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The Truth About Russia

LIKE George Bernard Shaw, Will Durant is a philosopher and a Liberal. Also like the great Irish dramatist and critic, he has always been greatly interested in, and sympathetic with, the Russian Soviet government.

But unlike George Bernard Shaw, Will Durant, visited Soviet Russia, not as a guest of the Soviet government, but as an independent tourist. In this last week's Saturday Evening Post, Mr. Durant gives his first impressions of the Stalin government.

In sharp contrast with George Bernard Shaw, who was delighted and enthused by his sojourn in Russia, Mr. Durant was depressed and completely disillusioned. He found the suffering, want, misery and degradation of that country greater than anywhere in the world, not excluding China and India. He found the Russian masses, ground down by a tyranny more pitiless, cruel and brutal than ever existed during the darkest days of Czarism. He found there was neither free speech nor a free press, he found that, except in higher Soviet circles, there was neither comfort nor contentment. He is convinced the Russian masses would overthrow Stalin tomorrow, were it not for the fact that with the army and the police under the dictator's control, they are utterly powerless.

A more poignant picture of human suffering, material and moral degradation, a literal "hell on earth" could not be imagined, than that drawn by this intelligent and liberal minded American philosopher who entered Russia not as a hostile critic, but as a sympathetic friend.

THE article published in the current issue, is the first of a series. Unless we are greatly mistaken, these articles will forever destroy any enthusiasm for Soviet Russia in this country, or any illusions regarding the true nature of this "noble political experiment" which has been so ruthlessly carried on, in that unhappy country, for the past twelve or fourteen years.

Not only has communism failed, it has inflicted upon the largest nation in the western world, the greatest suffering and misery, that has been reached under any form of government since the middle ages.

HAD these articles been written by a reactionary critic, or come from the pen of a capitalistic propagandist, they might well be discounted—taken with a grain of salt. But coming from Will Durant, himself a critic of our modern materialistic civilization, after a personal investigation extending over several months, the indictment they present is simply devastating, and every salient fact has the convincing ring of truth.

In literary skill and scholarship, George Bernard Shaw is undoubtedly the superior of Will Durant. But to any fair minded person who read Mr. Shaw's impressions of Soviet Russia, as an honored guest; and now reads Mr. Durant's impressions, as a free lance tourist, it is perfectly obvious, that the brilliant Irish genius was duped, and the American philosopher was not.

The Home Loan Bank Bill

THE Mail Tribune has received so many inquiries regarding the federal home loan bank bill—what it will mean to Southern Oregon—that we are glad to offer the opinion of a well known resident of the state, an influential figure in the lumber industry, but in no way connected with any building and loan association.

Mr. Crow is editor of Crows Pacific Coast Lumber Digest, and in a recent issue of the Portland Spectator presents his views on this important measure in part as follows:

"The first benefit, I think, will be an immediate supply of mortgage money, such benefit will reach the home owner and also the man who needs a job.

"A second result will be a remedy for the old feast and famine situation in the home loan field. This will not be a perfect remedy any more than the Federal Reserve bank has made commercial bank loans always available. It will however help to alleviate the present situation, by allowing a freer interchange of funds among the banks.

"A third benefit will be a gradual reduction in interest rates, as a result of equalizing the money supply. At the present time we in the West pay too much for our home loan money. We do not look for an immediate lowering of rates, for interest rates are higher here than in the East and Midwest, but the tendency will be downward and the coast will benefit thereby.

"A fourth and possibly the most important result will be a justifiably increased confidence on the part of the public in savings and loan associations as a means of investment—It is to be expected that membership in the home loan bank will be more a mark of honor, worthy of public confidence. This means a great deal to the public.

"Finally let's keep the home loan bank out of politics, keep it out of the direct home loan business, and make it a strong factor in our economic structure by keeping it super-safe."

THE last suggestion is particularly timely in view of the fact that Senator Borah, according to press reports, has already started to work for repeal of the home loan bank measure.

It may also be of interest to our readers to know that a bill which will render this financial aid to the people of Oregon effective, has already been drawn and will be presented to the state legislature for immediate action, as soon as it convenes.

