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"THE VOICE OF THE PROPHET"
In this campaign of 1944, the epithet "isolationist" has resounded. We are at war again. Once more our young men are fighting and dying in the far corners of the world. And Democrats and Republicans have been seeking to pin on each other the blame for the blunders which have brought us into this mess.

Today, much more clearly than ever before, the American people seem to realize that if there is to be a peaceful world, this nation must unite with other nations to create and enforce the peace. The label "isolationist" (which might once have signified patriotism) has become a convenient political epithet.

Let us take you back to a hot mid-summer day in 1924. The Democratic party is in convention at New York. There has been a long and bitter struggle over "the Al Smith question," but the Klan is very strong and it will take 101 ballots and 10 days to reach compromise on Davis, John W. There has been talk of Newton D. Baker (who was Wilson's secretary of war) to break the Smith, McAdoo, Underwood deadlock, but—

"That crazy fool's still in there fighting to save the League of Nations and what he calls the Wilson ideal. He'd be okay on likker, but he won't give up the League. And we gotta be practical!"

It is a hot, sweaty afternoon, with thunderstorms rumbling in competition with crashing band music. The platform committee has reported, and Chairman Cummings announces that Newton D. Baker has been granted the rostrum "to make a minority report on the League plank."

After days and nights of pleading and arguing in committee, Newton D. Baker is at the point of physical exhaustion, red-eyed, disheveled, hoarse! So tired that he has to brace himself to keep his feet. Never a robust man, only his dark eyes glow, as he begins to speak—not from a script but from the heart:

"Ladies and gentlemen: I would not ask your consideration at this late date unless I felt the gravity of the subject demanded it. . . . There is no subject on earth, apart from my relations to my God and my duty to my family, which compares even remotely in importance, with the League of Nations. . . ."

The great hall begins to grow quiet. . . . the man who ought to be pleading this cause is dead and lies in consecrated ground. All that is left here is to state his cause, weak and inadequate—all that is here is what is left of me at the end of five days with about two hours sleep in each night of the five. . . .

"Examine with me now these two reports. What does the majority do? With praiseful and perfumed voice, it lauds the League of Nations as a lover would describe his sweetheart. . . . I agree with them, so far. . . ."

"And then, after having said that there is no substitute for the League of Nations, that the world will be a wreck unless war is prevented. . . . there is not one syllable in the majority report that proposes that the United States shall go into the League of Nations until after a fanciful irregular, unconstitutional, revolutionary referendum shall have been held—operated either by postal cards, through the Census Bureau, or in some other way, and there is neither a statute nor a constitutional basis for a statute which provides for a national referendum. . . ."

Applause rolls over the assembly and word spreads that an historic speech is being made. Unfortunately this space does not permit us to give you all of that oration. You can find it in William Allen White's "Politics: The Citizens' Business." How he flayed the Democratic party for turning its back on its ideals! (And Franklin D. Roosevelt and Cordell Hull were among those sitting there). We can give you only a few of the eloquent passages:

"Ah, my fellow men and women, I am not talking to Democrats. I am talking to lovers of mankind. I sat in that room across the street for five days and nights AND HEARD ABOUT 'EXPEDIENCY' AND 'VOTES' until I am sick! I am talking about life and death, and love and duty! Make a memorandum of it, my brethren. WE HAVE NO LOGIC FOR LUCK. THERE IS NO CALCULUS FOR EXPEDIENCY, but we do know how to do that which is right, and that is the only rule we need to follow to win, and deserve to win in politics. . . ."

He spoke of Senator Lodge as "not a person but a malevolent institution" and he told them:

"You are substituting in the Democratic party the leadership of Henry Cabot Lodge for that of Woodrow Wilson. . . ."

With all the skill at his command, he tried to show the Democratic party the absurdity, the ridiculousness and the wickedness of their position:

"My brethren, what becomes of men when they are afraid to say what they think? What becomes of parties when they abandon their ideals?"

He reminded them: "At the outset, I stated that no subject on earth was of so much importance to me as this. Why? I am a middle aged man, and I shall never be called upon again for any

profitable service in war. If it came tomorrow. But I have memories.

