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Bracer for Britain

President Truman's pledge to assist Great Britain to overcome its financial crisis was timely. Coming on the eve of the important Washington conference, it puts a rock on which the representatives of the two nations may stand. Previously all was nebulous, and there were fears that the conference might end with nothing accomplished.

The president was speaking before the convention of the American Legion in Philadelphia, a well-chosen forum for presentation of his views on what is the most important issue in foreign affairs at the moment. His thesis was that "world prosperity is necessary to world peace," which opened the way naturally for a discussion of our relations with Great Britain. As he said, "all of us" have an interest in the solution of the problems which have gripped our wartime ally.

Mr. Truman did not venture any ideas about how Britain's dollar shortage may be met. He did say that "we are not looking for trick solutions to deep-seated problems." That is comforting, for there is no quick trick that will work. Unlike his predecessor, Mr. Truman is not skilled in pulling rabbits out of hats.

In stating the government's purpose to cooperate with Britain, the president gave a real bracer to the British who have been quite down in the dumps as they have watched their gold reserves fall to danger points. What may be worked out may prove bitter medicine for them, but at least they have the comforting knowledge that a friend is standing by.

The United States simply can't let its political and business partner go bankrupt. Our world erch would fall in rubble if that should happen. The reaction in this country might precipitate the depression which the soviets have counted on to open gates for their rise to power.

Now the ministers of finance have a place to start from. Let them work with zeal and with vision. If only we had an Alexander Hamilton to contribute to the conference . . .

Time Makes the Difference

"Thousands Brawl at Robeson Concert" read the top headline on page one of the Sunday

"In the light of cold reason, some of those doings under the hot sun of northern California six years ago are all but unbelievable" is the lead on Managing Editor Wendell Webb's post mortem on the imprisonment of Japanese-Americans in wartime relocation camps on page five of the same newspaper.

The relation between the two articles ought to be striking enough to give pause to every thoughtful reader.

What is the difference between the anti-Japanese hysteria that resulted in thousands of innocent Americans waiting in the tules for the war to end and the present-day anti-Red hysteria which is fomenting witch-hunts and bloody riots and, worse, the kind of glimmereyed hard-mouthed fanaticism that imagines every Oriental was a spy and every leftwinger is a communist bent on sabotage? It is a difference only of time, of time that cools anger, drives out fear and reinstates reason in the vacil-. lating minds of men.

The vacuous but self-righteous veterans who broke up a Paul Robeson concert (which may indeed have been a communist rally in disguise) fancied themselves the same patriots who, the Memorial day orators say, fought to preserve liberty in this world. They are, however, spiritual kin of the people who prescribed

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By Stewart Alsop

conclusion appears reasonable to

the traveler returned from a

journey of political observation

around the world. This is that

American foreign policy, both in

Europe and in Asia, is now faced

with failure. The danger is not

ing time bombs. Stewart Alsop

tant to try to understand what

Unless bold counter - measures

are taken, the British are now

expected to go bankrupt within

the next 6 to 18 months. This

means the end of Britain as a

great power. And this means in

turn the destruction of the whole

painfully built western front of

The British reaction to the

threat of bankruptcy is already

apparent. It is, first, to try to

erect an autarchic economic sys-

tem within the sterling bloc, in-

sulated against the United States

and the rest of the world. It is,

second, to cut British commit-

And it is; third, to make bar-

As final bankruptev approach-

es, these reactions will be inten-

sified. The attempt to insulate

Britain from the United States

will in itself rupture the Anglo-

British partnership which is the

strategic basis of American pol-

strategic commitments cut much

"ley. With British economic and

further, the long are of British

ter deals with the Soviet Union

ments abroad to the bone.

and the Soviet sphere.

resistance to Soviet aggression.

