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Coming: Portland Symphony

Symphony orchestras command steadily growing audiences. Radio has contributed greatly to this growth because it brings orchestral performances right into the homes of the people. But an orchestra has other appeal than just to the ear. The scene of a concert itself brings a thrill: The orchestra as it assembles, tunes its instruments and plays; the audience as it gathers and chafes and then sits in awed hush to drink in the melody; the conductor, with his varied gestures, as he weaves from varied instruments the marvelous tapestry of sound which makes up a symphony. To all lovers of music a symphony concert well performed is genuine ecstasy; and those with no special taste for music generally get a great emotional lift out of orchestra music.

This year Salem folk will have an opportunity to hear and to see one of the country's fine orchestras, the Portland Symphony, in a series of three concerts right at home. The first is next Tuesday night at the high school auditorium.

Portland Symphony was revived after the war with Mr. Werner Janssen, conductor. Under his able direction (one cannot say baton, for he uses none) the orchestra has gained recognition as a really superior organization. Critics and visiting artists have been loud in their praise of how Janssen and his musicians interpret great musical works. Janssen is not only distinguished for his fine musicianship but for his sincerity and his modesty. He pours himself into the music, not the orchestra into showmanship for himself.

Attending the concerts to be given here is no "civic duty" but a rich privilege. Salem folk should seize this opportunity and the ticket range brings the concerts within reach of all.

Crime Compounded

Police in San Francisco believe they have solved the murder of Nick DeJohn, a one-time Al Capone confederate who transferred to California. And they believe it links up with a racket being worked in the abortion business. This business itself is illegal, but the racketeers were shaking it down for \$2500 a month. DeJohn got his when there was a falling out among the racketeers.

Certainly a sorry, sordid tale. One operator of an abortion mill, wife of a former assemblyman in California, is serving a penitentiary sentence, and other such establishments have been raided by police. What they find is a network in which the abortionists are shaken down in the customary racketeer manner, which results in crime compounded.

Society must revise and revamp its police organization. It must be prepared to ferret out and stamp out the overlords of vice whose entrenched power in some cities challenges that of government. Sporadic roundups are not enough. Policing in this area must be continuous. Probably it would be well to turn-state police to work in this field, lifting it out of the embarrassments of local politics.

If we do not bust the racketeers eventually they will eat our insides out, like a cancer.

Washington for PUDs?

Guy C. Myers, who worked the financial deals which converted Nebraska into a public ownership state for electric power, is trying to complete a similar performance for Washington. He has already sewed up deals with PUDs for acquisition of parts of Puget Sound Light & Power Co., but failed through court decision in his scheme to take over all of the company and parcel it out among PUDs and the city of Seattle. He has revived his efforts to transfer all of this company's power properties to public ownership

and also to acquire Washington Water Power and Pacific Light & Power properties in Washington state.

According to a story in the New York Times, the package price for the three would be about \$200,000,000 — \$120,000,000 for Puget Sound, \$80,000,000 for WWP and PP&L. Puget Sound owners admittedly are ready to sell—they see no future in competition with tax-free power systems. Local officers of WWP and PP&L are said to be strongly opposed to selling but the no future in competition with tax-free power companies are part of the American Power & Light systems, a holding company under "death sentence." Its plan of reorganization calls for disposal of these operating units. The Times quotes American's president, Howard L. Aller, as saying that an \$80,000,000 offer might be considered.

Oregon would have concern over the sale of the PP&L because the latter has extensive operations across this state. Presumably these would remain in private ownership, but what about its dams over in Washington which provide it with much of its electric energy? Also, since public bodies get first call on federal power, is there a chance for a squeeze on Oregon if all Washington goes for public ownership?

Of course the deals aren't made yet; but Myers is a persistent fellow, and his percentage on a deal like that runs to a pretty penny. The late election gives no comfort for supporters of private enterprise; so owners may be ready to sell—for a price, which doesn't worry Myers.

The new traffic light at 12th and Mission streets will be a welcome development. It will aid in orderly travel at an increasingly-busy intersection, but primarily it will reduce the chance of injury or death to hundreds of Bush school children. School officials and the student patrol have cooperated admirably in keeping down the accident rate thus far. It is high time they were given this new aid.

King George VI of Great Britain is reported suffering from bad circulation in his legs. In fact it is said that he will have to stop a lot of the running around he has been doing. Since that is a principal part of the royal duties he will doubtless feel greatly relieved. Now if he can cultivate a bad digestion he may escape many of the formal banquets. His brother Eddie's trouble wasn't with his legs; it was staying on his horse.

There won't be much sympathy for the man who was given a fine working-over by the students of an English school to which he was trying to sell whipping canes. The canes sound too drastic at their best, but in any event their market should be in the homes, not the schools.

The Oregon progressive party spent over \$40,000 in its late campaign. That puts them up in the republican class and must make the democrats who ran their campaign on a short shooting snicker because it brought no success to progressives. One wonders where the progressives got all this money—the national party was well financed too. Anyway it was a well heeled flop.

