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"Fourth Round" Brings Tussle

Labor and management are squaring off for a crucial test this summer over the fourth round of wage increases. John L. Lewis is permitting his miners to go back to work (three days a week) without a contract. He has permitted the negotiations with operators to be broken up into different groups: northern, southern, captive mines. Walter Reuther's United Auto Workers have made no headway with demands in their bargaining with Ford and strike votes are being held by locals this week. Steel has begun its sparring with Phil Murray of the CIO steelworkers' union.

Tearing a leaf from Lewis' book Reuther has called on Ford to talk pension and insurance plans as well as meet wage demands. John Bugas, Ford vice president, asked the union to agree to an 18-month stabilization period, with openings for wage talks next January and July. Calling the strike vote is the union's reply, but it serves to delay action pending results of other labor negotiations, particularly steel.

Management is holding firm against further wage increases, telling union agents that the public is demanding lower prices which can come only with cheaper production. Labor probably sees little chance of much gain in wage rates, so it will concentrate on the "fringes," like pensions, which Lewis obtained for his mine-workers.

Will there be strikes? Probably not, because the times are not propitious for striking. But labor will resist any attempts at cutting wage rates — in the tri-state zinc region (Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas), zinc mines have closed down because workers refused to take a wage cut. Labor will have to be content with holding its ground and perhaps making small advances in special situations. Its real gains will come through falling prices; and its real losses through layoffs.

Kansas and Wheat Acreage Control

Kansas votes republican consistently; but its farmers do not fail to take government "loans" on their wheat crop. And Governor Frank Carlson of that state is urging Secretary of Agriculture Brannan not to impose acreage control on the crop for next year. He doesn't ask the government to drop its price support, however.

The reason for the Kansas governor's request is that the 1949 crop is falling below expectations. As late as June 5 the prediction was for a crop well over a billion bushels, the second in size in our history. June didn't prove a good month; and threshing reports, particularly in the big breadbasket from Texas north, show that yields are not holding up the estimate. Even so, the surplus of wheat will be equal to a full year's domestic demand.

Wheatgrowers have been voting on acreage control for next year; and appear to favor it if necessary. And it is doubtful if the slump in yield will make it safe for the government to keep up its guarantee without slapping on planting restrictions.

Acreage control isn't altogether satisfactory. Some regions, like much of the inland empire of the Pacific northwest, can't grow any other crop profitably. Yet the percentage cut applies to them as well as to growers in states where ample rainfall permits a shift to other crops.

Meantime, congress is sweating over new farm legislation. The Aiken-Hope law with its graduated price support is almost certain of amendment. The number of crops favored with price guarantees and the amount of the guarantee probably will be increased. Secretary Brannan's plan to make producers and consumers happier may be given a trial run on special crops. The 1950 elections are looming, and the farmers can be certain of high bids from the two big parties when the vote auction gets under way.

Astoria Gets Wheat Business

For decades, Astoria dreamed of becoming a major port, but saw the years pass with the hopes unfulfilled. Ships from the seven seas sailed by Astoria as they made Portland the principal port of call. To attract business the Port of Astoria was formed which issued bonds

and constructed extensive terminals; but still Portland kept most of the business.

This week announcement was made of a deal in which the North Pacific Grain Growers, Inc. which handles a large percentage of northwest wheat, will use the Port of Astoria for storage and export of its grain. The Astorian-Budget sees in the deal the realization of Astoria's dream.

Portland and Longview and Vancouver will not like the new arrangement, though in these days of mechanical handling of grain the loss of employment will not be very great. The rest of the state will be pleased to see Astoria's facilities more fully employed.

Nationalists Harrass Shanghai

There seems to be some life left in nationalist China; and Shanghai is feeling it. The nationalists control the Chinese navy and are using it to blockade Shanghai, and with some effect. Then they have planes which frequently bomb the city. The communists are strong on land but they have few planes and no navy. These weapons in the hands of the nationalists may harass but they cannot drive back the communists.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has established himself on Formosa (renamed Taiwan), hoping to use it as a base against the Reds. The nationalist government has its seat in Canton. There are still great areas not under communist control; instead, they are under the domination of local governors. Disunity is still China's great roadblock to progress.

