

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Stryker

When the Duke of Windsor was Prince of Wales he was a veritable globe-trotter. He was Britain's best salesman in the period between the wars. He made friends for the home country and the royal house both in Common wealth countries and colonies but in foreign nations as well. King George has no son to take the title of Prince of Wales, but his daughter, the heir presumptive to the throne, is doing her part both to give peoples in the far-flung outposts of empire a sight and a touch of royalty and to acquaint herself with the peoples and the lands over which some day she will reign.

Last year in company with her husband the Duke of Edinburgh, the princess made the tour of Canada, with a side trip to Washington. Now the couple is getting ready to set out on a much longer journey. They will fly to Kenya in Africa which Britain is trying to develop as a military and economic base. Then they will take the ship Gothic to Mombassa and sail for Australia and New Zealand. Later, if King George is well enough the king and queen and the princess and duke will visit South Africa.

The liner Gothic has been prettied up to serve as the houseboat of royalty. It has been painted all white, and refitted at a cost of nearly half a million dollars. The funnel of the ship was raised six feet the better to keep smoke out of the eyes of the famous personages on board. For escort, ships from British, Indian, Ceylon, Pakistan and Australian navies will accompany the Gothic.

It will be quite a treat for the Australians and New Zealanders to see their princess. Though these people "down under" sometimes chafe at the invisible leash that holds them to the Commonwealth, when royalty comes they are all loyalists, for the Crown is the symbol that binds the self-governing dominions to the motherland.

When Prince Edward was making the rounds he was regarded as something of a drummer to spur the sales of British goods. Princess Elizabeth is on no mercantile errand. Hers is the mission of keeping knit in the Commonwealth the great self-governing dominions so that the old empire may suffer no more shrinkage. Judged by the success of her visit to Canada she will be as winning in her way as Edward was in his.

Iran Accepts American Offer Of \$24 Million

TEHRAN, Iran (AP)—Premier Mohammed Mossadegh announced Sunday Iran's acceptance of a 24 million dollar American aid project under President Truman's Point Four program for technical assistance to underdeveloped countries.

Iranian Cabinet approval of a working agreement for the coming year ended more than a month of negotiations marked by Iran's hesitation to accept commitments which might bind it too tightly to the West in the current East-West struggle.

Iran, despite mounting internal troubles arising out of nationalization of oil, has tried to steer a middle course in the divided world.

Mossadegh's government is attacked by both political extremes, the outlawed but active Communist Tudeh Party and the terrorist Fedayan Islam. The latter has been blamed for the assassination of the late Premier Ali Pazznara and other killings.

Fedayan Islam's second in command, Seid Abdul Hossein, threatened at a news conference Sunday, "We will kill Mossadegh if our leader, Nava'i Safavi, is not released from prison immediately."

Safavi was imprisoned early this month by the government on undisclosed charges. His hundreds of followers have been demanding his release.

OFFENSIVE PROGRESSES

HANOI, Indochina (AP)—The French High Command reported Sunday a two-pronged offensive against the Communist-led Viet-minh southeast and west of Hanoi was "progressing favorably."

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Will you look at that price! And what do we get? Chicken feed!"

Kefauver's Wife Hints Husband to Seek Presidency

WASHINGTON (AP)—Mrs. Estes Kefauver let the cat out of the bag Sunday: She said she and her senator-husband had talked things over and she "had a feeling" he would seek the Democratic presidential nomination.

Senator Kefauver (D-Tenn.), who is being boomed by supporters, has said he will make his position known around Feb. 1.

But in a radio interview Mrs. Kefauver made it clear the Kefauvers have their eyes on the White House. She added, however, that "there are so many angles" that it's still "hard to say" what might happen.

Even the four children, she said, have been talking about how life would be at the White House, with a swimming pool and a big back yard.

Asked in the radio interview what the senator's strongest political philosophy was, she said she had anticipated the question and had asked him for an answer at breakfast.

"It wasn't the right time or place," she said ruefully. "I don't think I received an adequate answer. But I would say his dominant goal is to help establish lasting world peace."

