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RHODE ISLAND REAPS WHIRLWIND.

BLOODIEST battleground of the great textile strike in Rhode Island—"Little Rhody," the inhabitants call her, the smallest and proudest state in the Union. The commonwealth of "Rhode Island and Providence Plantations" the magnificent courtiers still call it when black-robed justices open sessions with ceremonial handed down from the time of Roger Williams—a state only one-eighth the size of Oregon (1248 square miles against 95,607), less than half the size of Lane county, but with a population nearly equal to that of all Oregon.

Narragansett Bay cuts a thirty-mile gash into the eastern side of the state and in this beautiful body of water is the Rhode Island part of the state with Newport and Jamestown and Bristol (where the American cup racing yachts are built) all playground cities where the wealthiest people of America have made their summer homes for generations. Block Island sits out to sea, a lonely outpost where a few of the original families still hold the land. The industrial area which is involved in this strike is Providence plantations, the metropolitan area of the cities of Providence, Pawtucket, Woonsocket, Central Falls and other towns too numerous to mention. With the exception of a narrow strip along the coast from Point Judith to Watch Hill and along the Connecticut border on the west, there is no open country in Rhode Island and Providence Plantations. It is one vast grouping of mill towns, congested beyond our conception.

Cotton mills, woolen mills, rayon mills and factories which make precision tools and commercial jewelry, these are the industries of the state. A few old and powerful families rule them and have for generations. Nowhere in this country has there been such complete control of press and politics and church and school and all the ordinary channels of opinion as in Rhode Island. From the Turk's Head club in the top of the Turk's Head building in Providence (the luncheon club of the industrial leaders) the eye sweeps the whole domain, a vista of tall factory chimneys each with its grouping of assembling tenement buildings. Expert artisans mostly from Great Britain have supplied the skilled labor in the mills. French Canadians and Portuguese and Italians furnish most of the ordinary labor.

It has been "less majestic" to suggest any imperfections in the Rhode Island order. It cannot be said that the powerful people of the state have been blind or indifferent to the poverty about them; they have been generous beyond most in their charities and benefactions, but poverty they have looked upon as a divinely appointed institution, forgetting that the affront to human dignity more than the physical suffering is the cause of those bitter enmities and prejudices which lead to communism. If communism has taken root in Rhode Island the causes will be found in fifty years of suppression of liberal opinion. Excesses breed excesses. It is a dangerous situation.

The "revolt" in Rhode Island (for it comes perilously near being that), must be suppressed, but the troubles there cannot be cured without a new and American order of thinking from top to bottom.

SO CALLED "HUMAN" RACE.

ONCE in a while, people do things so incredibly brutal and callous that one is almost moved to despair of the human race.

Doug Davis, speed flyer, crashed and was killed during a race at the National Air Races recently. In a few minutes, some 3500 people had formed a mob about the wreckage of his plane. They tore the plane to bits for souvenirs. One woman jerked a button from the dead flyer's body and sold it for 50.

The mob was so dense that an ambulance was unable to reach the scene. When police and race officials tried to force the mob back, they were cursed and asked, "Why should you have all the fun?"

It is impossible to find words to express the disgust which decent people must feel at behavior of that kind. The spectacle is enough to make a profound pessimist out of everyone who observed it.

An economist says the depression has sharpened the nation's intellect. We'll never believe it as long as there are still people who slap you on the back and keep repeating, "You nasty man, never do that."

While the government is planning to improve the grocery code, can't something be done about the clerk who claims to be able to tell whether a cantaloupe is ripe by shaking it near his ear?

Several burlesque troupes have dropped Louisiana from their routes. The competition from free home talent acts is too heavy.