NEON SIGN IS ERECTED CITY POLICE ENTRANCE

NAME NEW PRINCIPAL FOR TALENT SCHOOLS

A 10-foot Neon sign was yesterday erected at the city police station on East Fifth street between Front Street and Central avenue in order that the office might be easily located. Due to the headquarters being in the basement of the city hall, people often find it difficult to locate at night.

"Police" in 14-inch letters in red neon make up the sign, with a blue star at the top.

TALENT, Dec. 10.—(Spl.)—At the last school board meeting C. R. Bowman tendered his resignation as principal of the Talent schools, to take effect January 1. This was necessary to enable him to take up his duties as county school superintendent on that date.

R. H. Southwick, present grade school principal, was made superintendent of the Talent schools for the remainder of the term, and William R. Bricker of Medford was elected high school teacher and coach.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered here. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady in care of The Mail Tribune.

OBDRUACY IS SOMETIMES RIGHT

A lady writes that she is much interested and instructed and often benefited by what she reads in this column. She thinks I am right about the value of a little sweet or sugar in some form just before an athletic contest, judging from her son's success in swimming and other sports. The lady mentions some other things I have taught here, that she believes correct. But she says I am a little obtuse about the question of taking cold.

It does not hurt her, so far as she knows, if she gets her feet wet on the way to the office and they remain wet till they dry gradually. But still I am unreasonable when I demand positive proof that ordinary exposure to cold or wet will cause illness. Now she goes with bare arms much of the time, yet sometimes she feels cold upon the arms she begins to sneeze or cough right away, and then if she puts on a sweater or other cover to protect the exposed arms, she stops sneezing or coughing immediately.

Again, she sometimes begins to sneeze or cough while attending some concert or other gathering, but if she quickly holds her handkerchief to her throat, which seems to be a little chilled, she stops coughing at once, whereas otherwise she would keep on a good deal.

To clinch the argument, she knows a lady who says getting her feet wet invariably makes her take cold. This reliable person has some trouble with her throat.

With all patience and equanimity let me interpose an obdurate No. no to all the illustrations cited.

Even the old time doctors or health officers who still mumble that exposure to cold "lowers resistance" hardly dare say that the illness they imply a person contracts as a consequence of such exposure develops immediately. There is always an ominous incubation period, of hours or more frequently days, after the exposure before the illness develops, in pneumonia, grip, or any serious illness you can name.

Notwithstanding the teachings of quacks, no honest or intelligent physician pretends that an instant or immediate cure of any known disease or illness is possible, by any means. Then how can the trouble the lady ascribes to chilling of her bare arms be cured immediately by the covering of the arms?

Our correspondent says her friend who invariably takes cold when her feet get wet has some trouble with her throat. For instance we may assume the sensitive individual has simple chronic sore throat, or some

low grade chronic rhinitis. Such a condition is of course abnormal. As a rule persons with such chronic nose or throat trouble are over-sensitive to any trifling variation in the air temperature, or the amount of clothing, or other factors which affect body comfort. They stuff up and run at the nose or begin sneezing or coughing or feeling increased discomfort in some part of the respiratory tract upon the slightest change of environment, which is not at all disturbing to a healthy person.

I dare say our correspondent herself has some such chronic trouble in nose or throat, as an examination would disclose. But, like thousands of others similarly disposed, she has not sought medical examination or advice as yet, because her trouble has not given sufficient annoyance to convince her she needs such advice.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Ben Is Back
 I am dieting with will and getting better, but I'd like to get away from insulin just as soon as possible as I have been told a person who takes it can live only (a number of) years. (B. J.)

Answer—Many diabetes patients do recover sufficient carbohydrate tolerance under insulin treatment to make it possible for them to get along quite well for long periods without any insulin. But only your physician should advise about that.

Mouth Wash
 Kindly give me a formula for an effective mouth wash to be used in the morning. (S. L.)

