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House Rebellion

Sometimes in the past the House appropriations committee has been able to bring its bills in under the rule which permits no amendments. A bill may be rejected or returned to the committee, but not amended on the floor. No such rule prevailed with the House committees bill on public works and reclamation projects, and when the smoke of battle cleared from the House chamber the powerful appropriations committee had taken one of the worst defeats in recent history. The House adopted amendments which added some \$2 million to the committee allowances for civil works of the Corps of Engineers (rivers, harbors, flood control) and \$32 million more for reclamation.

The revolt of members brought these results for Northwest projects:

Appropriation of \$500,000 for planning the John Day project or the Columbia.

An additional \$5,250,000 for the work on the Dalles dam to equal the sum requested in the President's budget.

Increase of \$2,000,000 in funds for Chief Joseph dam, and \$200,000 more for Lookout reservoir on the Willamette.

What happened was the quick resort to politicking by members dissatisfied with the committee's actions. Undoubtedly there was log-rolling between advocates of more funds for rivers and harbors and for reclamation. The combination broke the back of the committee support.

The most significant item was the allowance for the John Day planning. This serves to get that show on the road, whether as a government project or on a partnership deal remains to be settled. As this is followed up, hope will brighten for added hydroelectric capacity to meet the demand of 1960 and after.

Lane county can call the bureau of land management which runs the O & C lands an "Indian giver." Several days ago the bureau notified the Lane county commissioners they would get nearly \$400,000 more than previously reported. The commissioners licked their financial chops and put the windfall into a pocket labeled courthouse, land acquisition and major road improvements. Last week the bureau notified the county that the half million dollar bonus wouldn't be forthcoming after all, only about \$100,000. All the commissioners had to do was to scale down their hopes — and wonder what was wrong with the bureau's arithmetic.

At Cheyenne Foreign Minister Molotov and his Russian colleagues en route to San Francisco were presented with ten-gallon Stetson hats. Vyacheslav should look out or he may be kidnapped for the "slave labor camp" at Hollywood and cast as a two-gun villain in a wild west movie. (He had agreed to appear on the TV "Face the Nation" program next Sunday) to be questioned by U. S. news reporters).

West Seems to Agree That Peace Bids By Russia Are Not Wholly Propaganda

By WILLIAM L. RYAN
AP Foreign News Analyst

There seems to be agreement among the Western foreign ministers that the Soviet peace bids they will try to explore in San Francisco this week are not wholly propaganda.

But the burden of proof is perhaps on the Russians.

The prospect arises of some hard bargaining at San Francisco. The four ministers will be concerned with what President Eisenhower, Premier Bulganin, Prime Minister Eden and Premier Faure will talk about at the summit meeting opening July 18 in Geneva.

The West is agreed the meeting should not be concerned with specific solutions of specific world problems, but rather should lay groundwork for future negotiation of such questions.

Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov has a specific agenda in mind, but, paradoxically, his items are extremely general.

He wants discussion of: General disarmament, prohibition of atomic weapons, European collective security, Asian security, relaxation of world tensions and elimination of "distrust among nations." These are the main planks of the Moscow platform.

Accepted in these broad terms, such an agenda could amount to the sheerest Soviet propaganda. But there is an opportunity here for the West to pin the Soviet union down.

If Molotov insists upon these items, the West can become specific about such agenda entries as the path to German unification through free elections, the problem of international Communism, the problem of the satellite nations and the question of Soviet-Communist imperialism.

While Molotov may bring the Far East and the question of Red China's representation in the United Nations into the discussion, the principal pressing problem facing the Big Four at Geneva will be the German question.

Molotov may already have maneuvered himself into a box on this issue.

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer of West Germany has been invited to Moscow. He probably will accept the invitation—after the Geneva Big Four conference.

But he will be in a position to demand the Geneva meeting pro-

More "Legislation by Memorandum"

The Oregon Legislature is not the only legislative body indulging in legislation by memorandum. It is recalled that Bonneville Power Administration defaulted on completing its transmission line to Klamath Falls and traded the materials already bought for the extension to Copco on the basis of a memorandum by the House ways and means committee. The memo advised BPA to do this, and BPA complied.