She said the senator undoubtedly would campaign in his famous coonskin cap which he wore in his successful senatorial campaign. "People expect it," she said. "It's an emblem, a good luck piece, a sort of symbol."

Hatfield Sees Oregon As GOP Battleground

Nearly all the Republican candidates for presidential nomination intend to make Oregon's Primary election in May their battleground, Mark Hatfield, secretary of the Oregon for Eisenhower committee, indicated Sunday upon his return to his Salem home from the GOP leaders' meeting at San Francisco.

Hatfield said, "Our Eisenhower campaign strategy in Oregon will be planned in preparation for everybody."

"Rumors that California Gov. Earl Warren and former Gov. Harold Stassen of Minnesota may file in Oregon were heard continually at the conference," Hatfield said.

Seen at the conference were several Douglas MacArthur buttons and leaflets espousing his candidacy, Hatfield said. Backers were apparently unorganized. But they claimed that MacArthur would be "available" in spite of his announcements that he is not a candidate, Hatfield said.

"The campaign spirit was strong at the conference with hot debate heard on behalf of various candidates," Hatfield said. He remarked that many fine speeches were given by supporters of all candidates.

Hatfield and William L. Phillips, president of Oregon for Eisenhower campaign, attended the meeting for conferences with Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, and other leaders of the national campaign. Phillips had gone to Seattle Sunday morning and was unavailable for comment.

Mahoney Lays Plans to Keep Ike on Demo Ballot

PORTLAND (AP)—State Senator Thomas Mahoney of Portland said legal action might be taken, if necessary, to get the name of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower on the Oregon Democratic presidential primary ballot.

He told a reporter Sunday it was his understanding that Earl T. Newby, secretary of state, would accept petitions with 1,100 signatures of Democrats entering Eisenhower's name.

The signatures were collected and filed before Eisenhower said he was a Republican. "In the event Newby has changed his position, legal action may be necessary to determine whether or not 'Ike' goes on the Oregon Democratic primary ballot," Mahoney said.

Newby said Saturday that Oregon law apparently would not permit Eisenhower's name to appear on the ballots of both parties in the Oregon primary.

That would mean that Eisenhower's name would not be on the Democratic ballot since the General already has publicly declared himself a Republican.

Put 2 Nickels Start of UMT In the Slot, Boy Said 'Simple'

The five cent telephone call joined the nickel cup of coffee in history Sunday.

A rate boost authorized Jan. 11 by the Public Utilities Commission to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company sent the cost of pay telephone calls to ten cents.

Crews from the company completed the minor adjustments early today necessary for the change over to the higher rate, Elmer Berglund, Salem district manager for the firm reports.

Fire Destroys Widow's Home

ALBANY — Fire destroyed the home and belongings of Mrs. Hazel Jerde and her six children five miles north of here on Dever Loop Road west of Highway 99-E Saturday night.

House and all possessions except clothes worn by the occupants and some electrical appliances and a canned fruit were destroyed in the blaze.

Firemen said the blaze apparently started from a faulty flue about 3 p. m. during Saturday night's snow storm. The property was reported to be partially insured.

Mrs. Jerde is the widow of Elmer Jerde, who died about a year ago in an industrial accident here.

Flagstaff Police Station Robbed

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. (AP)—Flagstaff police are wondering if they'll ever hear the last of this one.

A bandit entered their station Saturday night and took \$220 at gun point from Deskman Art Nay. He was the only man on duty.

Nay, somewhat flabbergasted by the incident, could not give a good description of the man.

His only comment was "he was seedy looking."

Firemen Answer False Alarm at Statehouse

City firemen answered a midnight false alarm at the State Capitol Building Saturday. Faulty mechanism in the automatic alarm system was blamed. Search by firemen showed no sign of a blaze and they returned to headquarters at 12:11 a. m. today.

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Woodcutting Provides Temporary Jobs



Clair Harvey, wood crew foreman, stands among the hundreds of ricks of cordwood stacked in wood lot 10 miles north of Salem on old North River Road. The wood is being cut for use in the Marion County courthouse by temporarily unemployed men at \$7 a cord. About 400 to 500 cords of wood will be cut out of this grove. (Statesman photo).