Many of the towns are staging Santa Claus visits. From here on youngsters will be kept bug-eyed over stuffy men in red suits and white whiskers. We shouldn't spoof at the Santa Claus myth. After all the voters demonstrated again they want to keep him alive, in Washington.

The barometer this fall has had the jitters, shooting up, dropping down quite abruptly—just like the New York stock market—with emphasis on the down.

Laughs Leaven Drama of CIO Parley

By Max Hall
Associated Press Labor Reporter

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 22 (AP)—The CIO convention, just ended, was held in an atmosphere of crackling drama. There were some good laughs, too.

One of the laughs: President Phil Murray, at a banquet, was handing out bouquets to his lieutenants. With the earnest intention of giving high praise to Allan Haywood, the CIO's organization director, Murray came up with this beauty:

"The public doesn't often see the work that Allan does. But -- ne -- he works -- like a Trojan horse!"

Mike Quill, of the transport workers, was addressing the convention when he had a slip of the tongue.

He said: "When we came back to America from Boston . . . take a swipe at Joe (Stalin) . . . this floor fight is part of the cold war."

From George Baldanzi, of the textile workers: "We don't have raids in the CIO. We have revolts of workers against communist domination."

From Walter Reuther, of the auto workers: "Either get clear into the CIO or get clear out."

From Albert Fitzgerald, of the Electrical Workers: "I don't give a damn for Russia. I think Vishinsky and Molotov have engaged themselves in saber-rattling and war-mongering."

The delegates held their breath when Fitzgerald said that. Some of the other leaders of his union would never have said it under any circumstances.

There was an electronic agitation in the hall, too, when Murray first began smashing away at the communist party on the opening day.

All around you people were clucking in amazement. Grunts. Guffaws. Mounting cries of "pour it on." This was what most of them had been waiting for. Murray had withheld such attacks at previous conventions in the interest of CIO unity.

This was the convention when lots of people took a swat at a man who wasn't there, Henry Wallace.

Mike Quill was telling why he didn't support Wallace.

"It was a question not only was I a man or a mouse, but was I a man or a louse. I decided not to be a louse."

One of the busiest men of all was young Arthur Goldberg, the CIO's new general counsel, who replaced Lee Pressman. Goldberg almost didn't get to the conven-

tion. Shortly before leaving his home in Chicago, he put on the boxing gloves with his seven-year-old son. Junior shot a hard right. It broke daddy's glasses and cut his face.

The convention was held in Portland's Masonic temple. High along the wall was a carved inscription:

"Through days of labor and nights of rest may the love of Allah make you blest. So -- I touch my heart as the easterners do -- may the peace of Allah abide with you."

A few fast glimpses: Reuther's right arm in a metal brace and sling, as a result of his shooting in Detroit last April . . . The pointed beard of Jacob Potofsky, of the clothing workers . . . the long ovation for Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas . . . The frenzied demonstration when Murray was nominated for re-election . . .

Some serious guide-posts to the future of labor-management relations were almost overlooked in the general excitement.

For example, the CIO voted to urge all its unions to "embark immediately" on a vigorous campaign to get more welfare benefits in their contracts. And President Murray said:

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"There is too a Santa Claus . . . Pop says even the President of the United States knows it . . ."

Faces in the News . . .

Representative Men and Women Who Figured in the Headlines Of Activities the Past Week



Loren R. White, supervisor in the state industrial accident commission here, was re-elected president of Oregon State Employees association.



Lella Johnson of the Salem High school faculty, president of the Oregon Mathematics Teachers council which meets here next Saturday.



Theodore Roake, sr., skipper of the Salem Sea Scout ship Wilamette which this week end is scheduled to complete a cruise to the Columbia river.



Edgar G. Scott, former state prison guard, was appointed a Marion county deputy sheriff during the week.



Ann Conley, new advertising manager for Sears, Roebuck store here, joined the staff during week, coming from the Klamath Falls Sears store.



Bruce Williams, Salem attorney, is general chairman for the Oregon Young Republican club convention in Salem next week end.



Mrs. John Henry of Gervais, recently re-elected president of the Gervais Garden club which is now starting its second year.



Arlie R. Anderson, local variety store operator, heads Salem Oratorio society which is rehearsing now for its annual performance of "The Messiah."

IT SEEMS TO ME

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economic determinism. Lenin called religion the opiate of the people. There is a fundamental clash between the principles of Christianity and those of communism.

On the other hand, Christian missions do more than evangelize. They have schools, hospitals, centers of instruction in agriculture. Even the Chinese communist leaders can see the value of these services. According to a dispatch from Canton from Albert Ravenholt, correspondent of the Chicago Daily News, the communists are permitting missionaries to remain and carry on their work. At Tsinan, which the Reds captured in September, English and Americans working in Cheloo university and hospital have not been molested. It will not be easy, but missionaries probably will attempt to carry on if it seems at all possible.