This was not an act of Congress. It was not a provision in an appropriation bill. It was merely the recommendation of a committee of one branch of Congress. True, that committee holds the pursestrings; but it should exercise its control only in a constitutional manner.

Another example has come to light. Reports the San Francisco Chronicle, with reference to the report of the second Hoover commission recommending doing away with a bunch of business operations carried on by the military in competition with private enterprise:

Now, tucked away in the Defense Appropriations Bill which the Senate will consider this week, has been discovered a section (639) which would negate the study and circumvent the recommendations; it would provide that none of the military activities that compete with private industry—among those turned up by the Commission were ice cream factories, clothing factories and dry-cleaning plants—could be closed down without specific clearance from some more or less pertinent congressional committee.

There you have it again: Invasion of the executive by the legislative branch of government, and then only with a committee, not the full Congress, making an administrative decision. It is within the power of Congress by law to forbid an executive branch from closing down an operation; but it certainly extends unduly the power of a congressional committee to give it veto power over administrative action.

The people have to fight to restrain arrogant bureaucrats; and they need to do battle with arrogant legislators.

Editorial Comment

NEW APPROACH

During the war there was a rather obnoxious popular song that advised millions of radio listeners to "accentuate the positive." Oregon Republicans might well dust off that old platter and play it between now and November 1956. Because from all indications every week of 1956 will be "Beat Wayne Morse" week. And that's a negative approach if ever we heard one.

Gov Paul Patterson is being urged to run for the Senate because "he's the only guy that can beat Morse." That may be. But that's the wrong reason for him to run. Republicans should back Gov. Patterson if they honestly believe he has something that Oregon and the U. S. Senate need. To back him because he can beat the other guy is not reason enough.

That's one of the things that went wrong last fall. Republicans were trying to "beat Neuberger" more than they were trying to "elect Cordon." Most of their campaign was pitched at running down the Democratic candidate, while they said little about the man they had put up against Sen. Neuberger.

We heard Doug McKay talking about this very thing one time. Urging Republicans to "accentuate the positive," Mr. McKay recalled, "When I was selling Chevrolets, do you think I ran down Fords? Heck, I didn't even know they made 'em. I sold my own product."

Republicans will be more assured of success in 1956, we suspect, if they take the advice of Republican Douglas McKay.

—Eugene Register-Guard.

duce some clear evidence of Soviet good faith in discussion of Germany's reunification.

The only acceptable evidence of good faith would be an agreement to free, unfettered and internationally supervised elections for all Germany.

Otherwise, the Soviet Union's appeals to peaceful coexistence and European security are exposed.

Can the Soviet Union afford to permit free, internationally supervised elections for all Germany? It would be a grave risk.

A more cautious Soviet procedure would be an offer to negotiate on German unification through direct talks between the East German Communists and Adenauer's government. That would take much time and serve the purpose of delaying West Germany's integration

into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Such an offer would likely be tied up with a bid to make all Germany a neutralized member of a European security organization which would exclude the United States.

One of the reasons for the Russians' decision to form an Eastern military bloc under the Warsaw treaty was to be in a position to put that treaty on the bargaining block—a bid to scrap the Warsaw treaty in return for scrapping the Western coalition. But the Warsaw treaty is only a piece of paper.

