem and Brig. Gen. Harold S. Walton of Orlando, Fla.; and a nephew, James J. Walton of Salem. Private services will be held at the Episcopal chapel at Coos Bay, Tuesday, May 20, at 9 a. m., with the Rev. J. Thomas Lewis officiating. Direction the Mills Funeral home at Coos Bay. Private concluding services at the IOOF cemetery at Salem, Tuesday, May 20, at 3 p. m., by Rev. George Swift officiating. Please omit flowers.

CHANDLER Mrs. Edna Earle Chandler at the residence, 1098 E. St., Salem, May 18, at the age of 76 years. Survived by a daughter, Vivian Chandler of Salem; a son, William Atwood Chandler of Pasadena, Calif.; a granddaughter, Mrs. Edna Hollicky of Pasadena, Calif.; a great-granddaughter, Kathryn Holicky of Pasadena, Calif.; a brother, John Lester Atwood of Orient, Wash. Shipments has been made to Dayton, Wash., by the W. T. Rigdon company for services, Wednesday, May 21, at 2:30 p. m., with the Rev. J. Logan Feringer officiating. Interment in Dayton, Wash.

BROWN Claude W. Brown, at the residence at 228 N. 24th st., May 18, at the age of 45 years. Survived by his mother, Mrs. Sadie Brown of Salem; a brother, Otis L. Brown of Salem; and two uncles, T. B. Morgan of Salem and Sherman Brown of California. Services will be held at the Howells-Edwards chapel Wednesday, May 21, at 10 a. m., with the Rev. C. B. Best officiating. Concluding services at the City View cemetery.

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Public Records

JUSTICE COURT Ervine Frank Richter, route 5, failure to transfer title within 30 days, fined \$5 and costs; no motor vehicle license, fined \$2.50 and costs.

Russell James Harris, Silverton, no clearance lights, \$5 suspended on payment of costs.

James Walter Johnson, Newport, failure to stop at a traffic signal, fined \$2.50 and costs.

Wesley William Smith, 1065 Electric ave., gaffing salmon and angling in a prohibited area, fined \$25 and costs on each charge.

Philip Sterling Smith, 1065 Electric ave., improper angling license, fined \$50 and costs.

Woodford Frederick Ohnstein, 110 1/2 N. Commercial st., angling in a prohibited area, fined \$25 and costs.

Clarence Raymond Fetrow, route 4, allowing an unlicensed person to drive, fined \$1 and costs.

PROBATE COURT Harvey B. Smith guardianship estate: Estate appraised at \$11,159.

Anna Cooper estate: Estate appraised at \$2500. June 21 set for hearing on final account.

Martha A. Clymer estate Order closing account.

Mary Osborn estate: June 23 set for hearing on final account.

Ella W. Ware estate: June 21 set for hearing on final account.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS Howard Edwin Myers, 22, student, and Norma Pearl Dean, 18, student, both of Salem.

CIRCUIT COURT Frieda B. Odum vs Waldo Hardman and C. A. Hardman: Defendants file answer admitting and denying.

Glen Buzard vs Frank Evans and Richard Covey: Plaintiff files reply admitting and denying.

Hazel M. Berry vs William P. Berry: Decree of divorce awards plaintiff custody of three minor children and \$30 per month support money for each.

Ray Ward vs Helen Snell Ward: All pleadings dismissed and Marion county court declared to be without jurisdiction in suit because of resident qualifications.

Beatrice A. White vs Pacific Greyhound Lines and William G. Wilson: Plaintiff moves for order to strike.

Marjorie Baker Vap vs Dorothy Vap, Frank A. Masselli and Frank Pack: Defendants Vap and Masselli file motions to strike.

Lois Margaret Shipman vs Merritt Charles Shipman: Suit for divorce charging desertion.

Eileen M. Morrow vs Michell Morrow: Suit to declare marriage void by reason of an alleged prior marriage. Married Dec. 8, 1940 at Vancouver, Wash.

Alice Lucile Sines vs Melvin Lyman Sines: Decree of divorce awards plaintiff custody of a minor child and \$40 per month support money.

Eleanor A. Barbour vs Charles W. Barbour: Decree of divorce affirms property settlement agreement.

Mrs. McElroy

Funeral Today Nettie Frederica McElroy, 52, wife of Edward C. McElroy, 2110 Myrtle ave., died Sunday at a Salem hospital. She was born in Colorado, came to Oregon 32 years ago and had lived in Salem for three years.

