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—BYRON

True to Form

"State Treasurer Holman has been bellowing like a bull of Bashan, wailing like a banshee and sputtering like himself" over the board of control asserts the Portland Oregonian, as "he tells pop-eyed listeners once again that Holman is the only true prophet," the only friend of the people. It continues:

Sometimes the doughty Rufus puts into the record of his bellowings his wallings and his sputterings, renewed reference to that terrible creature of his own mind single, the subsidized press, declaring that all newspapers are venal and corrupt and that the Portland newspapers are some what worse than other newspapers. He waves aloft a copy of The Oregonian and declares that this newspaper's editorial policies are governed by Meier and Frank advertising. He lies when he says it and he knows he lies, but he says it. He knows full well that The Oregonian opposed Meier for governor and he knows equally well that it opposed and still opposes the free power fallacies which the governor nor less than the treasurer has espoused, but he goes on lying about it consciously.

"The portents are plain," the Oregonian continues, "we are going to have halitosis in our state campaign next year, with Rufus and his gubernatorial ambitions supplying the wind." And we gather that the Oregonian will not support him as it did last fall, for which it asks "a kindly heaven to forgive us."

In this instance at least, Rufus has the best of the Oregonian. He has only to read what the Oregonian said of the governor during his campaign and what it says or rather does not say now and has not said since the restoration of the department store advertising to its former quota. For the Oregonian soft peddles, as do the other Portland papers, continuously for the governor. If it treated Julius Meier as it treated Oswald West or Walter Pierce, people of the state, outside of Salem, would know what is going on, or rather fails to go on, in state affairs. They do not know now. The governor may not dictate the Oregonian's policies but he certainly uses a silencer concerning his own shortcomings.

"A kindly heaven" may grin at the Oregonian's discomfiture, or perhaps drop a tear for its frailty but it deserves no such sympathy. It knew who and what Rufus was before the campaign and after the campaign but extolled him during the campaign. It displayed much the same consistency with Holman that it has with Meier—blowing hot and cold for both of them. Both Holman and the Oregonian are running true to form.

Obscuratism

The Albany Democrat-Herald criticizes the state board of higher education for permitting Dr. John Haynes Holmes of New York City to deliver the baccalaureate sermon to graduates of the Oregon State Agricultural college because of his alleged communistic leanings, saying:

Oregon's higher educational institutions are supported by millage taxes on property, yet they bring to their halls in the form of baccalaureate sermon preachers and commencement speakers men who are engaged in tearing down the foundations on which the institutions rest. It is not time for our state board of higher education to investigate our higher educational institutions in an effort to discover where lies the responsibility for such choices?

Dr. Holmes, formerly a Unitarian clergyman, but now independent, author of many books and a lecturer of note, it seems is a contributing editor to "Unity" and "The World Tomorrow," communistic periodicals and a director of the "American Civil Liberties Union" an organization devoted to the defense of communists and others who have come in conflict with the law, which is the specific grievance of our contemporary.

But Dr. Holmes activities cover a far wider field than that of the political intelligentsia and pink socialists. He is pastor of the Community church of New York City, chairman of the city affairs committee, vice-president of the national association for the advancement of colored people, president of the All-World Gandhi fellowship, a member of the Palestine Jewish commission, etc. It would probably be difficult to find a better informed or more intelligent person, or one with broader human sympathies to talk to graduates.

There is nothing to indicate that Dr. Holmes thrust his personal political or religious views upon the students, so it seems rather silly to censure the school board for permitting a distinguished orator to address graduates, simply because his political ideas were not in harmony with those of the J. P. Morgan type of obscuratism. In fact the students would have been the gainers if Dr. Holmes had aired his theories—for them to thrust out the false and the true. Education does not consist in censorship, limitation and restriction but in open minded universality.

