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AT SAN FRANCISCO
Thirty-nine years ago San Francisco was starting the monumental task of clearing away the wreckage of disaster, of bringing order out of chaos.

Today in that same city, yet a far different city, representatives of the forward-looking nations of the world are meeting. Their world, like San Francisco of thirty-nine years ago, is in ruins.

Millions of lives, material value which cannot even be estimated, countless shattered bodies and shattered minds—these are the tolls of the world's most catastrophic war. It is not ended; its fires burn on.

The outline of their plans has already been drawn. These, as agreed upon at Dumbarton Oaks, are to maintain peace and security for all nations, to bring about peaceful settlement of disputes, to work for the economic and social betterment of all people of the world.

An assembly of all nations to formulate policies. A security council of 11 members charged with the maintenance of peace.

The summary is easily set down. The work which will be entailed in translating ideals to reality will be vast. At the outset complicating questions are present. They must be answered logically and justly if the confidence among nations which can be the only enduring foundation of the world edifice to be constructed, is to be preserved.

Recommendation of the retail trade committee of the Bend Chamber of Commerce against V-E day closing is entirely in order. V-E day will not mean that the war is over. There will still be long, deadly fighting to be done, there will still be every need for continued effort on the home front in support of that fighting.

Let each individual, rather, re-dedicate himself to completion of the job which is still to be done. On V-E day we will merely pass from one phase of the war to another phase. The difference will be discernible only when total peace has been achieved.



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One Saturday afternoon in April my father came home unexpectedly. He did not come into the sitting room where we were playing Authors, but instead called my mother out into the hall.

"Maybe someone's dead," Julia suggested cheerfully. At first we could make out almost nothing. Then right out clear we heard my father say it. "A note at the bank."

"Your father did what he thought best at the time," my mother continued. She never criticized him, at least in our hearing. "But things have turned out badly. He has spent all of his money, and now he has had to borrow \$500 dollars from the bank."

"Now there is only one way out."

"What way, Mama?" Sue asked.

"For us to move into the hotel and run the place until he has paid back what he has borrowed."

"The front door closed, and my mother, her cheeks very flushed, came back into the sitting room. "Girls," she said, "I have news for you."

"Yes, Mama," we chorused. "Jim McClure has left town," she told us.

I felt terribly let down. So, I could see, did Sue and Julia. Jim McClure was a little pinkish man, and all three of us had viewed him with distaste. His leaving did not move us. Certainly, we thought, it did not justify the parlor.

"He left bills behind him," my mother went on. "That didn't impress us, either. Bills meant little in our life. My father sent them out occasionally, and people paid them in their

All Right, if This Is His Idea of Peace



Now we could see with our own eyes. . . Hear with our own ears. . . "And if you do," she went on, suddenly severe, "I want you to remember your upbringing. If I could only be sure of that. . ."

We moved on the first Saturday in May. My mother packed only our toilet articles and our clothing, leaving each of us to judge what else was indispensable. "There's no need of carting a lot of things that will just have to be brought right back again," she warned.

The day was dull and chilly. At 9 o'clock my father came for us with the survey. We got in heavily and sat throughout the ride in silence. For the first time I could remember we had locked our door. And we had locked it from the outside.

(To be continued)

Washington Column

By Peter Edson (NEA Staff Correspondent)

Washington, D. C.—Is "freedom of the air" as embodied in the fifth freedom of the international civil aviation executive agreements drafted at Chicago going to be the ruin of U. S. air commerce? That is the \$64 question which senate foreign relations committee members apparently want answered before they put their stamp of approval on the permanent civil aviation convention now before them for ratification as a treaty.

Under this fifth freedom a British airline might fly to Australia by way of the United States and Hawaii, picking up or setting down U. S. traffic along the way. Or a U. S. airline might fly to India by way of Bermuda, Gibraltar and Cairo, picking up and dropping British traffic along the way. The former would be a commercial advantage to the British, the latter a commercial advantage to the U. S. Is it a fair swap? This is freedom of the air.

Freedom of the air grew into the five freedoms of the air at the Chicago conference on international civil aviation last fall. They are the right to fly over foreign territory; the right to land on foreign territory for refueling and repairs; the right to land passengers and cargo from the country whose flag the plane flies in a foreign country to which it flies; the right to pick up foreign traffic for its own country, and finally the whopping fifth freedom.

The White House, through the

department of state, has by executive agreement declared these five freedoms to be binding on this government. Arguments against it are:

Eighty per cent of the post-war international aviation traffic, passengers and cargo, will originate in the United States. Why should not the United States keep this business for its own airlines instead of permitting the airlines of other countries to grab maybe 50 per cent?

While U. S. transport planes are now the best in the world, it is maintained that other countries, particularly the British and French and Russians, will in time build planes just as good. Having lower labor standards, they can build them cheaper, and will be able to undersell U. S. plane manufacturers and take away this business.

Now all these arguments have the old familiar ring of tariff protectionists. To beat them down, advocates of freedom of the air talk something like this:

The days of high tariff wall protection are over. They helped bring on the last depression and they can well bring on another after this war is over. They way to increase trade, increase U. S. business, is through freer intercourse among nations, in the air, on the seas or on the ground. American efficiency can beat any kind of foreign competition any time and any place. It was done in the auto world and it can be done in the aviation world.

Bend's Yesterdays

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO (April 25, 1930)
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that \$155,000 has been granted for the erection of a federal building here.

L. S. Davis, travelling freight and passenger agent for the S. P. & S. railroad, comes to Bend with news that a nine-car dairy demonstration train will soon tour Central Oregon.

The Deschutes county grand jury adjourns after a four-day session, and in its report, advocates the early construction of a court house.

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BOY, I FEEL LIKE A MILLION SINCE I STARTED TO TAKE PURSIN
I NEVER SAW SUCH A CHANGE IN A PERSON

Sensational New Tonic Supplies Vital Substances Often Lacking in Diet

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