"On battlefields in Europe I closed the eyes of soldiers in American uniform who were dying, who whispered to me messages to bring to their mothers. I talked with them about death in battle, and, oh, they were superb; never a complaint; never a regret, willing to go if only two things might be—one that mother might know they had died bravely and the other that somebody would pick up their sacrifice and build on this earth a permanent temple of peace. . . ."

"If I could have kept those boys in this country I would have done it. The accident of fate called on me to come to your homes and ask you to give me your sons that I might send them into these deadly places. . . . and I swore an obligation to the dead, that in season and out, by day and by night, in church and in political meeting and the market place, I would lift up my voice always and ever until their sacrifices were perfected."

He invoked the spirit of Woodrow Wilson:

"He is standing here speaking through my weak voice. His presence—not that I cried, shrunken, broken figure that I last saw—but the great majestic leader is standing here, using me to say to you, 'Save Mankind! Do America's duty!'"

The Democrats rose and gave Newton D. Baker one of the greatest ovations ever given any public man. They cheered a very long while. It was necessary to call a recess. There was a great crash of thunder and the storm broke. And Newton D. Baker, the man who might have been the presidential nominee in 1924 but for his stubborn loyalty to an ideal, left the stage a hero. A few minutes later the Democratic convention adopted the majority report. Baker had won their hearts but not their votes.

Well, political parties and most politicians are like that—"practical" is the word. But just who is "isolationist?" Or does it really matter if a man is "isolationist" or otherwise if he is honest and sincere and willing to fight to the last for his belief. (We would be willing to concede that even an "isolationist" could be both honest and patriotic).

We have brought out this bit of history to show that if world peace failed at the end of the last war it was because the American people failed to understand, and because BOTH PARTIES failed the people. There was one man who made a gallant stand in 1924! There are passages from that great impromptu speech which deserve to be placed in the text-books for our school children.

INTELLECTUAL CIRCUMLOCUTION

For the campaign record, Mr. Roosevelt has said that he does not want the support of either fascist or communist elements, but he HAS the open support of Browder and the acknowledged communists (now organized as an educational society) and Hillman's PAC is the device to translate this into funds and votes.

And then we hear "intellectuals" who argue:

"What is wrong with this? Communism and fascism are not the same. The fascists are our enemies. The communists are our friends. We must learn to work with Russia."

This nation MUST work with Russia, and Tom Dewey has been foremost in saying that. But this nation has the right to preserve its own integrity, its own institutions—freedom of speech and press and political action.

Until June 1941, when Russia was actually invaded by Hitler, the communists in this country, whose support Mr. Roosevelt now accepts and whose practices he abets, were actually SABOTAGING our defense effort.

If fortified wines are relegated to state stores, Corvallis will have to rely on Albany for legalized vice, but it can still claim to be on "the well beaten path."

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

MR. SAMMONS RETIRES
(Salem Statesman)

The resignation of E. C. Sammons as member of the state board of higher education removes the last of the original board which was appointed by Gov. I. L. Patterson under a 1929 law. For over 15 years Mr. Sammons has served on the board, carrying the difficult assignment for most or all of the time as chairman of its finance committee. It was his prime duty to help guide the finances of the state system through the perilous days of the 1930's with income shrinking through property valuation, falling enrollment and vetoed or referred appropriations. The contribution of Mr. Sammons to the success was not limited to management of its finances. He assisted greatly by his fine judgment and fairness in deciding numerous critical issues that came before the board in the years of its existence. That the system now appears to have reached a fairly secure "angle of repose" is due in no small detail to the balanced judgment of Mr. Sammons.

His retirement now is prompted by the burdens of other duties. It has been amazing how he has carried so long such varied responsibilities both public and private. He has well earned release from some of his public duties, regretful though the state will be that the post to be relinquished is the one on the state board of higher education which he has filled so long and so competently.

For successor Governor Snell has chosen Phil Metachan, hotel proprietor and prominent Oregonian, of Portland. This will be recognized as a political appointment, a reward for the long service of Metachan to the republican party and his personal loyalty to the governor. He will not, however, "upset the boat" in higher education, and his interest in young people is of long standing.

SOCIETY, WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

By MARIAN LOWRY

PHI BETA ALUMNAE ENTERTAIN OFFICERS

Phi Beta Alumnae entertained Mrs. T. E. Carnahan, national secretary-treasurer of Phi Beta, at a luncheon Friday noon at the Osburn hotel. Many thoughts and plans of interest to Phi Beta members were presented by Mrs. Carnahan, whose time was filled with group meetings and personal interviews during her two-day stay in Eugene.

