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"No Favor Sways Us, No Fear Shall Awe"
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Dissension in Red Hierarchy

Surprise attends news of the purging of Marshall Tito of Yugoslavia. No previous inkling of friction within Communism had leaked to the western press. The iron curtain serves to keep information in as well as out. American intelligence seems still quite mystified over the development.

A communist paper in Prague is the vehicle which tells the world that Russia has "excommunicated" Tito and his partisans from the "family of brotherly communist parties, outside the united communist front, and thus also outside the ranks of the information bureau." So far, Tito himself hasn't squeaked. It is by no means certain that he is still boss of Yugoslavia. He may have gotten the Jan Masaryk treatment.

The offenses attributed to Tito are couched in typical communist jargon: "Trotskyism," "currying favor with imperialists," "false demagogic tactics." These are just conventional labels to paste on anyone who falls out of favor. The mystery remains: just what did Tito do that brought his conviction for "heresy"?

Marshall Tito, it should be recalled, was a Yugoslav communist who was trained in the communist school at Moscow, as were so many of the stooges who serve now as puppet-rulers of their native countries. He was tough, ruthless, seemingly one who was fully obedient to the dictates of the USSR. Suddenly, he is cast out, stripped of favor at the center of communism, while an appeal is made to the "healthy core" of Yugoslav reds to bring its leaders to "see the error of their ways."

Western observers will pounce on this evidence of schism within the ranks of the communist front. We had heard of dissent among the people in Bulgaria, Hungary and Czechoslovakia. In Tito's country the only rumblings came from the Catholics who felt the heavy hand of communist restraint on their activities. Now, it is evident that division reached into the ranks of the elect.

The action against Tito, evidently Moscow-inspired, was sudden, direct and thorough. That is the communist technique: no hesitation, no compromise; but the purge. The result is to cut out the cancer promptly and to spread fear among all the other jumpers in command. That is the method used in Russian industry, in control of the arts and of propaganda. Sometimes the purge is not complete and final: the erring musical composers were given opportunities to confess their faults and renew their vows of loyalty to the communist ideology. Sometimes for Russians the fate is shipment to Siberia. Always the victim is beset with fears of the fate of his family unless he recants. Communists have held their rule by employment of terror; and the purge of Tito, so lately of high rank in the satellite hierarchy, will make more craven his late comrades within and without the USSR.

Eventually, terror destroys itself, as in the classic example of the French Revolution. Freedom and justice will not stay forever in chains. Some day a clear cold light will strike through the miasma of fear which envelops east Europeans, and truth again may walk without a guard.

The historical ending of dictatorships comes with division within the hierarchy. The purge of Tito is a hint that dissension exists. Tito himself may soon be "spurious versenkt"—sunk without a trace. But someday a split will arise within the Kremlin itself—the politburo is not itself purged in some violent war of revolution.

Washington State Parks and Politics

As one travels from Ephrata north to Grand Coulee dam he follows the great coulee itself, whose Dry Falls are a geologic wonder. Over their brim poured the waters from the ice sheet that covered northern Washington, and probably the waters of the Columbia river when its ancient channel was ice-blocked. At Dry Falls one comes on a state park which has been in the making for many months past. The surroundings are quite unattractive for a park: the sagebrush-covered floor of the coulee, the dull-colored rimrock; but on the project the state has spent most of a million dollars appropriated for park purposes. And the spending is now causing a political ruckus in Washington.

For several sessions past the legislature or the governor has undertaken to take care of Vic Meyers, erstwhile orchestra leader and night-club operator, who manages to get enough votes to stay on as lieutenant governor. In this biennium the provision was to make him head of the parks board. So the fingers are pointing at Meyers and tongues are wagging.

A dude ranch in the vicinity is said to be Meyers-owned, and now included in the park is a tract formerly occupied by Meyers containing a big dance hall and poolroom. Then the concessions at the park are held by a son-in-law of another member, State Auditor Cliff Yelle. His lease is for ten years and the state which furnishes all the facilities is to get only 10 per cent of the gross receipts.

From this and other reports from across the Columbia river the signs indicate that Washington voters will move for a change in state affairs this fall. Certainly there is need for an infusion of higher political morality there. The legislators have been grasping, voting expense accounts for themselves and setting up boards on which they could serve and draw salaries.