The first danger is in Europe.

apparent here,

because Secre-

tary of the

Treasury John

Snyder and

other adminis-

tration advo-

cates of busi-

ness as usual

are sitting on

the crists, like

ous hens hatch-

Yet it is impor-

is happening.

so many nerv-

concentration camps for Nisei and said only dead Japs were good Japs.

And the hysteria today is worse than the unreasonable behavior of many Americans six years ago. "Indiscriminate, wholesale indictment of a race" at least was limited to members of that race. Innocent people who did not look like Japanese were not locked up by mistake. The current indiscriminate, wholesale indictment of a political faith inevitably hits innocent people whom someone thinks is a communist.

That does not mean potentially dangerous Japanese-Americans should have been allowed to wreak havoc in this country. Some precautions were necessary. It does not mean potentially-dangerous communists - those who seek to overthrow our government - are to be left to their own designs. There are government and military agencies whose duties are to keep tabs on subversives and all the spy headlines indicate they are doing their job.

It does mean that current hysteria - indiscriminate, wholesale actions like riots or rumorcampaigns against people with whom we disagree or whom we only suspect of being communists or sympathizers - probably someday will make us feel as sheepish as the nation's treatment of Nisei makes us feel today. It is again a question of time: How long will it be before "in the cold light of reason, some of those doings under the hot summer sun (of 1949) are all but unbelievable?"

Oregonian reporters located Sheriff Mike Elliott vacationing at a swank gambling casino in Nevada. Mike was the guy who started his term knocking over some city gambling diggings in Portland and raiding a roadhouse where the Fingerprinters were dining. Maybe he found the casino atmosphere more to his liking than the sheriff's hot seat in Portland.

A senate committee is now checking General Vaughan's bank account. If they look at the end of the month and find any balance, it will prove he's an unusual army officer.

Secretary of Agriculture Brannan predicts a surplus of eggs next year. What in election

Editorial Comment

From Our Contemporaries . . .

U.S. Foreign Policy Faces Collapse

power, stretching from Hong

Kong through Asia and the heart

of Europe to the British Isles,

will begin to crumble. Finally,

the cry for political as well as

economic deals with the Soviets,

already heard on the British

Left, will become much louder.

One can almost read the edi-

torials in advance: "Our choice

-Yank bombers on British soil

or Russian wheat in British

It is British power, married to

American power, that gives

meaning to all the plans for the

defense of Western Europe. From

the Truman Doctrine to the mil-

itary aid program, the basic pur-

pose of American policy has been

to give Europe confidence, and

thus strengthen the center

against the extremes of Right and Left. Already the cut in

M.A.P. has weakened this con-

fidence. The disintégration of

British power will destroy it at

The result in France, for ex-

ample, is sure to be a general

running for cover. DeGaulle will

gain on the Right, and the com-

munists on the left, while the

center pursues an "understand-

ing" with the Kremlin on al-

most any terms. The same pat-

tern holds for all Europe. With

Britain down, Europe will be-

come a sort of mush. The Rus-

sians, whose great rearmament

effort is already nearing com-

pletion, will need to use, not

force, but the mere threat of

force to consume the mush. This

is why the best expert estimates

appear to be that it will require

only about two years to produce

another world war if Britain

cess which is now going on in Asia will require a longer time,

although it is equally sure to end in war if it is allowed to

continue indefinitely. This pro-

cess amounts to an attempt to

create a new greater East Asia

On the other hand, the pro-

collapses as a great power.

mouths."

a stroke.

Praises Salem

Visiting communities of similar names throughout the United States is not an unusual pastime, in fact, it is quite the practice by those who have a yen for history. If you travel to St. Louis, Mo., over the New York Central lines by way of Indianapolis, you pass through Shelbyville, Ind., and Shelbyville, Ill. The former is an up and coming city of about 15,000 population, while the latter is a most attractive county seat town of around 6,000.

