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BY BECK

Parental Problems



'CRUSADE IN EUROPE'

Ike Tells About Getting Set for the Big Invasion

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By DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

While I have never discussed the matter directly with Marshall, I have always been confident that it was his decision, more than any one else's that sent me to the Overlord post.

Since I first met General Marshall at the beginning of the war I felt for him only intense loyalty and respect, and I had already informed the president of my conviction that no one could undertake the Overlord command with greater prospect of success than could Marshall.



General Ike

I believed then, and I believe now, that he would have been as preeminent in field work as he was in the complicated duties he encountered in Washington.

Our Mediterranean experiences had reaffirmed the truth that unity, co-ordination and co-operation are the keys to successful operations.

War is waged in three elements, land, air or naval war. Unless all assets in all elements are efficiently combined and co-ordinated against a properly selected, common objective, their maximum potential power can not be realized.

Physical targets may be separated by the breadth of a continent or an ocean, but their destruction must contribute in maximum degree to the furtherance of the combined plan of operation. That is what co-ordination means.

Not only would I need commanders who understood this truth, but I must have those who appreciated the importance of morale and had demonstrated a capacity to develop and maintain it.

Morale is the greatest single factor in successful war.

I was happy to secure Air Chief Marshal Tedder as my deputy for Overlord. In the Mediterranean he had won the respect and admiration of all his associates not only as a brilliant airman but as a staunch supporter of the 'allied' principle as practiced in that command.

Authority was also granted to take along my chief of staff, General Walter B. Smith, without whose services it would have been difficult to organize a staff for the conduct of the great allied operation.

I at first understood that originally either General Alexander or General Montgomery was available for the command of the British forces in the new venture.

At that time I expressed a preference for Alexander, primarily because I had been so closely associated with him and had developed for him an admiration and friendship which have grown with the years. I regarded Alexander as Britain's outstanding soldier in the field of strategy. He was, moreover, a friendly and agreeable type. Americans instinctively liked him.

The prime minister finally decided, however, that Alexander should not be spared from the Italian operation, which would have an important effect upon the one we were to undertake the following summer, and from which he still hoped for almost decisive results.

Consequently General Montgomery was assigned to command the British forces in the new operation, a choice acceptable to me.

General Montgomery has no superior in two most important characteristics. He quickly develops among British enlisted men an intense devotion and admiration—the greatest personal asset a commander can possess.

Montgomery's other outstanding characteristic is his tactical ability in what might be called the 'prepared' battle. In the study of enemy positions and situations and in the combining of his own armor, artillery, air

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

French Predict War If Ruhr Returned to Cartels

By DREW PEARSON

Washington—On March 7, 1936, Hitler's small, newly organized army marched into the vital Ruhr, publicly thumping its nose at the giant but motionless French army.

All that day the French cabinet met, debated, hesitated, finally did nothing. One reason they did nothing was their ally across the English channel.



Drew Pearson

This failure to act, with its loss of the Ruhr, was the crucial turning point leading up to World War II.

After March 7, 1936, it was only a matter of time. For after that, Hitler had the giant coke, coal, iron, steel and chemical industries of the Ruhr.

That is why France today is more aroused than at any time since she was overrun by German troops, why Charles De Gaulle has threatened to kick out the Marshall plan, why President Auriol of France has pleaded with the U. S. A., why French communists have jeered at the U. S. A. as the German-loving enemy of France.

For handing the Ruhr back to the German cartels means just one thing to the French—the turning point toward another war.

For whoever controls the Ruhr controls Europe.

During the years between the end of World War I and 1933 when Hitler came to power, the banking firm of Brown Brothers, Harriman dumped around one million dollars of American investors' money into Germany, much of it to the Ruhr.

Simultaneously, the banking firm of Dillon, Read dumped several hundred millions—much of it also into the Ruhr.

In 1933, the Harriman banking firm retained John Foster Dulles to go to Berlin and persuade the Reichsbank not to default on its interest. Dulles in 1926 had assailed the state department for its policy of putting a damper on loans to Germany.

The state department had warned that U. S. loans were helping rearmament. But Dulles advised the American public to invest in European securities and kept repeating this advice even when it was all too apparent that German bonds were not worth the paper they were printed on.

Today, Mr. Dulles is head of the American delegation to the United Nations and a top adviser to the Truman administration.

Today, the former head of Dillon, Read, James V. Forrestal, is secretary of national defense, while his old banking partner, William H. Draper, is undersecretary of the army.

Today, Averell Harriman of the Harriman banking firm which poured money into Germany is U. S. ambassador under the Marshall plan, while another Harriman banking partner, Robert Lovett, is undersecretary of state.

These are the gentlemen who loaned the money to build up the Ruhr between World Wars

Have Faith in Human Nature!

St. Helens, N.J.—James O'Conner who runs a meat market today again believed in human nature. O'Conner said a woman entered his shop and paid out \$13.50 she said she owed him since 1913. O'Conner said he had no record of the debt and didn't recognize the woman who claimed she left St. Helens 35 years ago but came back and paid the bill.