Perhaps it is the lush treasury, filled so easily by the sales tax, which invites the easy spending. Undoubtedly the lack of a sales tax has prompted stricter economy in Oregon. There is, too, a greater vigilance here to maintain higher political standards. Also, we have no flute-toting lieutenant governor to be taken care of between legislative sessions.

Vote of Confidence

The allies are still preferred in Berlin. Money-changing on the black market proves that. And the undercover financial activities of Berliners would indicate that sometimes the black market is just like legal markets—it accurately reflects the tenor of the times.

Before issuance of the new East and West marks—and since—the Germans have let it be known that their confidence in the Americans and British was ebbing. All of them wonder what will become of them. And they just don't know which bandwagon to latch on to.

That's what they say. But when it comes to practicing their indecision, their actions belie their words. The index to the Berliners' true state of mind is the "sensitive and infinitely more indicative field of the black market," as one reporter called it.

The Russians have declared their new East mark the only legal tender while the allies, as far as we know, have accepted both marks with no discriminatory exchange provisions. But among the people, among the Berlin natives who profess lost faith in the British and Americans, anticipatory trading in the new marks was at the rate of 20 Russian marks to one allied mark—even before the new money was in circulation.

The communist regime in Bulgaria has encountered so much resistance among the people, and particularly among university students, that it expelled several thousand of the latter recently. It has notified 5000 school teachers they must submit to new examinations. Besides proving their competency as teachers they must carry "certificates of reliability." Maybe Dimitrov has been reading about purges of pink school teachers in the USA and our non-communist oath on payroll sheets.

Vital Decision Faced Due to Red Blockade

By Joseph and Stewart Alsop

WASHINGTON, June 23—Excitement over the strange quadrennial rites of the political conventions has tended to obscure one grim fact.

That is that within 10 to 20 days the United States (and England and France) may have to take the most crucial decision since the war. The Soviet blockade on food and supplies for Berlin may soon be lifted. But if it is not, the Berlin population will begin to starve in less than three weeks. And the Western powers will then have to decide whether to leave Berlin or to find some way to force the Soviets to re-open the supply lines.

Moreover, even if, as has been reported, the Russians soon lift or modify their blockade of the western sectors of Berlin, the cat-and-dog game which the Russians have started will not be played out, for the Soviets are clearly determined to force the Western powers out of the German capital. And short of shooting, blockade is the only Soviet weapon to achieve that end.

It is interesting that even now, although lights are burning late in the State Department and in the British and French Foreign Offices, no final decision on the Western reaction to a continued blockade has been taken. It has not been taken simply because it is hoped almost desperately that it will never have to be taken.

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By Lichty



"Why blame me because you can't live on your salary, Sneedby... other men blame their wives!"

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was never optimistic that he would win the prize he sought. His was largely a personal organization, much as was the Willkie's. He was not a favorite of party wheelhorses, and one thing they were braced against was another Willkie blitz at Philadelphia. Even if he had won Oregon he would have had a very tough battle to get the nomination.

In Oregon it was not the debate with Dewey which wrecked his chance. His initial mistake was made in April when he flew in and made the address in Portland calling for outlawing the communist party. He left his flank exposed and Dewey blasted his position with all his batteries. He gave Dewey also the "liberal" position which Stassen had been claiming for himself previously.

Dewey could orate on fundamental freedoms and warn of dangers if we started thought control here. He won enough serious-minded, intelligent republicans to turn the tide in his favor. The debate, of course, multiplied his conversions. The question was not an issue the national campaign, save as Stassen raised it. That proved for Stassen a costly blunder. Without it he might have carried the state in spite of the intense campaigning of Dewey and the liberal use of campaign funds.

At age 41 Harold Stassen isn't through. He has a loyal following. And he has a yearning for the political arena which surely will draw him back. The presidency is barred to him, at least for the quadrennium, and he is out of public office. But a few years free of official responsibility should give him seasoning. After all, Lincoln held no office from the time he left congress in 1845 until he became president in 1861. The country needs him now among its reserves; at a future day he may be called into important "active duty."

