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"With or without offense to friends or foes
I sketch your world exactly as it goes."

Criticism Jars Congress

Senator Joseph Guffey (Dem., Penn.) has warned newspapers and others that Congress will not "tolerate criticism intended to destroy the prestige of legislative process in time of war." In a senate speech he assailed newspapers, columnists and radio commentators for their criticism of the New Deal and congress and charged they were "playing the axis game."

What seems to have gotten under the senator's skin is the criticism of congress for voting its members pensions and the "bundles for congress" ridicule following; the allotment of X (unlimited) gasoline rationing cards to congressmen; the supine attitude of its rubber stamp members in refusing to cut out unnecessary waste by alphabetical depression agencies in war time; and of selfish greed of congressional blocs representing special groups, such as the labor, farm and silver blocs in refusing to cooperate for national welfare.

No one wants to destroy the legislative process, for congress is the only instrument the people have to protect them from dictatorship and bureaucratic usurpations, but by their actions, congressmen have brought upon themselves merited criticism, a criticism as essential as any other instrument of government in a democracy.

One of the things we are fighting the war for is the protection of democracy and without free speech and free press, democracy will be as stifled in the United States as it is in totalitarian countries. The censorship Senator Guffey threatens was the first step taken by the dictators of Europe to install their tyrannies.

A Second Front Looms

Announcement of agreement for a second front in 1942 in Europe against the axis powers by the United States, Britain and Russia, will greatly hearten the cause of the United Nations especially in Russia, as well as increase the "war of nerves" in Germany. The agreements cover both war and peace and a guaranty of the Atlantic pact freedoms.

Hitler's long delayed offensive seems to be finally under way, the schedule having been upset by the Russian drives in the Kharkov region a month ago. The axis is attacking in full force both at Kharkov and at Sevastopol, initial moves in his push towards the Caucasus, rendering a second front imperative for the allies.

Hitler must beat Russia this summer or his death dance is up. He can't withdraw now without losing the war. If the second front can't be developed this year, it is obvious that it can be next year, and war exhausted Germany is in no position to withstand it. But the allied expedition must be large and strong enough to accomplish its purpose—hence the delay.

The allies have the planes, arms and man power for such an expedition, but the shortage of shipping is a severe handicap. It requires a big fleet for transport and supplies, a strain on allied resources. Later the problem can be met.

Short of an expeditionary force, a second front can be created by a combined British and American aerial offensive on an unprecedented scale, accompanied by constant commando raids.

Typical Nazi Revenge

The wiping out of an entire village of Czechs, the slaughter of all men and deportation of women and children, the destruction of all buildings by the Germans in reprisal for the attack upon Reinhard Heydrich, master "hangman" of the Gestapo, is typical of nazi barbarism in its march to the destruction of civilization. It is probably considered, like Heydrich's own sadism, an act of "rare beauty" and satisfying to his spirit.

The world has become pretty well calloused to the brutalities of the nazis, with their murders of the innocent but the latest horror comes as a new shock. But it is probably only a starter in the wave of massacres to avenge the death of their chief killer. The Japs may be able to appreciate such bestialities, but no other people can, for like the Germans, they conceive themselves of divine origin, destined to rule the earth and other races as animals fit only for slavery and slaughter.

God help the Germans in Europe once Hitler meets defeat. It will be a signal for revenge and wholesale slaughter of the most hated race on the globe. And it will be difficult to restrain the national desires for vengeance with entire nations on the warpath to exterminate oppressors.

Death Leaves a Void

Salem friends numbered in untold scores find real cause to grieve at news of the passing of Robert M. Townsend, employee of the Portland General Electric company in various capacities since the organization of that company in 1888 one of its legislative representatives here since the turn of the century.

For 20 years "Bob" Townsend has been the recognized dean of the "third House" of the Oregon legislature, and by his conduct of his company's lobby relations with the lawmakers has done much to establish lobbying as a legitimate and valuable adjunct of the process of lawmaking. His lobby has been built upon the foundation of service to legislators in supplying information on any pertinent question without taint of prejudice and without imposing upon members any obligation of reciprocity.

For forty years legislators and state officials have looked upon him as a friend in whom they could safely repose confidence, and whose advice and counsel was sought and respected.

Beet Crop Saved by Japanese Workers

Portland, June 12 (AP)—East-Oregon's sugar beet crop was saved by 300 Japanese volunteer laborers tipping the balance, R. B. Taylor of Adams

told the Oregon U. S. department of agriculture war board here yesterday. He said that only 1,000 of 21,000 acres of sugar beets in the Nyssa area had to be plowed under. The rest will be thinned within a week.

