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"Dreadfully Familiar"

Among the shattered ruins of Jerusalem, this day, a determined band of people—just ordinary people who want a homeland—have been fighting with last-ditch heroism and courage against an invading army which pressed on to annihilate them. And the great powers of justice, among the world beyond this little pinprick of hostility, sit shadow-boxing with words and doing nothing to make the flowery ideals of justice and self-determination come into reality.

The tiny nation of Israel it is called. But the dispute that now rages concerns more than the mere participants. It is a long shadow of an evil threat which might well encompass the entire world within a short time.

There is a parallel of history which this war in the Holy Land brings to mind. That parallel is the Spanish Civil War, the forerunner of World War II.

In Madrid, the tragic effort of a people losing a battle for their homeland and their brave stand against the combined forces of three well-equipped fascist-Nazi armies found little sympathy in most of the diplomats and statesmen of the world. There were pious words spoken, of course. "Everyone" was really "for" the people of Spain and "against" the undisguised excesses of the flagrantly bold fascists and nazis.

But with the pious words and promised sanctions against the rebels, there came no arms, no oil, none of the muscles of warfare that would put the people of Spain on somewhat more of even terms with the legions that so relentlessly pursued.

Yes, it was the diplomats and statesmen, first. But it was also the civilized people of the world who looked down their noses at the outburst of war in Spain. They, in so many cases, turned unseeing eyes and deaf ears to the facts of the case—and the appeals for aid.

Many, well-fed by European standards, shrugged a disinterested shoulder. Such an affair could not mean anything to the welfare of a state like the U. S. A., for instance. Maybe, it was voiced, the nazis and the fascists and falangists would accomplish something for Spain, even if they did win the war.

Such indifference to this outbreak against the peace of the world paid off with grim reality, some five years later. Virtual death warrants for many fine American lads, rampant doubt and distrust throughout the world and the nation of Spain, enslaved and oppressed, these were the fruits of a "neutral" attitude on the matter.

And here, fresh on the heels of a terrible world war, with scientists across the globe harnessing their skill and genius towards the development of more terribly devastating means of destruction, the same indifference might well be the seed from which World War III might spring in fantastic growth.

United States, by encouraging the partition of Palestine, stands responsible in many ways for the establishing of the nation, Israel. The disgusting flip-flop by the administration cannot discount nor belittle the impetus our first sanction of a nation for the Jewish provided.

Yet, we stand with a mouthful of windy words, our hands folded benignly, doing nothing to determine the side of justice. Just doing nothing.

Can the people of the world—realize the awful scope of the next world war? Can they but foresee, in such a conflagration, that every one, young and old, civilian or military, we be subject to the destruction of scientific assault?

The fight of the Israelites presents a situation heavy with implications that are dreadfully familiar.

ELSEWHERE IN OREGON

Events As Chronicled by Our Contemporaries In Northwest Communities

ELECTION SMORGASBORD

La Grande had a real celebration on election night, according to a notice in the Eastern Oregon REVIEW, which told of an open house smorgasbord in connection with an election jamboree to which station KLEB invited the public. A hot bed of Dewey-Stassen presentations, LaGrande had heard claims of both candidates and the newspaper and radio station went far afield to present the election trends, on a national, state and county level.

The smorgasbord idea, too, fitted right into the special picture. As the ballot offers voters a chance to "take a bite" out of many entries, so the spirit of eastern Oregonians responded at news of the radio station bid.

SCHOOLING COST RISE

Like the price of butter and used cars, the cost of schooling in Forest Grove has taken an upward list, if one is to judge the 1948-49 budget for the city grade schools.

Budget listings call for \$165,626 for next year, as compared to the present year's \$117,719. Of the larger amount, over \$21,000 is earmarked for bonds and debt service. Largest increase item is for teaching instruction, which will require in excess of \$88,000, about \$21,000 over last year, says the NEWS TIMES.