Several years ago we had a most enjoyable visit by Walter Crim, publisher of the Salem, Ind., newspaper, who was visiting all the Salems in the country, and when he returned, he published a mostflattering article about Salem, Va. Last month Eric Bergman, staff member of the Statesman, Salem, Ore, and wife dropped into the Times-Register office for information about Salem, Virginia. He was making a special tour of all the Salems in the nation for feature articles on "Other Salems." He said, of the seven Salems he had visited thus far, he liked the Roanoke County seat best of all, and his article together with local pictures was published in the Statesman on August 14, a repro-

duction of which is found elsewhere in this issue. All of which makes us feel that with such laudatory articles published about Salem, Va., it must be an ideal community in which to live after all. (Salem, Va., Times-Register).

co-prosperity sphere, this time

China is almost gone. The next

target is Southeast Asia, which

was also Japan's target after the

conquest of China was almost

complete. After Southeast Asia,

the objective is Japan itself, as

the major Soviet efforts to train

communist shock troops of repa-

triated Japanese soldiers so

If Southeast Asia goes, Japan

hold Japan indefinitely by

should not prove a difficult tar-

get, unless American troops are

brute force. China and South-

east Asia comprise Japan's whole

natural trading area, and eco-

nomic pressure alone could be

enough ultimately to bring Ja-

pan into the Soviet sphere. With

Japan's industrial potential add-

ed to the great riches and huge

population of Southeast Asia and

China, and the whole area under

Soviet control, a vast upset in

the world power balance will

have occurred. It is worth re-

calling that we fought a long

cruel war with Japan to prevent

such an upset in the balance of

power. It is also worth recalling

that Japan was not a European

power, and the Soviet Union is.

. . .

will not happen if the United

States faces the alternatives. The

power, the wealth, the energy

and the ingenuity of this country

are sufficient to meet and over-

come the crises now confronting

us. One alternative is to make

the realization that this effort

may be like an insurance policy

which must continue for a long

time. The other alternative will

be to avoid all effort and sacri-

fice, and continue business as

usual. And this will be precise-

ly like grudging the money for

fire insurance with a powerful

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arsonist loose in the district.

necessary extra effort, with

All this need not happen. It

under Soviet auspices.

clearly suggests.

WHY DON'T YOU BELIKE ME MY GOODS YEAH? MAN, AND NEVERTAKE U.S.TREND A DRINK? TOTHE WELFARE STATE

(Continued from page one)

agree with Jebbie Davidson, as-

who is busy promoting this leg-

islation. Jebbie scoffs at a ref-

erendum and says that national

as well as local interests are in-

volved in the question-which is

correct. There is a grave issue

in the CVA bill, of general con-

cern. That is whether we shall

establish government by regional

corporations. The corporation

type of administration is in ques-

tion; also whether the country is

to be cut up into regions with

administrations not responsible

to the people and so far removed

from Washington as to be almost

autonomous. California and Ne-

braska. Minnesota and Texas

have stakes in this decision too.

was long opposed by Harold L.

Ickes, former secretary of the

interior, who testified that it

meant a change in the type of

government we have known for

have to make the decision. An

Oregon referendum would be in-

decisive and partial. Certainly it

would be foolish to invoke a

Congress is the body that will

150 years.

This new governmental form

turn out.

"LIPS THAT TOUCH LIQUOR-!"

American Soap Found In South Africa

By Henry McLemore KRUKER NATIONAL PARK, TRANSVAAL, South Africa, Aug. 29-(Special)-A few final notes on my trip to this, the world's biggest wild game reserve: No rich, fat Latin-American ever loved his siesta ed

more than do the hippopotabound in this park. When the sun gets hot around noontime they ber out of the water of the numerous "hippo pools" and stretch out on

their backs and sides to bask for hours.