Jobless Men Cut County's Wood Supply

Jobless men have cut more than a year's supply of wood for Marion County in the past two months, the County Court said Saturday.

This program, revived for the first time since depression days, kept more than 50 men off the welfare rolls.

The court said that, during the two months of 1951 that the project operated, 172 men applied at the county welfare office for assistance. Of these, 132 were sent to the county court for referral to the wood lot, and 57 took the jobs.

The men cut, through Dec. 31, about 400 cords of wood, for which they received \$7 per cord. The Courthouse and county shops burn approximately 250 cords per year.

Supervision is done by men already on the county payroll, at slack time for their regular jobs. Generally in charge is Harvey Girod, county road supervisor, with Clair Harvey as foreman.

Experience has shown that men who don't take the county up on this "pay for work" deal don't usually return to the welfare office to ask for a direct money grant. The County Court also is satisfied with the project, in getting return of services for expenditure from the budget.

Co-ed Acclaimed For Proficiency As Bull Fighter

EL PASO, Tex. (AP)—Patricia McCormick, who was a co-ed just brief weeks ago, fought her first professional bull fight Sunday.

Her skill and courage in killing a fast charging black and white bull brought her the bull's two ears, cheers and "oles" from the crowded Plaza de Toros in Juarez, across the Rio Grande from here.

Working on drenched shortly before by a rainstorm, the blonde torera passed the bull so closely that her trousers were smeared with blood from the attacking animal.

The blue-eyed 22-year-old girl left her studies at Texas Western College here this fall to devote full time to bull fighting.

Wind Rolls Up Snowballs in East Oregon

ONTARIO, Ore. (AP)—When residents of this Eastern Oregon community woke up Sunday morning, they thought snowballs had fallen from the sky during the night.

Snowballs, ranging from baseball to basketball size covered the area. L. A. Bailey, CAA weather observer on night duty at the Ontario Airport said he saw the snows form.

The ground was already covered with snow when warm winds, gusting at 40 miles an hour, hit the area. The rising temperature made the snow sticky and the wind rolled up the snowballs, he said.

The wind obscured the tracks of the snowballs in most instances. They left many people to think the snowballs had fallen from the heavens.

Wet Snow Adds Hazard To Travel in Mid-Valley

Snow fell with rain in Salem enough to slow traffic with slush and make driving hazardous in downtown streets and surrounding highways most of the day Sunday.

Chains were required in all mountain passes, state police reported. Similar conditions were forecast for today by the Weather Bureau.

The Falls City-Valestz road was closed by slides most of the day Sunday with three big snow-slides, residents of the area said. Three families in autos were stranded for several hours before rescued by workmen with road-clearing equipment. No injuries were reported.

Two to three inches of snow were reported in the Aurora-Canby areas and at Albany. Dallas reportedly had one to 2 inches. Salem weathermen recorded about one-half inch.

Total precipitation figure for Salem in the 24 hours to 10:30 p. m. was .49 inch.

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No serious accidents were reported by State or city police in spite of hazardous roads and street conditions. City police said "few more than usual" motorists came to the station to fill out state accident report forms.

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ODESSA, N. Y. (AP)—A search party of 120 men discovered the bodies of a Cornell University junior and four young children Sunday in the waters of ice-covered Cayuga Lake.

When last seen Saturday Allen Sibley, 20, the college man, was skating along, towing two sleds bearing the four children.

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A progress report for 1951 from Col. Lipscomb reports that the main dam is 74 per cent complete with a total of 1,120,000 cubic yards of concrete poured by the end of the year. Big Cliff Dam and powerhouse were 11 per cent completed on Jan. 1, he says.

Principal features completed during 1951 were the Blowout Creek to Idanha Forest Service road including a concrete bridge

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U.N. Admits Possibility of Air Violation

MUNSAN, Korea (AP)—The U. N. Command said Monday Allied planes may have hit a Red truck convoy last Friday when they bombed and strafed a highway bridge northwest of Kaesong.

The Allied message said four planes roared down in a 20 minute attack Friday afternoon on Communist crews repairing the bridge and against nearby anti-aircraft guns.