Operation costs are up in practically every department. Increased enrollment and higher salaries, from janitors to school administrators, are set as the chief contributing reason. Taxpayers will have to provide about \$83,000 to make up the expected difference. Of course, this will not be the entire budget picture for Forest Grove residents. A budget committee for the union high school district is about ready for taxpayers' digestion. In addition to regular school operating expenses, voters may consider a proposal to build up a reserve fund for a new high school building.

TELLS ROTARY OFF

The idea of having a high school senior participate as a student Rotarian, during the month of April, paid off the Hillsboro club with a full portion of red faces. As the ARGUS reports, one high school boy really took the club to task for failing to officially back up a proposed swimming pool for the town, even though it seemed that all the members approved.

To the criticizing youth, it seemed that the club didn't want to risk its good name for the swimming pool which most of the students in the town were actively working to realize.

The swimming pool issue had been brought up before the club for their recommendation. But, according to the young critic, there was no vote taken on an original motion to endorse the idea in whole or in part.

FAVORITE SON

Howard Belton, who now seems to enjoy a safe chance of becoming the Republican nominee for state treasurer, had anxious moments due to a slip up in his own county, where he was recommended as the "favorite son."

Seems that an Associated Press correspondent—not represented by the BANNER COURIER, the publication emphasizes—dropped some 1199 tallies in making his report. So, instead of dragging back by over 300 votes, middle of the week, Belton had a comfortable lead of about 1000 votes, as the correction was noted and additional returns noted.

Until a final and official return is made, of course, Senator Belton will probably do but little celebrating. A similar error, if committed and corrected to benefit his closest opponent, Unander, might bring wails of frustration instead of brave shouts of triumph.

Election day saw a lot of activity, in Clackamas county. One of the amazing things, far over-

shadowing Republican participation to the extent of about 65 per cent, is that Democrats, with no controversial matters on their ballot, turned out to the extent of some 49 per cent of representation.

CIVIC COOPERATION

When people put their efforts into one direction, and not because of the "breaks" it gets, it will start on the way to civic achievement, a meeting of some 200 business men and women learned at a chamber of commerce meeting in Gresham, reports the OUTLOOK.

A measure of the civic cooperation sought in the berry capitol is cited by the fact that out of some 220 eligibles, only 54 belong to the civic organization. The finger was bluntly put upon those who were not doing their share to better the community and the entire state of Oregon as well.

Great stress was also laid on the value of competition in business and professions.

It is of such things that greater things develop.

BRIGHT NIGHT LIGHTS

At night, the lights are bright at Sherwood's athletic field, reports the VALLEY NEWS, following installation of the arcs that makes the union high school the second one in Willamette valley and the first in Tualatin valley to have a combination track, baseball and football field under lights.

By its new equipment, the field becomes a class A football field and an official semi-pro baseball field. Eight 80-foot poles with 100 lights provides the ingredients for a 150,000 watt blaze of light.

The new feature was dedicated May 21, with a game between the Sherwood Bulldogs and the Sherwood town baseball team.

CHANGE OF PACE

A one time state patrolman and city policeman of St. Helens has undergone a real change of pace, according to the SENTINEL MIST.

The former keeper of the peace left by plane for Saudi Arabia, where he will take over the administration of appetite appeasement, as chef for an oil company on the troubled sands of Araby.

From now on, perhaps, he will be policing Hunger, as the chief offender.

Sales Of Buddy Aids Needy Vets

Immediate aid to disabled and needy veterans, their dependents, widows and orphans is one use to be made of proceeds from the 26th annual sale of Buddy poppies to be sponsored May 28 and 29 by Veterans of Foreign Wars, State Commander Francis G. Gates, of Bend, said today.

Aid to tide over men disabled in any of the nation's wars is granted from Buddy Poppy funds, while VFW service officers assist the veteran in adjudication of his claims for compensation from the veterans administration. Gates pointed out.

"Millions of Buddy Poppies sold throughout the nation this year will help solve the problem of rehabilitation and useful citizenship for those who sacrificed the most to preserve our nation," Gates continued.