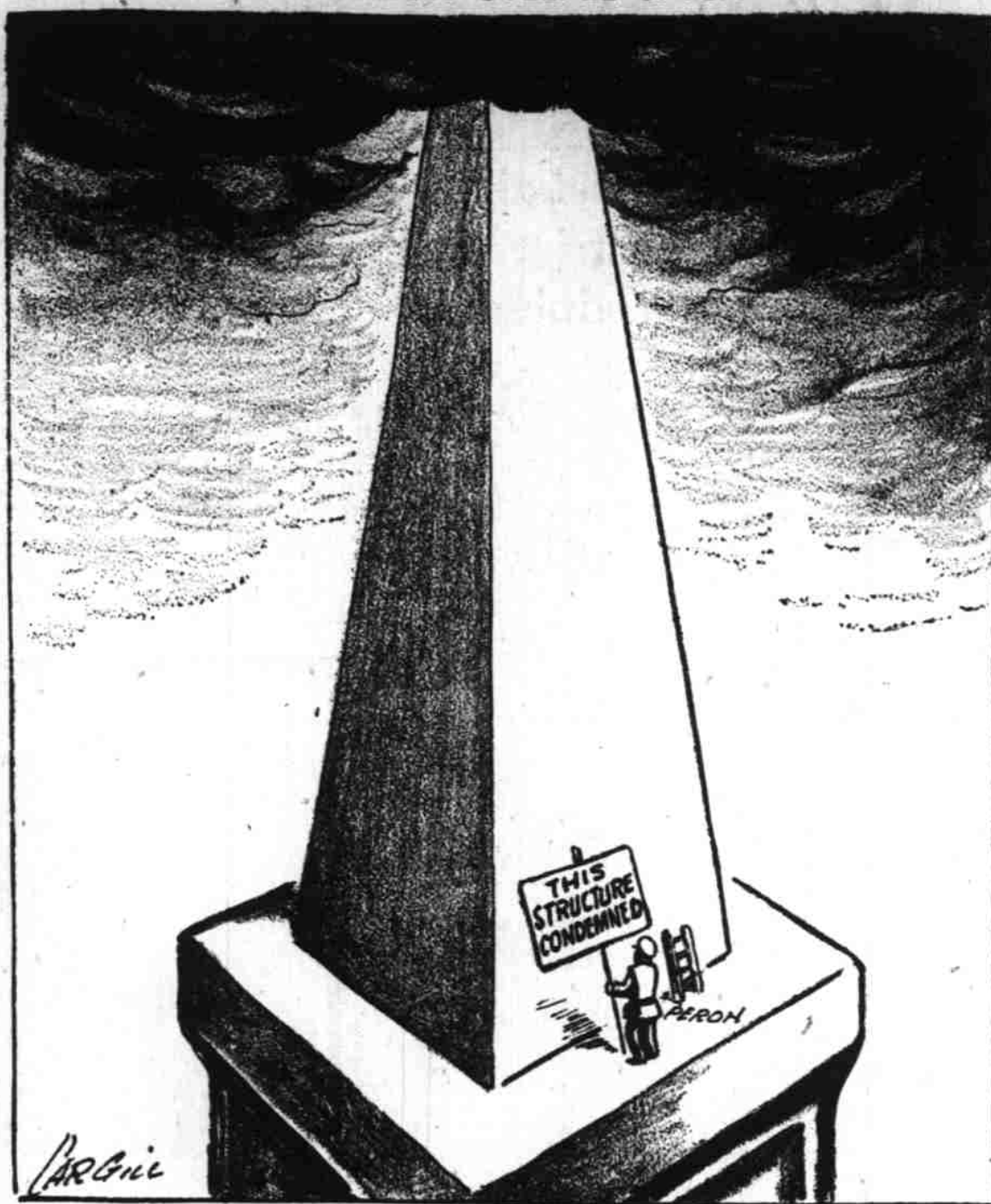
Through Soviet domination, that alliance would remain, while the West's was broken up. It is difficult to see West Germans falling for that one.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



... And tell Mr. Dallas this country should be represented at the 'Big Bear' meeting by aggressive, determined delegates. ... I suggest my committee be named 'The Bear Committee'.

AMATEUR STEEPLE JACK



IT SEEMS TO ME

(Continued from page 1.)

promptly to the people living in the shambles that was Europe.

The UN refugee organization resettled a million persons who had been uprooted in the shifts of power and the ebb and flow of armies across Europe. Since the war, United Nations and its related agencies have provided technical assistance to folk in backward countries, set up health clinics, fought infectious diseases, labored to help peoples to help themselves.

At times, even friends of United Nations have felt disappointed that it had not rung up a greater record of results. They knew the reasons, or part of them, but they felt that it had been bypassed too often, that it was developing too much as a debating society, that it was impotent when its principal members were busy piling up the gear for war.

Yet again the fact stands out that for all its imminence in the past eight years, global war has not broken out. Always there have been apparent the solemn declarations of the Charter subscribed to by 60 member states, and the unyielding pressures of members that peace be maintained. This is not to say that without UN World War III would have occurred; but to say that UN's existence and its opportunity for debate and negotiation have helped to avert it.