Animal Life

By Beck



Sips for Supper

By Don Upjohn

When our governor, Charley Sprague, starts something evidently it stays started. Here way last year he declared his intention of keeping Oregon green and look at her now. Even the primary election hasn't stopped him from keeping it green. We hope he doesn't decide to start a dust bowl for the summer.

Charley McNary, United States senator, is celebrating his 68th birthday today and Ivy McAdoo, editor of the Gervais Star, is also celebrating the 51st birthday of his newspaper today. Charley started out on a farm near Keizer, became justice

of the Oregon supreme court, United States senator, candidate for vice-president of the United States and a number of other important things too numerous to mention. The Gervais Star boasted in a town which couldn't boast of more than 254 population since it was incorporated in 1874 until the 1940 census showed it had rared up to 337 people.

Ivy has been running the paper since June 1, 1928, and has always looked as though he wore as well as a good car and a pretty fair set of tires. Gosh, ain't that enough for anybody?

Our sterling horse rider Frank Perry added new laurels to the crown of our favorite paper when the other night out at the stadium he won a "keg dodging" contest, said Frank outstripping all his competitors in the posse weaving in and out of a bunch of kegs while aboard his Lady Lou. It's the first time we ever heard of Frank eclipsing anybody in a contest of dodging kegs but he did this with the help of his horse. "It's just my luck," opined Frank. "The night I won the championship there wasn't a spectator on hand in the stadium, and every night I fall off the horse the place is crowded."

A wife is a person who thinks that a vacuum cleaner is more important around the house than a radio.

The unusual and unexpected happened this week when a chap from Vancouver, Wash., came up here to get a marriage license. The odds the other way are about 1000 to 1.

There's a good opportunity for some smart young chemist to reap a fortune by putting vitamins in cigarettes. They've been synthesized into pretty near every kind of food, but think what a boon it would be for the country to have a vitaminized cigarette. A few puffs of vitamin A just before breakfast, a drag or two of vitamin B immediately after, and occasional relaxation during the day through the rest of the alphabet and think what a super race of men and women we'd turn out. Gosh, it makes us feel stronger just thinking of it.

Aurora—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dregnie of Barlow were hosts at dinner recently honoring his mother, Mrs. Henry Kraft, and sister and brother, Helen and Arthur Kraft, on the occasion of their birthday anniversaries.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kraft, Miss Fay Sparks, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kraft, Miss Ethel May Kraft, Mr. and Mrs. Aron Yoder, Mrs. Maurice Vander, Mrs. Carrie Hvidding, Albert, Donald, Beatrice, Helen and Arthur Kraft, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dregnie, Charlotte, Ellen, Ida and Vida Kay Kraft.

Salem Sketches By Will Danch



Kelly Says:

Wires Well Pulled For Food Administrator

Hoover Was Mild Compared with Wickard

Latest Townsend Plan Slated for Debate

By John W. Kelly

Washington, June 12—The inside struggle for the job of food administrator presented one of the finest pieces of wire-pulling within the government in some time and now Claude Wickard, secretary of agriculture, is sitting where Herbert Hoover sat in the first world war, only more so. People Hooverized voluntarily, accepted wheatless, meatless and other sorts of days to conserve food. With Secretary Wickard it will be "must" and not on a voluntary basis. There will be ironclad orders carrying heavy penalties for such as refuse to comply.

To keep the record straight it may be explained that food will be supervised by two agencies, the food requirements committee (Wickard) and rationing by office of price administration (Leon Henderson). Agricultural products which are not food, such as glue, will be controlled by the materials division of WPB. The Wickard committee is under WPB.

Farmers Hear Dictation Farmers of the Pacific Northwest can be told what to raise under the new program; whether to increase acreage on what they are producing, reduce the acreage, or plant a different crop. Civilian consumers will discover canned vegetables and canned salmon hard to get. The demands of the army and navy, which are ever increasing as the army enlarges, are to receive first consideration, and they are drawing heavily on canned vegetables and fruits. Plus requirements of the American armed forces, lend-lease will make heavy inroads on canned goods. On the other hand, the canneries are up "agin" it for tin cans; they will put up smaller packs, and progressively smaller, for the next four years unless some genius discovers a container that will be a satisfactory substitute for tin.

The submarine menace, which is causing a shortage of shipping, is acting as an aid to the civilian consumer at present. When the submarines have been disposed of and there is free movement of cargo ships, lend-lease will draw heavily upon the canned goods supply and other foods as the food needs of Russia, Britain and other United Nations are insufficiently met by the United States, despite the thousands of tons that have been dispatched overseas.

