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Acheson Touches Live Nerve

In his press club speech Secretary of State Dean Acheson accused Russia of virtually taking over Manchuria, Outer and Inner Mongolia and Sinkiang on the far northwest border of China. This brought an immediate and furious rejoinder from Moscow. Instead of employing the usual formula of a question and answer interview by post, or a fierce denunciation in Pravda Foreign Minister Vishinsky did something very unusual for Russian officials: he held a press conference. There he passed out mimeographed statements denouncing as untrue Acheson's charges.

It looks as though Acheson had touched a live nerve. While communications from China are limited the American secretary of state must have known whereof he spoke. His point was to inform the Chinese and the people of Asia that it is the USSR which is the imperialist power in Asia, not the United States.

The distinguishing characteristic of the modern Asiatics is their growing sense of nationalism. India and Burma have asserted and obtained independence. Indonesia is now a self-governing republic. The inhabitants of Indo-China are trying to throw off rule by France. The Chinese communists themselves have repudiated foreign intervention in Chinese affairs. Now if the Great Bear is moving down from the north picking off the border provinces and trying to dominate China and Korea the people of Asia will see a more immediate menace than remote United States or Great Britain.

The reply to Vishinsky might well be the familiar: if the shoe pinches take it off.

Parley at Moscow

For weeks now General Mao Tse-tung, president of the Chinese People's Republic, has been in Moscow in parley with the heads of the Soviet union. Last week he was joined by Premier Chou En-lai. The length of time consumed and the coming of the premier have encouraged the belief that Mao and Stalin have had some difficulty in coming to terms. They are both adherents of Marxist doctrine; but history has shown that division of opinion can arise within the household of communist faith (witness Trotsky and Tito).

Where Mao and Stalin will have trouble reconciling their ideas is on the borders of their countries. Surely Mao will not come home waving a peace treaty which cedes control of Manchuria and Sinkiang and Inner Mongolia to Russia. What he doubtless wants is restoration of Chinese authority in Manchuria exclusively. For this he may be asking Russia to surrender its Roosevelt-Churchill concessions Dairen and Port Arthur. For nationalistic and imperialistic Russia this would come hard.

The western wish may be father to the thought. Our hope of friction between China and Russia may prove but a dream. It is almost certain that Mao will conclude some treaty with Russia and an announcement be broadcast of the sealing of a pact of friendship and alliance between these two populous nations. But the materials for discord are there. A resumption of a southward march in Asia by Russia would run into Chinese resistance. As for a permanent alliance binding the peoples from the Pacific to the Atlantic, that would not hold. History shows that empires vast in extent fall eventually of their own weight.

Mrs. FDR Pulls a Switch

It's a woman's prerogative to change her mind, and Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt exercised it Sunday.

Interviewed by reporters during her brief stopover at the Salem airport en route to Portland, her response to questions was consistently negative. Did she have any comment on Formosa? "Oh, no." Or on Alger Hiss? "Oh, my no!"

But in San Francisco, just before she boarded the plane to Salem, she had definite ideas on those subjects. On Formosa:

"You can't uphold a government repudiated by its own people. General Marshall in his mission to China (in 1946) showed Chiang and his leaders how they could help the people, but they never did. They're in a difficult situation now, but it's their own fault . . . P. C. Chang (Chinese delegate to UN) once told me, 'Theories may come and theories may go, but the Chinese people—they will always be there.'"

And on Hiss:

"A very difficult case to know what to think. I never heard him say anything even approaching the idea he was a communist. I feel he may have perjured himself, but I don't feel he ever sold any secret papers. A very sad case."

San Francisco reporters got the negative answer to one question, too. Asked whether she would help her son James, in his race for governor of California, Mrs. Roosevelt said:

"Oh, no—no, indeed!"

But you never know when a woman's going to change her mind.

Bus Company Troubles

The bus company has been kicked around quite a lot in recent weeks because it has shifted some schedules and curtailed some mileage. The statement of its manager that the Salem lines showed a loss of $41,000 last year may excite some sympathy, for that is a very substantial deficit on this relatively small operation, as transit systems go. It is clear the company will have to pull its operations out of the red if it expects to stay in business.

Real distress does arise however when a service once initiated is annulled. People build homes or buy them and may rely on a public transportation system to get them to and from work or to and from shopping districts. When the bus route is cancelled some hardship is bound to result. So the company has a moral responsibility to continue service it has started if it is at all able to do so.

