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Laryngitis in the 'Voice'

The "Voice of America" seems to be suffering from a bad case of laryngitis. Its (cost) glands are badly swollen; and what comes out doesn't sound good to congressional critics. Dr. Wilson Compton, its short-time director, has resigned.

The "Voice" has had a rough time ever since it was set up after the war to deliver propaganda about the USA to counteract Communist belching on the air. But when the "Voice" tried to tell the truth it got into trouble from communities that didn't like the brand of truth poured over the airwaves. Others have criticized it as too insipid and ineffectual; and of course it was under suspicion as a peddler of stuff with a pro-Red slant so long as it was administered by the State department. Senator McCarthy is aiming at this in his current inquiry.

No matter what the home bleacher-coaches have had to say the fact remains that Russia throws all the baling wire and tomato choruses and boiler factory noises it can into the air to break up reception in the USSR and satellite countries. Even listening to the "Voice" is an offense. And "neutral" countries complain because they are subject to propaganda barrages from both Russia and the United States and perhaps other countries.

It is doubtful if we can ever succeed very well with a propaganda "Voice." A democratic country can't very well tell all the truth about itself, nor can it safely warp and twist the truth as can the totalitarian powers. We just can't possibly match the devilish ingenuity of Herr Goebbels who set the modern pattern for radio propaganda.

It might be just as well to wind up the "Voice" and give up the attempt to get peoples of other countries to think nice thoughts about us. The present laryngitis may be fatal to the "Voice"; but it shouldn't be fatal to our standing over the world. Surely it isn't necessary for us to be telling the world how good we are.

Changing Taft-Hartley Law

Senator Taft has offered his proposals for amending the Taft-Hartley law. The CIO condemns them and calls for repeal and reenactment of the Wagner act. This is just a gesture motion because the CIO knows the Congress will do no such thing.

What may materialize into something worth while is the advisory committee of 15 which Secretary of Labor Durkin has named to consider T-H changes and other matters in labor relations which may come up. This committee includes representatives of labor, management and the public.

Taft wants to hold to the 80-day strike injunction where vital public interest is affected. This is obnoxious to labor, and after the steel seizure fiasco of last spring not so popular with employers.

We aren't too optimistic that the action taken will meet with general approval from labor and management. Their differences are too wide and deep to submit to ready erasure.

Bay Ocean is not the only part of the Oregon coast which is being eaten away by the waters.

Political Ambitions of Nehru, Indian Seen Behind Statements Against Military Men in Government

By J. M. ROBERTS, JR.

Associated Press News Analyst
Prime Minister Nehru of India came pretty close to incivility the other day with his talk before Parliament of "danger" connected with having military men at the head of governments.

He didn't call President Eisenhower by name, but he brought the matter up in a discussion of the recent American order neutralizing Chiang Kai-Shek's Nationalist Chinese forces on Formosa. It was obvious he wasn't talking about Naguib or Tito or Franco. It was an unusual way for the head of one important government to talk about another.

Almost in the same breath Nehru reiterated his intention to withdraw his troops from the East-West conflict. He said he wasn't trying to put one party to the dispute in the wrong. But he didn't have anything derogatory to say about Stalin.

Nehru's statements almost coincided with conferences by two Indian leaders, one of them a member of a Red front, with Stalin in Moscow. The other was the Indian ambassador whose activities have gotten India into several ill-starred attempts to mediate the Korean War and other East-West difficulties.

Nehru has been trying to take a middle course all the time, but has said a number of things in the past which had better been left unsaid if he hopes to be successful.

The American people have just recently discussed thoroughly the whole matter of the "military mine" as regarding Eisenhower and decided by ballot that they weren't afraid of it. Nehru's statements will hardly have the appeal to them that it does to Kremlin authors of "warmonger" propaganda.

In the same speech Nehru said "history will show whether Democracy or totalitarianism is better. I am convinced that ultimately Democracy will pay the higher dividends, not only to the country involved but to the whole world."

People in the western world think history has already decided

that matter pretty thoroughly. Nehru himself testifies that he United States has done more good for more people in the matter of living standards than any other country.

All this sounds like Nehru is muddled. But he is known to be a man of high intelligence. He is behind all this beating around the stump?

There is evidence in things he has said that political ambition, both for himself and for his country, is strongly involved. He seems to think that there are profits to be

reaped. position to be attained in all of Asia. If he and India can play the role of mediator. He knows, particularly in the Korean War situation, that the West is anxious for a settlement.

He may think that if he appears to Stalin to be a little critical of the West, the Russians may be a little more willing to trust him with some mission. He seems to be unaware of the moral as well as material issues which make it impossible for anyone to carry water on both shoulders in these times.