Girl Winner in Beauty Contest Despite Bishop

WHEELING, W. Va., June 23 (AP)—An 18-year-old Catholic girl who participated under threat of excommunication, won a local beauty contest tonight.

Miss Mariann Ford, daughter of a Wheeling grocer, was named "Miss Wheeling" to participate in a state-wide beauty pageant at Mountsville in August. The winner there will enter the "Miss America" contest at Atlantic City. She remained in the contest despite a declaration from Bishop John J. Swint of the Wheeling Catholic diocese that he would expel from the church any girl who participated. Her father commented that it was "just a case of the church having one view and the parents another."

Two other Catholic girls withdrew.

26 Seal Hood In Exhibition Of Hostellers

Don Dorris, Presbyterian church youth director, led 26 Seal Hood youths to the summit of Mt. Hood Saturday in a climbing expedition sponsored by the local youth hostellers. The ascent from Timberline lodge to the peak took 11 hours in excellent weather conditions.

Guests of the group of 36 were Prof. and Mrs. Maurice Brennen of Willamette university; Claude Coffman and Marjorie Moore, North Bend; Pat Knutson, Astoria; Chester Goodman and Jim Dimit, Salem.

The other climbers were George Adams, Frank Bennett, Dick Bennett, Mary Bennett, Bruce Bleckart, Margie Burnett, Ed Gottfried, Alsetta Gilbert, Bill Hill, Foster Hage, Glenna Jones, Walter Jones, Bob Keudell, Tom McManus, Blair Moore, Elizabeth Morley, Jim Morgali, Robert Nordyke, Homer Nordyke, Ernest Pearson, Richard Reay, Milton Rickman, Ted Shinkle, Lynn Sullivan, Roberta Tussing and Mary Will.

Three were arrested by city police over the weekend on charges of driving while intoxicated.

They were Donald John Brewer, Sublimity route 1, Sunday morning; Clarence Lanole Rowland, Salem route 4, Monday morning and Homer M. McElhenny, 170 Abrams ave., Saturday night, police records show. McElhenny's charge was later changed to reckless driving, liquor involved, and he was fined \$200 in municipal court.

Rowland's trial has been set for July 22 at 1:30 p.m. and Brewer's for July 9 at 1:30 p.m. after each pleaded innocent in municipal court and posted \$250 bail each.

Malcolm Miller Rose, Jr., 906 Stump st., Dallas, was arrested by city police early Sunday morning in the 800 block of South Commercial st., on a charge of reckless driving, liquor involved, records show. Rose posted \$100 bail in municipal court, pleaded innocent and his trial was set for July 9 at 1:30 p.m.

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Gunman Says Pals Escaped Across River

CHICAGO, June 23 (AP)—A one-legged gunman related today, police said, how he eluded the biggest man-trap in Cook county history by walking to busy U. S. highway 66 and catching a bus home.

Jerry Malek, alias Malleck, 23, police reported, told them that three other members of the hijacking mob escaped a net of more than 200 policemen by swimming the Des Plaines river.

Malek, who lost his left leg in a boyhood accident, and now wears a wooden one, was a member of the gang—police said he reported—which held up a suburban Western Springs gambling house Saturday and shot two police in a running gun battle. Police said that Malek related that he fired at least 15 shots from a high-powered rifle at pursuing policemen from a punched out rear window of the fleeing car.

A hearing on a writ of habeas corpus for Malek was continued until tomorrow by Chief Justice Cornelius J. Harrington of criminal court.

Police raided the homes of all four but only Malek was found at home.

Mill City Union Elects Mason as Its Manager

MILL CITY—Paul Mason was elected business manager for the IWA union Friday night. He will replace Pat Herron. Other officers are president, Art Landeis; vice president, Lovell Miller; warden, Joe Ragsdale; conductor, Vern Featherston, and trustee, Clyde Lewis.

Billy Mills of Newport is visiting his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kelle.

Donald Sheytie was reelected a member of the Mill City school board. He was unopposed.

A Meglitch underwent major surgery in a Salem hospital last week.

Charley Day and Wilbur Meinert each injured a leg while working in the woods last week. Day is employed by Kimseys and Meinert by Mt. Jefferson Lumber Co. Both will be off work several days.