Instead of abusing the city bus lines perhaps we should show more appreciation of the service they give—and patronize the lines more. If more persons would leave their cars at home and ride the buses two problems might be solved: that of downtown parking and that of more revenues for the bus company. Besides, the little wife might get to use the car herself once in a while.

SOUP'S ON!

Canby Dairyman Leads Fight To Label Bottle Milk Content

By Lillie L. Madsen
Farm Editor, The Statesman

Governor Douglas McKay's slogan, coined at a farm organization meeting at Salem this week, is being carried directly into the dairy meeting which opened at Eugene Monday and will close there Wednesday.

The governor's statement was that "you must let the people know what they are buying." Proper grading and proper labeling of agricultural products, he admitted, was one of his "pet projects."

One of the big accomplishments hoped for by a large group of dairymen at the Oregon Dairymen's association meeting is state-wide labeling of grade A (bottled) milk with the butterfat content.

This program has been talked for some time and discussed widely at smaller dairy group meetings. Tuesday, it was brought before the entire dairymen's association by John I. Gale, Canby, state dairy chairman of the Oregon Farm Bureau federation and a widely known valley Jersey breeder.

The resolution presented by Gale requested that compulsory labeling be made a part of state wide control pricing orders.

On presenting his resolution, he pointed out that Portland was getting richer milk than the rest of the state because Portland distributors, following the compulsory labeling regulations passed two years ago, were required to put the minimum butterfat content on the label.

Some Oregon markets, Gale said, were getting milk at or near the legal minimum of 3.2 per cent butterfat, even though milk control pricing orders are based on 3.5 milk. This, it was held, results in extra profits to the distributor at the expense of both the producer and the consumer.

A large group of Salem area dairymen are in Eugene this week endorsing Gale's resolution.

Governor McKay, in making his statement at Salem, was at the time referring to the Tillamook Cheese association. The governor used as an illustration Tillamook's new cheese market in Wisconsin.

"When that can be done, almost anything can be accomplished in salesmanship," the governor added. He explained that three things brought this about: a good product to begin with, proper grading and proper advertising.

Witness Denies He Recruited Harry Bridges

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24 -(AP)- In profane language a witness for Harry Bridges denied loudly today that he ever recruited Bridges into the communist party.

He was Bruce B. Jones, a Mill Valley dockworker.

A government witness, John Schomaker, ex-cummunist and one-time associate of Bridges in the CIO longshore union (which Bridges heads), had testified he and Jones recruited Bridges into the party in October of 1933.

"Schomaker is a G— d— liar when he said I did," Jones shouted.

Later, near the end of the noisiest session the turbulent trial has produced, Jones shouted to Chief Prosecutor F. Joseph Donohue:

"You're a liar, Donohue. Schomaker is too. Anybody is who ever said I signed Bridges up."

Once Jones pointed at Bruce Barber, local immigration bureau chief, and accused him of "trying to intimidate me with your gestapo."

Another time, recounting inter-union organizational fights on the east and gulf coasts, the witness called Joseph Ryan's AFL longshore union " a gangster union," and added: "Men were murdered and beaten up there by ex-convicts, and Tom Dewey never investigated. Why don't you investigate some of these things, Mr. Prosecutor?"

James MacInnis, another defense attorney, said he would, "if possible," call U. S. Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon, one-time mediator of maritime labor disputes on the west coast.

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 24 -(AP)- Sen. Wayne More (R-Ore), told today that the Harry Bridges defense attorney might ask him to be a character witness in Bridges' perjury trial, said "I cannot see why the defense would want to subpoena me."

"If I were permitted to testify beyond appearance in court in regard to Harry Bridges," Morse said, "I would say this: 'If he isn't a communist he certainly follows the commie line straight down.' I am completely out of sympathy with Bridges and cannot see why the defense would want to subpoena me."

As one-time west coast arbiter, Morse had frequent contact with Bridges.

'Vanity Editor More Apropos Than Society'

By Henry McLemore

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Jan. 24—A few weeks ago I wrote that to my way of thinking the softest touch in the newspaper business was that of society editor.

Still think the same way, but I wish to heaven I had never expressed it right out in public.

Society editors from Labrador to Lapland have written me calling me things that they never put in society pages. They have clambered from the surf in Galveston, jumped off their skis in the Laurentians; laid down their egg beaters in Evanston, tore from their tatting shuttles in Tarrytown, forgotten all about Ali, Rita, Ingrid, and Bobo to let me have the most vitriolic points of their goose quill pens.

First prize—and I have already decided to give away a used can of cat food to the one who wrote the most awful things to me—goes to a society editor in Tyler, Texas, if memory serves me correctly. I read her letter over the shoulder of the FBI man who was opening it. It's funny how that paper ticked, and then it gave off a sort of explosion.

