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Culture Flowers

"Know thine enemy" is an admonition that now can be changed to "know thine ally," for the nations which were now are, and the avenues of cultural exchange by which we may come to a better understanding of these new allies are busy again.

Italy is experiencing a genuine cultural renaissance that is both exciting and inspiring. The Italians have their political and economic troubles still, but out of the postwar poverty and bitterness and confusion has risen, Phoenix-like, an artistic passion that has produced first-rate literature, music, motion pictures, art and fashion and industrial design. Today Americans and Italians are probably more simulatico than ever before.

Germany's development since the war has been more economic and political than in the fields of the arts, although there have been valiant efforts to revive the great opera houses and music festivals of a more Gemutlich Deutschland. Postwar literature has leaned rather heavily to memoirs, but a few novels have received critical attention here - some of them blatantly pro-Nazi. The very slightness of Germany's cultural output helps us to understand this ally-better, although what we have learned is not always reassuring.

The least-known of our former foes is Japan. As part of its extension program "to increase mutual understanding among free nations and thus to strengthen the bases of world peace", the Ford Foundation has established Intercultural Publications Inc. This organization presents in the January Atlantic Monthly a worthy selection of essays, stories, poetry and pictures that are representative of Japan.

In the foreword, Noel Busch points out that, when an American studies about or travels in Europe, he is, in a sense, going home. "Japan provides no such parental or narcissistic inducements" but "some knowledge of Japan is precious now not only for itself but also because it gives us what we so sorely need - a means of understanding all of Asia, of which Japan is, in a way, the essence."

All of which is charming and educational, leaving the reader with the feeling that now he understands Japan better, or at least is amiably intrigued by that contradictory

First Things for Junior VIPs

Industrial development holds the promise of the future for Oregon, and "as far as I can see a very prosperous period" is ahead, Dr. A. L. Strand, president of Oregon State College, told his audience at the Salem J. C. Junior First Citizen banquet Thursday.

The development of Oregon during its brief century of settlement parallels the evolution of the Age of Technology which has brought the "quality and quantity of our material life to something never before seen in the history of man," he said.

Only a hundred years ago Indians camped about where the Junior C of Cs - in their trim flannels with the TV-type handkerchiefs in the breast pocket - sat over their fried chicken and peas. In that time Salem has grown from an Indian mission to a frequently sophisticated state capital.

And looking about him at the leading young men of this city, with their fine looking wives, Dr. Strand warned that "urban people are apt to become complacent, and to think that they generate the forces of their prosperity."

So he reminded them that the sources of prosperity are the fields, forests and rivers of Oregon - not just capable advertising copy writers. We owe the flourishing businesses in Salem partly to the technologists who apply the principles of science to the problems of everyday living: Soil men, the foresters, the hydroelectrical engineers, and so on.

Too often, civic-service and booster-type organizations are subjected to the trite and shallow onward-and-upward orations of the professional optimist, designed to make each listener feel he is the most-likely-to-succeed. A group like the Junior Chamber is made up of men who have already had a measure of success and to whom the prosperity of the community must seem a logical reflection of their own well-being. Since these men are the very ones who are moving into positions of political influence, the learned Dr. Strand could not have picked a better audience or a better topic.

Streets Poorly Marked

Of all times of the year when lane stripes should show plainly, it is now. And yet on a good many Salem streets there isn't enough paint remaining to show even when the surface is dry, let alone on a rainy night. The same situation has obtained for some time, and there is a real danger in some areas, such as midtown 12th Street, where drivers unfamiliar with the terrain find themselves practically "lost."

It would be criminal negligence to let the status continue, no matter what color is to be used to renew the stripes later. The current yellow is barely discernible under the best of surface and light conditions and there have been several dry days recently - days on which there was no apparent reason why work could not have progressed.

