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Thanks to the Emergency Board

Salem need wonder no longer about the intention of the state government to go along on the extension of the capitol zone north of Center street.

The city council had moved cautiously to freeze the four blocks north of the present capitol grouping.

So when the emergency board unhesitatingly moved Monday to buy the Coates' property and thus forestall building of a seven-story apartment house in the designated area, the council could feel better about the state's intentions.

The five emergency board members present voted unanimously for the proposed purchase.

In other words, support for the zone extension and property buying was from many sections of Oregon.

The emergency board has earned the thanks of the state and the city of Salem for its action in endorsing the idea of pushing the capitol zone north.

Hollywood Immorality

Decadent Hollywood immorality is being pretty well exploited by the marital escapades of its two "most beautiful" stars, Rita Hayworth and Ingrid Bergman.

The twice married Rita chased around Europe for a long time with the also married Ali Kahn, son and heir of the fabulously wealthy Aga Kahn, Moslem spiritual ruler.

Ingrid did not bother to even secure a divorce before her "romance" with the also married Roberto Rossellini, Italian film magnate, before giving birth to a son to which Rossellini proudly admits paternity.

Numerous ministers throughout the country are preaching sermons strongly criticizing the actions of both actresses as in defiance of all Christian ideals of marriage and the sanctity of the home and a cynical flaunting of moral standards, advocating a public boycott of their films.

Hollywood is of course impervious to such criticism and stands by its own code. It is said that Ingrid and Roberto have received over 5000 congratulatory telegrams from screen stars and authors, most of them from the film capital, including Marian Davies and Ernest Hemingway, which is not at all surprising.

It is a far cry from what the late George Ade in his fables of slang called the "short and simple scandals of the poor," to the glamorized, ballyhooed, commercialized scandals of sex-crazed filmdom with its conjugal infidelity.

Truman Discovers an Emergency

President Truman, after many months, with the shortage of coal in winter increasing, railroad transportation curtailed and industrial plants forced to close because of the strike of the United Mine Workers and the obstinacy of their boss, John L. Lewis, has discovered at last that a national emergency exists threatening public welfare and utilized the Taft-Hartley labor-relations law to invoke the powers given him to end the strike.

Ironically enough it was the rejection by Lewis of the president's fact finding and truce, accepted by the operators, which forced the president to concede that an emergency to public welfare exists, thereby forcing presidential action.

The fact finding board named by the president could have been named months ago, and the appeal to the courts have long ago restored peace.

Something to Squawk About

Detroit, Feb. 7 (AP)—Bob, a 32-year-old parrot, had more than usual to squawk about today. His master, George M. Blair, willed the bird his \$40,000 estate.

BY BECK

That Guilty Feeling



THE TIME YOUR MOTHER LEFT YOU ALONE IN A LADIES' LINGERIE SHOP WHILE SHE WAS TRYING ON SOMETHING IN A DRESSING-ROOM.

KRISS-KROSS

Comedy and Drama Observed At Ferry Street Pet Shop

By CHRIS KOWITZ, Jr.

One of the most popular forms of noon-time entertainment for downtown business people is the show put on by Jo Jo the monkey and a weird assortment of other animals at Henry Sinaka's pet shop at 475 Ferry street.

The frisky antics of Jo Jo, the clumsy wrestling of chubby puppies, and the perennial treadmilling of chipmunks present quite a show... and the adults who stand outside with their noses pressed against the window are just as entertaining as Jo Jo, et al.



Chris Kowitz, Jr.

Animal emporiums have their more serious moments, too. Sinaka's shop was recently the scene of a drama that would have put a lump in the throat of anyone.

A 7-year-old girl, grasping her father's hand with one hand and a crutch with the other, hobbled into the shop. The girl, as would any other 7-year-old, enjoyed the merry animated mixup. The girl doesn't know that some of those animals may outlive her... she doesn't know that an incurable disease has its deadly grip on her... she only knows that she can't move about without the aid of crutches or a wheel chair.

MacKENZIE'S COLUMN

Why Did Defense Secretary Talk so Tough to Russia?

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

Rarely does a government official resort to such sensationally tough talk to a foreign power as was directed to Russia and Marshal Stalin the other night by Secretary of Defense Johnson during a speech in Washington.