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Underneath the hedge of a neighbor, the FBI man and I pieced her letter and ourselves together. It was a most interesting document, if you like society pages, because it told all about the hardships she underwent gathering such vital information as this:

1. What the women of Tyler wore when they went canoeing.

2. What the women of Tyler wore when they didn't go canoeing.

3. How to write a story about Tyler's sub-debs and make them sound like Dallas sub-debs.

4. How to make every matron, sub-matron, defense and attack platoon matron, all seem a young group together, when they weren't that at all.

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Miss Hercules—I am quite sure that's her name—went on for another page and a half telling me of the horrors of covering society in Tyler. She doesn't know it, but I am sending her one bloodhound to help her hunt it out. Miss Hercules should know by now that there is no such thing as society in Tyler, in New York, in London, in Cairo, in Boston, or in any other town you want to name.

We are living in a world that doesn't have much use for social folk any more. I hate to say this, for some of the proudest moments of my ilfe came on those big society days in Georgia when you couldn't get in to the barn dance unless your overalls were pressed and you carried a pound cake. I remember, and with a nostalgic whimper, what Mama used to say to me when I was off to a watermelon cutting, "Son, don't eat right down to the rind for that isn't polite. But if you do, save the rind and we'll make preserves out of it."

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No, the dear woman of Tyler has no right to fuss about reporting society. Society is not dresses and gowns and pictures of brides who always look better in their pictures in the paper than they do in married life. What Miss Hercules is reporting is vanity, and right silly vanity at that.

But Tyler is the city of roses, and I don't know any reason why I should be fussy at the society editor of the Tyler paper. Of course she fussed at me like many other society editors but, like all newspaper men, I'll forgive the gals. They'll never know what a head start they have. Working on a hard job, I'll swap a shirt for a shirtwaist any time.

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Your Health

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

IRON-CONTAINING preparations are the classic remedy for many forms of anemia, the condition which results when the number of red cells in the blood and the coloring matter are lessened.

Sufficient iron, given by mouth, has been found effective in many cases of anemia produced by bleeding, infection, and failure to get enough iron-containing foods.

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However, no remedy succeeds in all cases. The giving of iron by mouth is sometimes ineffective because certain individuals do not absorb it properly; in others it causes digestive disturbances, such as sickness at the stomach, loss of appetite, and diarrhea or constipation. These are particularly likely to occur if the iron is poorly absorbed or given in too large doses.

In such cases, only part of the iron is absorbed, while the remainder passes into the lower bowel where it irritates the lining membrane. As a matter of fact, it has been found that after the dose reaches a certain amount daily, even its increase will not bring about further absorption of iron.

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All these considerations make it desirable to have an alternative method of giving iron. This has recently been found with the perfecting of the technique of giving iron by injection into a vein, using a preparation known as colloidal ferric oxide or hydroxide.

When given in this way iron seems to have a more stimulating effect on the bone marrow where blood is formed than when given by mouth. Another advantage is that the iron content of the liver increases two to three times. This stored iron gives a source on which the body can draw to overcome anemia.

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There are several precautions to be observed in giving iron by injection. In the first place, most doctors believe that it is not advisable to use this method at all in elderly people or those with high blood pressure.

The injection must be given slowly and the iron-containing solution allowed to run into the veins over a period of several hours. There are other preparations which can be given more rapidly, but when these are used care must be taken not to give too large a dose since such symptoms as sickness at the stomach a feeling of heat, and headach may develop within 30 minutes to two hours later.

With proper care in their use, however, iron injections give us a valuable new method for the combating of anemia.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

P. L.: I am an albino with white hair and dark blue eyes. Is there any way in which I can acquire pigment to change the color of my hair and make my eyes strong?

Answer: No way has as yet been discovered for restoring the pigment to the skin in persons who suffer from albinism.

Slain Lincoln Man's Mother Seeks $15,000

A state penitentiary convict Tuesday was sued for $15,000 by the mother of a man he was convicted of killing last year in Lincoln county.

Carrie Marie Longyear, administratix of the estate of Melvin Carlyle Longyear, filed the suit against Norman H. Edwards in Marion county circuit court.

Edwards was convicted at a jury trial in Lincoln county last November on a charge of manslaughter. He now is serving a 12-year-sentence in the state penitentiary.

Longyear was killed by gunfire Oct. 12, 1949. The complaint states he was 27 years old, in good health, planned to attend college and would have left an estate of not less than $15,000 at the normal time of death.

