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Oregon and the Offshore Lands Act.

When Attorney General Thornton, a Democrat, queried the State Board of Control, whose members all are Republicans, on whether Oregon should join with other states in challenging the recent act of Congress yielding jurisdiction over offshore lands to adjacent states, the reply he got was something of a "tour de force." The board drove the ball back hard into Thornton's corner, with five questions tagged onto it which really invité a negative answer.

The board in its zeal, however, got off the beam in its rejoinder. It counted as a "gain" to the state not only the 676,000 acres of offshore lands but "400,000 acres under the bays and navigable streams." While it is true the 1953 Act of Congress confirmed the state's title to the latter this was not brought into question by the Supreme Court in the California and Texas cases. The federal government had never asserted claim to these lands, and the administrative officials when they were making surveys to apply the ruling of the Supreme Court drew lines to leave under state jurisdiction lands under bays and estuaries and under navigable streams.

The board made a minor faux pas when it declared itself "the trustee of these lands lying under the sea and under navigable waters for the common school fund of Oregon." Actually, it is the State Land Board which administers these lands as trustee for the school fund.

While The Statesman believes that all offshore lands should remain under the jurisdiction of the federal government it thinks the state officials should labor to protect the interest of the state. If Oregon were an inland state its officials could well reason that it would fare better if offshore lands were under federal jurisdiction, in which case the royalties would go to the general treasury. As a coast state, however, Oregon may see some potential revenues from its offshore lands (though no oil has been discovered there yet), and favor the new law.

In the past, if memory serves us accurately, the disposition of attorney generals of Oregon has been to line up behind the claim of states' rights to lands, although Oregon did not join with other states as amicus curiae on the California side in the latter's battle for retaining offshore lands which have yielded substantial revenues from oil. Since the long-run advantage to Oregon is by no means clear, either way the issue is decided, the state will do well to stay out of the litigation. The chance of overturning the congressional act seems to this paper quite slim. Anyway, enough states are joining in the legal action to make certain the law will get a court test.

British Leadership

We confess we are a bit mystified over a comment by our esteemed contemporary, the Capital Journal, when it says respecting some observations by Viscount Montgomery. the victor of Alemein:

He also insisted upon "live and dynamic leadership" on the political side, which he must know though he did not say, no longer exists in his own country.

We pose the question: Does "live and dynamic" leadership on the political side, no longer exist in Great Britain? We are quite sure the Journal editor does not regret the passing of the "live and dynamic" leadership of the Labor party which pushed Britain headlong into socialized medicine and nationalized many important lines of industry, including steel. True enough, the Conservatives have not been "live and dynamic" in marching toward Socialism or even in reversing the direction.

What the Conservative leadership has done is to restore a large measure of vitality to Britain's anemic economy. Exports have risen, the trade import surplus has declined. Some 58 per cent of British imports are now free of quotas and controls and further relaxation of restrictions is contemplated. The food situation is greatly improved. Sugar goes off the ration list this month; supplies of meat are presently abundant. Britain's gold and dollar reserves have increased nearly one-third this year and stand now at nearly \$2.5 billion, well above the dangerous "low water mark."

The Churchill ministry cannot claim credit for all the economic gain-the London Economist remarked in a recent issue: "For once the stars in their courses have seemed to be on the side of a British government." But the measures imposed by R. A. Butler, Chancellor of the Exchequer, have borne good fruit.

As far as dynamic leadership in foreign affairs is concerned, Premier Sir Winston Churchill was quick to take the initiative after Stalin's death and call for a four-power conference, while our own administration studiously contemplated its navel. Signs indicate that Britain, long beleaguered at home and abroad, is trying to reassert leadership in a world groping for direction. And when one compares the leadership in Britain with the vacuum in France and Italy there is much to be said for stability even if it is not attended with zip and flash.