The main hippo pool is the one place in the park you are allowed to get out of your car and walk down to the river's edge. But you are never unaccompan-Swazi natives, carrying long spears, go along with you in case a hungry lion or leopard decided he would like to have you for dessert. When you reach the edge of

the Crocodile river there are hippos basking on rocks about as far as the eye can see. Almost in reach of us was a hippo family, Mama, Papa and Baby, all sleeping peacefully, pink stomachs turned to the warm sun. Baby got restless and, in getting up, unfortunately bumped into Mama, disturbing her slumber. She rose ponderously to her feet, gave Baby what must have been a reproving glance, and then bumped him into the water with her massive head. Then she went back and lay down beside her handsome husband to continue her snooze.

The park is traversed by crystal water rivers but there are signs everywhere warning visitors not to be tempted to take a swim. The rivers are literally alive with crocodiles, and you can see them slithering in and out of the water at certain times of the day. They are the true man-eaters of the park.

The rest camps scattered thruout the park are designed for every size pocketbook. If you want GRIN AND BEAR IT luxury after a day of animal "hunting" you take a big rondavel with innerspring mattresses, a bath, electricity, etc.

If you are not so keen for all the creature comforts you take a small rondavel, without private bath, and lighted by a hurricane lamp. And if you want to rough it, there are tents for rent, and if you want to rough it still further you are welcome to curl up in a sleeping bag and go to bed beneath the stars.

All the rest camps have excellent dining rooms where the food is almost as good as in Johannesburg. But for those who want to 'do their own cooking, there are scores of outdoor charcoal grills, with Swazi servants to light the fires and do the cleaning up.

Each rest camp has a wellstocked commissary and it is strange at night, with the wild animals howling within a few hundred yards of the fence that encloses the camp, to go into a commissary and find all kinds of American canned food, American make-up preparations, soap flakes, and almost any brand of cigarets.

In the evenings at the rest camp nearly all the "hunters" gather around campfires and swap stories of what they have seen during the day. This camaraderie is carried over to the daytime, too. When you pass a car on the road it is customary to stop and tell the occupants.

what you have just seen if it happens to be anything out of State Seeks the ordinary. If I had the time and money I would make a visit to Kruger National park each year of my life. It is, to coin a phrase, out of this world. For Tax Refund handwritten inscription: "Best wishes to Lt. Co (Distributed by McNaught Syndicate Inc.)

commission, is trying to locate said Hunt is 99 per cent certain more than 2,000 persons in Oregon that he received this picture while who are entitled to a refund of he still was in the army. It was their state withholding tax and to given to him, White said, by Gendetermine why 2,500 employers eral Vaughan. have not paid to the state the Autographed pictures of two withholding tax they deducted members of the investigating subfrom the payroll of their employes. committee. - Senators McCarthy

these persons is approximately garet Chase Smith, 2nd Maine elections, depending on how they \$22,700 or an average of \$11.50 per person. It might be possible to get the . "Employers who, for one reason

question before the people by an or another, failed to report their initiative petition, which requires | deductions are likely to discover no legislative session, though it that the state has some stringent would be a new use of the in- laws which cover the retention of itiative to employ it for an opin- state funds," Smith said.

One penalty, Smith said, inion poll, which is all the vote volves a penitentiary term of not ence: less than one year nor more than However, I am inclined to 15 years with a fine double the amount not reported. Other offensistant secretary of the interior. ses listed in the code are "larceny" and failure to make return as required by law with fraudulent intent. Smith said he is now considering what particular statute to apply to the delinquent em-

By D. C. Williams

sentence? "Never mind what he savs.

eration" mean?

mind what he says."

Ray Smith, in charge of the in- Given by Vaughan come tax division of the state tax Roger Q. White, Hunt's attorney

been returned. Total amount due with the good wishes of Mar-

Better English

2. What is the correct pronun-

ciation of "inimitable"? 3. Which one of these words meter, baroness.

with ar that means "haughty"? ANSWERS

at the beginning of words succeeding each other. 5. Arrogant.

special legislative session to institute a popularity test in the state on a CVA.