Wickard Wants Soy Beans Killing two birds with one stone, a directive can be expected from Wickard to corn farmers to switch from that crop to soy beans. There is more corn than is required and not enough soy beans. Then, instead of feeding corn to livestock wheat will be used, thereby reducing the surplus of that grain. Experiments were conducted with wheat in Washington and Oregon a few years ago by government officers who declared it met all requirements. This gives an idea of the authority vested in the food administrator.

To assist vegetable growers who have a surplus that cannot be processed by the canneries, a directive will be issued to dispose of the surplus on the fresh market. Civilians must more and more depend on fresh vegetables and fruits instead of buying in cans at the grocery.

Shortages are already seen in food commodities and eventually these will be selected and rationed by OPA when apprised of the scarcity by the food administrator. One of these is coffee, due to lack of bottoms to bring the beans from Central and South America.

Decisions of Wickard will be guided by weather conditions and the availability of farm help. Unless there is an upset this year's crop will meet all domestic and lend-lease needs, provided labor is found.

Pension Bill Coming Up On the desk of the speaker of the house is a petition, No. 7, which will bring to the floor for debate H. R. 1036. This measure represents the latest Townsend plan for old-age pensions (referred to by members as the Townsend national recovery plan). It requires 218 signatures to make the petition effective, this being a majority of the house members. The assumption is that any member who signs the petition will vote for the bill it brings to the floor. Townsends are numbered by the thousands in Oregon and Washington and, next to California, they are stronger in that

CHURCHES

Silverton Churches

CALVARY LUTHERAN—O. C. Olson, pastor. Sunday school and Bible classes, 10 a.m.; Miss Olga Johnson, supt. Divine worship at 11 a.m.; topic, "Count the Cost." Memorial service at 11 a.m. for James Brokke. At 7:30 p.m., Luther league will meet at the home of J. LeRud.

MARQUAM METHODIST—Pierre Smith, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a.m.; topic, "The Risen Christ and His Disciples"; Mrs. J. L. Jones, supt. Worship service at 11; topic, "By-Products of Christianity."

TRINITY LUTHERAN—M. J. K. Fuhr, pastor. Sunday school and Bible classes at 10; divine worship at 11. Sermon topic, "All Out Discipleship." The Luther league will meet in the evening at 7 in the church parlors. Miss Lucille Tschantz will lead the discussion on the topic, "Think On These Things."

METHODIST—Edward Terry, minister. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Fred Baker, supt. Mrs. Lee Alfred, primary supt. Morning worship at 11. Sermon topic, "Can a Christian Become Sinless?" Youth and Young Adult Fellowship at 7:30 p.m.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN—Sunday school at 10 a.m. No services, but will be services June 21. Congregational business meeting called for Thursday, June 25.

ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC—Father John Green, pastor. Sunday masses at 8 and 10. Benediction at 6:30 p.m. Week day masses at 7 a.m. Tuesdays and Fridays at 8:15.

CALVARY PENTECOSTAL—Omar Bailey, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a.m.; worship at 11; young people meet at 6:45 p.m.; evangelistic services at 8.

CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE—William Schwab, pastor. Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Mrs. Art Peterson, supt. Morning worship hour, 11 a.m.; sermon by pastor; YPS, 7 p.m.; evangelistic service, 8 p.m.; prayer service Wednesday, 8 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE—Sunday school, 9:45 a.m. Worship at 11.

LATTER DAY SAINTS (Mormon)—MWA hall, Sunday school, 9:45 a.m. Adults study Book of Mormon; young people the Life of Christ; primary classes for children. Worship following.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST—Prayer service Friday evening. Sabbath school Saturday, 9:45 a.m. Worship at 11. Young people meet Sunday afternoon.

CHURCH OF GOD—A. F. Stubbfield, pastor. Sunday school, 10 a.m.; divine worship at 11. Evangelistic at 7:45 p.m.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST—Russell Myers, pastor. Bible school, 9:45; Mrs. John Jordan, supt. Morning worship, 11:00; theme, "Sanctification"; Christian Endeavor, 7:00; evening worship, 8:00; theme, "Snares of the Devil."

Salvation Army Invites Public The Salvation Army at 241 State street invites the general public to their week-end meetings which include Saturday night at 8 o'clock; Sunday school at 9:45 Sunday forenoon; holiness meeting at 11 o'clock Sunday forenoon. Adjutant Hill, corps officer, will deliver the 11 o'clock sermon on the subject "Be A Fruit Bearing Branch."

At 6 o'clock Sunday night the Young People's meeting is held followed by the Salvation meeting at 7:30 when the sermon subject will be "The Greatest Thing in Life."

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