The suit, filed in Salem by Attorney Robert Mix of Corvallis, asks judgment of $15,000 for the benefit of the estate of the deceased.

Russ Take Advantage of U.S. Miscue

By Wes Gallagher
AP Chief of Bureau, Berlin

FRANKFURT, Germany — It appears the United States committed a cold war blunder in Berlin.

The British and French are disgusted. The west Germans are disappointed. And the Russians are making the most of the current Berlin dispute which finds the Russians squeezing Berlin's road supply lines and harrassing western traffic in small ways.

There is no indication the Soviets have yet decided to throw another full scale blockade on Berlin such as created an 11-month east-west crisis in 1948 and 1949. It is more likely they are trying to extract some revenge and propaganada profit out of a mistake. The situation came about this way.

The Russians by four-power agreement in 1945 were granted the use of a large railroad building on the edge of the American sector of Berlin. It was used as a signal center for the east zone railroads.

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Since the Soviet blockade of Berlin and the subsequent violent railroad strike the Russians had gradually moved out of the building except for a small signal center. This left 500 to 600 rooms emptly.

The western city administration, both German and allied, hungrily eyed these rooms, a rarity in Berlin's devastation.

On top American levels there was some discussion about moving into the building but no decision. Berlin's commander, General Maxwell Taylor, anticipating Russian counter action, wanted no hasty moves.

At this stage, without top authority, the property control division of the American command suddenly approved orders for German occupation and the Germans occupied the building.

Neither Taylor nor High Commissioner John J. McCloy knew of the action until it took place. If there had been any east-west good will the action would have amounted to nothing.

But there isn't — and the expected Soviet and communist reaction was immediately forthcoming.

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The Soviets and their east zone satellites cut elevated traffic in west Berlin in half, leaving thousands of workers stranded.

They demanded new papers and placed new restrictions on road traffic to the city.

They threatened further measures. Their newspapers made new cries against the U.S. for breaking agreements, aggression, and so on.

The west Germans rallied to the American side in press and open discussion and defended the action.

The British and French, although privately expressing their disgust at the American move which threatened to ignite the always dangerous Berlin powder box, stood by the western side.

Out on the large limb, the American top command—possibly on orders from Washington—decided to retreat. They ordered the building given back.

The Germans in the west, always belligerent in any struggle with the communists or Russia, were disappointed and let down.

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The Russians and the communist east zone government were surprised and delighted by their quick victory. Their press claimed an overwhelming western defeat.

The communists made the most of it.

It was apparent that the Russians decided to toss their weight around a bit and see if they could find any further western weaknesses. They are continuing their harrassment of road traffic and might try other measures to see what will happen.

It may be that turning back the building will prove a bigger blunder in the long run than seizing it in the first place. There is no doubt it has shaken some German support of the west.

The move gave the Russian propaganda machine a chance to exploit the situation. And there should be no mistaking the effect of this incessant Soviet propaganda on east Germany. It is taking effect. Even some of the older people who should know better are being convinced.

Hollywood On Parade

By Gene Handsaker

HOLLWOOD — Joan Fontaine is looking for a husband. But don't crowd, men. There's a catch. "He should be a traveling man who's away year after year," the blonde star says. "He can be home on Christmas, New Year's, all family birthdays and, just possibly, the Fourth of July.

He should be a widower with three small children under six. Two boys and a girl would be about right. His looks aren't important, but the children should be good-looking. And normal, of course." The point is, Joan wants more kiddies besides her own year-old Deborah. And adoption laws require a foster father as well as mother. Joan, who divorced Brian Aherene in 1944, separted last August from her second husband, Producer William Dozier.

Joan's talk of looking for an absentee husband was, I suspected, half kidding. More seriously she said between scenes of "September Affair.". "Any man who marries an actress should have his head examined. She becomes so independent. Financially. She's running a career. She may also be a mother, hostess, housekeeper, and cook.

"A career woman has a pretty full life. She doesn't need a husband. Except as the father of her children. I haven't time for a husband. I go home, play with my daughter, put her to bed, have dinner, learn my lines, write letters, and answer a million phone calls. Business calls, mostly. Curfew's at 9:30." Joan reflected. "Well, a schedule like that might just possibly include a husband during dinner."

She wouldn't say much about parting from Dozier except: "We became business partners to the exclusion of everything else. We entertained a lot. I was sort of running a super-hotel. Whenever we were home, there was a houseful of people. But I have no malice toward either of my husbands. They were long-suffering to be married to an actress anyway."