Beer at State Fair

Since the repeal of prohibition in 1933 the State Fair has not permitted the sale of beer or other alcoholic beverages at the state fair grounds. Nor was it sold there in the years before prohibition. This year the board is reversing its policy and permitting beer to be sold. The Statesman regrets to see this reversal of long standing policy. The mere fact that sale of beer is legal does not justify the action in opening up its sale at the fair grounds. The state fair attracts thousands of visitors, young and old, of all classes. Undoubtedly there will be many who will want to drink beer, though they have suffered no hardship from its lack in the past. But in a mixed crowd, many of whom are children, beer can easily create unwholesome conditions.

GRIN AND BEAR IT



.. Oh, the usual things that happen to every child ... shadowed by secret police when I was 5 ... sent to Siberia at 7 ... took part in the counter-revolution when I was

Inside TV . . .

New Shows Readied To Replace Failures

By EVE STARR

HOLLYWOOD-A "casualty show" is one which doesn't pull rating, and is accordingly junked by its network or sponsor.

To prepare for the decline and fall of such a show, the networks develop a substitute show. When the "casualty" occurs, the alternate is rushed in, like a relief pitcher who

attempts to save the day for his team.

The top brass watch the different TV audience ratings and yank the program which is being by-passed by the viewers. They then go to the bull-pen and call in a nice fresh, eager, welldeveloped replacement.

If the stand-in show keeps the viewers tuned in to the same channel, then network and outlay.

Examples of last year's casualties are "Life With Luigi," "There's One in Every Family," and "Hollywood Opening Night," which unfortunately tried to buck the "I Love Lucy" show on another network. Curiously, Ezio Pinza, a 1951-52 casualty, will be back on the picture tubes this fall in a new situation comedy called "Bonino." This will replace the CBS' "My Hero" series, a casualty of last season. Red Skelton, a NBC casualty of last season, was straight away picked up by CBS for the following Fall series. . . .

What is a casualty for one network may not necessarily be

By Lichty Italian, Tito

Trieste Peace Seems Far Off Salem Today

By J. M. ROBERTS JR. Associated Press News Analyst

Displays of Chauvinsim on both sides emphasize that Italy and Yugoslavia are a long way from the egotiated peace on Trieste' which the western powers have been urg- 4 p. m. today. ing them to attain for more than a year.

nations despite the bitterness of the latest furore.

diplomats clamped down on Italy for throwing troops up to the border because of newspaper talk in He is to be escorted to the Capi-Belgrade. . . .

These diplomats have no idea that Tito plans any overt action regarding Trieste, and they dislike any situation in which an "inci- held at 7:30 tonight at the Sendent could make the relations between Italy and Yugoslavia worse than they are.

Zone B of the Trieste territory, separated from Italy after the war, is administered by Yugoslavia. Various decrees have tended more and more to make it a part of Yugoslavia.

It lies south of the once-important port of Trieste and contains a heavy Slovene population, as well as some towns and small ports which are primarily Italian.

served much of central Europe, anyway. is garrisoned by British and Amertical purposes a part of Italy.

settlement.

proclaim "we stopped 'em."

Donna McKinley, Shedd 4-H

club girl, sold her grand cham-

pion, hog for \$776.25, the high-

est per-pound ever paid for a

25 Years Ago

Sept. 3, 1928

A slight earthquake shock was felt at Newport. The Abbey

Hotel was shaken by a tremblor

that lasted two or three sec-

girl. She won a \$3,000 prize.

40 Years Ago

Sept. 3, 1913

Dr. Estella Ford Warner was

onds

Klein, resigned.

4-H club animal in Oregon.

showed only that both want the Allied diplomats pointed out that territory and are politically incap-Tito would hardly make a break able of yielding. About the best over rocky, barren Zone B, there- the Allies can hope for now is to sponsor feel justified for their big extra cash by running the risk of trouble with keep down the noise.

turn offered a survey of its own. Baldock suggested a compromise probably could be made. Time Flies: From The A well fed riding camel can Statesman Files cover 60 to 70 miles in a day. TYPEWRITERS Army. In the aviation field over 10 Years Ago 333 persons were killed in 1908. RENTED Sept. 3, 1943 George M. Cohan, well-known British and Canadian forces actor, was badly injured when thrown from a speeding auto-All Makes under the command of Gen. mobile in New York. His daugh-Dwight D. Eisenhower swept LOWEST RATES er Georgia, 13, was critically across the strait of Messina and hurt. landed on the beaches of Italy. Y Congressman Jamés W. Mott W. E. McElroy, director of after completing a four-week the Portland Park Band, was TYPEWRITER CO. schedule of visits in the first awarded the contract to furnish congressional division of Oreconcerts for the Oregon State 223 N. High St., Salem gon, returned to Washington. Fair.