For years the conversion of China has been the great project of Christian churches. The winning of China with its 400,000,000 inhabitants has fired the zeal of hundreds of churchmen, "student volunteers" and laymen willing to finance the missionary enterprise. Much has been accomplished, measured not by the number of converts—at best a mere handful among China's huge population — but by the impact of Christian teaching and social ministry, and the conversion of many of China's great leaders. Retreat or denial of opportunity to carry on this work of Christian missions will be a sad blow to the hopes of many who have invested lives or money in the missionary enterprise. Admittedly a point of crisis has been reached. The way it turns will have a profound effect on China and on the whole program of preaching the gospel "to every creature."

Sen. Morse to Head Speakers At Young GOP Meet in Salem

Topping ranking republican party members, including Sen. Wayne L. Morse as featured speaker, will be honored guests at the 1948 convention of Young Republicans to be held in Salem next week end, December 3, 4 and 5.

Morse will address the convention Saturday night at the Chamber of Commerce on the subject "The Elephant's Future," Steve Anderson, state president of the Young Republicans announced Saturday.

Anderson said he was attempting to attract other national figures to the convention. Eric Johnston, former president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and now Hollywood movie czar, has been contacted and said he would be willing to attend the three-day meeting if he can conclude business in the east in time. Efforts are also being made to bring Paul Smith, editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, to the convention.

Republican Leaders
Prominent republican leaders of the state who will be guests at the convention include, Ralph Cake, Portland, GOP national committeeman from Oregon; Mrs. Marshall Cornett, Klamath Falls, national committeewoman; and Mrs. Ruth Rose Richardson, Portland, vice chairman of the state central committee.

The convention will begin at 4 p. m. Friday with registration in the Senator hotel lobby. At 6:15 p. m., Marion county Young Republicans will host refreshments and at 9:30 the convention business will get underway with committee meetings.

Registration Saturday
Saturday morning, registration of the more than 300 delegates expected will be completed and first open sessions of the convention will begin. Salem's armory will be the scene of the opening sessions of Saturday's packed schedule at 10 a. m. Committee meetings followed

at 10:30 and introduction of guests at 11:30.

Luncheon with party leaders and honored guests will be held at various Salem restaurants Saturday noon.

Committee Reports
With rejuvenation and reorganization as the theme, business activity will resume at 2 p. m. Committee reports, resolutions, nomination and election of officers will fill the afternoon schedule.

Proposals which may be brought to the floor of the convention for discussion and consideration include inauguration of a "watchdog" committee to rate legislators on their records, lowering of top age limits of the organization from 40 to 36, and a request for increased appropriations for expanded activity.

Russell Tripp, Albany, student at Willamette university, will be toastmaster at the Young Republican banquet, Saturday night. Sen. Morse's speech will highlight the evening schedule at the Salem Chamber of Commerce.

Convention activities will close Sunday morning following a breakfast for new officers at the Senator hotel and a meeting of the new executive board.

Elks Planning Charity Show

The annual Salem Elks lodge charity show, another minstrel, will be presented December 6 to 9 at the lodge, officers announced Saturday. The production proceeds will go into the club's Christmas party for needy children and clothing for needy families.

About 40 lodge members are included in the cast, chorus and quartet. Frank Zinn is director, and George Bynon wrote the script.

Tickets, 400 for each performance, will go on sale Monday at the lodge and Needham's book store.

Body of Salem Vet Returned

Pvt. Thomas P. Downs, whose body has been returned from its wartime grave in Italy, will be buried Tuesday in Golden Gate national cemetery at San Bruno, Calif. He died Oct. 26, 1944, from wounds incurred in France.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Downs, 680 Breys ave., and his brother, Alfred, all of Salem, are leaving today for the services.

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Services Set Monday for Henry Domes

Funeral services will be held Monday at 1:30 p. m. in W. T. Rigdon chapel for Henry W. Domes, 61, widely known Polk county turkey raiser, who died at a local hospital Friday. The Rev. Chester W. Hamblin will officiate, with concluding services in Bethel cemetery.

Domes was nationally known for his prize turkeys raised on his McCoy area ranch. In 1939 his White Holland turkeys won grand championship and reserve championships at the World's Poultry congress in Cleveland.

He was a member of the Elks and Masonic lodges at McMinnville and the Al Kader shrine in Portland.

He was born at Calverly, N.D., March 29, 1887. At the age of three years he came to McCoy with his parents and resided there until his death following a stroke Friday. He was married to the former Jane Richards at McCoy, Sept. 16, 1914.

Besides his widow he is survived by five children, Pauline Holbert and Margaret Domes, both of Portland, Richard Domes and Billy Domes, both of McCoy, and Wayne Domes, Salem; two sisters, Carrie Guild, Amity, and Rose Rutledge, McCoy, and seven grandchildren.

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