Attending grand chapter OES in Portland last week were Mrs. Ed Rupp, worthy matron of Marilyn chapter, and Mrs. Wm. Shuey, associate matron.

Nancy Budlong of Idanha is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Ralph Budlong.

The Rev. and Mrs. Clark Wood and son, Jay, of Idaho Falls, visited her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Chance, last week.

Two New Houses Are Authorized

Building permits were issued by the city engineer's office Monday to authorize two new houses for A. J. Becker at 568 and 570 S. Liberty st., each to cost \$4,550, and one for Clifford Becker, at 1925 N. 24th st., to cost \$6,500.

Alteration permits Monday went to Ray Bairey to repair a house at 1725 N. Capitol st., \$50; F. O. Hagg, re-roof dwelling and garage, 497 S. 23rd st., \$300; Maude Morlan, erect woodshed, 2244 Hude st., \$50; Chris Kunkel, alter service station, 1008 N. Liberty st., \$50; J. M. Hansen, re-roof garage, 1855 N. Liberty st., \$50, and Pauline Hastings, repair house, 2325 Center st., \$100.

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Probe Decided on Regarding Care of Blind in Oregon

The interim commission to investigate the care and education of the blind, meeting in Portland, decided to employ outside assistance to investigate conditions and make a report to the commission. A meeting was set for July in Salem when the appointment will be made and the problem discussed.

The commission was named after controversy arose regarding administration of the blind trades school in Portland.

Salem members are Sen. Allan Carson, the Rev. Dudley Strain and Carlton Greider.

Busy Weekend For Linksters

Salem Golf clubbers had a busy week end with the schedule including two tournaments. A two-ball mixed foursome meet saw Rita Adolph and Max Allen come in the winners with a net 75. Runnerup was the Ned Ingram-Florine Ingram team with a net 76. Jean Potts and Bud Waterman were third with 77. Millard Pekar and Rose Johns grabbed the prize for low number of putts, and Bob Herrall and Judy Allen also took prizes by being nearest the No. 3 and No. 6 pins respectively.

An 18-hole sweepstakes event was captured by Tommy Thompson with a gross 72 and a nine handicap which gave him a net 64. Tony Painter was second with 71-68. O. E. McCrary and Don Hendrie tied for third, each with 77-69.

Births

JOHNSTON—To Mr. and Mrs. Alva J. Johnston, Dallas, a son, Saturday, June 20, at Salem General hospital.

DIETZ—To Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Dietz, Salem route 8, a daughter, Sunday, June 21, at Salem General hospital.

WATERS—To Mr. and Mrs. Daral Waters, 664 Brevs st., a daughter, Sunday, June 21, at Salem General hospital.

JOHNSON—To Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Johnson, 655 Cascade dr., a daughter, Sunday, June 21, at Salem General hospital.

SAVITS—To Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Davis, 115 N. 19th st., a son, Sunday, June 21, at Salem General hospital.

BLATTLEY—To Mr. and Mrs. Donald Blattley, Dallas, a daughter, Sunday, June 21, at Salem General hospital.

POWERS—To Mr. and Mrs. Norman S. Powers, 2007 Fairgrounds rd., a daughter, Sunday, June 21, at Salem General hospital.

CHAMBERS—To Mr. and Mrs. Donald Chambers, 1170 Lewis st., a daughter, Sunday, June 21, at Salem General hospital.

CASEY—To Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Casey, Salem route 6, a daughter, Monday, June 22, at Salem General hospital.

WIDNER—To Mr. and Mrs. James Widner, Albany route 4, a son, Monday, June 22, at Salem General hospital.

NICHOL—To Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Nichol, West Dayton, a son, Sunday, June 21, at Salem Memorial hospital.

MCKINNEY—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKinney, Lebanon, a daughter, Sunday, June 21, at Salem Memorial hospital.

SPENCE—To Mr. and Mrs. Garland Spence, 555 N. 14th st., a son, Sunday, June 21, at Salem Memorial hospital.

MORTENSON—To Mr. and Mrs. Verdon Mortenson, 642 Edgewater st., a son, Sunday, June 21, at Salem Memorial hospital.

BARCLAY—To Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barclay, Seio route 2, a son, Sunday, June 21, at Salem Memorial hospital.

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