Male Psychiatric **Booster Flyer Helpers Wanted** Due to Land in A shortage of male psychiatric attendants at Oregon State Hospital was reported Wednesday by the State Civil Service Com-

mission

for details.

Steps Taken

Toward State

Aid for Roads

Steps forward in getting state

The county court asked Bal-

maintenance of South 12th Street

from the city limits south to its

junction with the Pacific High-

because of the pounding given it

Baldock said that when the

East Salem bypass is completed

it would take most of the truck

traffic off South 12th. He agreed,

however, to present the court's

request to the next meeting of

the State Highway Commission.

agreed to a conference of state

and Marion County engineers on

the proposed site of realignment of the South River Road south of

A proposal of long standing

calls for improvement of the narrow crooked road, using state,

federal and county funds. A state survey of a new right-of-way was labeled as too expensive

by the county court, which in

Baldock and the court also

by the trucks.

Salem.

"The Flying Paul Revere," 50-year-old Max Conrad, who has

50-year-old Max Conrad, who has flown almost 14,000 miles in a and rehabilitation of mentally light plane visiting every state disturbed patients. Intercapital in the United States, will ested persons may contact the arrive in at McNary Field about State Civil Service Commission

Reason, for the flight is to bring letters urging comprehen-Observers, however, were quick sive state programs for the gold to discount the possibilities of a en anniversary observance of the serious outbreak between the two Wright brothers' flight in 1903. He will be met at the field by representatives of the Junior

British, French and American Chamber of Commerce, the State Board of Aeronautics, the Civil Air Patrol and the Air Scouts. tol Building where he will de-

aid for South River Road and liver scrolls to representatives of South 12th Street cut-off were the Board of Aeronautics, CAP taken Wednesday during a conand Junior Chamber. ference between State Highway A banquet in his honor will be Engineer R. H. Baldock and

members of Marion County ator Hotel, to which the public Court. is invited. Guest speaker will be dock if the state would take over

Conrad, with other speakers including Mayor Alfred Loucks and Col. George LaBrech, base commander of Portland International Airport. He is slated to leave way. Salem at 7 a. m. Friday.

Since the one-way traffic sys-tem was adopted for Salem heavy highway truck traffic has The conclusion of Conrad's trip is to be a non-stop flight from San Francisco to New York. been routed over South 12th, which is a county road. Maintenance costs on the road have soared since then, the court said,

America, Britain and France who have been giving him so much sup-The port area itself, which once port when he already had control

In order to influence the 1948 ican troops, but its chief police force is made up primarily of Ital-ians. Italian control has "just ally giving all of Trieste back to growed" until, in every way ex- Italy. Since then, Tito has become cept militarily, it is for all prac- an ally of sorts and a recipient of both economic and military aid. Italy displayed excitement over But Yugoslavia is not as much a the week-end at Belgrade talk that member of the family as former-Tito might decide just to annex enemy Italy, which belongs to the Zone B without waiting for any North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Allied policy has switched to an at-

Yugoslavia had given the new tempt to get the two countries to Rome government a good oppor-tunity to holler "wolf" and then Both avowed a public belief the Both avowed a public belief that they could do it. Negotiations

Pickers at Alderman Farms on the Dogton road picked 1461/2 tons of beans Monday. The "Jack and the Beanstalk" story needs to be rewritten now.

beer sales at the state fair too.

Budget Directive Reflects Stand of Faction,

vacation. This letter closely fol-

lowed the Budget Bureau line-

indeed, it was almost certainly

drafted by Dodge for the Presi-

Like the Dodge letter, the

President's letter told Wilson to

"reduce current expenditures"

-this being official language

spending. The letter urged Wil-

son to "correct" those Defense

completed their review.

directive.