Literary Guidepost

By W. G. ROGERS
ETRUSCAN PAINTING, text by Massimo Pallottino, translated by M. E. Stanley and Stuart Gilbert, with 64 illustrations. (Sikra; \$12.50).

In that segment of ancient Italy between the Arno and the Tiber... where Renaissance art was to flourish so dramatically... there was an earlier magnificence of art, the Etruscan, in that half dozen centuries B. C.

It was an art of the tomb, on rock, painted directly on polished surfaces or on thin plaster, fresco-fashion. Most of it has to be seen on the site, and most people have been satisfied to settle for transportable pottery and sculpture and let the paintings go. The pictures, of funeral rites, of games and dances, animals, birds, sports, of Greek and Amazon, are reproduced in this book for the first time and through the scholar will find a specific use for them, the layman will be stirred surprisingly by their emotive forms, their rich color, their clearly definable scenes and vividly sketched figures.

These artists were influenced, says Pallottino, professor of Etruscan art at the University of Rome, by

Greece, Crete, Rhodes and Carthage. One of the handsomest of the familiar Sikra publications, this is also one of the most important, since it's a new venture in a field so generally unfamiliar.

ITALIAN PAINTING FROM CARAVAGGIO TO MODigliANI, Critical studies by Lionello Venturi, historical surveys by Rosalinda Skira-Venturi, translated by Stuart Gilbert, with 99 reproductions. (Sikra; \$17.50).

The last of three volumes on Italian painting, this gets out of the period of sure-fire, universally accepted masterpieces into more arguable recent times. Reproductions are, as always, admirable though there is an occasional painter hardly worth the technical pains: Michelangelo Caravaggio, for instance or Silvestro Lega.

SPANISH PAINTING FROM VELASQUEZ TO PICASSO, by Jacques Lassaigne, translated by Stuart Gilbert, with 70 reproductions. (Sikra; \$17.50).
Second volume on Spanish painting, this includes 13 Goya plates, 13 Velasquez, six El Greco, six Picasso, three Miró, one Gericó, one Dalí and so on.

TAKING OFF THE ROSE COLORED GLASSES!



by Tele-Vine Channel Statesman 1953

It isn't always your set that's at fault when the TV picture is poor... there's tremendous difference in film used at transmission point... and KPTV itself still having out bugs... the "plasma stand by" sign during start of Mardi Gras television program at 8 p.m. Tuesday somewhat friskome... TV complicated business, however... wonder is that it works as well as it does... incidentally, the morning paper who scheduled that Mardi Gras for 11:30 p.m. our time probably heard from irate customers... Statesman was unable to find exact time it due on air but knew it couldn't be 11:30 p.m. so scratched that out of log... KPTV to step up power in March.

There are 34 makes of television sets being sold in this area... probably 8 of them comprise 75 per cent of the sales... why has a certain ice cream store been caught short on gallons recently?... "TV parties take about all the gallon containers we can put up," dealer says... Carrying-things-too-far department: radio commercializer to her night said certain auto dealers would "back up every car they sell"... Now what would happen if they hired salesmen who swore to stand back of every car they sell?... old stuff now but whoever had TV turned on at 2 p.m. last Saturday saw one of the most dramatic programs ever offered in this area... it was new CBS show You are There, and depicted last hours of ill-fated German dirigible Hindenburg.

Hollywood says we don't understand film stars and their troubles and temptations, and, in fact, that we don't understand Hollywood... well, it's certainly helpful to such understanding when one of the super-super inside-Hollywood gossipists spends 10 minutes on a quicker report of the movie capital—with at least half the time devoted to divorces, marital troubles, re-marrriages, etc... what is it that makes Dinah Shore so popular?... looks for one thing; voice, for another; third—the fact that she doesn't grimace, glower, gush or simper at applause-time... still too bad so many good TV artists have to prate about their sponsors' products themselves instead of leaving commercials to announcers.

Lawrence Harvey may have quite a bit on his mind for Salem, since he apparently plans to be here most of next week... Joseph Brenner, Beverly Hills, attorney and personal representative, also to be here... chamber of commerce been offering assistance in any Harvey plans abrewing, which include operation of Ray-O-Vac plant (former lumina-from-play) on Cherry Avenue as well as TV Channel 24... no known plans jelled for studio... second floor downtown site very available but Brenner told TeleVine he doesn't like studio being off ground-level... if you're a non-TV-owner, have you noticed how your TV hosts and hostesses try to pry out of you what you think of their set compared to yours?

KPTV has moved the Garry Moore comedy-variety show up to 11:45 a.m... operative 13 says I Married Joan is out-drawing I Love Lucy 2 to 1 in Salem telecasts... LaBoheme, story of tubercular French girl by Puccini, will be Metropolitan Operad 1:30-3:00 p.m. Sunday... Jack Benny also be Sunday feature at 4:30 p.m... who says radio and newspapers aren't compatible... Oregon Broadcasters' Association goes on record urging construction of new journalism school building at U. of O... from looks of present job. bidg., no one could oppose a new one, at that.