Stealing the Tourney

Removal of the Oregon state high school basketball tournament from Willamette university, Salem, to the University of Oregon and Oregon State college was authorized by the state board of higher education at its meeting at Portland yesterday, following a request for such action by John L. Gary of West Linn, secretary of the state high school association. It is proposed to hold the tournament alternately at Corvallis and Eugene.

Mr. Gary declares there is a feeling among the smaller high schools of the state that they are not given a chance in the state tournament under present conditions. Should the tournament be moved to the state institutions where larger space is available, Gary said, the plan would be to have a four-day tournament, two days devoted to the larger and two days to the smaller schools. This comes as a surprise to the schools themselves.

The annual state basketball tournament was originated by Willamette university in 1920 and has been backed financially by Salem since its inception. The city is more centrally geographically than either Eugene or Corvallis and is entitled to retain it. Neither Eugene nor Corvallis has sought it—the seeking apparently comes from Mr. Gary.

If Willamette and Salem had not made a success of the event and there was any valid complaint on file, there might be grounds for the change. Certainly if the smaller high schools want a regrouping or reclassification, they can force it at Salem as well as either Corvallis or Eugene.

The National Whirligig

By PAUL MALLON

Washington—Mr. Roosevelt scared the Senate into compromising on its Veterans revolt.

That seems like a harsh charge to make because nothing was said openly. What happened behind the scenes is subject to no milder interpretation.

The President heard the boys were organizing against him. His leaders told him he was scheduled to get a two to one licking. They told him that they could not possibly stop an amendment limiting him to a 15 per cent Veterans reduction.

Mr. Roosevelt said: "Fine, fine. I shall take the radio Sunday night and lay my case before the people."

The Senator to whom Mr. Roosevelt told that, spread the word around the Senate chamber. Members of the House heard about it and drifted over. At no time this session were legislators more excited on the inside. They were in a tight place.

Veterans back home had been writing them for weeks complaining of injustices wrought by the Roosevelt economy program. There was no question about the injustices. One veteran with both legs off was cut 45 per cent.

The American Legion lobby as usual had organized its fight skillfully. Two-thirds of Congress was aroused.

The Roosevelt threat made them stop and think. The Democrats had to choose between fighting their own President and doing what they really wanted to do.

Enough weakened to permit Mr. Roosevelt 25 per cent reductions.

The country generally did not realize what a personal triumph it was for the President. It showed clearly his power has not waned. On no other pending questions except war debts will we have such a close call.

J. P. Morgan has not had so much fun since he played marbles. He whispered to his friends that he was tickled the way the Senate investigation went. He certainly looked like it. He listened eagerly to every word of testimony. Each time one of his witnesses made a point, the ex-mastodon of finance leaned back his head and cackled.

Morgan said privately he considered the legal presentation of his case 100 per cent perfect. He believed the Senate produced nothing on him and will not. He thinks his business will not suffer.

That remains to be seen.

The general consensus of opinion backstage in Washington is that the Morgan dynasty is already over. The Glass bill will make it hard for them to come back. It deprives them of the special privileges they have enjoyed over commercial banks for years.

The firm has traveled a long way down the ladder since the happy days of war and post-war financing.

It still has holdings vaster than anyone else. It also has some of the smartest men in the business. Those two factors will maintain it as a leading power.

However, there will be others, notably the Rockefeller.

The Senate lost interest in the inquiry at the last. Only two Senators were present at adjournment last week.

The reason for that is the result of the investigation came before it started. The private banking provision of the Glass bill is the only immediate thing which will come out of the hearing.

Other legislation may be recommended by the investigators later. It will not be considered until next year.

The coming Senate investigation of Mr. Rockefeller's Chase Securities Company will not be so warm. The only witness so far called is the ex-president of that outfit—Albert H. Wiggin. The testimony will deal with conditions before Mr. Rockefeller put his son-in-law in as president.

No one will be surprised if the Senate trends softly with the matter. The hearing is due July 14.