Answer—For what purpose? For clearing a furred tongue and dark brown taste, a mixture of equal parts of water, lemon juice and glycerin is good. If you have pyorrhea, I suggest as a mouthwash a solution of five drops of tincture of iodine in a half glassful of water. If there is anything like trench mouth (Vincent's angina) a solution of a teaspoonful of sodium perborate in a half pint of water is a good mouthwash. As a simple antiseptic mouthwash nothing is better than a solution of a heaping teaspoonful of boric acid in the pint of water. For persons trying to break the tooth-brushing habit and obsessed with a feeling that the mouth is not clean, no mouthwash, but rather eat an orange, or an apple, or any other fresh fruit, preferably sour.

Flu
 Veteran, has tuberculosis, suffering for past three months from influenza. One doctor against operation which he claims will never heal. The other advises the operation. Patient has been under tuberculin treatment. His tuberculosis is considered arrested at present. (Mrs. D. C. W.)

Answer—I should think the operation advisable. However, the patient's own physician can best judge whether it should be done now.

Communications

Love Versus Force.

To the Editor:
 In your recent editorial entitled, "Who Killed Cock Robin?" lack of force is suggested as the answer. Force was not defined, but the trend of the article pointed clearly to armed force or physical force as a solution to the present dilemma into which the League of Nations finds itself so awkwardly plunged. It was vigorously maintained that this armed force is essential if the League is to become a practical institution for international peace and prosperity and pleasant prospects of future happiness.

In other words, we must hold this armed force as a threat to any violator and in case of violation, such as Japan committed, all members of the League would be pledged to stop the aggressor by military force, thus plunging the world into a war to stop war.

That philosophy seems to the writer like the professed prohibitionist who tried to make the country dry by drinking as much liquor as he could, thinking thereby, to do his bit toward disposing of the supply. In other words, we would end war by using up all our ammunition.

The writer is in favor of force—but not military or armed force. There is a force more powerful, more effective and more permanent in its results. That force is LOVE.

Love is the motive power behind all right action. Love is the only force which will effectively prevent war, end crime or bring back the full dinner pail. History proves this beyond a doubt. And yet we still have people advocating more physical force, more military force with which to scare individuals and nations into pacific settlement of personal and international differences.

Mr. Editor, have you lost faith in your profession? Your profession rightfully asserts "That the pen is mightier than the sword," which simply means that intelligence is a greater force than is physical strength.

International peace cannot be permanently attained without international love. International love can only be attained by enlisting the INTELLIGENT EDITORS, who wield that mighty weapon, the pen, to "fight the GOOD fight with all their might."

C. C. C.
 (Name on file)

DAIRYMEN TO MEET

To the Editor: The Rogue River Valley Dairy association regular monthly meeting will be held the second Wednesday evening of each month at 8:00 p. m., which comes this month on the evening of December 14th at the court house in Medford.

This notice is to all dairymen of Jackson and Josephine counties and should be of special interest to all dairymen who can't pay their taxes or meet their payments that are past due and coming due. Main subject of the meeting will be cooperative marketing, and will be discussed by two speakers, one a leading businessman of Medford, who will discuss the dealers' point of view on the subject, and George A. Andrews of Bellevue, will discuss the producers' stand.

Two special committee reports are to be heard. One on sponsoring a bill for the coming session of the legislature, to take the tax burden off the dairymen, and the other committee report to discuss the prospects of building a co-operative creamery.

If time permits discussion will include why creameries of Klamath Falls pay from one to two cents less per pound for butterfat than the dairymen, than creameries of Medford and Grants Pass. Also why creameries of Crescent City pay from one to two cents more than creameries of Medford and Grants Pass, and why the "big five" creameries of the two counties are in an alleged agreement to protect their profits so they cannot be skinned by the poor dairymen. Also why the poor dairymen has not got brains enough to do likewise.

Now brother dairymen, you should take enough interest to come out and back up an organization that is trying to help you to stay afloat, instead of staying home and let the independent boys' cries let you sink still deeper. Or in other words if you have not interest enough in your own business to try and better your condition, why try and make the rest of us who pay our taxes sink with you? It's the hustler that makes a go of it and does not depend on other people to take care of his business.

Why are some of the wise turkey growers that took a good wallop on the chin this year not interested in this co-operative marketing discussion?