"In all we are doing," declared the secretary, "we are seeking peace. There is only one nation in the whole world that would start a war. We seek to have a military establishment sufficient to deter that aggression and lick hell out of her if she doesn't stay deterred."

Mr. Johnson said America's defense system is in better shape and stronger than at any time since 1945. Our defenses are getting stronger daily and soon will reach a point where they will be ready for anything in an hour's time.

"Joe Stalin will know," declared the secretary, "that if he starts something at four a. m. the fighting power of the United States will be on the job at five a. m."

That certainly is laying it on the line. Of course, statesmen sometimes under stress of emotion make statements stronger than were intended. However, the secretary was speaking from pencilled notes and there is no indication that he wasn't talking with studied deliberation.

Such language is reserved for emergencies, and this certainly is a critical moment in the conflict of the isms, as the great Red offensive continues its victorious sweep across southeast Asia. It's my guess (and it is a guess) that Secretary Johnson had two objects in view: One was to let the American public know that America is prepared for contingencies and isn't depending on any Maginot line of defense. The other was to advise Moscow that we are prepared

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Hoover Says Subversives Worse Now Than During War

By DREW PEARSON

Washington—After J. Edgar Hoover's lengthy session with the senate appropriations committee last week regarding A-bomb leads, newspapers reported that senators left the meeting ashen-faced over the disclosures.

Here is what Hoover said to cause those ashen faces:

Hoover dramatically reported that subversive activities in the United States are at an all-time high—worse than during the war.

He also revealed that communists are doing away with party cards in order to prevent detection and conviction. Instead, they identify each other by word of mouth.

Hoover told the senators that communists were making a special attempt to infiltrate into strategic industries such as telegraph, telephone and the manufacture of electrical equipment.

The head G-man complained that Elizabeth Bentley's sensational disclosures two years ago had been premature and that as a result the FBI lost many sources that had been carefully planted for ten years inside the communist party.

Listening to Hoover as he testified was Sen. Homer Ferguson of Michigan who was partly responsible for the Bentley disclosures. Ferguson, together with Congressman J. Parnell Thomas, then chairman of the un-American activities committee, heard about Miss Bentley in connection with the communist treason trial being prepared in New York and jumped the gun on the justice department. In order to cop the news headlines, they called Miss Bentley before their committees and smeared her testimony all over the front pages.

Hoover was testifying in order to secure appropriations for about 700 new employees. He illustrated the work of his G-men by telling how during the first trial of Alger Hiss, the FBI was unable to locate Hiss' maid. All Mrs. Chambers could remember about the maid was her name, "Mary." However, after the first trial, Mrs. Chambers dug up a rough sketch she had made of the maid, gave it to the FBI, and after honeycombing Baltimore and using only this sketchy evidence, finally the G-men located the maid.

Hoover told the senators that Dr. Klaus Fuchs had access to every atomic secret in the United States and was even in on the "final critical assembly" of the A-bomb. This was the most top-secret phase of the Manhattan project.

Hoover testified at machine-gun speed throughout the closed-door session. Here are some of the figures he rattled off regarding crime in the U.S.A. last year: 1,686,670 major crimes committed in the entire country; the big increases since 1941 have been 67.4 percent more "aggravated assaults," 35.2 percent more rapes, 27.5 percent more burglaries, 24.4 percent more robberies, 7.3 percent more larceny. However, murder has dropped 0.7 percent since 1941, manslaughter has decreased 5.5 percent and auto thefts 11.5 percent. The FBI, he said, had a record of 97.2 percent convictions last year.

HOW FUCHS WORKED

Here is the background in

which Dr. Klaus Fuchs, arrested as a Russian spy in London, worked in the U.S. during the war.

Los Alamos, where he was stationed, was unlike all the other atomic installations and not compartmentalized. In other words, scientists did not work in secret compartments but were familiar with each other's work.

There were some 600 scientists at Los Alamos, of which the foreign "colony" numbered about 60—20 British, 2 Swiss, 10 German refugees, and some Italians.

Sir James Chadwick headed the British delegation. Fuchs was not considered on the first team, but rather on the second. Since there was no compartmentalization, his exact scientific standing made no difference as far as collecting data was concerned.

