



Oregon's Own Author, Ernest Haycox, who has contributed "Canyon Passage" and a number of other great stories to the screen, is responsible for another even greater adventure drama in Warner Bros. Technicolor production, "Montana." Starring Errol Flynn and Alexis Smith, with S. Z. Cuddles, Sakall, "Montana" opens its "Bonanza Premiere" showing today at Warner's Elsinore theater. The Elsinore was selected by the producers of "Montana" as one of the nation's first 200 theaters to premiere this feature, the dramatic story of the epic conflict between cattle and sheep men in the pioneer days of the great western state.

Vandenberg, Taft Join Forces To Ask Opinion on Formosa

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—Sens. Arthur H. Vandenberg, (R., Mich.), and Robert A. Taft, (R., O.), long at odds on foreign policy, joined Wednesday in a demand that congress question the joint chiefs of staff on the strategic importance of communist-threatened Formosa.

In separate speeches, both attacked the administration's hands-off policy toward the Chinese Nationalists' island stronghold.

Taft also said the U.S. navy and the state department could save Formosa from the communists without risking a shooting war with Russia.

Vandenberg and Taft—senate GOP leaders on foreign policy and domestic issues—voiced their views as Secretary of State Dean Acheson tried for the second successive day to check a groundswell of congressional demands for a stronger stand in the Far East. Acheson met with the house foreign affairs committee to repeat testimony he gave the senate foreign relations committee yesterday.

Chairman Tom Connolly (D., Ohio) of the senate foreign relations committee quoted Acheson as having said Tuesday that the United States would have an "impregnable" defense line in the Pacific—even if Formosa were not in friendly hands. But other senators present disagreed with Connolly's interpretation.

Connolly had vetoed republican suggestions that military leaders be called to give their views on Formosa's strategic importance.

Taft told the senate that the Chinese communists could not cross the mainland of China to invade Formosa if the U.S. navy "makes it clear that ships carrying troops will not be allowed to cross."

Monmouth Vote For Proposals

Monmouth—A special election gave strong support to all three proposals by the voters of Monmouth.

The proposal for a sewage disposal system carried by a vote of approximately nine to one, the vote being 177 yes and 20 no.

The proposal for an increased capacity for water reservoir storage did not fare as well, the vote of 140 for and 56 opposed being favorable by less than three to one.

The proposal for a millage tax for fire department equipment replacement made a still weaker showing. The vote was 135 yes and 49 no, which is only a little better than two to one.

Defense Line in Western Pacific Not 'Impregnable'

Tokyo, Jan. 13 (AP)—The American defense line in the western Pacific could be the springboard for powerful air blows at the outset of war, but it is not "impregnable."

This is the consensus of views of top-ranking military officials in Tokyo as gathered by this correspondent during four years of conversation on defense problems.

In Washington, Tuesday, Senator Tom Connolly (D., Texas) quoted Secretary of State Dean Acheson as saying that the United States had an impregnable ring of defenses in the Western Pacific without Formosa. This was disputed by some Republican senators attending the senate foreign affairs committee session addressed by Acheson. They said that the Secretary merely nodded when Connolly made the statement.

No responsible officer would comment publicly today on reports of Secretary Acheson's testimony before the senate foreign relations committee.

But key officials on the spot have made clear this picture of Western Pacific defenses:

American bombers from Japan, Okinawa and The Philippines could cover thousands of miles of potential enemy territory from southeast Asia to Siberia.

"We can give a good account of ourselves," say air force officers on the spot.

Waller Hagen came straight from a month-long hunting expedition, without practice, to win his last Professional Golfers' Association title, in 1927.

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Is Communist Leader Finding Reds Tough to Deal With?

Hong Kong, Jan. 13 (AP)—The unprecedented stay of Chinese communist leader Mao Tze-Tung in Moscow indicated today he is finding the Russians tough bargainers.

Exactly four weeks ago he left China for his historic conferences with Stalin. Leaving his country at a critical time, Mao arrived in the Russian capital Dec. 16. He is still there.

Customary procedure for a high level international conference in Moscow is for senior members of a mission to remain only a few days. Then they leave subordinates behind to iron out the details.

Does his prolonged stay mean he is finding the price asked by the tight-fisted Russians too high? That is the opinion of experts.

Veteran China observers think Mao went to Moscow primarily to seek badly needed economic aid for China. That he left his country at this time underlined the urgency of his mission.

He likely is requesting relief from the Manchurian barter agreement. Concluded last summer, it calls for Manchuria to provide agricultural products to the Soviet Union in return for manufactured goods.

It has caused resentment in food-short China. Reliable sources say even normally food-rich Manchuria cannot now meet the export quota for Russia. North China, although plagued with famine, has been asked to make up the heavy deficit.

The result: New anger has been stirred up against the Russians.

Some observers say the Chinese Reds must have large scale economic help if internal conditions are to be improved fast enough to consolidate them in power.

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Stalin needs Mao's help for Soviet aspirations in Asia. The Russians will try for maximum control over the future development of Red China. The use of China and large overseas Chinese communities will be sought to spread communism in southeast Asia. Moscow probably will want a firm commitment to rule out Chinese communist flirtations with the Western Powers.

(Western observers in Moscow are watching for results of Mao's talks with Soviet officials with intense interest. A dispatch from the Russian capital yesterday said they are expecting some sort of official announcement soon.)

(Mao was received yesterday by N. N. Shvernick, chairman of the presidium of the supreme Soviet. The brief announcement by the Moscow radio and Tass news agency did not indicate what was discussed.)

(More than a week ago Mao told a Tass correspondent he was in Moscow to work out agreements with the Russians, including a treaty of friendship, alliance and trade. There has been no progress report since.)

Mao probably has requests of Russia covering more than economic issues.

One may be renegotiation of the Chinese-Soviet treaty of 1945 which is so unpopular with Chinese. This treaty gives the Russians joint control of Manchuria's truck railway, the old Manchurian capital of Changchun, and Dairen, Manchuria's main port, as well as the nearby naval base of Port Arthur.

An interesting angle of Mao's trip to Russia is that it put the spotlight on Liu Shao-chi. Long rumored to be China's No. 2 communist, this quiet, strongly pro-Russian intellectual has presided over Red China's government during Mao's absence.

Polk Taxpayers Will Get Refund

Dallas—Polk county taxpayers who jangled up too much money in November in payment of their property taxes due to an \$108,000 error on the roll will soon be getting a refund.

Sheriff T. B. Hooker states that about 1,000 such refunds will be in the mails Thursday. This includes all who are entitled to them. After the error was discovered, about a week after the roll turnover was made to the sheriff, corrections were made on individual statements as presented for payment.

About 1,000 had made payments by mail or in the office prior to that time, and the refunds are being made to them.

Libby Infant Home

Lincoln—Walter Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Libby of Lincoln who was born December 19 was brought to his parents home for the first time Saturday, after being kept in the hospital nursery until he gained in health and strength.

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Jap Trawler Captured at Sea

Tokyo, Jan. 13 (AP)—Japanese maritime officials said tonight a fishing trawler had been machinegunned and captured about

60 miles southwest of Cheju Island off Korea. Two companions, they said, had radioed that the craft, Taiyo Maru III, had disappeared northward in company with the unidentified assailant.

The Taiyo Maru III carries a crew of 29 and is a 500-ton craft. Her companion vessels were

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Student Nurse Home Lafayette—Miss Kolene Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williams is at home on a three weeks vacation from her work of nurses training at the Multnomah county hospital. Miss Williams will finish her training next June.

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