W. N. CARL, chairman.

LEGION TO ASSEMBLE HERE NEXT THURSDAY

Southern Oregon Legionnaires will assemble in Medford December 11 for their annual district conference, which will be held in the new city hall on North Central. Prominent state and district officials are expected to be present as well as large delegations from Klamath Falls, Lakeview, Ashland, Grants Pass, Roseburg and elsewhere. Plans for 1933 will be discussed as well as other matters of importance to the world war veterans.

In the evening a banquet will be served at the Hotel Medford and all Legionnaires are urged to make their reservations at once. The day's program will be concluded with a dance at the Masonic hall for all Legion and Auxiliary members.

Great bargains obtainable now in Coats—Dresses—Hats at ETHELWIN & HOFFMANN Sixth & Holly

Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County) History from the Files of The Mail Tribune of 50 and 10 Year Ago.)

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
 December 11, 1922
 (It was Monday)
 Business outlook for 1923 bright, declares Secretary of Commerce Hoover.

George Barnum injured when pistol accidentally discharged.

Sugar price on coast drops fifteen cents.

Cold weather hits valley.

Coach Eddie Durno of high school operated on at Community Hospital for appendicitis. He will not be able to drill team if post-season game is arranged with Toledo, Ohio.

City police nab three drunks on Main street.

The Yule spirit noticeable in the stores.

Editorial opines that "all the emotionalism has been eradicated from local politics."

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(It was Wednesday) December 11, 1912

Attorney-general of state rules that though women of Oregon can vote, they cannot serve on jury.

Mike Spanos, local character, goes on trial in Jacksonville for life for murder of George Dedakalou, a countryman, whose body was found under the Farm Bureau Exchange building.

College women of the valley to organize for better laws.

Howard Bros. cannery just west of city is destroyed by fire, attributed to firebug.

The Chosen Friends basketball team of Medford defeats Ashland high 29 to 18. The game was rough and punctuated with three fights.

Socialist lecturer speaks at Nat on "Tax Abolishment."

Jenkins' Comment

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your product in the United States and take your pay in DOLLARS.

Then you take these dollars, which are backed by gold, and with them you buy the money of your own country, getting an abnormal amount of it with your good American dollars, and with this depreciated money you turn around and pay your labor and buy your raw materials, thus greatly cutting your costs.

TAKE England, as an example:

When England was on the gold standard, you bought ONE British pound with approximately \$4.85 of American money. Now, with your \$4.85 of American money, you buy nearly ONE AND ONE-HALF pounds.

That, you see, cuts British costs nearly one-third in terms of competition with American industry. And so it goes with other countries whose money is depreciated. This reduction of cost enables these countries to pay the American tariff duty and still get into our markets at a price that we can't meet.

THIS situation is bad enough. But if we were to get big-hearted again, as we did during the war, and throw down our tariff walls ENTIRELY, we would be in a pretty fix. Then these depreciated money countries would take ALL our markets away from us.

No, thank you. If we were wise, we'll keep all the tariff protection we now have, to say the least, and if we're as wise as we should be we'll RAISE our tariff walls enough higher to offset depreciated currencies.

We've had experience enough with being big-hearted. Let's look out for Number One now for a while.

TALENT SCHOOLS LIST MANY PUPILS ABSENT ON ACCOUNT OF COLDS

TALENT, Dec. 10.—(Spl.)—Many pupils have been absent during the past week with severe colds and flu. Eighteen were absent from the high school alone in one day last week. Miss Runels, school nurse, was not able to make her regular trip on account of illness.

W. N. CARL, chairman.

All rooms of the Talent school are showing evidence of the Christmas spirit. There will be a regular Christmas program and tree in the school auditorium Friday afternoon, December 23. The district, Parent-Teachers association, and the Talent Community club have pooled their funds to provide treats for the children. Santa Claus will no doubt be there. A number of the rooms are planning Christmas parties.

Charlotte Reed and Orville Burnett visited in the second and third grade room last week.

Miss Esther Spangenberg and her domestic science class attended the Crown Flour Mills cooking school at the city hall last Friday afternoon.