On Thursday evening Mrs. Carnahan was entertained by members of the active chapter and their nineteen new pledges at the Alpha Chi Omega house.

Those present at the luncheon Friday noon were: Mrs. T. E. Carnahan, Miss R. Louise Fitch, Mrs. W. R. Cuthbert, Mrs. DeBar, D. Byrne, Mrs. Bryant DeBar, Miss Grace Wolcott, Mrs. Curtis C. Cole, Mrs. Frank Carl, Mrs. Horace Middleton, Mrs. Hal Young, Mrs. Kenneth W. Moore, Mrs. Howard R. Taylor, Mrs. Gordon Tripp, Mrs. Milton V. Walker, Mrs. Theodore Kratt, Mrs. S. S. Honey, Mrs. Ernest G. Moll, Mrs. Florence Alden, Mrs. Thomas Fox and Mrs. Robert D. Horn.

NEW PLEDGES AT SORORITIES ANNOUNCED

Ten University of Oregon coeds were pledged last week to sororities on the campus. It was announced by Mrs. Nelson F. Macdunn, assistant dean of women. Rushing for the fall term is still open officially according to rules set up by Panhellenic, the organization regulating rushing.

Pledges announced are: Misses Harriett Banburg, Portland, and Eileen Breneman, Albany, to Alpha Omicron Pi; Audrey Berdine, Jennings Lodge, Nancy Seals, Los Angeles, Cal., and Robbie B. Warrens, Forest Grove, to Chi Omega; Gwen Goodwin, San Francisco, Cal., and Patricia Moffat, Reno, Nev., to Delta Delta Delta; Bjorg Hansen, Marshfield, and Patricia Jack, Oregon City, to Kappa Kappa Gamma; Bernice Johnson, The Dalles, to Sigma Kappa.

ESS SEE CLUB

The Ess See club met for the first meeting of the season at the home of Mrs. C. D. Chezem, Thursday afternoon, for a desert luncheon at one-thirty o'clock. Honors at bridge went to Mrs. George Phillips, Mrs. Fred Dotson, and Mrs. H. C. Dobson. The next regular meeting of the club will be with Mrs. Harry Cadore on Nov. 16. The first dinner party will be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Dobson on Nov. 18 with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cadore assistant hosts. Present for the afternoon were Mrs. C. P. Hart, Mrs. Arthur Shaffner, Mrs. Fred Dotson, Mrs. Harry Cadore, Mrs. George Phillips, Mrs. H. C. Dobson, Mrs. E. C. Hart and the hostess, Mrs. C. D. Chezem.

PAST PRESIDENTS

Past presidents club of U. S. W. V. auxiliary meets Thursday afternoon at two o'clock with Mrs. George Lammers, instead of in the evening as announced.

HERE FROM SALEM

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn E. McCormick and daughter, Glenda

Mailbag

GOP NOT TRUSTED

(To the Editor): On page 41 of the voters' pamphlet appears this statement: "The Dept. of Labor, created by a Republican administration, has been emasculated by the New Deal." This did not appear to be in accord with the way I learned it, so I referred to my encyclopedia, and find the following:

"A Bureau of Labor was originally created in 1888 and was under the Dept. of the Interior. In 1903 was transferred to Dept. of Commerce and Labor. Under an Act of Congress, passed in 1913, as the result of a bill of which Wm. B. Wilson was the author, a Department of Labor was created. Wm. B. Wilson became the first Secretary of Labor in the cabinet of President Woodrow Wilson."

In view of the fact that Grover Cleveland was president in 1888, when the Bureau was created, and that Cleveland and both Wilsons were Democrats, how can the Republicans so brazenly lay claim as being the creators of the Department of Labor? How about their boastful assurance, repeated over and over, that their word can be trusted once. . . . again?

Yours truly,
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KNOWS EYES

Lu, were here from Salem over the week-end to visit friends. They formerly lived in Eugene.

