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Justice Douglas on Asia

With most everyone in political life speaking his piece on world affairs it is not surprising that Justice William O. Douglas makes his contribution, which he does by way of an article in LOOK magazine on "We Can't Save Asia by War Alone." We do not know of anyone who thinks we can; but clearly we weren't able to save Asia without war.

Nevertheless Justice Douglas is an informed person by reason of his visits in Asia and contacts with men of affairs. He recognizes the need of strong armed forces at this juncture, but sees a need also for a political approach to the problem of Asia.

What Douglas sees in Asia which needs fixing are items such as these: landlordism and accompanying high interest rates; lack of schools and doctors and hospitals, inequitable taxing system, corrupt governments.

At this point some may come up with President Truman's Point Four, a program of lending money and services for development of backward countries. Douglas says: "Money is not so much needed as ideas."

The prescription of Justice Douglas is not easy; but at least it is affirmative. Instead of bribing native princes to abjure communism it would doubtless offend the ruling classes in business and politics.

Troubles of Suburbia The trouble with moving to the suburbs for light and air—and lower taxes is that too many are of the same mind. One no longer gets established in a semi-rural environment until houses start popping up in the vicinity.

China's Desire for War Termed Reason For Failure of Latest Cease-Fire Effort

By J. M. Roberis, Jr. AP Foreign Affairs Analyst One thing can be said for the latest passage between the United Nations and the Communist bloc. It has knocked another prop from under the idea that peace can be negotiated when one of the parties actually does not want it.



big trouble right now is naked military aggression. The world has been slow to recognize the inevitability and the meaning of Asia's revolution against western exploitation.

spites the west. Many Chinese were willing to accept the aid of communism, to accept anything that promised change from Chiang Kai-shek and from western interference in China's business.

Literary Guidepost

EARLY STORIES, by Elizabeth Bowen (Knopf, \$3) The 25 short stories in this book, beginning with the first one, Miss Bowen completed, "Breakfast" . . . were written in the early 1920s, after the author, as she says in her preface, had given up trying to be a poet and a painter.

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Join the March of Dimes! Public Enemy, No. 1. Illustration of a hand holding a coin.

Comes the Dawn

Hearing of Leo Spitzbart (recently given the gate as state fair manager) before the civil service commission next month may develop as many twists as a roller-coaster.

On the other hand the ousted fair head stands to win little besides a personal victory—according to civil service laws. Even if the civil service commission finds he was fired unjustly (and nothing, so far, says it will) about all the commission can do is to refer the matter back to the department head—

The controversy may be solved, though, if the new fair board bill introduced at the legislature the other day, passes. This act would create a state fair board of citizens, who in turn would employ and de-employ state fair managers.

A message from Sen. Wayne Morse says the reactivation of Camp Adair will not be decided, if at all, for at least a month. . . . The entire reactivation program is being evaluated by appropriate officials, reads the wire, and no decisions as to particular camps are expected until early February.

Speaking of early autos in Salem again . . . Bob Browne found an account of the first electrical automobile in Salem lodged in the Breyman family's scrapbook. It appeared early in July, 1909, in a parade with other autos through downtown streets.

On Parade Hollywood

By Gene Handsaker HOLLYWOOD — Red Skelton, who can be a pretty funny guy, is three times that amusing in "Watch the Birdie."



As himself he is a typical Skelton character—earnest, happy, slightly idiotic. He's in the photo-supply business with his pop and grandpop. As his pop he is paunchy, mustached, tired, and conservative.

A climatic chase sequence, with Red and Arlene aboard a speeding lumber carrier, is fairly hilarious. "Watch the Birdie" for a lot of innocent, uncomplicated fun.

"Mystery Submarine" is a mystery in more ways than one. An old World War II German U-boat, long presumed sunk, turns out to be still operating off our coast.

GRIN AND BEAR IT by Lichty



"Terrible price for a book! . . . I'd wait a year or so, when they're sure to put out a popular 25-cent reprint . . ."

Better English

- 1. What is wrong with this sentence? "The charges they made hurt my character." 2. What is the correct pronunciation of "holocaust"? 3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Adequate, adolescence, admonition. 4. What does the word "opportunity" mean? 5. What is a word beginning with ga that means "showy; harsh and glaring?"

Dr. Smith Discloses Colleges Advocate 19-Year-Old Draft Minimum, Some Deferments

Draft age should be no lower than 19 and certain students should be allowed to complete college studies before military service, it is recommended by the Association of American Colleges.