It's hard to see how Upton Sinclair can carry California. His platform says nothing about the climate.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

RULED BY A LUNATIC

AT the Nurnberg celebration, Chancellor Adolf Hitler told the applauding Nazi women that the conception of political and economic equality for women was Jewish, liberalistic and unworthy of the German race, and he opposed women's participation in parliamentary life on the grounds that it degraded and desecrated her. He continued:

Liberalism has a large number of points for women's equality. The Nazi program for women has but one: this is a child. While man makes his supreme sacrifice on the field of battle, woman fights her supreme battle for her nation when she gives life to a child. The conception of so-called women's equality is a product of Jewish intellectualism.

The ridiculous divisions of Hitler raise a question of his sanity. Though a bachelor, he seems himself qualified to tell women that their sole purpose in life is to bear children and contemplate their compulsory retirement from other occupations than that of house-

wives. The difficult part to understand is why the German people, who rank high in intelligence, applaud such nonsensical utterances as almost divine in origin. Hitler tells us the "German way of life is fixed for one thousand years," that he has fixed it through a similar partnership of "Me and Gott" as the Kaiser fixed it before him, and intends to perpetuate it by such acts of terrorism as his recent murders of suspects. All of which makes the observer think that the Germans are as crazy as their mad ruler.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER

(Register-Guard Washington Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Notes from a day or two with the "radicals":

First I saw the senate munitions committee quizzing our three biggest submarine magnates. Munitions makers in the flesh! They didn't look like "merchants of death," though they talked like it.

They looked like stage or movie types—each one at first they acted like three small boys caught at something naughty, but not very bad.

They stopped giggling and seemed more lugubrious as hours wore on and we learned of Zoharoff, Peruvian graft, Navy and State Department solicitude for sales of more and better death-strewners, the international racket with its freedom from patriotism and contempt for disarmament efforts.

And the extraordinary callousness of the witnesses! President Henry R. Carse of Electric Boat looks vaguely like a porpoise, a man with an almost bridge-less nose and a couple of double chins unsupported by a real chin—leaving his thick lips to shift for themselves.

In the movies he would be cast as a banker. Earlier, he snickered, but by the end he was speaking as if with a mouth full of hot mush—though always frankly, it seemed.

THE "HONEST YANKEE" TYPE

An "honest Yankee" type, Vice President Lawrence Y. Spear is a weather-beaten, high-browed, hatchet-faced gent whose skin doubtless is made of parchment. He served his apprenticeship for this business as a naval officer and seems the smartest of the trio—although that one may be Vice President Henry R. Suthphen, who hardly said a word.

Suthphen is well fed. He has white hair, smartly parted midway, black eyebrows, a deep tan as if from yachting, and two expectant Alice in Wonderland eyes. A sort of kiewpie—who you might expect to see playing the part of a successful business man in a road show. Funny how these senators spend their days asking questions to which they know the answers—they got them from office files and other sources.

The three most effective questioners were Chairman Nye, suave and grim; Bone of Washington, ironic and never missing a chance to accentuate an implication, and big Bennett Clark of Missouri, forceful and accurate of aim.

"THAT GREAT MAN ZAHAROFF"

Carse's worship for Zoharoff—reverently he called him "one of the world's great men"—was almost hair-raising. Letters passing between them contained terms of endearment. . . . Curly-haired, fat Senator Barbour of New Jersey, ex-boxing champ, sometimes asked questions designed to make the witnesses appear in a nice light.

Old Canon William Sheafe Chase was in the audience—looking just like a famous reformer with his gray vestments, bald head, long face, white mustache, and old-fashioned specs.

SINCLAIR AMAZES 'EM

Off to the Press club with Paul Appleby and Jerome Frank to see and hear Upton Sinclair, the luncheon guest. . . . A mob vainly trying to get tickets. Julius, the club manager, frantic but proud, says: "Most we ever had before was 170. I forgot who the speaker was. Today we got 370 and could sell a hundred more tickets."

Hundreds more did pack into the auditorium, after eating elsewhere, for the speech. . . . Before you saw Sinclair, you noticed Charlie Michelson, Democracy's boss press agent, sitting next to him. Is the New Deal taking Upton to its bosom? Apparently.