WOMEN'S PART IN POST-WAR STRESSED

Members of the Eugene Branch of the American Association of University Women are very much interested in the proposal for a conference of women on "How Women May Share in Post-war Policy-Making." Organizations of women, the country over, are being asked to call state committees by the National AAUW committee on economic and legal status of women. The proposed state conferences are being initiated by the AAUW to further a cause for which it has long campaigned, that of securing appointments of qualified women to policy-making posts, not only in state and national government but in international councils. The conferences, first of which already has been held in Texas, are patterned after the "White House Conference in Washington" held last June when representatives of seventy-five national women's organizations met to discuss the need for women to participate in shaping postwar policies in national and international affairs.

The White House conference appointed a continuing committee to compile a roster of women qualified for policy-making posts. A similar roster of women available for appointment to state boards is being worked out in Texas as a result of the conference there, and other states are expected to follow this idea. In Texas it was found that among the most important boards having no women members were the board of education, the boards of two colleges, the prison board, the board of health, and the board of public welfare.

The national committee also announced resolutions adopted at its Washington headquarters, expressing concern regarding the position of women in the present period of economic transition and in the new economy which will emerge.

During the next few weeks the Oregon branches will consider ways and means to hold such a conference as proposed, the result of which will be announced later.

GRADUATE NURSES PLAN MEETING TUESDAY

The regular meeting of the Oregon State Graduate Nurses association, District No. 5, will be held on Tuesday, November 7, at eight o'clock at the Sacred Heart general hospital nurses home.

The program will feature as guest speaker, Dr. T. A. McKenzie, whose subject will be "Intravenous Therapy."

Several musical selections will be sung by a group of student nurses from Sacred Heart general hospital school of nursing.

All graduate nurses are invited to attend.

EDISON SCHOOL PARTY

A Halloween party was given last week for pupils of Edison school by teachers and parents. The kindergarten, first and second grades had their party in the afternoon, the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth grades in the evening. Many of the children came in costumes. Games were played and pictures shown, after which refreshments were served.

TWO WEDDINGS ARE REPORTED AT GROVE

COTTAGE GROVE—Miss Frances Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Adams of this city, and A-C Thomas Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Henry Sr. of Portland, were married at a military service in the air base chapel at Douglas, Arizona at half past seven o'clock on Saturday evening, October 28. The service was read by the chaplain before the altar at a candlelight double ring ceremony.

Eight air cadets, in military uniform, formed an arch with their sabers for the bridal party as they marched to the altar and left the chapel.

The bride wore a two-piece fall pink suit with brown accessories and a corsage of white gladioluses. Mrs. Helen Hodge was matron of honor and the bride's only attendant. She wore a corsage of gardenias and rosebuds.

A-C Hodge was best man for the bridegroom. Mr. Henry is stationed at the air base at Douglas, Arizona. Mrs. Henry will live in Douglas. Both Mr. and Mrs. Henry were graduated from the local high school with the class of 1942, after which Mr. Henry was employed in the shipyards in Portland prior to his enlistment.

VanderKley-Short
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Short announce the marriage of their younger daughter, Miss Patricia Ann, to Lt. Michael P. VanderKley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marjune H. VanderKley, Kalamazoo, Mich. The service was read Saturday, October 28, at Hamilton field, California, with Chaplain W. A. Briggs, former pastor of the local Methodist church, officiating.

Lt. VanderKley, a member of the army air force, left recently for overseas duty and Mrs. VanderKley returned to Cottage Grove to spend a few days at her home. The bride was graduated from the local high school with the class of '39 and later from Stephens college in Missouri. Lt. VanderKley attended Kalamazoo college before entering the service.

ALUMNAE MEETING

Phi Mu Alumnae club is to meet Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Clyde Quam, seven-thirty o'clock.

CLUB EVENT

Happy Dozen club is to meet Friday at one-thirty o'clock at the home of Mrs. L. Burroughs.

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GUILD CALLED OFF
St. Clare guild, St. Mary's Episcopal church, announces that its meeting for Tuesday has been cancelled because of election day.

BRIDGE GROUP
Harmony Bridge club is to meet Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. E. Coldren, one-thirty o'clock, for dessert.

MOTHERS MEETING
Kappa Kappa Gamma Mothers' club is to meet Thursday afternoon, one-thirty o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Virgil Paul for dessert.

PAST MATRONS
Past Matrons club of River chapter, O. E. S., will meet Thursday afternoon, one-thirty o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Ralph Hope.

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