Roll back history: A village in Brazil is reported under attack by Indians who are armed with arrows. The story is credible, for it is known that the Indians of interior Brazil are both numerous and hostile to whites. But think of fighting with bows and arrows in the age of the atom bomb.

Georgi Dimitrov, who died of diabetes last week in Moscow, must have been a man of great powers. A confirmed revolutionary, he lived to become premier of Bulgaria in the wake of its liberation by communist armies. But his first claim to fame was as defendant in the trials for firing the reichstag building in Berlin in 1933. This was in the early days of Hitler's power and it is generally believed that the nazis fired it so they could accuse the communists. But Dimitrov, a defendant, put up such a spirited defense that he was acquitted. He went to Moscow and got ready to become boss of Bulgaria after the war. Once he nearly deviated from the Kremlin's policy. That was when he was inclined to join with Marshal Tito in a Balkan understanding. Russia promptly squelched that move; and Dimitrov as promptly got back on the chalkline.

Congress is being moved — by the house-movers that is, not by Mr. Truman or the various segments of the public that would like to move it — right into the Potomac river. The senate is going to occupy the old senate chamber, occupied for years by the supreme court until the new court building was available. The house will occupy a big hearing room in the house office building, though it will not seat all the members. The congestion may have the effect of speeding up deliberations. The moving is necessary to permit reconstruction of the roof of the chambers. They have stood all they could of what goes on down below.

The Oregon City Enterprise makes a paragraph out of this:

Earl Kennell, photographer operating in a number of Pacific Northwest cities, was addressed as "My Lord" when he recently visited Nice, France, after wiring from London for hotel reservations. The hotel management assumed he was the Earl of Kennell. Anyone who knows Earl will recognize that if he had wished, he might have gotten away with the masquerade indefinitely.

All we can say is, My Lord!

Swarms of locusts are heading for Oregon out of Nevada, eating up the range as they go. Get out the flit gun, hundred gallon size.

Renewed Resistance Starts in China

By J. M. Roberts, Jr.
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Chiang Kai-Shek's latest appeal for renewed American aid in an effort to halt the communist penetration of Asia comes at a time when the subject is being newly agitated in Washington.

A number of senators are advocating a new aid program. The Chinese nationalist government at Canton has been trying to persuade American officials that a new military stand can be made in western China. There have been reports that "young Chinese" with American ideas are organizing a resistance movement. The planes which have been harassing the communists around Shanghai apparently are from Chiang's Formosa redoubt, although operating from bases nearer their targets.

On the face of it, renewed resistance seems to be developing. Underneath, American authorities find little on which to base any hope. Economic aid to non-communist territory will continue. Military intervention seems to be over for good.

As for Chiang's appeal, there is little new in it. Chiang's contention that resistance to the communist army is still possible in the same areas which resisted Japan — that the situation there is the same as then — is based on one

fallacy. In 1938 and thereafter the Chinese were fighting a foreign invader. Now an under-terminated but vast number of Chinese welcome the communists as the true successors to the revolutionary mantle of Sun Yat Sen. This is true both among the peasants, whose lot is such as to make them welcome any change, and among the intellectuals as represented by Madame Sun, Chiang's American-educated sister-in-law and widow of the man who overturned the Chinese throne.

The decision before the U. S. government has been whether to become directly involved in the Chinese civil war (or to be re-involved in it now) or to avoid further irritation of relations with the communists.

The communists will have a lot of trouble organizing China. They are going to need economic aid which Russia cannot supply, as eastern Europe has found. They are going to have vast troubles with the large Moslem population. Manchuria lies between Chinese nationalism and Russian acquiescence like a bone between two hungry dogs. (Trouble over Russian hegemony there already has been reported, along with heavy reinforcement of red railroad guard forces, but nothing confirmable.)