000.000

the

Wilson

To judge from his response

would mean. The reductions al-

ready made in the current de-

fense budget come to well over

\$6,000,000,000, the great bulk of

this money from the Air Force.

A similar reduction from the

current level would mean a De-

fense budget of around \$28,000,-

lays alone-keeping the men in

Defense "housekeeping" out-

armed forces paid and fed

stretching out defense

dent's signature.

for

By JOSEPH AND STEWART ALSOP WASHINGTON - An impor-

tant faction within the Eisenhower Administration is determined to sac-

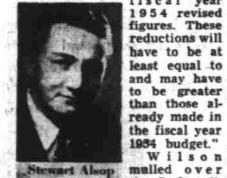
rifice a serious American defense effort in favor of a balanced budget. For the time being, moreover, this faction appears to have the President's back-

ing. These con- Joseph Alson clusions are

very clearly suggested by a hitherto undisclosed and highly significant exchange of letters between the Budget Bureau, the Defense Department, and the White House.

Before Congress adjourned, **Budget Director Joseph Dodge** sent a form letter to Defense Secretary Charles Wilson. The meat of this letter was contained in the following paragraph:

The fiscal year 1955 budget will have to show further substantial reductions from the fiscal year



mulled over the Dodge directive for a couple of weeks, and then sent a reply. He pointedly reminded Dodge that "the Congress was informed by both the Secretary of Defense and the President that . . . the new Joint Chiefs of Staff would make an intensive and detailed study of all aspects of defense ... Until the completion of the review of the military plan by

the Joint Chiefs, it would appear undesirable to make an

, The state already is in the liquor business operating state stores; and it is partner in the pari mutuel business. Surely it doesn't have to take on all the "vices" and license

Which May Sacrifice U.S. Defense Effort

With this polite but firm rereduced without greatly reducing force levels. A \$28,000,000,joinder, round one apparently went to Wilson, Round two 000 Defense budget would thus hardly be sufficient to keep started when Wilson received a second letter, this time from the procurement of aircraft and other "hard goods" ticking over. President himself, shortly before the President left on his

This is so even if unexpended balances were very heavily drawn on-which would knock subsequent budgets out of kilter. To take one example, a \$28,000,000,000 Defense Budget would probably mean accepting an air strength level of about 85 groups, as against the 143 groups which the Joint Chiefs only last year laid down as the minimum requirement for

Department practices which A Defense Budget of about had been criticized in Congress. \$28,000,000,000, in short, simply will not permit any kind of real defense against the steadily growing Soviet air-atomic capability.

American air strength.

The Podge and Eisenhower letters were, no doubt, more an expression of a fervent hope than a firm declaration of intentions. Yet they suggest the kind of pressures under which the new Joint Chiefs are operating, as they proceed with their "new look" at our defense until the new Joint Chiefs had levels.

There are, however, at least two factors which are operating to both letters, Wilson is more aware than he once was of his against this pressure for a balgrim responsibilities as Secreanced budget at almost any cost. One factor is the Soviet tary of Defense. At any rate, Wilson clearly lost round two, hydrogen bomb, which had not been tested when the new since the President's letter uncompromisingly backed the line chiefs were appointed, or when Dodge and the President wrote taken by Dodge in his original their letters to Wilson. Another factor is a new and careful It is important to understand study of our strategic situation, what Defense cutbacks "beyond in the light of the Soviet airthose indicated for fiscal 1954"

atomic threat. This new study, which will be onsidered in a forthcoming report in this space, is the last of a series, all of which point, not to less spending for our defenses, but more. These two factors are certain to weigh very heavily with the Joint Chiefs. They are also certain to weigh very heavily with President Eisenhower, on whom the

in that class on another network. Some of the casualty shows are now making more money for their sponsors on the syndicate circuit than they have as a network show. These include "Gang Busters," "The Doctor" (a casualty of last season), "Boston Blackie," and now "My Hero." Programs in various stages of development on the CBS network are "Vanity and Mrs. Fair." 'Professional Father," "That's My Boy," "December Bride, "Young Love," and "The Jimmy Boyd Show." All bright hopefuls ready to step in-just in case.