SIPS FOR SUPPER

Ah, Rosette!

BY DON UPJOHN

Richard Hoven of Sidney who dropped a bottle with a note in it in the Willamette last May and has just received an answer from a petite French gal who works in a Paris department store with an English accent may very well have started something. Our first inclination in reading this yarn in our favorite paper was to begin scurrying around the basement at home for all the old bottles we could find.



Don Upjohn

There are two surprising features to this little item. One is that it happened in the YMCA. The other that it happened to the sheriff. Yes, the other night Sheriff Denver Young took in the smorgasbord at the said institution. With the result he got plenty to eat but he lost a high-class new hat. Yes, somebody walked away with same, probably not knowing it belonged to the sheriff but without doubt knowing it was not the proper

thing to do in the YMCA. No, the purloiner didn't leave another in place of as far as the sheriff knows. Anyway, the county's chief executive officer would probably be glad to get his hat back with no questions asked.

Time sure races by. For what should happen but another issue of the good old Farmers' Almanac pops up on our desk again. The same which has been published every year since 1786 and still going strong. The almanac has had a great influence on the lives of a lot of people. For instance, we quote from a copy of the 1799 issue in which says the almanac, "a sheriff in North Carolina at the present time is reported to guide the activities of his deputies by consulting the almanac: 'When the moon is full,' he says, 'my jail is always full, too.'" No doubt the same could be said for the inmates.

MacKENZIE'S COLUMN

Eire's Last Tie With Britain

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

The bill now before the parliament of Eire, to sever the last remaining tie between that country and the British Commonwealth, will cause no surprise to those who know the depth of the bitterness which the southern Irish feel for England.

That is strong language. But if you had been a witness of the "Bloody Easter Week Rebellion" of 1916—as I was—and had seen other phases of the strife in that tumultuous period—as I did—then you would understand.

The spirit of independence flames fiercely in Eire, and the memories of her citizens are long.

I ran into a striking illustration of this the last time I was in Dublin. I was out to take pictures of some of the old buildings of the capital, and wanted to include the house of parliament.

That was difficult because a huge statue of old Queen Victoria stood right in front of the structure and all but cut off the front view. I had finally taken a couple of pictures when a uniformed officer came up and said:

The gain will be absolute sovereignty without any semblance of attachment to the British crown. And if there is any loss involved, Eire will be glad to take it. The prospects are that there may be some.

For example, the citizens of Eire who are in England have the rights of British citizens, and the same is true in all the British dominions. Presumably the people of Eire will be deprived of this right. Further, Eire now gets imperial preferences and advantages in trade over foreign nations.



DeWitt MacKenzie

The Services Are Interested. Is Salem?

Both the air force and navy aviation are interested in locating reserve air units at McNary field here.

Two other cities being considered by the navy are Portland and Hillsboro. Portland has the field, but little short on space for adequate facilities. Hillsboro hasn't the facilities but has indicated a willingness to build to meet the services' needs.

The locating of one of these units in Salem would be an advantage in building up the airport. Either unit would be a contribution to a better field.

Only in the past few months was the McNary field expansion program approved. It was contemplated at the time that commercial operations, in due course, would be shifted to the west side. That would leave the east side, now occupied by United Airlines and private flying services, to reserve units of the armed forces and to private flying. However, a nucleus of private hangars has been started on the southwest side of the field.

So, McNary field would be in condition to handle the air units of the air force or the navy. The attention either one of the branches of the service would give to their section of the field would certainly be reflected in improvement to the field in general.

The navy, for instance, would probably bring in a detachment of two officers and 24 enlisted men. Their unit would have, perhaps, 10 naval planes. Operating out of the field, then, would be the naval reserve officers and men in the central Willamette valley.

The air forces' unit would be set-up to handle the needs of a reserve squadron, probably covering about the same area as far as reserves are concerned.

These flying units are definitely interested in locating here. Now it is up to the city to make the proper arrangements financially and in facilities on the field to induce either, or both, the air force and navy to establish their air reserve units here.

Murray Purging CIO Reds

CIO President Philip Murray's three speeches before the national convention in session at Portland blasting left wing union leaders seems to signalize a long delayed purge for an internal house cleaning of communist controlled unions or at least their leaders. The encouraging feature is the vote of the delegates supporting Murray's proposal, only one delegation—the office and professional workers' union—abstaining.

Murray bitterly assailed the communists, lashed three of the CIO unions, calling them "unfit and inadequate and publicly dressed down leaders of the office and professional workers, the united public workers and the retail and wholesale workers, and the food and tobacco workers' unions, as 'ideological dive bombers,' 'diabetic theoreticians' and 'apostles of dictatorship.'"

Walter Reuther, president of the United Automobile Workers, supported Murray, telling "these brothers to make up their minds—either to get clear into the CIO, or get clear out of the CIO." He attacked all unionists who supported Henry Wallace in the presidential election as following orders from the Kremlin, asking them whether "they are going to be loyal to their country or the Soviet union?"