Sinclair—slender, erect, highbrowed, white summer suit, rather browned skin, aquiline nose, piercing eyes, rare and then only faint smiles, thin white hair, an obvious idealist. . . . Among his audience I saw Henry Fletcher, republican chairman; Jesse Jones, of RFC; Eugene Rykes, communications commission chairman; Chairman John Fahy, of Home Loan—with snow-white hair and glasses; building Democratic Boss Emil Hurja; Francis Gorman—textile strike chief; Mark Sullivan—of all people; Sol Bloom, brass kremer and other lobbyists, and leader Labin, boss statistician for Miss Perkins.

HE IMPRESSES AUDIENCE

That whole mob, it was obvious afterward, was deeply impressed by Sinclair's direct simplicity, the plausibility of his arguments for the EPIC plan, the success of his glib humor, the ease and skill with which he handled questions.

"Darned dangerous!" muttered republicans. Fletcher privately agreed Sinclair would be hard to beat, adding "but it will be a lot of fun!"

"Clever!" commented First Secretary Alexei Fedorovich Neymann of the Soviet embassy, with quiet sarcasm.

"You can't stop a man like that!" exclaimed New Dealers—and various veteran political correspondents who at once offered to bet real cash Sinclair would be California's next governor.

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AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHER

(Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine)

THE most contagious time in whooping cough is before the whoop.

Even before the peculiar wheezing type of coughing develops, the organisms which cause whooping cough are being spread about to those in contact with the infected person. These organisms get into the linings of the breathing tract.

Persons who are infected are seldom sufficiently sick to be isolated during the early stage of their infection. During this stage they cough and the droplets of sputum containing the germs infect other people.

If it were possible to isolate everyone who had been in contact with the patient having whooping cough for a long enough time to know whether the one exposed was going to get the disease, whooping cough might be brought under complete control.

One of the most debated subjects among specialists today is the value of different types of vaccines in preventing and treating whooping cough. Most doctors believe that giving the vaccine early in the infection will shorten its duration.

Most of them also believe that the vaccines do little, if any, good when they are given to those who are already whooping. The experiments that have been made in laboratories show some value to such vaccines for producing substances which oppose bacteria.

The Danish investigator, Madsen, was able to study an epidemic of whooping cough in the Faroe Islands. He found that the results of whooping cough were much more serious in those who did not get any vaccine than in those who did get vaccine, and also that in those who were injected with vaccine the disease was much milder and did not last as long.

Following injection of the vaccine, there are occasional cases in which there is a slight rise in temperature and sometimes a little swelling at the spot where the vaccine was injected. Beyond this there does not seem to be any reaction to these vaccines.

Most authorities advise, however, that they should not be injected into children under one month of age. Whooping cough is generally regarded by people as a mild disease, whereas actually it can be one of the most menacing that attacks human beings.

From time to time all sorts of remedies have been suggested for use in controlling the condition. Actually, nothing that is rubbed on the skin, no vapor that can be inhaled, has been found to be of much value.

Belts have been developed which help to support the abdomen and chest of the child who is coughing. These seem to give a certain amount of relief.

As with other infectious diseases, the complications are far more serious in causing death than is the disease itself.

SIDE GLANCES



"Well, let's ask them for this week-end and if they can't make it, so much the better."

A. A. U. W. Tea Is Event On Campus Wednesday

A group of thirty-five attended the opening meeting of the season for the Eugene branch of the American Association of University Women, Wednesday, a tea being given for members and prospective members at Granger hall on the campus. Mrs. Nelson F. Macdoff, vice-president, presided.

For the program, Miss Barbara Evelyn Hollis sang two songs, accompanied by Mrs. S. E. Stevens, and Miss Lois Howe played violin numbers, also accompanied by Mrs. Stevens.

Mrs. Virgil D. Earl, state president of the A. A. U. W., announced the state convention in Astoria, October 19 and 20, and urged local members to go. The local group's next meeting will be a tea for new members, Saturday, October 6. Later, during the year, the group will give two or three dinner meetings and two or three luncheon gatherings.