Editorial Comment



BUESCHER



The other day on this page Marguerite Wright broke out editorially with a piece extolling the hard-working housewife. Hinting, in that sly way women have, that it is the

wife's apron strings which really bind the modern family together into one confusing whole. This moved News Editor Wes Sullivan to retaliate with an editorial upholding the man of the house. The sturdy, diligent, seldom-rewarded male parent. Wes intimated that Daddy's head is the block so to speak, on which the average home is built. . . .

Well, research has convinced us they are both wrong. Who really keeps the average

family from falling apart at the budget? Who is it who is always ready with a helping hand or a guiding foot? Who keeps home, hearth and health together? That's right. None other than Grandma! What would lots of families do for baby sitters, if it weren't for Grandma? Theatres the country over would have to close down on Saturday nights if Grandmas

Central American Public Apathetic as Revolutions Flare

By WILLIAM L. RYAN **AP** Foreign News Analyst

loomed as a threat to the dictator of his neighbor country to the north, President Anastasie Somo-

A small war flares on Costa Riza of Nicaragua-and vice versa. ca's borders. Rebels strike sudden-Figueres became president of ly in Guatemala. A President is the little country—it has less than a million people and is only half the size of Kentucky—in 1953. He slain in Panama. Is there a common thread linking these sudden eruptions of violence in Central took office with ambitious plans America or at its edges? for social reform in a country al-

These explosions, like those of ready more advanced in that remuch of the rest of Latin America, spect than its neighbors. would seem to have little in com-

His experiments with reform and mon save the culture, language liberalization could be an example and history of the area. which could start a Latin Ameri-Yet they are connected by the can prairie fire. Figueres therefact that the future of Latin Amerfore could expect to be a target ica must loom large in the long both of a harsh dictatorship repcold war between the Communist resenting the tiny minorities which and non-Communist worlds. long ruled Central American coun-There are other common featries, and of the extreme left which tures, too. There is little mass abhors social reform while purparticipation in such upheavals. porting to uphold it. Public apathy, total public con-

cern with the problems of bare Nicaragua, more than twice the existence in these countries-with size of Costa Rica in area, is ruled the possible exception of Costa Riby a tight police dictatorship. Soca-tends to lead to government by small cliques and contests moza has been feuding with Fiamong these cliques for the right gueres ever since the latter helped toss out the Costa Rican dictatorto rule. Such governments are conship of President Teodoro Picado stantly prey to easy capture. In addition, these countries all in 1948.

Now Figueres charges that the are dependent economically upon the United States. They are all in sudden warfare on his border rethe same boat, as producers of sulted from plotting in Nicaragua raw materials who do not have the between Somoza and remnants of industrial capacity to exploit their the former Costa Rican dictarorowr natural riches, and Uncle Sam ship which took refuge there. is their principal customer.

Guatemala is a case unto itself. having been within a breath of During World War II, these becoming the first Communist countries piled up some backlog of "people's democracy" in the Westdollars, but when the war boom ern Hemisphere.

ended and inflationary prices came The armed uprising last week the backlog dwindled away and against President Carlos Castillo the constricting effect had its im- Armas indicated that the Commupact on the politics of the area, a nists have not yet given up the contest of cliques from the edustruggle there. It can be expected cated upper layers of the populathey will do all in their power to torpedo any real reforms. There has been growing realiza-tion in the United States that Latin

The United States walks a tightrope in Latin America. The American policy of the "big stick" at the turn of the century gave rise to the anti-Americanism which was not dissipated wholly even with Washington's good neighbor policy in recent years.



(Continued from Page 1) that would bring about not only a cease-fire but a lot of other de-

From information that has come to me I believe the administration is trying desperate-

ly to bring some resolution of the impasse in the Orient. As and communism may not be diwas true with Truman and rectly involved in a Central Amer-Acheson, its problem is not only ican eruption, the United States how to deal with the Reds in must always be concerned with Asia but with the staunch sup- the question of who will come out porters of Chiang Kai-Shek in on top. It must always keep in this country. Many of these are mind the possibility of a Red footloyal Americans who are in- hold in the Western Hemisphere. tense haters of Communism and Latin America's 20 republics-put no trust in any agreement a third of the votes in the United

ions.