It quoted the pilots as saying no vehicles were sighted in the vicinity during the attack. If any were hit, the Allied message said, they must have been stationary or in shadows.

The Allies accused the Reds of running more than the one south-bound convoy permitted daily. It said a convoy had been sighted three hours earlier near the bridge.

The Allies said, however, that if the Red convoy was hit, "the United Nations Command regrets that through mischance a convoy suffered damages as an incidental result of a pre-scheduled attack on fixed targets on and near the highway."

"The convoy itself was not attacked. All pilots of the United Nations Command have been thoroughly briefed that they are to attack and destroy only those vehicles on the P'yong-yang-Kaesong Highway which are not included in the authorized daily convoy in each direction."

The Communists had protested that an authorized convoy of one jeep and two trucks was attacked.

North Korean Col. Chang Chun San, who received the Allied report from a liaison officer, said he was not completely satisfied and asked that witnesses from the convoy be heard at a meeting Tuesday.

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5 Escape, 3 Lost As Mercy Plane Crashes on Peak

McCHORD AIR FORCE BASE, Wash. (AP)—A B-17 mercy plane homeward bound from a search mission crashed on an Olympic Peninsula peak Saturday night, but five of its crew escaped alive. Three were dead or missing.

The big four-engine search and rescue plane clipped the top of 6,350-foot Mt. Tyler during a blinding snowstorm.

The ship catapulted over the mountain and skidded through the snow down to the 5,000-foot level where it burst into flames.

The eight crewmen crawled from the wreckage or were thrown free.

None Seriously Hurt

The five survivors were brought out by Coast Guard helicopter. All were taken to a Port Angeles hospital but none was reported seriously hurt.

The wreckage was located by search planes despite foul weather.

The Air Force B-17 crashed while returning to its base here from Sandspit Airport in the Queen Charlotte Islands off British Columbia where a Korean airlift plane met disaster. Only seven of 43 persons aboard escaped alive from the DC-4 after it pancaked into the sea.

Not Carrying Bodies

The B-17 was carrying bodies from the Sandspit accident back to McChord but crewmen said this was not true.

Two of the B-17 survivors suffered cuts and bruises. They were the pilot, Capt. Casimir F. Hybki, 31, Tacoma, and the crew chief, Sgt. Carl E. Scargall, 22, Tillamook, Wash. The other three escaped virtually unscathed.

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Taft to Support Eisenhower, If Ike Nominated

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Taft R-Ohio said Sunday that if General Eisenhower is Republican candidate for the presidency, "I will support General Eisenhower."

He told newsmen on NBC's "Meet the Press" television program that if Eisenhower were President and he in the Senate the two could reconcile their policies.

After saying he would support Eisenhower, Taft turned to the reporters and asked: "I might ask whether you know whether he will support me if I should be nominated?"

U.S. Nun Killed In Egypt, Stirs British Action

ISMAILIA, Egypt (AP)—Armed British Tommies, backed by a cordon of tanks, cleared out a huge Arab section of this Suez Canal city Sunday as the result of the slaying of an American nun in a convent.

Hundreds of Egyptian families, some carrying their belongings, were driven out of the quarter. Forty-one suspected guerrillas were arrested.

Gen. Sir George Erskine, British commander in the Canal Zone and a close friend of the dead nun, called the slaying of Sister Anthony an "atrocious" "mad terrorist" and declared:

"I shall consume as much of Ismailia as I want. Then if I want I will take more of the town."

British newspapers said she was killed "by British bullets" during a four-hour battle Saturday in which the British suffered two killed and seven wounded and the Egyptians were reported to have had 20 wounded.

The U. S. Embassy in Cairo said the nun was Brigitte Ann Timbers, 52, born in the Bronx, N. Y. She had served in Egypt since 1947, after earlier service in 1930, and listed her home address as Paris.

The Embassy said it was making efforts to determine the facts about her death, and would then take "appropriate action."

Shot Through Heart

The nun was shot through the heart as she stepped outside Saint Vincent de Paul convent to welcome British tanks.