"Our service officers are familiar with the rights of widows, orphans, the disabled, job trainees and GI bill of rights students. We represent them, at no charge, in cases where power of attorney is necessary. Unsnarling of insurance claims, helping survivors get terminal leave pay when the veteran dies, and all other cases of veteran rights have increased enormously since World War II," he declared. "We look forward to a greater response than ever before on the part of the public to those who served."

Members of Beaverton Post No. 4617 will be handling Buddy Poppy sales in Beaverton. Post commander is Earl R. Enger.

The Beaverton Post of American Legion will also conduct a poppy sale in the nearby vicinity on May 28 and 29.

Inquiries Warn Heavy Memorial Day Travel Due

Inquiries for accommodations at various Oregon resort and recreational areas indicate heavy weekend travel during the coming Memorial Day weekend, according to the Oregon State Motor association.

Warning that heavy travel on the highways calls for greater care to avoid accidents, the association urged motorists to hold down speed, avoid taking unnecessary risks in passing cars and to be on the alert for pedestrians in recreation areas.

"Memorial day is dedicated to our war dead—let's not add the tragedy of traffic deaths to our observance of this day," the association said.

The Outlook From COOPER MT'N.

NEW SON SHINES

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Moore (Dorothy Jellum) Reedville, a boy, William Bradley, Friday, May 21. The baby was born on the mother's birthday.

CLUB ELECTION

The election results at the last community club meeting are as follows: Kenneth Redding, president; Elmer Altig, vice-president; Lee Schouboe, treasurer; Mrs. Clifford Dernbach, secretary. The next meeting will be held at the schoolhouse in September.

MT. SEWING CLUB

Cooper Mountain Sewing club meets at the Mary Cavanaugh home on June 1. Public invited.

SATURDAY EVENING

Carl Gindhart of Shedd, Ore., spent Saturday evening, May 15 at the home of his brother Fritz Gindhart of Reusser road.

FIVE GRADUATE

Four girls comprised the graduating class of '48 at the Cooper Mountain school. The exercises were held on the 19th and A. T. Kemmer presented diplomas to Alice Erickson, Virginia Hubbell, Shirley Syverson, Bonnie Satterlee and Jean Thomas.

Poor Relations

Many were runaway slaves, thieves, murderers and the raffraff of their day. Then came the miracle of the New Birth. Christ had risen from the dead and Him they received into their hearts as their life and light. This insulted the national religions and the Christians were rounded up, fed to the lions, dragged by wild horses and burned as torches. And we of this day are their poor relations. We call ourselves God's people but what price do we pay?

God saved us to live to his glory. We are not to live to ourselves nor to die to ourselves. If we live, it is to serve the Lord and so if we die. Whether we live or die, it is for our Lord. See Romans 14:7-8.

At the age of 83, Dr. Howard A. Kelly, famous M. D., wrote that life's best gift was to know God the Father of Jesus Christ who bore our sins on the cross and to know the Holy Spirit as our guide. Dr. Howard A. Kelly, John's Hopkins, Baltimore, Author, Member 31 Am. Foreign Med. Societies. This space paid for by a Seattle family 8. W. McClesner Rd., Portland 1, Oregon

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

It's Leap Year, Girls!

First girl in our town to "get her man" on Leap Year was the Cuppers' daughter, Jane, who wed Bill Webster's boy last Saturday.

I know it's usual for older folks to shake their heads over the younger generation. (It's gone on for hundreds of years, now.)

When I asked Bill Jr. if it was true that Janey really did the proposing, Bill said: No, but she made it plain she'd make an ideal wife. Instead of looking for diversion or excitement every evening, she was content to chat beside the fire.

"I could plainly see," says Bill, "that we'd really have a happy home life—which is just exactly what I want from marriage."

But from where I sit, young people of marrying age today are every bit as commendable as their elders were—in their temperance (a glass of beer for instance), tolerance, and common sense. So to Jane and Bill—the best of luck!

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