Union Daughters

The Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War held their regular meeting Wednesday evening. Refreshments were served following the business session. The group is planning a rummage sale later. The next meeting of the group comes two weeks from Wednesday at eight o'clock.

Marriage Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gordon Rudd announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Miriam Rudd, to Philip Wilbur of Salem. The marriage was an event of September 10, Rev. Mr. Lockheart of Seaside performing the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur will live at Seaside.

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Blue River News

BLUE RIVER, Sept. 13.—(Special)—Charles Gruning, cook at the Lucky Boy mine, is spending a few days with his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baer and daughter Selma were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blush of Nimrod.

Captain Brockschink and daughter Laurene and son Roy enjoyed a cool and refreshing swim Sunday in the Blue River swimming pool.

Mrs. C. W. Thielen was in Blue River on business Monday.

Miss Helen Cooley, Miss Irene Heath, John McCreary and Bill Lou were shopping for school supplies in Eugene Saturday.

A number of upper McKenzie River folks attended the dance held at Vida Saturday evening. Those going were: Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hilstrom, Miss Laurene Brockschink, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hines and son Buddy, McKinley Yalo, James Yalo and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gruning.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Trotter and family of Eugene visited relatives in Blue River Sunday.

Goff Smith, who is interested in mining, was down to Blue River Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bally and son Stanley of Eugene spent Sunday at their mine above Blue River.

Maurice Whyte is spending a couple of days at his home here. He is an employee of the forest service.

Mr. Adams of Roseburg and Edwin Olders made an overnight trip to their mine above the Lucky Boy mine the first of the week.

Mrs. Felix Sparks is visiting her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Arch Shough of Thurston.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Gruning held a house warming Saturday evening at their home in Blue River, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Penney and family, Mrs. C. C. Gruning and family were entertained by the host and hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Gilbert and Mr. McCreary were in Eugene Saturday on business.

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ENGAGEMENT IS TOLD AT PARTY

Miss Osborne To Wed Mr. Hill Of California

By MARTIN LOWRY

ANNOUNCEMENT of the engagement of Miss Margaret Ellen Osborne, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Osborne, to Max Eaton Hill of Sacramento, Cal., was made Tuesday evening at a party for which Mrs. Osborne entertained.

Guests were invited to call and meet Mrs. Osborne's mother, Mrs. Thomas E. Mundle, visitor from Idaho, and Mrs. E. W. Hill, who is visiting from Sacramento, and during the evening announcement of the engagement was made.

No date is set for the wedding. Guests for the evening included Mrs. Mundle, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. H. F. Bond, Mrs. Selma Bond, Mrs. H. F. Bond, Mrs. George Carmichael, Mrs. J. H. Lott, Mrs. Earl McNutt, Mrs. E. C. Cutler, Miss Sue Badollet, Miss Margaret Cutler, Miss Pearl Murphy, Miss Maxine McDonald, Miss Ira Campbell, Miss Mary Margaret Lott, Miss Lucy Ann Wendell.

Miss Osborne will finish at the University of Oregon this year where she is a member of Phi Mu sorority and of Phi Theta Upsilon and other honorary groups.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hill, parents of Mr. Hill, are visiting here for a few days.

PLAN PICNIC

Alumni of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity are to meet for a potluck supper Saturday evening at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Collins on the Willamette. The supper will be at six o'clock for all alumni and their wives, and visiting alumni. William Bartle is chairman for the event.

D. A. R. MEETING

Oregon Lewis and Clark chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will meet the coming Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Albert McMurphy, at seven-thirty o'clock.

Prof. Calvin Crumbaker of the university is to address the group on the constitution, this being the group's observance of Constitution day. Miss Charlotte Choute and Miss Edith Shney are joint hostesses with Mrs. McMurphy for the meeting, the first of the fall for the group.