The phantom behind the Helvering confirmation appears to have been your old pal Charlie Curtis. Some may not remember but he was Vice President under the Hoover regime. Republican Senators remembered it. He circulated among them quietly in Helvering's behalf. He influenced at least some of the seven Republican votes cast for the Internal Revenue Commissioner.

What caused a Republican Kansan to take so much interest in a Democrat is a subject of speculation. Pride in Kansas may have been the prime factor. In this case Curtis also had the knowledge that his old Republican political foe Henry Allen was working on the other side. Also the fact that his brother-in-law, Mr. Gann is in the oil business.

The truth is that the opposition did not have a good case against Helvering. No overt act could be shown.

At one time Helvering's friends were talking about withdrawing his name. Some hated to go through the open debate on the Senate floor. They were satisfied to rest with a favorable report from the Senate committee and quit.

A Senate Democratic leader took the matter up with Postmaster General Farley. It was decided to fight the thing through.

No other course was sensible because they had the votes.

There is further evidence that Mr. Roosevelt has not mended his estrangement with Senator Walsh of Massachusetts. . . . Walsh was the only Democrat to vote against Mr. Roosevelt's nomination of Guy Helvering. . . . The veterans bloc in the Senate ally aimed its fight against the Veterans Administration. . . . Nothing unkind was said about Mr. Roosevelt from the Democratic side of the chamber but there was no doubt in anyone's mind as to who was involved. . . . Senator Robinson of Indiana (R.) really started the revolt but he wisely let Democrats lead it on. . . . Mr. Roosevelt ordered a Treasury study several days ago of methods to close loopholes in the

SCREEN NOVEL OFFERED NEXT

"The Story of Temple Drake," screen adaptation of a novel by William Faulkner, has been booked for the Elsinore theater Friday and Saturday. Marian Hopkins plays the title role, with Jack LaRue, William Gargan, William Collier Jr., Irving Pichel and Sir Guy Standing at the head of the supporting cast.

"The picture is the story of a southern girl, a curious mixture of the sedate and the wanton. A drunken ride with a college boy ends up in a wreck outside a bootlegger's house, and when the boy is shipped off back to town, she is held behind by a sinister, menacing big-city gangster, Trigger, who kills the one man who tries to protect her; drags her off to a tawdry rooming house in the city and keeps her there.

Blame for the murder is placed on another man and a young lawyer who is in love with Temple is assigned to defend him. The lawyer traces Trigger, and finds Temple with him. The picture reaches a startling climax in the events that follow.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR SCHOOL ELECTORS

County Superintendent Fulkerson is being deluged by questions from non-high school districts all over the county as to qualifications for voters at the coming election on the new county board of education June 19.

She states the law very specifically sets out these qualifications which are as follows: first, the voter must be a full fledged citizen of the United States, first papers do not permit voting; must be 21 years old or over; must be resident of the state six months; must be residents of the district 30 days immediately prior to the election. These are the only qualifications for voting on directors of the new board of education or for school officers.

But to vote on the budget voters must have the foregoing qualifications and in first and second class districts must also have their names on the assessment rolls. In third class districts a head of a family may also vote on the budget. The county superintendent has ordered 7000 ballots printed for the election on the new board. Many second requests are coming in, however, for ballots and more may be needed.

Liberty—Mrs. Joe Williams and son Joe, Jr., left Tuesday morning for a three week visit with Mrs. Williams' mother, Mrs. Eubanks of Los Angeles. Mrs. Williams will also visit other relatives while there.

Income tax laws. . . . Perhaps that circuit publicity meted out did not frame things with J. P. Morgan to get a picture of the midget on his knee, but you will never get anyone here to believe it. . . . The incident had all the earmarks of close inside prearrangement between the Midget and the Mastodon.

Rouge Proves Help

In Polishing lenses
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Madison, Wis. (AP)—Warren Blingham, manager of a colored baseball team here, allowed he did not want to try out for the Waupun prison nine and won probation from sentence for assault and battery.

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