After a few years the Titoism which the Chinese communists

disclaim now may really develop. Then there might be a possibility of introducing American influence. If the U. S. can be said to have a Chinese policy now, it seems to be to do nothing which would prevent taking advantage of such an opportunity if it arises.

Direct armed intervention, with large forces supplied entirely from the United States, is now considered the only — and an impossible — alternative.

Better English

By D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "He hasn't worked any for three weeks."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "preface"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Itinerary, irascible, izinglass.
4. What does the word "actuate" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with "s" that means "to exile, banish, exclude"?

ANSWERS

1. Omit any. 2. Pronounce pref-as, e as in set (not as in me), a as in ace unstressed. 3. Itinerary. 4. To put into action; move to action. "He was actuated by a desire to do good."
5. Ostracize.

MAN MADE SEA SERPENT



Spain Visas Hard to Get, Henry Finds

By Henry McLemore

DAYTONA BEACH, July 5—Today's topic is Spain.

Part of the world wants it taken into the United Nations and part of the world cries aloud if such a thing is suggested. Same say Spain is under a complete dictatorship, and some say Spain is being treated very kindly by General Franco and should come under the blessing of the United States. And you know what the blessing of the United States means — money, money and more money.

I am writing about Spain for only one reason. I have applied for a visa to that country, and I haven't got it yet. All the other visas were easy, even visits to the Belgian Congo which I cannot even locate on a map.

If I had been sensible I would have written on my Spanish visa application that my purpose was pleasure. But being honest, I said my business was "newspaper man." That put all of Spain, apparently, to work. I was told that I must get in touch with someone in Washington who would speak to someone in the Spanish embassy or I would never get a visa. No trust, apparently, in Spain. Can't stand an honest guy looking around.

All right, I don't care if I get to Spain or if I don't get to Spain. I'd hate to go to a country where I wasn't wanted.

I'd hate to go to a country in which I couldn't keep my eyes open. I would like now to tell Spain that I don't care whether I'm admitted or not. In the same breath I'd like to tell Spain that

IT SEEMS TO ME

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the economic weakness of the satellite nations affects seriously the foreign policy of Russia. Until they can be welded into units economically strong and politically reliable, Russia will hesitate to challenge the west

I asked admittance to the country because hundreds of people have told me that it is the loveliest country on earth — soft, gentle and beautiful. But if it's run in such a manner that a visitor cannot feel free, then I don't want any part of it.

Lissen, Spain, let's you and McLemore get this straight.

I'd love to see Madrid. It's one of the few great capitals I haven't seen. I'd like to see Toledo, too; I'd even like to see Barcelona, but I don't think I will. Life is too short to beg a country's permission to visit it.

Probably the chief reason for leaving the United States is the happiness of getting back. I'm about to take off for sixteen or seventeen countries, not one of which can even carry this country's shoes. That's not Jingoism. That's the truth.

To get back to Spain — I hope they'll let me in. I also hope they'll let me out. But I want to tell Spain one thing, if it is permissible for a man to stand up to a country: I really don't care what you do. If you want my honest opinion, I cannot conceive of a man accepting one man's will.

When I get to Spain, I shall write about Spain as I see it, and if that's not permissible, then I will skip it lightly on my way to other and more comfortable countries.

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I'm willing to give this new Italian influence in pictures a chance... from now on quit saying 'yes'... say 'Si, Signor'"

Your Health

Written by Dr. Herman N. Sundness, M.D.

Inflammation of the wall of a vein, together with the formation of a clot at the site of the inflammation, is known as thrombophlebitis.

There are two chief causes of this condition: injury to the walls of the vein, and changes in the blood. Both are apparent in the usual case since thrombophlebitis most often develops in a varicose or dilated vein. The lining membrane in such veins is always damaged to some extent because of the stretching they have undergone. Then, too, the blood flowing through them is always slowed down to a point where the blood contains less oxygen than normal.

