



Mystery Sub—This mystery submarine was photographed by a crewman aboard the racing yacht Westward Ho during the San Clemente races to Catalina island. The Westward Ho approached to within about 75 yards of the sub when two khaki-uniformed men on the conning tower jumped inside, and the submarine submerged, according to crewmen of the yacht. Cdr. John P. Currie, submarine officer at Treasure Island naval base, San Francisco, "thinks it's a U. S. sub of the Charr type." Cdr. Currie, who made the last war patrol on the Charr in 1945, said U. S. subs were operating in the Catalina area when the above sub was sighted. (Acme Telephoto)

MacArthur Said Involved In Top Secret War Games

By EARNEST HOBERECHT

Tokyo, April 6 (AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur has spent the past three evenings personally supervising some unusual type of top secret war games in the far east, an aide indicated today.

The precise exercises involved were not known, but they have been important enough to make MacArthur change his schedule quite outside his regular habit.

For the past three consecutive nights MacArthur's five-starred automobile has been parked behind the barbed wire guarding a big concrete building believed to be the army's communications center in Japan.

The building is in the rear of the radio Tokyo building and next door to former Japanese navy headquarters. It was built by the Japanese but is now in the area used by the U. S. army. For the past three days MacArthur has been going to the building around sundown and has spent the evening there. Extra guards were thrown around the area several days ago.

MacArthur's aide, Col. Lawrence Bunker, said MacArthur was participating in "war games." Other official sources said they could not talk about MacArthur's movements.

It was believed MacArthur may be participating in what is known as a command post exercise. This probably is being carried out on the highest level in the far east command, giving staff officers a workout in theoretical problems with no actual troops involved. The cars of other generals have been observed parked beside the building.

MacArthur's visits to the restricted building are an unusual thing. The supreme commander rarely changes his schedule.

His renewed interest in military problems indicated something important and unusual is in progress. So far as it is known, this is the first time he has done this since he came here at the end of the war.

No announcement has been made of any war games except some forthcoming amphibious training exercises this summer. Soldiers guarding the building visited by MacArthur said they didn't know what was going on, only that it was top secret.

The average salary for public school teachers in the U. S. for 1949-50 was estimated by the National Education Association at \$2,985.

Three Sisters, All Over 80, on Air Trip

Denver, April 6 (AP)—Airplanes hold no fear for three sisters—all more than 80 years old—who are on their way to Hawaii today.

The trio, including Miss Sarah E. Stout, 85, and Mrs. Alta Lashell, 83, of Denver, and Mrs. Eva Collins, 81, of Emporia, Kans., took off last night for Honolulu on a spur-of-the-moment decision.

They had planned to spend their vacation in Phoenix, until Ted Lashell of Denver, son of the "middle sister," came back from the islands a walking chamber of commerce.

"We switched our plans," Mrs. Lashell said, "to see if Ted was using his imagination too much."

With them went Mrs. Susan C. Sherman, another of Mrs. Lashell's children.

"We're going to take good care of her," the three old ladies said.

Visiting Relatives

Scio—Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Rhoades of Waldport are visiting Scio relatives. Mrs. Rhoades is a teacher in the Waldport grade school and is a sister of Clarence, Harvey and Roy Thurston of Scio.

Elgin City Council Gets Complaint

Elgin, Ore., April 6 (AP)—The Elgin city council has tabled a former inmate's complaint of unsanitary conditions in the Elgin jail.

Truman Hebenner, 25, Elgin logger, in an 18,000-word, five page letter to the council, charged that the city jail was inadequately heated, and lacked sufficient source of drinking water. Hebenner recently completed a 90-day sentence for threatening to commit a felony.

Visiting at Scio

Scio—Miss June Barclay of Seattle is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Albert Wagner. Miss Barclay is a teacher in Seattle. Mr. Wagner is in Portland attending the OEA convention.

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Private Business Bidding For Ex-Gov't Workers Hit

Enactment by congress of a general law that would bar, for at least two years, any government officials who leave office from representing private clients before the agency for which they worked is recommended in the April American Magazine by Sen. Hugh Butler of Nebraska.