United Nations has not developed the international police force which was envisioned. The experience of the Korean War shows the risk of relying on collective security when some members are unwilling to share the burden of battle, or unable to, or are in active opposition

as was the USSR in the Korean War. Its future seems rather to lie along the line of mediation, of applying pressures for peace and offering its agencies for promoting peace.

At the moment, the tension between East and West has lessened a bit. Remaining are the strains arising from emerging nationalism, from revolt against race discrimination, from ambition for economic as well as political equality. Peoples bring to the UN their problems whose roots may lie deep in history, in geography, in economics, and grow impatient if the UN machinery does not quickly grind out a solution.

These peoples may feel frustrated at UN's failure to gratify their aims just as some Americans are critical because UN has not advanced faster a climate for world peace. For both there is need to remember the time factor. Prejudices cannot be erased, economic and social deficiencies overcome in a day or by the mere mechanics of organization. The significant thing is that now there is an international agency dedicated to noble ends and working hard to achieve them.

I said at the beginning that the fact of the continued existence of United Nations was of primary importance. Close behind it is this fact, that in its decade of existence not a single member state has withdrawn; several states in addition to the original signatories have joined the organization and more than a dozen are seeking admission to United Nations. Above all, it remains in the minds and hearts of the people of the world a symbol of unified endeavor to secure peace and promote the welfare of mankind everywhere.

energy at the location where needed without long transmission lines and not cost the taxpayer a cent. Another argument against high dams is the hazard.

If Grand Coulee dam is destroyed by bombs or by earthquakes or if it fails, the flood waters will wash out all down stream dams and cause damage too vast for the imagination so why hurry to erect more dams at tax-payers' expense?

J. M. Campbell, Dallas, Ore.

Better English

By D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "Their efforts resulted in them collecting in the neighborhood of fifty dollars."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "panegyric"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Narcissus, nausea, nautilus, naphtha.
4. What does the word "emaciation" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with acc that means "loud applause"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "resulted in their collecting about fifty dollars."
2. Pronounce pan-eh-jir-ik, a as in pan, e as in me unstressed, both f's as in it, accent third syllable.
3. Naphtha. 4. State of being greatly reduced in flesh. "He was marked by the emaciation of his imprisonment."
5. Acclamation.

Time Flies

FROM STATESMAN FILES

10 Years Ago

May 20, 1945

C. A. McClure, for 10 years secretary - engineer for the Portland City Planning Commission, was chosen Salem City Planning Commission engineer.

Emerging from caves, canefields and brushy valleys, scores of Japanese carrying surrender leaflets gave themselves up to American 10th Army troops on Okinawa.

Total cost of forest protection during 1944 on lands under the jurisdiction of the Oregon State Forestry Department and cooperative forest protective associations was \$2,066,237, according to State Forester Neils Rogers.

25 Years Ago

June 20, 1930

Richard E. Byrd, explorer of the air and earth, came into port after his latest exploit — a flight that made him victor of the South Pole just as he was already conqueror of the North Pole.

Election of Lynn Cronmiller as state forester to succeed the late F. A. Elliott was announced by the State Board of Forestry. Cronmiller has served as deputy state forester for six years.

Johnny Kittredge, with over 180 tickets sold to the showing of "All Quiet on the Western Front," won first place in the ticket-selling campaign to raise funds for the permanent camp site at Oceanis. "Y" officials reported. David Hoss and David Thompson were close seconds.

40 Years Ago

June 20, 1915

A piano recital was given by the pupils of the well-known blind pianist and organist, Prof. T. S. Roberts, at the First M. E. church. Pupils taking part included Gretchen Brown, Ruth Jones, Lucille DeWitt, Juanita Moores and Frances Goodenough.

Editorially — The Southern Pacific, by decree of the United States Supreme Court, keeps its two and a quarter million acres of western Oregon lands. But it is put up to congress as to how the lands shall be disposed of.

Two popular Salem High School girls, the Misses Escher Englehart and Evelyn De Long, started a business career by opening a candy shop on Twelfth Street, opposite the Willamette University tennis court.