There are many contributing causes of this condition such as malignant tumors in various parts of the body, and a condition of the blood known as polycythemia, in which there is a great increase in the number of red cells. Of course, the giving of an injection into the varicose vein is followed by inflammation and blood clot formation. This is desirable, however, in order to get rid of the varicose vein.

When thrombophlebitis develops in the veins near the surface of the body, there are some who do not believe that any treatment is necessary. The patient is permitted to be active. It is not a good idea to keep him in bed. If the blood clot formation progresses so that it begins to affect larger veins, two forms of treatment are employed. One is the giving of substances such as

dicoumarin which slows down the clotting of the blood. Another method of treatment is to tie off the veins and to cut them or remove them. If this treatment is not carried out, the blood clot formation may progress into larger veins, and then a bit of the clotted blood may be carried to the lung or other vital parts of the body, producing serious damage.

One of the most common cause of thrombophlebitis in the upper veins is long bed rest as a result either of some illness or following childbirth. The condition may also be due to injuries to the veins and may develop from many infections, such as pneumonia or tularemia. In any case, if the cause can be found and eliminated, the patient is greatly benefited. Immediate treatment is necessary in all cases, and the substances which slow down the clotting of the blood are extremely useful.

Of course, the treatment in all such cases should be carried out under the directions of a doctor.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

E.E.: I am 77 years old and have been suffering with poor circulation in the legs. What can I do to improve the circulation?

Answer: To improve your circulation, you should observe the following measures: Exercise moderately in the outdoors every day; get plenty of fresh air and sleep; eat a well-balanced diet consisting of an abundance of vegetables and fruit, whole-grain cereals, and milk, with meat and eggs in moderate amounts.

Literary Guidepost

By W. G. Rogers
IT HAPPENS EVERY SPRING, by Valentine Davies (Farrar, Straus; \$2.50)

This novel derives from a movie, and movies — into — novels are usually no better than novels — into — movies. In the second place it's about baseball, and practically nobody except Ring Lardner has ever raised our national sport above the level of sandlot literature. And finally, it's got a corny romance between an absent-minded chemistry professor and the daughter of the college president. But even with three strikes on it, it's goofy and zany tale that you might like.

The goof and the zane center on instructor Vernon Simpson's attempt to develop a chemical which will make wood peel bugs and other living matter. But the laboratory failure gives the young instructor, who when still younger was a pitcher, an idea with which he hurries off the lagging St. Louis baseball team. Out of all this comes Kelly the Great, and how he wins the pennant and the series and a fortune and the girl and your interest is the rest of a fine fast-reading novel. Very pleasantly incredible.

THE ROCK CRIED OUT, by Edward Stanley (Duell, Sloan & Pearce; \$3)

What the rock cried out, in the old song, was "No hiding place." And Stanley uses it aptly as title for this novel about a man who married his niece.

The man's name was Harmon Blennerhassett. Eccentric Irish immigrant with money to throw away on an island castle near Marietta, ill advised follower of Aaron Burr and his wild dreams, and broken fugitive from board America to little Guernsey, where he died, he has been the subject of other novels.

Stanley's picture of Margaret, the wife, occasionally comes to life, but somehow Blennerhassett, with its impressive beat and throb, seems a name to conjure with, and Stanley hasn't conjured.

Farm Worker Demand Light

Little demand for seasonal agricultural workers was reported by the Salem branch of the state unemployment service Tuesday.

The cane fruit harvest was started but workers are plentiful at the present time, Manager William H. Bailie said. Bean picking will begin about July 17 with an increase in acreage in the Willamette valley of about 23 per cent.

NEW FAMILY IN PRATUM

PRATUM—Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Beesley and family and his mother, Mrs. Charles Beesley, have moved to this community from Onarga, Ill.

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FRUITLAND PICNIC HELD
FRUITLAND — The Carpenter auxiliary held a wiener roast at the E. C. Cooter home Friday. Mrs. F. D. Van Sweringen played the piano for community singing after the picnic.

The tiger is terrifically strong but rarely attacks groups of armed men. However, it frequently preys upon women and children.

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