Joan's planning four pictures next year. "All I can handle is my career. It's my first love."

Gray-haired Walter Huston stopped by our studio lunchion table. He leaned down to Joan and asked affectionately, "When are you going to marry me?" Joan said: "Let's go to Reno when we have a day off." More kidding.

Joan is an amateur palmist, and the lines of her hand forecast no more marriages. But if there is another husband, he should be a walking dictionary. She's addicted to foot-square, extra-difficult crossword puzzles. I was sorry I couldn't help when she asked, "Do you know a Chinese word for 'warehouse'?"

Better English

By D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "There was no one there besides me."

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "linguist"?

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Impetus, hiatus, gratus, alumnus.

4. What does the word "clientele" mean?

5. What is a word beginning with sy that means "shapely; well-formed"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "There was no one there besides me." 2. Pronounce lingwist, both i's as in it, and not lin-gu-ist. 3. Gratis. 4. A body of customers, as of a theater, hotel, etc. (Pronounce last syllable tell, not teel, and accent last syllable). "The clientele of the theater was known for its culture." 5. Symmetrical.

Barge Refloated; Columbia River Traffic Resumed

THE DALLES, Jan. 24-(AP)-The Dalles-Celilo canal was cleared today for Columbia river traffic by refloating a sunken barge.

The Tidewater - Shaver Barge lines craft went down in the upper end of the canal east of here yesterday. It was carrying 250,000 gallons of stove oil upriver.

The firm refloated the barge by pumping out its pontoons. There appeared to be no loss of stove oil from watertight compartments.

When lava from Mount Etna swept over the city of Catania in 1169 A.D., it is believed that 15,000 people were killed.

'Mercy Death' Jury Selection Goes Slowly

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 24-(AP)-Four women with daughters about the age of 21-year-old Carol Ann Paight were chosen as jurors today to try Carol Ann in the "mercy killing" of her cancer-ridden father.

The tall, blonde defendant, charged with second degree murder, was calm throughout the opening day of her trial.

Her lawyer said she was too stunned to understand what she was doing when she shot to death her incurably ill father in a Stamford, Conn., hospital last Sept. 23.

Selection of a jury proceeded slowly. The original panel was exhausted by mid-afternoon. Another group of prospective jurors will be called tomorrow.

Eight additional jurors remained to be picked.

BRITISH CALORIES

LONDON, -(INS)- Britons are eating less meat, oils, fats, sugar and molasses than before World War II, but, according to Ministry of Food figures, calory intake is maintained by increased consumption of other foods.

Literary Guidepost

THE VINTAGE, by Anthony West (Houghton Mifflin; $3)

An English colonel, John Wallis, on a War Crimes Commission, helps secure the condemnation of German General Kenelm and his sentence to death by hanging. The execution takes place. After brooding over this act of "justice," Wallis kills himself. The two men then meet in a limbo where this novel carries on their story.

Veritable DP's, they find themselves, with hordes of others, in a sort of frontier camp where notices read: "Welcome to Paradise. Man has triumphed over Death—rejoice in an eternity of pleasure." Kenelm draws up a plan for organizing the lives and work of these ghostly refugees, and Wallis is his aide.

There then follow something like the temptations of Saint Anthony. Under the stage management of a fellow with the possibly symbolic name of Ransome, Wallis is invited to drown his mundane errors in a sea of fleshly delights. He is allowed to drive a fast auto like the one he had on earth; he is taken to a paradisiacal, and aphrodisiacal, vacation resort and handed over to a beautiful woman; and his conscience is offered every inducement to stop nagging.

It has plenty to nag about, however. On earth he had indulged in some tawdry adventures with several girls, and he reviews them all in considerable detail. He isn't satisfied with what he'd had, nor with what he's got. Finally he, and Kenelm, too, who appears bound to him for some reason, like a celestial twin, run away toward what I suppose are the Delectable Mountains. The spirits of his wife and son gang up on him, and he falls "out of the sickness of his time into eternal awareness of the mind of God."

Though West evidently has something to say, it does not come through clearly. His larger moral is hard to separate from inconsequential admonitions not to drive a fast car, not to peep at bathing women, not to abandon a wife for girl friends, and not, at least, to be born of a mother who also kills herself. The novel, in short is about a punishment that does not fit the crime, and a reward that does not fit the repentance. Such lessons can be learned this side ofheaven, outside the Bible, and outside this novel, too.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty

"Today we will discuss the latest practice in fighting the common cold, effective methods of controlling infectious disease and the best way to combat socialized medicine . . ."