The Safety Valve

WANTS FREEDOM IN VOTING To the Editor:

Some dogs go barking along one line. There is just one thing that is game for them. Some men have only one thing in their minds and go yap, yap, yapping after that. Mr. Hounsell has been hired by the people in his district to go to Salem and help make just laws that shall be for the good of all the people in our state. That requires good judgment and reasoning. Yet he proposes two measures, both along the same line, to bound a man out of office who said, before election, that if he was sent to the senate he would give matters his careful consideration and then vote according to his best judgment. This man also told us in plain words not to vote for him if we did not want him to do just that. We, the people, in majority vote, elected him to do just that. Why the how? We hear no yapping about Byrd and Byrnes who also decided to change their first opinion and vote outside their party, or about Edgar W. Smith who changed his party.

All my life long I have been a Republican, and every ancestor I ever heard of, and they are many, was a Republican, but we were taught that our brains were for individual use and decision and that we should not balk like a mule at party lines lest we overstep their dictum. I think the time has come for a respectable purging in the government of our own country and state, by the people as a whole, when men think less of what is good for the people than they do of what is detrimental for one man who fears step over his party line. What kind of a country would this be if we were forbidden to change our opinions except at certain times, and were not allowed to vote for whomsoever we would? I, for one, want no laws restricting my right and privilege to vote for anyone I consider the best qualified for a position, be he Republican, Democrat or Independent. Let us ask divine guidance before act-

GRIN AND BEAR IT by Lichty



"What if this depression gets so afraid of, never happens?... then we're stuck with our national..."

IT SEEMS TO ME

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time might tell us to get out? It urges the advantage of big carriers as mobile bases, and says that none of these was sunk in the last war by air action. The counter argument is that ships do not run on dry land, and might not be able to get close enough to bomb enemy vitals. Also, that hordes of smaller ships and planes must be provided for each carrier for supply and protection. An economy-minded Congress surely will not be disposed to give both the Air Force and the Navy all they want. Whether Secretary of Defense Wilson can effect a compromise or issue an order which will stick is uncertain. Each service has powerful friends in Congress who may take up the fight if the generals and admirals are required to lay off. Congress will have a most difficult time trimming the defense budget in the face of these demands for overseas bases whose cost runs into the hundreds of millions and for supercarriers whose cost is only slightly less.

One can't help questioning the judgment of the military in its extended program of building and maintaining air bases. Strategic bombing has its limitations. The program may help deter Russia from aggression. On the other hand it may excite Russia's fears of attack from the West. Morse and Long certainly have posed a hot question as to what we have got for our money on these foreign bases. They have projected before Congress and the country how much more we must spend on this feature of defense, and the alternative of spending on super-carriers for the Navy.

Northwest History

By Dan K. Clark
Professor emeritus of history, University of Oregon

Today's Question: When and why was Astoria restored to the United States?

In the Treaty of Ghent at the close of the War of 1812 there was a clause stating that all territory or places taken during the war should be restored without delay. Fort Astoria, or Fort George, as it had been renamed by the British, came under this provision for, as was stated in a previous article, Captain Black of the British took possession of the fort during the war. For various reasons it was two years after the Treaty of Ghent was signed before the United States was in a position to send a naval vessel to the Pacific to reassert American rights. In September, 1817, however, Captain John Biddle was ordered to proceed to the mouth of the Columbia in the sloop-of-war Ontario. He was to be accompanied by John B. Prevost as agent of the government to assist the claim of the United States to the sovereignty of the adjacent territory, in a friendly and peaceful manner, and without the employment of force. "Sir Charles Bagot," the British Minister in Washington, was much disturbed when he learned of the action, and he reported it to his home government. Fortunately, the British government was not inclined to become excited over the matter and after some discussion it was decided that the site of Fort Astoria would be restored under the terms of the Treaty of Ghent. Orders to that effect were sent to the Commander of the British naval forces in the Pacific and to the agent of the North West Company at Fort George.

Thus it was that on October 6, 1818, John B. Prevost, representing the United States, and Frederick Hickey, representing the North West Company, met at Fort George, Oregon, and then follow it, being sure it is divine and not Satanic. Marion Foster Gribble, 139 Kenwood Avenue Medford, Oregon

Man, 60, Commits Suicide on Grave of Childhood Sweetheart

ST. LOUIS (AP)—A fatally wounded man, apparently the man who committed suicide on the grave of his childhood sweetheart, was found slumped over a woman's grave Wednesday in a St. Louis cemetery.