"Not only is it a home . . it's years of dynamic excite adjust yourself to it . . . "

Gen. Vaughan **Under Verbal** Fire Today

By Arthur Edson
WASHINGTON, Aug. 29-(P)Bluff, back-slapping Maj. Gen.
Harry Vaughan, President Trutaken unfair advantage of that friendship.

The questions will be put to to sleep. Vaughan by the senate investigations subcommittee. There pro- 33. bably will be a lot of them, for Vaughan's name has turned up every day during the five percenter hearing.

Vaughan hasn't said what kind of a statement he will give the committee. But he is expected to lead off with a counter-attack. Thinks He is Target

It is understood that Vaughan feels he is a handy target for snipers who really are aiming at the president.

The subjects of the questions are expected to range from molasses to perfume to a race track, and to center on Vaughan's relations with James V. Hunt, John Maragon and David Bennett.

Hunt is a management counseller who has said he knows many a Washington official, including Vaughan. Conference Called

The committee didn't meet today, but a news conference was called at Hunt's office.

There reporters got a chance to see Hunt's picture gallery of famous persons.

His pictures - most of them autographed -- were impressive. President Truman's was there, and so were pictures of 31 senators or former senators and more than 30 house members.

Like Wallpaper The 104 pictures covered one

wall like wallpaper, and then overflowed to the other walls. Hunt's pictures have been mentioned several times during the hearings, and the implication has been that he used them to impress prospective clients.

Mr. Truman's picture had the "Best wishes to Lt. Col. James

V. Hunt. Harry Truman."

Smith said it is apparent that (R-Wisc) and Margaret Smith (Rpersons not receiving their with- Me) - were in Hunt's collection. holding tax refund have moved without leaving a forwarding address. Checks mailed to them have went: "To Colonel James V. Hunt

> Mrs. Smith has tried to find out how her picture happened to show up on Hunt's walls, and it has been brought out that some of the pictures were obtained quite

Hunt wrote and asked for them. Said White at the news confer-

"There is no secret about any of these. We didn't steal any of them. We didn't get any of them at the point of a gun.'

Farmers Union **Greets Farm Bureau Office**

The Oregon Farmers union Monday welcomed the Oregon 1. What is wrong with this Farm Bureau federation which is moving its headquarters from Pendleton to Salem September 1.

Ronald E. Jones, Farmers Un-

ion chief, issued this statement: "From press reports we are inis misspelled? Baricade, baro- formed that the Oregon Farm bureau is moving its office to Salem. 4. What does the word "allit- The Oregon State Farmers union, with offices already in Salem, is 5. What is a word beginning glad to welcome another farm or ganization in this territory. We feel that the need of farmers for 1. It is better to say, "Don't an organization of their own is 2. Pro- acute and the increased activities nounce in-im-i-ta-b'l, all i's as in of an additional farm organizait, a unstressed, accent second tion can only result in more insyllable. 3. Barricade. 4. Rep- terest from farmers in doing someitition of the same letter or sound thing for themselves through cooperative effort. We welcome the Farm bureau as an aid to the never ending task of bringing bet-By Lichty ter living to the Willamette valley farmers."

> During 1948 at least one resident on every sixth American farm had an accident involving one day or more lost from regular

County Jail Overcrowded On Week End

The Marion county jail was comparatively empty Monday af-ter a congested week end that set a new occupancy record since Sheriff Denver Young took office Jan. 1, 1945.

The record was established Sunman's army aide and his friend for day morning when 43 prisoners 31 years, will be called on tomor- were lodged in the jail. Deputy row to answer whether he has sheriffs were forced to transfer one prisoner to the city jail Saturday night to give him a place

Monday's count was down to

Mobile Blood Center Due

The mobile unit from the Portland regional blood center will make a special trip to Salem Thursday night, and men who have been unable to donate blood# during its previous daytime trips are especially invited to be on hand. It will start operation at 6 p.m.

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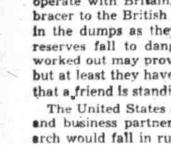


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