The communist taint has been strong in many CIO unions, since its organization by John L. Lewis who seems to have employed all the militant communist agitators available. Ever since Murray's election to succeed Lewis as CIO president, he has worked as far and as hard as he could in his position to purge the CIO unions of communist leaders and evidently the showdown has come. It will do much to enhance the stability of the CIO and secure a public support alienated by the radical left wingers.

Morse's Proposed Labor Law

Senator Wayne L. Morse of Oregon, leader of the republican liberal bloc in the senate, said in his speech to the CIO convention that senate repeal of the Taft-Hartley labor law, which he voted against was not enough because the earlier Wagner act is also in need of revision. He advocated enactment of legislation "fair to both labor and management," a law that would "prevent abuses by both labor and management."

Among the proposals made by Morse were: 1. Return of closed shop contracts. 2. Abolition of "mandatory injunctions directed exclusively against labor." 3. Enforced settlement of jurisdictional strikes. 4. Requirement that unions as well as management bargain in good faith. 5. Elimination of the requirement that union leaders sign non-communist affidavits if they wish to use national labor relations board machinery. He said it was "an insult to patriotic labor leaders."

All these suggestions could be put into effect by amendments to the Taft-Hartley law, a statute enacted with the proviso for continuing revision as experience found necessary.

Snowballs in Honolulu!

Seattle (P)—Those persons who stand around the Honolulu airport and strum ukeles and sing "Aloha" when the planes arrive are in for a surprise.

They're going to get pelted with 50 snowballs. Northwest Airlines said it will carry the snowballs, harvested on Mt. Rainier and individually wrapped, on its inaugural flight from Seattle to Honolulu Dec. 2.

When the plane lands, passengers and stewardesses will toss the snowballs to the reception committee to show how rugged things are in the states.

He Just Doesn't Like Speed

Petersfield, England (P)—The age of speed has a dogmatic dissenter in former army officer Raymond Francis Baird.

Hailed into court for pulling an emergency stop cord on a train traveling 60 miles an hour, he paid 10 pounds six shillings (\$42) in fines and court costs and declared:

"I have written to the railways saying I will pull all trains up when they are going too fast." He's a regular passenger.

POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

Somethin' to Be Thankful for

BY HAL BOYLE

New York (P)—There are many things to be grateful for this Thanksgiving, not including the price of turkey.

For example, everybody can still afford a cranberry.

So let the cost of the drumstick soar. It'll take more than that to turn the 1948 Thanksgiving into a turkey.

We can always give the traditional bird a traditional bird—a pick something besides pinefeathers out of our teeth. Forget the turkey. Let's count a few real blessings to be thankful for:

The election is over, and it is now possible to turn on a radio without hearing a politician running for office on his vocal chords.

The longshoremen's strike tied up scores of vessels, but the ship of state is still rocking along on an even keel.

Congress is out of session. The new look isn't getting any longer.

Nobody has started a post-season football contest called "The Soup Bowl."

More stores are stocking two-pants suits.

The goose hangs high in the land. Everybody is working, going to college, or waiting for the army to call him up and end his housing problem.

The business depression predicted for 1949 hasn't arrived. The financial Cassandra who forecast it has joined the political pollsters on the mourner's bench—or else taking lessons in astrology.



Hal Boyle

The ghost is still walking every payday. Most bosses are meeting their payrolls on time, including the biggest of all—the government. It sends checks now to about one out of every six families.

Television programs are better. Some nights not a single wrestling match shows up on the screen.

Lumber is getting plentiful. Soon a man will be able to afford to be buried in a pine coffin again.

So many motor cars are being turned out that by 1951 everybody who can't afford a car will be able to buy one anyway.

Russia hasn't taken another European country all year.

The U. S. army, three years after the war, has a new medium tank in the field equal to any-

thing the Germans had in 1939.

At long last an etiquette book now says men don't have to take off their hats in office elevators when a woman enters.

Pretzels are in good supply.

Yes, all in all, there's a lot to be thankful for. Everybody working, loving and living—in a land of peace.

Of course, there's a dark side to the picture. Uncle Sam owes \$250,000,000,000, which is \$1,731 apiece for every man, woman and child. But you know relatives—they're always in debt.

Why worry? We're better off than the Pilgrims, who borrowed this country from the Indians and never paid it back.

Never mind the turkey. Pass the cranberries. I think I've got room for one more.

OPEN FORUM

Small Terrier Offered Little Dog

To the Editor: I read the piece in the paper about someone taking little Doug's pup. Would you be kind enough to find out if he got it back yet. If not, I have a small toy terrier (male) that I will give him. Just let me know his address and I'll see that he gets it.

Some people sure are mean when they take a small child's pet, don't you think? MRS. LAURENCE HOFFMAN Star route, Silverton

P.S.: I have four boys of my own, and they are more than glad to see that Doug gets this pup. Of ours.

(Editor's Note: To Mrs. Hoff-

Advertisement for Societe Fine Candies featuring a turkey illustration and various candy products like 'Societe French Creams' and 'Societe Fine Candies'.