American politics would continue for a long time to be unstable and potentially dangerous in a turbulent world unless something was done to broaden the base of rule. American technical assistance has been attempting to help, al-

velopments as well."

country.

Cultural exchanges to promote "understanding" are fine per se, but we must not make the mistake of thinking that peace and good will must logically follow. Cultural appreciation in its full sense is a mental exercise of the intelligentsia; to the average American Joe Blow those "furrin" things are just curios and he does not love the Japanese one whit more for their exquisite brushwork.

And even if he did, that would not affect the course of future relations between the nations. When has cultural understanding been a factor in diplomacy, except insofar as it served pragmatic ends? American civilzation is greatly indebted to Germany, for Protestantism, for music, art, printing, foods, holiday customs, etc., but this close relationship did not keep us from knocking the tar out of the Germans (though it may have influenced our postwar leniency). We can be glad to share our allies' artistic accomplishments but that is no guarantee we will get along otherwise.

GREEN PETER MOVES UP A pleasing bit of news in the President's budget was the mention of the Green Peter and Cougar dams in western Oregon, for which appropriation is asked - \$1,000,000 for our Santiam project (Green Peter) and \$2,000,000 for Eugene's Cougar dam.

These are both partnership projects, and they are included among other projects of the kind in, which the federal government will co-operate with either local public utility agencies or private enterprise.

Credit for the inclusion of the two important projects in the program goes to former Senator Guy Cordon and Representative Harry Ellsworth at the Washington end and to a good many local workers, including the Albany Chamber of Commerce, the South Santiam Development committee, Albany's mayor, and others.

The partnership idea comes at a time when a good many congressmen were beginning to drag their feet on expensive federal projects. such as Hells Canyon. The smaller the sum asked, the easier it is going to be to get - which is one good reason behind the new financing method .- Albany Democrat-Herald.

in Asia.

gets rolling.

These direct effects of the

Geneva-Munich are trifling, how-

ever, compared to the indirect

effects: These comprise the

mournful calculations of the Bri-

tish authorities in Malaya as to

what will happen if the Com-

munist bandwagon in Asia really

From this vantage point, the

situation in Cambodia, Laos and

Thailand is being watched with

anxious attention and a realistic

absence of optimism. It is ad-

mitted, moreover, that if Thai-

land falls, the situation in Ma-

laya will be untenable on the

present basis. A bold rectifica-

tion of the Malayan-Thai fron-

danger, the British would also

frankly like an American mili-

tary guarantee of Malaya, and

would like that guarantee spell-

of air and naval aid in event of

yet started rolling. But since it

is extremely likely to do so un-

d out in the form of a promise

borders aggressively.

war.

ever went on a stand-up strike . .

And who always thinks the new baby is the cutest ever? If it were not for Grandma's keen eyes who would notice that the latest grandchild has Mother's eyes, Daddy's chin, Uncle Herman's nose and Grandpa's hair? Who do the kids go to when they're faking a stomach-ache to keep out of house chores? Whose card tables, dishware, big coffee pot, table silver and turkey roaster does Mother borrow? . . .

Who outfits the kids with pajamas at Christmas-time? Who does a lot of extra sewing, making over and patching for the family? Who seldom forgets the kids' birthdays and usually comes through with shirts, jeans, gun-and-holster sets, etc.? When Mother and Daddy get into an argument over who should go on a diet, who is it who usually steps in and settles it - by agreeing with both sides and yet disagreeing with nobody? Grandma, of course. And who is it who has enough grit to hear the first grader's reading lesson-over and over? . . .

Of course, Grandpas are in there, too, pitching away as silent partners to Grandmas. But Grandmas, by and large (and some are large) run the show. Grandpas, when they get to be Grandpas, are not usually as vocal as back when they were just family heads. Grandpa is pretty handy for getting to help with renovation work around the house, as a fishing or hunting companion, for using his car or for Daddy to argue politics with . . . Yes, sir. The average household would a rough time without Grandma. And while Mother and Daddy have only one family to stew about, many Grandmas ride herd on three or four families-and several Guilty to Charge generations . . .