O. E. S. MEETING

Blue River chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will have its first gathering of the fall, Friday, a business session at the Masonic temple at eight o'clock with Mrs. M. G. Howard, worthy matron, presiding.

SCOUT REUNION

The annual Girl Scouts camp reunion is to be held in Robinson's Grove on the Pacific highway, south, Friday as an overnight event. The girls are to meet at Thirteenth and Villard street at four o'clock. The scouts are asked to take food for supper and breakfast and any cooking utensils they need in preparing the food. A campfire program is being arranged.

ARRIVES FROM SEATTLE

Miss Lucy Ann Wendell who has been spending the summer in Seattle arrived Wednesday evening to be at her home here for the winter. She will resume her work at the University of Oregon where she is a member of Phi Mu.

HARMONY BRIDGE CLUB

The Harmony Bridge club is to meet Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. H. Peters.

DAKOTA CLUB

The Dakota Women's club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. F. Halverson, fifteen attending. Mrs. Mary Hudson was assistant hostess. The group for its next meeting plans a potluck one o'clock luncheon in the Skinner Butte park cottage, the event to be October 8. All former residents of the Dakotas are invited to attend.

TEA PROGRAM FRIDAY

To introduce Miss Barbara Ross and Dee Vernon, both of whom have arrived to join the staff of the Moore dance studios, a tea and program for all patrons and friends of the studios will be given Friday afternoon. The event will be at the studios from three until five o'clock. Miss Ross and Mr. Vernon will give the program. During the tea hour, Mrs. C. A. Huntington and Mrs. Richard N. Apple are to pour. A group of high school girls with Miss Priscilla Walsh as chairman, will serve.

M. E. Division Has Dinner, Talk

Fifty attended the dinner given by division eight of the Methodist Episcopal Aid society Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Calkins, the event being for members and their husbands and other members of the church.

For the program, Leith Abbott of

Calendar

Thursday
8 p. m.—Neighbors of Woodcraft lodge meeting, W. O. W. hall.

Friday
9 a. m.—Golf day for women at Country club. Salem women visiting.

Friday afternoon—Harmony Bridge club meeting at home of Mrs. H. H. Peters.

8 p. m.—Meeting of Blue River chapter, O. E. S., Masonic temple.

Portland gave a lecture on Mexico. The committee in charge included Mrs. Calkins, Mrs. Frank L. Chambers, who is chairman of the division, Mrs. Griffith, Mrs. Marvin Warlick, Mrs. P. J. Bartholomew, Mrs. Mabel French, Mrs. R. E. McIntyre.

On Friday morning, women of the Eugene Country club will greet some thirty women from the Salem club for play at the local club. Play will start at nine o'clock. Coffee will be served between nines, on the terrace.

Mrs. Lynn S. McCready is general chairman for the day as chairman for the September activities of the women at the local club, the Salem guests coming on the local women's regular golf day. Mrs. McCready and Mrs. Edward R. Morris will be hostesses during the luncheon which will follow golf.

Mrs. Harry B. Ruth, Mrs. W. D. Hollingworth, Mrs. L. W. Woodin, and Mrs. Gordon B. Fish will be in charge of the coffee and tea tables. Mrs. Floyd Manville, Mrs. Roy Stien, and Mrs. M. B. Dowd are to arrange the decorations. Mrs. S. A. Sexsmith, Mrs. Dorothy Ford, and Mrs. Edward Siegmund are in charge of prizes.

Mrs. Joseph H. Koke, general chairman for women's activities during the year, will assist the committee with plans and in receiving the visitors.

Missionary Group

The Alpha Missionary circle of the First Baptist church held a meeting Wednesday afternoon, about thirty attending. Mrs. Adelaide Huntley, head of the Chinese school in Portland, gave a talk to the group. Mrs. J. E. Richmond sang. The officers were in charge for the afternoon. Next week the group is to meet for a White Cross day of work, each member to take her own lunch. The next regular meeting comes the second week in October.

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