BATON STORY: Admiral, Colonel, Sheriff, Rancher and Mayor! They are all honorary titles of band-leader Sammy Kaye, who has been handed those tags by Nebradia, Kentucky, Honolulu, Texas and Tin Pan Alley.

The star of TV's "So You Want To Lead a Band," and radio's "Sunday Serenade" started out to be a civil engineer. His low-hurdle skill won him an athletic scholarship to Qhio University, where he excelled in football and basketball as a freshman.

He soon shelved sports to earn his way by directing a' band he formed. That started his phenonemal "Swing and Sway" reign

Versatile Sammy not only makes tunes famous but has written such songs as "Remember Pearl Harbor" and "Until Tomorrow." His poetry reading on radio led to the publication of a book of verse that sold 250,000 copies. Now he has authored a second.

STARR SPECIALS: Ring Lardner's properties were recently bought by Robert Alrich, film director. John Lardner, who will write the telepix of his father's works, has already completed the adaptation of "Liberty Hall" to serve as a pilot film for the series. George Jessel will emcee ABC's "Comeback," a third show for the entertainer, if he can muster the time. . . . Eddie Cantor's definition of a strewball is "One who never hangs anything up." ... "Robert Montgomery Presents," "live" from New York, will resume its new Fall series August 31. His "Summer Stock" is one of the best dramatic offerings during the vacation session. . . Zsa Zsa Gabor, commenting on her competition, says, "She's notheeng but wan beeg spousetrap!" (Copyright 1953, General Features Corp.)

T SEEMS TO ME

(Continued from page one)

irrigation of the land by the water made available under this contract are not abandoned or relinquished but are reserved and retained by the United States for the performance of this and similar contracts."

by

This claim to control of return-flow waters has been a vexing question in federal-state relations in irrigated sections. The Interior Department under Ickes was disposed to claim federal proprietorship of waters and this was vigorously resisted landowners who claimed vested rights under state laws. Oregon ought not to cede any part of its sovereignty over waters, even if they are waste or -----

return-flow waters. The purpose of this type of water contract is to provide water from the government storage to forward-looking farmers who can use it on their lands. It is recognized that conditions in the Willamette Valley are so different from those in arid sections of the country that special legal devices must be employed because the landowners here will not put their necks in the old yoke of irrigation districts. The method employed, how

ever, is not without risk. What the valley is apt to get is partial and piecemeal development. Lands that may be watered at awful responsibility of making

In the end we may have only spotted development in which the full use of water and land resources will not be made. What seems required is comprehensive planning and subsequent improvement according to the plan. The Salem office of the bureau has done a great deal in the way of engineering planning, but other phases of a

program of irrigation for the valley have received scant attention. The Willamette River Basin Commission and the Willamette Basin Project Committee ought to undertake the local. end of the overall planning incooperation with landowners.

Better English

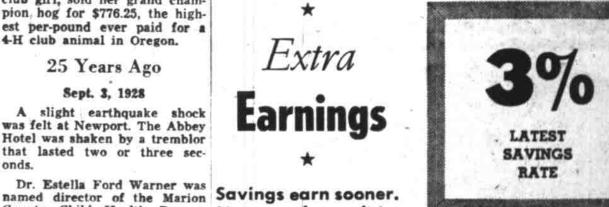
By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I like all kind of movies, but nothing like as much as I do opera." 2. What is the correct pronun-

ciation of "regatta"? 3. What one of these words is misspelled? Bountious, luxurius, delirious, malnutritious.

ANSWERS

1. Say, "I like all kinds of movies, but not nearly so much as I do opera." 2. Pronounce me, first a as in



County Child Health Demon- Money placed in stration to succeed Dr. Wm. De-

your account the first 10 days of any month, Olive Gatterdam of Seattle earns from the first of that month. came within 220 yards of win-



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Finally, the Eisenhower letter also called for reductions in the forthcoming Defense budget "beyond" those indicated for fiscal 1954." Wilson dutifully circulated this letter to top officials in the Defense Department. But Wilson's famous stubborness can be a virtue, and he repeated in his covering note that the Presidential letter meant "po change" in Defense planning,