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ment.

with the Reds. What in my Nations-figure large in terms of judgment they fail to see is the the cold war. cold reality of our situation in The Soviet Union demonstrated

the Orient both from a military in Guatemala that it was far from and a political standpoint. Cer- disinterested in Latin American tainly the ultimate alternate of events. Every flareup, therefore, war is undesirable to them as is examined closely by Washington well as to those who seek a set- for traces of the alien hand. tlement.

Having for years advocated a different approach in our deal-ings with Red China since the President Jose Antonio Remon in ings with Red China, since the President over the have been an on the mainland, I welcome this event which took place in Panasign of a shift in Washington. A tween two contending cliques for change of direction will be harder now in some respects than outside political forces. back in 1949 or early 1950. How-

ever, I think more Americans realize how our position in the Far East is becoming increas- Years of feuds and intrigues across ingly more difficult to sustain. We may now have to swallow in the case of Guatemala, internasome pride; but the longer we tional communism plays a role. wait and the more friction we stir up the bigger gulp we may presidency of Costa Rica, he has have to take-unless, of course, we have military action definitely in mind, and I do not think the American people will swallow that without far greater provocation than now appears.

Hunter Pleads **Of Manslaughter**

MEDFORD (#) - A hunter who shot at what he thought was a deer and killed a boy instead, pleaded guilty Saturday to manslaughter.

confined to her home as a re-The hunter, Fred Warden, 31, sult of an automobile accident Medford, was continued free under which occurred while return- \$7,500 bail pending pre-sentence ing to Salem from Sacramento investigation. with her son Frank. The car Last October 16 his shot killed

skidded on the slippery pave- Philip S. Minear, 12, and the same bullet wounded in the arm Sharon Ruth O'Connors, 12.



SPOKANE (# - Six Spokane lumber plants signed agreements with the CIO Woodworkers Thursday. The contracts, following the general pattern suggested by the governor's fact-finding panel, call for 71/2-cent hourly wage increases retroactive to Jan. 1.

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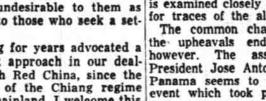
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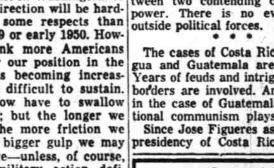
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By JOSEPH ALSOP

SINGAPORE, Malaya - Just under fourteen years ago, this reporter first came to Singapore on a special job for Gen. Chennault and his Flying Tigers, who

> those days in Burma. It was already



old Wellington Joseph Alsop

bomber was as contemptuous of the weather as he was of the enemy. (He blew himself up with his own bombs. a few weeks later, attacking the attackers of the Prince of Wales.) So we landed somehow, taxied to a halt before a lighted hangar. and were pleasantly greeted by a heavily mustachioed R. A. F. group captain.

Getting out in the rain was a hurried business, but no one could have avoided a glance at the object in the hangar entrance. It was a biplane with no cowling to streamline its vast radial engine and a total armament of two small machine guns. The group captain was asked just what was this thing that seemed to have come out of a boys' aviation annual for 1925.

"Haarrumph," said the group captain, blowing the raindrops out of his mustachios, "Haarrumph! Why that's one of our fighter squadrons. Jolly maneuverable little aircraft too, old boy.'