Fuchs' friends recall that he first worked on atomic matters in Canada, at the Chalk River plant in northern Ontario. This is Canada's chief atomic lab. Next he went to New York, where he was assigned to working out the plans for the Oak Ridge diffusion plant; then on to Los Alamos.

The scientists at Los Alamos were confined to a 200-mile radius from the Los Alamos lab, due to the fact that an army officer made a security slip in a Denver bar in the early days and trips to Denver were ruled out. Scientists were also forbidden to communicate with either friends or relatives—except in emergency.

According to British intelligence, Klaus Fuchs came to Britain from Germany in 1932 as an anti-Nazi refugee on orders from Moscow. Fuchs' instructions were to work his way into British scientific circles. As a result, he became a British citizen, knew every secret of the A-bomb including the exact size of the critical mass that makes an explosive, and even the secret of the detonator.

Fuchs also knew about the H-bomb, which our scientists tried to produce before they got the A-bomb. The British believe he gave everything to the Russians.

BLUE-GRAY MONEY

Rep. Pat Sutton of Tennessee has received a flood of mail from civic leaders, clergymen, labor unions and bankers all over the nation, pledging support for his bill to smoke out an estimated \$10,000,000,000 of underworld cash by a new issue of currency.

Also, more than 100 members of congress have assured Sutton they will vote for his bill if it gets to the floor. Meantime, broad-gauged Rep. Brent Spence of Kentucky, chairman of the house banking and currency committee, has promised to give the measure a public hearing. However, Sutton's supporters are divided on the color of the proposed new currency. When Rep. Philip Philbin of Massachusetts asked Sutton what color he favored, the Tennesseean replied: "Well, being a southerner, I'm for gray."

"Well, I'm a northerner," came back Philbin. "and therefore lean to blue. But what do you say we compromise on blue and gray?" "That's okay by me," agreed Sutton.

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Punch Falls Short of Mark

Portland, Ore., Feb. 7 (AP)—Cab driver Ed Hill was treated for a lacerated arm today.

Police said he took a punch at the driver of an automobile who sideswiped his cab, but the window was rolled up.

He's Done 'Em Wrong

By OSWALD WEST

(Governor of Oregon from 1911 to 1915)

Practically all Democratic candidates for office—high or low—in this state have been relying upon the cry, "C.V.A." to insure their winning at the polls.

The Columbia Valley authority measure (S. 1645) was introduced last April, being sponsored by a number of administration senators.

It met with sufficient opposition to prevent its early passage, and its chances of gaining approval at this session are rather slim.

Up to date, all projects in the hands of the Army engineers of the Reclamation Service, whether on the approved list or under construction, have been brushed aside by the President. When needed funds were sought, their sponsors were advised that such projects should await the C.V.A. which had the right-of-way.

The C.V.A. bill, however, has failed to gather momentum, and as a campaign measure may be regarded as a flop.

So, to save the day, the Magnuson bill (S. 2180) was introduced. It carried a list of around 35 projects—power, irrigation and flood control all approved

BY CLARE BARNES, JR.

White Collar Zoo



"Gentlemen, this is my assistant, who will be working with me on your account."

POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

What Better Hobby Than Collecting Human Faces?

By HAL BOYLE

New York (AP)—Besides collecting years and nonsense, as we all must do, I collect another thing just for fun—and that is faces.

Probably everyone does unconsciously, but I do it deliberately. It is the cheapest hobby I know of, and differs from every other



Hal Boyle

lect them, you look for different patterns just as you follow a thread of theme in symphonic music.

The faces I like best are those of very young people. A child's face is like the Bay of Naples—the light across it shifts and changes, and from moment to moment it is never quite the same.

You can never tire of it, and if you didn't have to work for a living I couldn't think of a more wonderful way to pass the rest of my life than looking at children. It is better if the children are not your own—because then the ownership question enters in.

The next best faces—to me—are those of old people. I have read in books that old people generally are selfish and querulous. If that is so, I have been lucky because most of the old people I know have been just the opposite. They do have a habit of saving string, but that is just because, knowing their days are rationed, they have come to hate waste of any kind.

In my collection are a treasure store of splendid faces I have seen around the world, in war and peace.

If I had to lose them all—excepting those of friends and family—what face would I keep in mind's eye? I think it would be a Chinese face. Any Chinese face.

It is like trying to read an old and wonderful story through a veil.

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