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#### "Au Revoir" to Camp White

Attorney General George Neuner's opinion gave the state board of control no option but to drop the idea of taking over the Camp White hospital. Without any funds and in the face of a constitutional ban against establishing new institutions outside Marion county without approval of the people the board's decision was the wise one under the circumstances. Whether the combination of the Portland Journal and Sen. Lew Wallace and southern Oregon constituency will press their initiative measure to authorize the takeover is uncertain. Perhaps the government will proceed to dispose of the facility by sale. At least it is "au revoir" (and we hope "goodbye") to Camp White as a state hospital.

Despite the pressures for use of Camp White the facts impartially assembled and weighed caused Governor Snell to veto a legislative act to accept the hospital and convert it into a state hospital for the mentally ill. The layout is not adapted to a state hospital. The expense of alteration and of operation would be heavy. The buildings are only semi-permanent and are not firesafe. The facility is not properly located, being set down in a sort of adobe desert. Finally the present and planned expansion and remodelling at existing institutions takes care of the need which previously was urgent.

The state ought to set limits for the size of the institution at Salem because hospitals may become so large as to be unwieldy. Then it should in an orderly manner determine on a suitable location for a third institution. We have no objection to locating such a hospital in southern Oregon, but experience with Pendleton proves that the public demand is for institutions close to the center of population. When a third hospital is built it should be definitely planned for its specialized type of service. In the long run the state will be money ahead to follow this plan rather than to take, for free, the vast but illadapted and poorly located hospital at Camp White.

#### Liquor Board Policies

The new liquor commission has announced two changes in policy. One is to require the licensing of bartenders; the other is to set up a committee to serve as a trial board in cases involving suspension or revocation of liquor license. The commission states that its intention is to keep control as strict as at present, to carry out the purpose of the control act "to promote temperance." It expresses the opinion that package sale of intoxicating beverages promotes temperance better than sale for consumption on the premises, which may be disappointing to those who look for support for cocktail bar bills and liquorby-the-glass.

The licensing of bartenders may be of value if it is used to screen out of employment those with bad criminal records or who have been frequent offenders of liquor regulations. If the bartender as well as the proprietor stands to lose a license for law violation he may be more inclined to self-policing.

The new method of handling citations for violation calls ty for Secretary Marshall and Clayton Made Matters Worse for a hearing before an examiner, if possible in the community Foreign Minister Bevin to get to Instead, Clayton simply be- Egyptian dispute. where the licensee operates. His transcript will be reviewed by know one ana committee composed of the administrator, and the two supervisors of licenses and enforcement. The commission then will act on the recommendation of the committee.

This plan looks good, but in practice it may result in about three trials: before the examiner, the committee and the commission. The offender will not hesitate to keep up his effort to escape punishment-he may even try to go over the commission's head to get the governor to intercede. In the end the tremely practicommission is the responsible head and cannot shunt duties as cal and unsentiimportant as judging violations onto administrative subordi-

The commission is tackling its job with some show of vigor tions, have long age established that he disagreed with the policies of the last commission. In the end it will be judged by its performance rather than its intentions; but so far as publicized the intentions of the new con- economic fields. trol body appear good.

#### Trizonia Allemania

The coalition which Molotov professed to fear seems des- Men who make policy are, fortined to develop. France has expressed a willingness to con-tunately or unfortunately, only sider the merging of its occupied zone in Germany with too human. And when men deal "bizonia", the consolidated zones of Britain and the United with each other at a distance, irri-States. The consolidation of the three zones would embrace the major portion of Germany, with a population of 40,000,000 thing that has made needless vance knowledge of Secretary people. It would include the major part of German industry trouble, is former Under Secrebut it would be deficient in agricultural lands.

Besides this economic coalition there is in the making a new German government for west Germany. Initially it would Marshall plan, but before the plan was a remarkable technical cover the British and American zones but if France joins the Paris conference of 16 nations. economic partnership it is logical to anticipate its zone would Naturally, he received a warm British were unwarned of Marcome within the new German government. The new government would be one elected by the people and responsible to the peculiarities of their position, as British delegate to Lake Success German people. Party leaders, excluding communists, are pre- a nation which is at once part of Hector McNeil, had to telegraph paring to discuss the program with the American and British Europe, the banking house of the frantically to London for instruccommanders.

In both these plans a way would be left open for Russia's economic center of a huge non-European commonwealth. If these night, and, in very bad tempers, participation and the amalgamation of the Russian zone with the west, but all present signs point to Russia's refusal and GRIN AND BEAR IT purpose to embrace its portion of occupied Germany into the soviet orbit. The German leaders in the west hope their new establishment will attract compatriots in the Russian zone and confirm their opposition to Russian communism.

While Molotov reiterated his declaration that Russia wantd a democratic, peace-loving, centrally governed Germany, his government's refusal to get down to real negotiation in the conferences at Moscow and London has resulted in the division of Germany and of Europe across the middle. The line is unstable. The German people will nurture a revanche policy to recover the severed parts. The peace of the world rests on an

Commenting on congressional action for emergency aid to Europe the Oregonian says that "the appropriations necessary to put the final program into effect must originate in the house." The Ogn editor seems to have revenues and appropriations mixed. The constitution provides that bills for raising revenue (not for spending it) must originate in the house. The senate has power however to propose amendments.