This rainsoaked recollection recurs at the moment because it points a contrast. This year in a situation of much more remote peril, the British authorities in Singapore and Malaya are im-

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Singapore are beginning to tend British and American governments, the able soldiers and toward the Peking line, And there are many other signs that civilians at the head of affairs the Chinese, who form nearly here will have a large share of half the total population of Ma-laya, are now watching and waltthe credit. ing for a Communist bandwagon

Of Danger Than in Pre-Pearl Harbor Days

The peril in Malaya is still diswere training in tant in time, but its outlines are already obvious. It results from the Asian Munich which was

signed at Geneva. The triumph night, and the of the Viet Minh is Indo-China rain was coming is having two kinds of effects down in heavy, here. impenetrable sheets, but the

British in Singapore, Malaya More Aware

On the one hand, there are the young British direct effects. Last year, the brilpilot of the very liant Gen. Sir Gerald Templer could reasonably hope that another twelve months of hard pressure would change the whole dimensions of the problem of Malaya's Communist guerillas. He did not expect mass surrender, but he did expect an epidemic of local surrenders that would restore security to big areas of Malaya that have not known full security for many years. But the watchword that keeps the guerillas in the jungle going is, "Father Mao Tse-tung is coming so hang on a little longer."

The events in Indo-China seemed to give reality to the slogan. So the problem of the jungle guerillas not only remains exactly what it always was in Malaya. In addition, a new zone of complete Communist control. no less than twenty miles width, has been significantly established

just across the border in Thailand. In addition, the Viet Minh triumph has importanly assisted the

Communist effort of underground infiltration. In this Chinese city, somewhere between sixty to eighty per cent of the Chinese students have joined or are deeply influenced by the party.

Since half the population of less serious efforts are made to Singapore is under twenty-one, stop it, an idea of the problems

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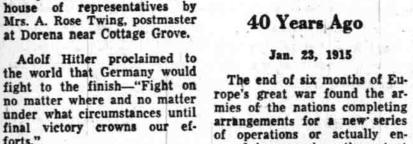
Adolf Hitler proclaimed to the world that Germany would fight to the finish-"Fight on no matter where and no matter under what circumstances until final victory crowns our efforts."

tier, to give a defensible line on The Salem Chamber of Comthe Kra Isthmus; at least three merce, Kiwanis club and Retail more divisions of ground forces Trade bureau were among those from Britain, Australia and New organizations definitely on rec-Zealand - these may well be ord favoring the city-acquisition the minimum requirements to the Bush's pasture tract, keep Malaya under control, even which would be up for vote Feb. if no Communist forces cross

25 Years Ago

France gained a technical victory on a point of procedure for the formal agenda of the five power naval disarmament conference after a meeting of the chief delegates at Number 10

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Statesman Files

gaged in campaigns the extent of which hardly were anticipated when the declarations of hostilities were made.

The Red Cross drug store recently moved from 177 N. **Commercial Street to 344 State** Street, is well settled in its new home. W. H. Prunk, proprietor of the store planned to enlarge the stock.

Earl Rhoten and family of five arrived in Salem from Fallon, Nevada. Mr. Rhoten is a brother of E. A. Rhoten, field editor of the Pacific Homestead. The new arrivals planned on making Oregon their home.

\$10,000 INDEMNITY

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (UP) the Oregon-Washington Water The state legislature of Rio Grande Service company's proposed fil- Do Sul state has appropriated tration plant here, were filed \$10,000 for indemnity to the United this week with the Public Serv. States for damages suffered by the

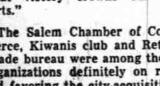
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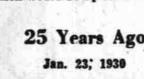
10 Years Ago

Jan. 23, 1945

An attractive oil painting of

the late Sen. Charles McNary

was presented to the Oregon



Despite these worries at the top, of course the surface of life Downing Street. in Singapore is pleasant and un-troubled. The bandwagon has not

To guard against the latter

this week with the Fublic oct ... U.S. consulate during riots that ice commission by J. T. Delaney, U.S. consulate during riots that vice-president of the company. followed the suicide of president Getulio Vargas, it was reported West Holliday Co.. they were in the time just be- normally meaningful. Further- considerable current value. . . . 141 North Commercial fore Pearl Harbor. In fact if any-one succeeds in waking up the greatest Chinese millionaires in . (Copyright, 1955, New York Herald Tribune Inc.) New York Chicago San Francisco Detroit Mrs. W. W. Rosebraugh was Saturday.