The Glee club under the direction of Miss Baughman, is practicing special Christmas numbers for the vesper service to be given in the school auditorium Friday afternoon, December 23.

The Christmas vacation for the Talent schools will begin Friday afternoon, December 23, and extend to Tuesday morning, January 3, 1933.

Beds of pain are eased with sheets of Christmas Seals. Buy several sheets.

LITTLE SCHOOLS SET RECORD FOR SALE OF SEALS

The report of the ten schools in the Central Point district for the sale of Christmas seals has been received by Mrs. George L. Treichler of Central Point, who visited all the schools and brought reports from Table Rock, West Side, Willow Springs, Tolo, Agate, Central Point, Pankey, Sam's Valley, Antioch and Meadows, to the county seal sale chairman, Mrs. R. E. Green.

The little school at Antioch with only 23 pupils sold one-third of the seals this year than last. Miss Ethel Boussem is the teacher.

Meadows school, of which Mrs. Viola Pomeroy is the teacher of the 12 pupils enrolled, sold \$2.50 worth of seals.

Mrs. Treichler and Mrs. Frank Lindley of Medford visited all these schools recently in the interest of the seal sale.

Of the 180 letters sent out to Central Point district residents, sixty have brought responses with check enclosed for Christmas seals and in some cases pledges or gifts directly to the county health association work.

The following letter from H. D. McCaskey is one of the many expressions of appreciation of the aims and accomplishments of the Jackson County Public Health association.

The letter follows:
 "Mrs. Geo. Treichler,
 "Central Point, Oregon.
 "Dear Mrs. Treichler:
 "Enclosed please find my check for \$20, being the annual contribution of Mrs. McCaskey and myself to the Jackson County Public Health association and for the purchase of the Christmas seals you so kindly sent me.
 "It is an inspiration each year to come again into contact with your noble organization, which is doing such splendid work, and to all of you we send greetings and heartfelt wishes for success.
 "Cordially,
 "D. McCASKEY."

An extract from a letter written by Miss Arlene C. Hay, teacher in the Central Point school, reads:
 "I am enclosing one dollar for the stamps sent me.
 "My children were so happy to sell the stamps you left for us at school, too.
 "Best wishes to you."
 "The Jacksonville district is showing a commendable spirit of cooperation, according to Mrs. Alfred Carpenter, chairman, who has made a partial report for her territory.

EAGLE POINT GRANGE GOING TO LAKE CREEK TO INSTALL OFFICERS

By Mrs. Gertrude Hank.

Eagle Point Grange officers were installed at the Lake Creek Grange hall jointly with the Lake Creek Grange officers, December 10 at 8:00 p. m. The Jackson county Grange installing team had complete charge of the ceremony.

Last Grange meeting was well attended. Among visitors present were Roscoe Roberts and Miss Anna Hansen of Rocky Ann Grange and J. G. Putnam and daughters, Minnie and Florence of Talent Grange. This being officers night, the officers had charge of the program, which was very entertaining.

A play, "Visions of the Past" had the following cast: Mrs. Violet Spencer, Mrs. Edith Weidman, Mrs. Lottie Vanscoy, Mrs. Rudy Bitterling, Mrs. W. H. Young, Mrs. Madeline Barrett, Mrs. Rosa Smith, and Mrs. A. J. Tingles, Mr. and Mrs. G. Ousterhout, Mrs. Julia Davis, Miss Olsen, Miss Simpson, Mrs. Mabel Harnish, Mrs. Grace Cowden, Lucile Coy, Grace Holman, Hazel Smith, Beulah Tingles, Roy Ashpole, Rudy Weidman, W. H. Ward, Lawrence Winslow, Lyle Smith, Barbara Smith and June Tingles.

Hazel Smith and Beulah Tingles pleased with a dust, accompanied by Miss Olsen.

The concluding number was a radio skit. Director, Sam Coy; broadcasters, Paul Force; physical culture, Wallace Dinmore, minister, and A. C. Mittelstaedt, bed time stories.

Roscoe Roberts gave a short review of the milk marketing situation.

Next regular meeting will be December 20 at 8 p. m. All Grangers welcome.