Exploring for oil in foreign countries is expensive business. Creole Petroleum Co., a subsidiary of Standard of New Jersey, in surrendering a lease on a big block of acreage in Venezuela, said it had expended \$19,000,000 futilely in drilling wells on the leased land. With all the gadgets of science for detecting likely oil-bearing lands, petroleum remains just where the drill finds it. There still is lots of gamble in the oil business.

The communists have called off strikes in France and Italy. Their purpose was political but the government rode out the storms and retained authority. If overturn of the cabinets and communist take-over was planned the commies were defeated in their objectives. These failures may account for the greater viciousness of Molotov's attacks on the west.



'Old Saint Nick'

## -MATTER OF FACT-

Marshall, Bevin Bringing About Complete Anglo-American Unity

By Joseph Alsop LONDON, Dec. 14 - The adjourned council of foreign ministers produced at least one for-

American postwar relationship has suffered from a silly inner contradiction. Those exmental men, the military staffs Jon

of the two nathere has been no such intimate collaboration in the political and

In fact, the last year has been marked by petty but mounting irritation, and baseless but increasing suspicion between the makers of American and British policy. tation and suspicion always arise. tary of State Will Clayton's visit to London last spring. He came after the announcement of the the announcement of the Marshall are emphatically not just one welcome. Naturally, also, he found shall's so-called "little assembly" the British anxious to explain the plan for the United Nations. The sterling area, and the political and tions. Bevin and his staff had to

difficulties had been understood by the Americans in Paris, most of the friction with the British at the Paris conference could have been eliminated.

cause he had been badly briefed, worse. He brushed aside the prob- soviet pressure. Yet not long ago lems which were troubling the the Kremlin was offered the sleep of every sensible member agreeable spectacle of the British sh leaders have been made oversensitive by their difficulties. They were filled with bitterness, considering, as one of them put it, that "they had been told to take their places in the queue

with the other debtors." breakdown of the habit of constant mutual consultation, inau-Pearl Harbor. And this has had infinitely worse results than the many little episodes, on both sides, like the one described above.

Sometimes serious consequences ern intervention in order to keep have been avoided by sheer good A good example of the kind of fortune. The British had no ad-Marshall's Harvard speech, for example, so that Bevin's quick feat of diplomacy. Again, the

By Lichty



"-And look at the view from this picture window, Madam-and notice how clearly you can see the dreadful hat the neighbor is wearing!"

der the circumstances, it is extremely surprising that the tele-gram instructed McNeill to maintain the Anglo-American front. Danger to Middle East

avoided in this agile manner. The middle east is quite as important to this country as to Britain. Yet the American delegate at Lake Success, Herschel Johnson, recently did much to undermine the British position in the Sudanwhich is vital to their position in the middle east-by some rather casual remarks on the Anglo-Again, it is essential to both

nations to sustain Iran

of the cabinet. He said that in ambassador at Tehran urging the American eyes, Britain was just Iranians to adopt one course, one European nation among many. while his American colleague And he added contemplatively pleaded for the contrary policy.

that, really, the place where the Finally, there is the tragic Pal-Marshall plan seemed likely to do estine story. This reporter hapjectives pursued in Palestine by JUST OUT! the American government. But one fact should now be obvious to everyone. By pursuing our Palestine objectives alone; by rejecting all responsibility in Pales-This kind of misunderstanding agreement with the British, we arises directly, of course, from the have created an appallingly dangerous situation. If we had offered to share the responsibility FREE Mail coupon below for Free Boo gurated by Winston Churchill and with them, we might have brought the British round, in most respects, to acceptance of our views. As it is, we are now quite likely to be forced, later on, into the riskiest kind of middle east-

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the Marshall plan we now are forced to implement the plan. Once committed we dare not scuttle the load: the Russian bogey will frighten even penny-pinching isolationists into supporting appropriations for aid to France, Italy and Britain, and for sustaining the people of Germany and Austria.

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much as the British need us. Under the circumstances, we can thank our stars that Ambassador

Lewis Douglas has already done

much to smooth out the troubles

of the past; and that these weeks

in which Marshall and Bevin have worked together, day after day, shoulder to shoulder, have

about completed the job.

It becomes a real question then whether our economy can carry the triple burden of a high domestic standard of living, high military expenditures (atomic re-search, air fleets, large army and navy, perhaps universal military conscription) and aid to our Eu-ropean "allies." I doubt it, and what will suffer will be our standard of living. Wages will continue to rise, and prices too, but between high prices and shortages of essential materials and products Americans will have less per capita or poorer quality of housing, foodstuffs, motor vehicles and the gear of modern living. Prosperity will be illusory. The tax burden may grow heavier instead of lighter.

A gloomy prospect? Yes, but more alarming is the prospect of another world war employing new weapons of mass destruction of life and property. Real war is not inevitable but the failure of the London conference brings it into focus as a definite possibility. The war of nerves usually ends in a war of bloodshed.

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