In a signed article exposing the extent to which "old grads" are using "inside contacts" in Washington or have used government jobs as stepping stones to lush positions in private business, the republican senator names names and declares:

"The situation offers an invitation to skulduggery. Some stringent curbs are necessary. We cannot have our national purposes perverted by swarms of ex-officials cashing in on their inside dope, inside contacts, and inside influence."

"Forbidding this practice, I believe, is just one approach to correction of the present dangers and to the prevention of abuses in the future."

"The other and more constructive approach is to set up an office of technical service in the Department of Commerce. This would be a clearinghouse where businessmen, large and small, can quickly get all the information they need on the government's technological, scientific, and engineering programs, without resorting to an old grad."

While not accusing anyone of illegal activities, Senator Butler makes it clear he believes the much-heralded Washington "five percenters" were small time operators compared to the "old grads" of government agencies. He says there are disturbing possibilities in the situation and claims to have "found evidence justifying public concern."

"Among them (old grads) we

"Mr. Foster was without any notable experience as an industrial manager, but he turned up as president of Plywood-Plastics in a deal that promised to pay him \$30,000 to \$40,000 a year. "I do not think—and am not suggesting that Mr. Hagerty and Mr. Foster got their jobs as payment for helping clear the loans, but I believe their hiring was certainly contrary to public interest."

The senator says this "old grad" type of activity is evident in the Securities Exchange Commission, Federal Communications Commission, Civil Aeronautics Board, Maritime Commission, Bureau of Internal Revenue, and various military procurement agencies among others.

"Some of my own congressional colleagues have gone over to the 'other side' by becoming lobbyists," he observes in recommending stringent curbs.

Reno Police Watch Oakridge Depositor

Reno, April 6 (AP)—City police wondered today whether an Oakridge, Ore., resident contemplating going on a crime spree in Reno some time in the future.

Police received a telegram from N. Lobek of Oakridge informing them he had deposited \$10 bail with a Reno bank for a Paul Pryor.

A thorough search of the record for the past four months failed to disclose a Paul Pryor connected with any criminal charge, nor did the name bring any response from the Washoe county sheriff's office.

A bank official said the \$10 was on deposit so police presume a Paul Pryor may appear in Reno in the future and he may be trouble-bent.

Nurse Survey Started Here

For the first time since 1946, Marion county chapter of the American Red Cross is making a survey of the registered nurses who live within its jurisdiction. More than 400 registered nurses in the county will receive a Red Cross questionnaire in the interest of the reactivation of the nurse enrollment program, reports Mrs. Ralph E. Moody, general chairman of the nursing services for the Red Cross chapter here.

From its first beginnings, Red Cross enrolled nurses for disaster duty and to maintain a roster of qualified nurses for the armed forces. Since 1947, how-

ever, the army and navy nurse corps have recruited their own nurses.

The Red Cross nurse enrollment program is important to many community activities, however, the need being for disaster nursing, teaching for blood program, assisting in first aid instruction and other services.

"Not only will the volunteer services of the Red Cross benefit from the knowledge of nursing resources but the county at large will have the valuable participation of a group of skill women," said Mrs. Moody, discussing the program.

Mrs. Gordon Shattuck and Mrs. Grace Knapp head the special committee for nurse enrollment.

This nurse enrollment program is a major service stressed by the national Red Cross now.

Holly Says:

Will you be the "best dressed lady in the Easter Parade"? I hope so, I also hope you will not have to wear last year's lapel pin on that new Easter suit or coat. It would sure be nice if, in some way, the husbands in and about Salem could be reminded that they should supply the new lapel pins for Easter. Gee if this little advertisement should show up in his pocket, or beside his dinner plate or anywhere else you think he may find it... well, it's just an idea. Most of these men now-a-days just have to be told these things. They like to do nice things but they just have to be reminded about them. If they would only come in to me it would be so easy.

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