

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

The Advertising Association of the West has designated this as Advertising Recognition week.

Advertising can be obnoxious, that is true. The violent protests of commuters induced the New York Central railroad to suspend the talkie commercials that it allowed to blare in the cavernous concourse and aisles and waiting rooms of Grand Central station.

The commercial highway is littered with the slogans of the past: "Good morning, have you used Pear's soap?" and the slogan whose impact

Pen Trusty's Freedom Bid Proves Brief

A brief bid for freedom ended in Albany early this morning for an Oregon prison trusty who fled from the penitentiary annex in a truck about 11:20 p. m. Sunday.

He was apprehended at 12:20 a. m. while driving the state-owned flatbed truck he escaped in. He reportedly headed west on leaving the annex.

Atlantic Pact Nations Combine Maneuvers

HAMBURG, Germany, Jan. 8 (AP)—Five thousand Norwegian, Danish and British troops marched through mud and snow today into positions for a week of combined military maneuvers.

Animal Crackers



Rain, Snow Alternate Over Salem Area; East Oregon Traffic Death Laid to Snow

Lumber Mill Surrounded by Flood Waters



LAWRENCE, Ill., Jan. 8 — Lumber mill and other buildings in the north section of Lawrenceville, Ill., are surrounded by flood waters after levees gave way on the Embarras River. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.) (Story on page 5.)

Mine Workers Launch New Wildcat Walkout

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 9 (Monday) (AP)—The second wildcat United Mine Workers walkout in a week got underway today.

Bonus Looms As Hot Issue In Congress

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8 (AP)—Bonuses for veterans of World War II may become a hot issue at this session of congress, some members of the house veterans affairs committee said today.

Reappointment Of Municipal Boards Made

Reappointment of all members of municipal boards whose terms expire this month was announced Saturday by Salem Mayor R. L. Elstrom.

Medford Pilot Dies in Crash

MEDFORD, Jan. 9 (AP)—A private pilot was killed today when an airplane crashed on a Siskiyou mountain slope where friends were skiing and tobogganing.

March of Dimes Leaders to Ask Parking Meters Assist in Drive

The March of Dimes drive committee will ask the city council tonight to let Salem's parking meters assist in their forthcoming fund raising campaign.

Says Farewell



NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Mrs. Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the Chinese Nationalist military leader, prepared to leave the United States today to join her husband on the island of Formosa.

Mme. Chiang Predicts Revolt Against Reds

NEW YORK, Jan. 8 (AP)—Mrs. Chiang Kai-shek today pledged unremitting guerrilla warfare and propaganda against the Chinese communist regime.

Gardner Knapp Re-Elected by Scout Council

Gardner Knapp, Salem business man, was re-elected president of Cascade area Boy Scout council Sunday at the council's annual all-day conference here attended by about 250 scouts and their wives.

Bay Area Businessman Sells Store, Bids Wife Goodbye for Life as Monk

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8 (AP)—Donald D. Foster, having turned his back on his worldly goods, today was en route to a religious seclusion in an abbey.

Scientist Willing to Bet on Rocket To Moon by 1960

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 8 (AP)—Will American scientists land an unmanned rocket on the moon within the next 10 years?

Gale Leaves Salem One Less Plane, One More Car

Salem's naval air facility lost an airplane and gained an auto, at least overnight, because of Sunday's weather.

Strike Deadline Due

DETROIT, Jan. 8 (AP)—Representatives of 80,000 Chrysler employees today authorized their national bargaining committee to set a strike deadline to reinforce persistent demands on the auto firm.

Gunboat Sets U.S. Freighter Afire in Race to Shanghai

EDITOR'S NOTE: Associated Press Correspondent Wayne Richardson is the only newspaper aboard the Flying Arrow. Richardson, head of the Associated Press bureau at Hong Kong, is enroute to the United States on home leave. He chose to board the Flying Arrow in the expectation he would be covering just such a story as this.

BY WAYNE RICHARDSON

ABOARD FLYING ARROW, Monday, Jan. 9—(AP) Chinese nationalist warships shelled this blockade running American freighter today in international waters off communist China. There were no casualties.

One shell started a fire on the Flying Arrow's afterdeck. Another set a blaze in the No. 5 hold. Ten shells perforated the steering room. At last 38 shells were fired before the first direct hit.

The attack began shortly after this 6,214-ton Isbrandtsen Line ship arrived in international waters two miles off the mouth of the Yangtze river.

The ship is running the Chinese nationalist blockade of red China ports in defiance of warnings by the United States state department. The nationalists asserted the Yangtze mouth had been mined.

The Flying Arrow is the fourth Isbrandtsen ship shelled by the nationalists while running the blockade of Shanghai. The Flying Arrow was fired on October 18 but not hit. The Flying Cloud was shelled November 15 and the

Bob Hope Hurt As Car Skids in California Rain

RIVERSIDE, Calif., Jan. 8 (AP)—Bob Hope was injured tonight when his car skidded off a road during a rainstorm and overturned 16 miles south of here.

The comedian, who was driving, and his passenger, Fred Williams, one of his gag-writers, both were hurled from the machine. They were returning from a week end in Palm Springs.

Hope, taken with Williams to Riverside Community hospital, said: "I feel fine. The doc says my shoulder is dislocated but he may be underplaying it."

The physician, who requested that his name not be used, said Hope suffered only from a dislocation between the clavicle and shoulder.

The accident happened on the Box Springs grade, east of here near March air base. The car ramed into a walnut tree beside the highway. Hope and Williams were brought here by a motorist.

Williams was treated for bruises. After Hope's shoulder was X-rayed, his arm was placed in a sling. Later both were given permission to leave for Hollywood.

Nationalists Take Ship into Custody

TAIPEI, Formosa (Mon.), Jan. 9 (AP)—Nationalist China announced today her warships detained the U. S. freighter Flying Arrow off the mouth of the Yangtze river.

Naval headquarters said the ship was taken into custody after she was shelled and damaged this morning while attempting to run the nationalist blockade of Chinese communist ports.

A headquarters spokesman said the Flying Arrow was shelled after she ignored repeated warnings to halt.

Sir John Franklin November 29. Both were hit but suffered no casualties. Several other ships of the line have been stopped by the nationalists and released.

(At Hong Kong, it was announced today that Isbrandtsen's Brooklyn Heights will sail from there for Shanghai Wednesday.)

The British ship Black Swan came to the aid of the Flying Arrow after Capt. David Jones of Chicago sent this radio call to all American and British warships in the area:

"Fire on afterdeck by Chinese warship."

The Black Swan, herself shelled by Chinese communist shore batteries in the Yangtze, was quickly pulled up within 50 yards of this ship. Her captain said through a megaphone:

"I cannot take part in this war but if you cannot extinguish the fire with your own resources, we will board and help."

Shortly afterward, British sailors swarmed over the Flying Arrow's side and aided in fighting the flames.

There were no American warships in sight.

The United States and Britain do not recognize the nationalist blockade. However, the U. S. has warned American ships they run the blockade at their own risk.

The Flying Arrow left Hong Kong early Saturday with a \$10,000,000 cargo of high grade general merchandise, caustic soda, industrial chemicals, petroleum in drums and bales of cotton.

Preparing for possible attack, Captain Jones barricaded sections of the midship house with 250 bales of cotton — adequate to stop shells from three-inch guns, officers said.

THE WEATHER

Table with weather data for Salem, Oregon, including Max, Min, Precip, and Forecast.

SALEM PRECIPITATION

Table with precipitation data for Salem, Oregon, comparing 1941, 1946, and Normal.