Funeral services will be at 2 o'clock this afternoon at Cough-Barrick chapel, the Rev. Francis Chambers officiating. Interment will follow at Belcrest Memorial park.

Surviving are a son, Edward C. McElroy, jr., of Salem, and a daughter, Vera Dashney of Aloha, Ore.; three sisters, Katherine C. Christenson and Mattie Lynch, both of Harrisburg, and Mildred W. Skiller of Portland, and three grandchildren.

Hilda Krantz Elected

Head Stayton CDA Court STAYTON—Hilda Krantz was elected grand regent of Catholic Daughters of America this week.

Other officers are Ottilia Spaniol, vice regent; Clarice Linderman, phophetess; Marie Hottinger, lecturer; Veronica Thomas, historian; Marjorie Kerber, financial secretary; Hattie Samek, treasurer; Jessie Juel, monitor; Louise Parish, sentinel; Rose Bell, Clara Dozler, three-year trustees; Elizabeth Murphy, Mary Highberger, two-year trustees; Josephine Brand, organist.

Petition Filed To Refer Tax On Cigarets

Preliminary petition for referendum of the two-cents-a-package cigarette tax imposed in house bill 436 of the 1947 legislature was filed in the secretary of state's office Monday by Robert A. Bradley, 2916 SE 36th st., Portland.

In event completed petitions present 11,856 signatures of qualified voters by July 3, the referendum would go before the voters at a special election October 7. It was estimated that the cigarette tax would raise approximately \$4,000,000 during the next biennium.

The cigarette tax bill, officials said, is almost identical with the one defeated by the people June 22, 1945, by a vote of 67,542 to 60,321.

Also to be voted upon at the special election will be the 3 per cent sales tax approved by the legislature and referred to the voters. The cigarette tax law, under the legislative enactment, would become inoperative if the sales tax is approved.

Knights Initiate

12 at Rites Here Twelve members were initiated into Salem council, Knights of Columbus, at ceremonies Sunday in St. Joseph's hall.

Knights' and candidates' activities included breakfast at St. Vincent de Paul hall, initiation and a buffet lunch.

Candidates included Thomas Johnson, Paul Muller, George L. Volk, Arthur L. Guck, Lawrence R. Bonn, George E. Schroeder, Edward O. Schiess, Adam D. Bender, Fred A. Bender, Cyril R. Jarvis and William J. Ullman, all of Salem, and William H. Hardman of McMinnville.

Annual Red Cross

Session Tonight A varied program will feature the annual meeting of Marion county chapter, American Red Cross, tonight, following a dinner in the Marion hotel at 6:30 o'clock.

Rabbi Henry J. Berkowitz, Portland, is to be the speaker.

Edna Chandler, 71, Dies in Salem at Home of Daughter

Edna Earle Chandler, 71, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Vivian Chandler, Salem school teacher, 1098 E. St., where she had resided since 1945. She was the widow of William Chandler, who died in 1931.

Born in Mildred, Neb., April 20, 1876, she married William Chandler in 1895 and lived most of her life in Dayton, Wash. She was a past grand chief of the Pythian Sisters for the state of Washington.

Surviving are the daughter; a son, William Atwood Chandler of Pasadena, Calif.; a brother, John Lester Atwood of Orient, Wash.; a granddaughter, Mrs. Edward Holicky of Pasadena, and a great-granddaughter, Kathryn Holicky of Pasadena.

The funeral will be at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday at Dayton, Wash., where shipment is being made by the W. T. Rigdon company.

Later they visited a daughter from Texas City, Tex.

BETHEL—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson were Sunday guests of the J. R. Carruthers in Salem. They and their son, Keith Johnson, have returned from a trip which began with a fast drive to Texas where their son-in-law was killed in the Texas City disaster, leaving their daughter and eight months old baby.

and her family in Iowa and many relatives and friends they had not seen since moving to Oregon. The daughter, at Texas City, with her infant, will come here to live with her parents as soon as the business there is finished.

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Frank Frayler Evangelist

Of Sacramento, Calif., will lecture at the Church of Christ, Cottage and Shipping Sts. Wednesday evening, May 21 at 7:30 p. m. He is ex-chaplain of the "Sunset Division" of the U.S. army and will speak on his travels through the islands and Japan with a display of many souvenirs from the orient.



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