Association proposals to congress and the executive department are prefaced by a preamble calling for wise use of manpower, recognition of long-range importance of continuing a flow of trained persons to fill critical positions in the years to come and the policy statement that "we believe that all young men should share equitably the responsibility of national defense."

650 Institutions These proposals were put forward by the association which represents 650 institutions of higher education: Avoid duplicating existing educational facilities; armed services should not develop new education programs without exhausting possibilities of existing schools.

Draft-deferred students should be allowed to enlist in services open at time of their deferment after they have furthered their studies to the point permitted by draft postponement.

Trained college women should be used as leaders in civilian service and professions, under a comprehensive, planned program.

Just During Emergency Draft age should be lowered below 19 only if required by and during any emergency manpower shortage.

ROTC units should be increased; present deferment policy endorsed. Students who should be allowed to complete studies are those now enrolled in professional schools of theology, medicine, dentistry and related health fields, in graduate schools in mathematics, engineering, physical and biological sciences; also students having completed two years of undergraduate study by July, 1951, and in good academic standing.

Induction Postponed Any college student reaching induction age should have his induction postponed until end of that academic year. If 18-year-olds must be drafted, it is assumed that not more than half would be inducted in the first year; it is recommended that those not inducted before opening of a school year be notified that they might complete that year.

After basic military training, a substantial number of qualified men should be furloughed to colleges of their choice for further education in all fields prior to completion of their military training; consideration should be given to federal scholarship or loan fund to make this possible; this program should be administered by civilians.

4-H Leaders' Conference Set

CORVALLIS, Jan. 18-(AP)—The state 4-H club leaders' annual three-day conference will be held at the Oregon State college campus and at Pendleton, it was announced today by L. J. Allen, state 4-H club leader. Allen said western leaders would meet here January 23 and eastern leaders at Pendleton January 30.

ROTC Offers Deferments

CORVALLIS, Jan. 18-(AP)—Immediate draft deferments are available to Oregon State college reserve officer training corps (ROTC) freshmen and sophomores who sign agreements to take advanced training.

Dead GI Took Along 8 Reds With 8 Bullets

By Tom Bradshaw ON THE CENTRAL FRONT, Korea, Jan. 18-(AP)—On a brown Korean hillside an American hero lies buried today.

His identity may never be known. His deeds are. Three days ago this soldier was just another GI dug in below Wouju, a town he probably had never heard of a few months before. He was on outpost duty, peering into the darkness before dawn for any sign of the enemy.

Around him were other members of his company, some watching like himself, others huddled asleep in foxholes.

Before him was a snow-covered known listed as Hill 147, which had changed hands five times in as many years.

Enemy Charge Midnight passed without incident. Then at 3:45 a.m. the stillness was broken by the shriek of a mass enemy charge over the hill. The sentry's rifle was one of the first to answer their fire. In seconds, the hillside was a bedlam of human cries and the crackle of gunfire, with the booming voice of artillery opening up in the background.

It didn't last long. In less than 15 minutes the enemy had retreated back down his side of hill 247. The Americans settled back in their foxholes to await the dawn. Scene Survived With the first light of day company officers surveyed the scene of the night encounter.

Before the outpost entry's foxhole, eight communists lay dead—each shot through the head. The sentry's rifle lay nearby, its eight-round garand clip empty. The foxhole was only a jagged crater where no human could have survived the shells that struck it. (This dispatch did not say whose shells hit the foxhole. It could have been enemy mortars. It could have been U.S. artillery since his outpost likely was well out in front of the American lines.)

Huge Portland Development Considered

PORTLAND, Jan. 18-(AP)—Downtown Portland may get a new multi-million dollar business development project, the Oregon Journal said. The paper said a large insurance firm was willing to put up cash for construction of a proposed development in the area bounded by S. W. Third and Front avenues and Pine and Stark streets.

NEW AND ONLY TUBELESS TIRE SEALS PUNCTURES AS YOU RIDE

Advertisement for B.F. Goodrich tubeless tires. Includes illustration of a tire and text: 'LOOK NO TUBE!', 'LOOK NO FLAT!', 'another B.F. Goodrich first!', 'Drive a B.F. Goodrich Tubeless Tire over a bed of spikes! It doesn't lose a pound of air! There's no tube to go flat.'

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