St. Louis County deputies tentatively identified the man as August G. Cramer, about 60 years old, of Quincy, Ill.

He died at St. Louis County Hospital from a bullet wound in his head without making a statement.

The grave over which his body was found was marked by a headstone bearing the name "Della Decker." Cemetery records showed a Della Decker, 64, was buried there in May, 1951.

Witnesses told police they saw the man carry paper-wrapped flowers to the grave. Shortly afterward they said they heard a shot.

In the man's clothing was a note which read: "When I lost Dell I lost everything I cared for. I can't carry on any longer without Dell."

Deputies said they learned from a sister of the late Miss Decker, Mrs. Edward Boyens of St. Louis, that Della Decker and Cramer had been sweethearts since childhood. She was unable to say why the two, who were unmarried, had not wed.

GI Arrested in Officer's Death

FORT DIX, N.J. (AP)—Army authorities said Wednesday a Brooklyn GI is being held in the death of a lieutenant who originally was thought to have been killed accidentally during maneuvers.

Maj. Gen. Homer W. Kiefer, commander of the 9th Infantry Division, said an investigation of the death of Lt. Richard M. Davenport of New London, Conn., had established that he "apparently was murdered."

Owens admitted in a signed statement he shot the lieutenant. Lt. Davenport was fatally wounded late in the afternoon of Feb. 11 while leading his platoon on a simulated assault charge. The platoon carried loaded rifles.

Holland Won't Ask for Aid

PORTLAND (AP)—The Netherlands will not ask American financial aid to rebuild dikes and reclaim land flooded two weeks ago, Jerome L. Helderling said here Wednesday.

Helderling, chief of The Netherlands Information Service, said the country would use some of its own money which had been set aside to match American economic aid. He will address the Oregon Press Conference in Eugene Friday.

Misconduct Case Dropped

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Misconduct charges against Donald W. Douglas, 60, founder-president of Douglas Aircraft Co., were dropped Wednesday when his wife filed an amended complaint for divorce.

The new document charges only cruelty. It made no mention of Mrs. Marguerite Carrie Tucker, 51, a divorcee whom Mrs. Charlotte Douglas, 60, named co-respondent in her original cross suit for a separate trial. Mrs. Tucker was assistant to the president at the aircraft firm.

Your Health

By Dr. Herman Sundesen

Toxic Reactions are Reduced With New Pain-Relieving Drug
Of the various reasons why people seek medical help, one of the most frequent is for the relief of pain. Many times the doctor is called on to remove pain temporarily even before the real cause of the pain can be corrected.

This may require pain-relieving drugs, sometimes powerful ones. The physician will use these drugs when necessary, but in doing so he is faced with an important problem.

Many of the drugs used for relieving pain so distort the normal body functions that their use may be prohibited in certain cases. Good examples of these drugs are morphine or the opium group, many of which cause severe nausea and disturb adequate nutrition. These drugs also have a tendency to prevent normal bowel movements, and cause severe constipation as well as urinary retention.

Of course, we do not want to use drugs that will disturb the mentality of the patient, as may the barbiturates, such as phenobarbital, when used improperly by elderly people.

It is important that drugs which are habit forming be most carefully employed. In studying the reasons for addiction, we find that many people become addicted to narcotics or barbiturates because they take the drugs for long periods of time without the physician's supervision.

Scientists have searched a number of years for drugs that resemble morphine in its effects without having the toxic and addicting qualities of this drug. Now we learn that a new drug known as "dromoran" has been used for just this purpose. This drug has been tried out in various surgical operations to relieve pain following surgery.

It was found the dromoran did not disturb the appetite or cause nausea or vomiting. There is not so much distention of the bowel as with other drugs, and patients given this drug remained

alert, comfortable and co-operative while receiving it. Perhaps most important of all, none of the patients had a tendency to become addicted with the use of this new drug. Of course, this drug should be used only when the physician prescribes it.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
J. O.: I am a woman, 31, who has diabetes and would like very much to have a child. Will diabetes prevent my having one?
Answer: At one time, before the excellent modern methods for controlling diabetes were devised, it was very difficult for a diabetic person to become pregnant. However, with modern methods of treatment, diabetes will not prevent pregnancy.

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "The condition of things are chaotic, and we must talk about them previous to our departure."

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

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Aperture, apathetic, apparatus, aptitude.

4. What does the word "regress" mean?

5. What is a word beginning with all that means "to lighten or lessen physical or mental troubles"?

ANSWERS
1. Say, "The condition of things is chaotic, and we must talk about them previously (adverb) to our departure." 2. Pronounce as though spelled koo. 3. Apertures. 4. To go or come back. "Such minds have regressed in varying degrees to the childhood of the human race." 5. Alleviate.

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