Dr. Inskeep Moves Into New Quarters

Dr. L. D. Inskeep of this city has moved into new offices in the Medford Center building, which affords more space for his work and laboratory equipment and a setting entirely new to the Medford medical profession.

The walls, redecorated in keeping with the design of Leslie Van Doren, local architect, are finished in paneling of knotty pine with natural finish, and give the suite the appearance of a home.

The suite includes reception room, hallway, Dr. Inskeep's private office, an adjoining office, laboratory and surgery. In keeping with the natural pine, all fixtures in the office are made of wrought iron.

Miss Zaida Smith of Gold Hill is office girl for Dr. Inskeep in his new location.

Two Dances Planned—Two attractive holiday dances are planned by the local American Legion post for Christmas and New Years. The annual Christmas ball will be held on Monday, December 26, and elaborate plans are under way to make this one of the biggest and best Legion affairs of the entire year. Earl Foy, vice-commander of the local post, is in charge of both holiday dances and everyone in southern Oregon is cordially invited to attend.

SPENCER OPENING INSURANCE AGENCY

Clinton Spencer, formerly president of the Chase-Wing Insurance agency, has again embarked in the insurance business in Medford, announcing his appointment as local agent for the General Insurance Company of America and the General Casualty Company of America. Both companies are members of the General America group. Home office of these companies is in Seattle, and they are operated exclusively by western business men.

The board of directors of these companies reads like a "Who's Who" of Northwest business and financial leaders. The chairman is O. D. Fisher, president of the Fisher Flouring Mills company, and the president is H. K. Dent, recognized as one of the outstanding insurance executives of America. Oregon is represented on the board by such leaders as J. C. Ainsworth, chairman of the board, U. S. National bank, Portland; Harry T. Nicolai, president of the Nicolai Door Manufacturing company, Portland, and Robert H. Strong, capitalist, Portland.

The General Insurance company was organized by President Dent and associated in 1923 as an independent, preferred-risk company, successfully operating right from the start, and its operations in Oregon, where it has consistently returned to policyholders, a substantial share of premium collected in the form of cash dividends, has been the direct cause of a reduction in insurance rates, estimated at approximately one million dollars per year since 1928.

Mr. Spencer's business is based on the assumption that rates promulgated by the official rate making body of this state, which in turn is controlled by the "board" companies, are not "fair and equitable" that those rates are averaged, so that the better class risks help carry the load of the more hazardous classification. The plan of the General is sound, and practical seems to be demonstrated by the fact that this vigorous western company has made the most outstanding growth in the entire insurance history of the United States.

Mr. Spencer states further that when the General was but five years old it wrote more premiums in Oregon, Washington and Idaho than any classification company, successfully passing all competitors, many of whom had operated in this field more than fifty years. The General has held that leading position for the past five years.

Mr. Spencer has had twelve years experience in the insurance business, and announces that he is prepared to issue and service every form of insurance, contract and surety and fidelity bonds.

12 SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

MINING BUREAU GRANTED SPACE MEDFORD C. OF C.

The Southern Oregon-Northern California Mining association recently organized by about twenty mining men of this section, has secured space in the Chamber of Commerce building where temporary headquarters will be established. It was announced yesterday.

Among the purposes and objects of this organization are to aid, foster and encourage all branches of the mining industry, to call to the attention of capital to the advantages of this section from a mining standpoint, to collect reliable data concerning mining properties, to carry a display of minerals to be found in this section, to maintain a school to teach the art of placer mining to the uninitiated and to secure properties where the unemployed who so desire may work with some hope and assurance of making a day's wage.

A meeting of the organization will be held at the headquarters of the association in the Chamber of Commerce building on Monday evening at 7:30 p. m. at which all men interested in mining in this section are invited to attend.

Among the men responsible for the forming of this organization are H. B. Fleming, E. W. Iljergren, A. E. Kellogg, John Oop, Chauncy Floyer, Dr. J. F. Reddy, C. A. Cady, C. C. Clark, J. J. Hansen, Geo. Wolfe, Bert Newman, L. R. Shurtieff, G. F. Barton, Tom Fuson, Tom Norris, C. F. Goodwin and C. J. Chord.

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