An electric power plant being developed in Detroit is expected to produce a kilowatt hour of electricity with 12 ounces of coal compared to 3/4 of a pound in efficient existing plants.

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Allah Hotel, Famed Hollywood Landmark, Being Remodelled

By ALINE MOSBY
United Press Hollywood Writer
HOLLYWOOD (UP) — Behind a screen of trees on busy Sunset Boulevard workmen today are partially destroying one of the most colorful and famous landmarks of early Hollywood—the old Garden of Allah Hotel.

In this Spanish-style hostelry flourished the madcap Hollywood life of the '20s and '30s, and the name of the hotel brings sighs of nostalgia from show folk everywhere.

Here long-time resident Robert Benchley uttered his famous rainy day line, "I think I'll get out of these wet clothes and into a dry martini."

Writers Thomas Wolfe and F. Scott Fitzgerald, Fanny Brice, John Barrymore, Charles Butterworth and Gertrude Lawrence lived in the Garden. In later years nearly every big name in show business called the garden home—Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall, Greta Garbo, Tallulah Bankhead, Orson Wells, Mariene Dietrich, Britishers Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh once made it their West Coast headquarters.

In recent years the hotel became shabby; the stars departed. Now two loyal ex-residents, millionaire movie producer Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney and director Dudley Murphy, have bought the place and are remodeling it to restore its former glory.

No history of Hollywood is complete without the story of the Garden of Allah. The late Alla Nazimova, a siren of silent movies, built the place in 1922 as her country home in then-rural Hollywood.

When the country road became Sunset Boulevard, she added 30 villas around the swimming pool and converted her home into an informal hotel, naming it after herself. The pool was built in the shape of the Black Sea and surrounded with tall pine trees to resemble her ancestral land.

Guests stayed for months, sometimes years. Life in the white stucco villas around the pool was neighborly, to commit a staggering understatement. The walls were like paper and telephone calls and romances seldom were private. Tenants wandered in and out of each other's rooms.

Benchley's villa was called "The Bear Trap." He conducted 24-hour bar service and everybody was welcome. While peering from Benchley's window one night, actor Butterworth made his classic remark: "Looks as if it's going to get drunk out tonight."

Now workmen are installing modern flagstone around the pool where Benchley once pushed Butterworth in a wheelbarrow. Half of Miss Nazimova's house is being torn down to make way for a glassed-in dining room.

"Holiday House"
The new owners changed the name to "Holiday House." But the

Reich Chief To Stand by Signed Pacts

LONDON (AP)—Chancellor Konrad Adenauer pledged to the British people Sunday night that his government "will stand by its treaties, NATO and the Western European Union."

He made the statement before boarding a plane for Bonn.

With Prime Minister Eden at his side, Adenauer told airport reporters his government will remain "a good partner to the West," even though it expects to go into separate discussions shortly with the Soviet Union.

The British and German leaders had spent five hours together.

Adenauer flew into London Sunday from New York, where he has been talking with American government chiefs about all aspects of German-American and German-Western relations.

TEACHERS IMPORTED

REGINA, Sask. — Saskatchewan province is importing 140 or more British and Irish teachers this summer to start work in the schools next term. The province advertised overseas because of local shortages and interviewed about 600 applicants.

Heightening Of Columbia Span Asked

PORTLAND (AP) — Heightening of the present Columbia River Bridge between Portland and Vancouver, Wash., is asked by the Inland Empire Waterways Assn. of Walla Walla.

The group plans to submit a brief to this effect at a Portland meeting of the U. S. Engineers this week.

Human Wolves Object of Hunt

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — A campaign is under way to eliminate Cairo's wolves—the human variety.

The morality police, specially set up for the purpose, have arrested 48 men in a week for flirtatious remarks to women on the streets. This is a legal offense, carrying a penalty up to six months' imprisonment.

The IEWA says the present bridge is a hazard to river traffic and should be rebuilt to the same specifications proposed for a second Portland-Vancouver bridge to be built alongside of it.

The association says that plans approved by the engineers for increased vertical and horizontal clearances in the new bridge should be incorporated in the old span, built 37 years ago. Annual tonnage increases are cited.

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