DEFENSE BUSINESS CONFUSION KEEPS ATTORNEYS BUSY

Washington Lawyers Again in Clover As Industrialists Wake Up to Problems

By Jack Stinnett

Washington — United States business men finally have decided that we are in a national emergency—and that business-as-usual is as dead as last week's ticker tape.

I got it straight from the Washington lawyers.

The Washington lawyers are in a class by themselves. Their business thrives in direct proportion to government activity in private industry. When sailing is comparatively smooth in the marts of trade, most Washington lawyers are as idle as a fisherman who forgot to bring along the worms. But when the laws of the land start dumping apples out of the industrial cart here and there, capital legal lights have to weight their coattails.

That's why seven or eight months ago, when national defense began to boom; when the army and navy were splitting whereases in thousands of contracts; when there came the first rumble of priority talk—Washington lawyers peeled off their coats, rolled up their sleeves, and got ready for the avalanche of business they felt certain would strike within a few days or weeks at most.

Then what happened? Nothing. The legal business jogged along at its even pace.

Couldn't Understand

"We couldn't understand it," one of the legal fraternity explained to me. "And as the weeks became months and nothing happened, it grew all the more puzzling.

"Here, industry was being pulled up by the roots and transplanted in new soil—and yet it seemed to be going through this cataclysm without a lawyer—without even a representative in Washington."

But that was a month or six weeks ago. Now, all is changed. The avalanche arrived with Washington's mid-summer heat and the Washington lawyers have dropped their fishing poles and niblicks and come back to work.

It is thumbing through the first few truckloads of cases that their clients have dumped in their laps that has brought the conclusion that the cause of the delay was simply that the United States business men hadn't waked up. They thought they could expand without causing dislocations. They thought they could deal with priorities without disrupting business-as-usual. Now, say the lawyers, they are finding out.

A few of these cases—engendered mostly by priorities—are interesting and throw some light on the situation.

There was the case of the western contractor who got his biggest private contract in years. It required thousands of feet of lumber. He went to Seattle personally to place his order. Sure, the lumber company officials told him, they would be glad to have the order. They would guarantee delivery in 490 days . . . in 1943! His lawyer's problem? To get a waiver of priorities so the contractor can have his order slipped into the batch that are purely defense.

Wants None Of It

There was the small Pittsburgh steel firm which for years had been supplying steady customers with about 3,000 tons of processed steel. The big company from which it got the unfinished steel assured it that it could continue to have 3,000 tons a year. Then the little processing company got a defense contract—10,000 tons a year—and a priority order for that 10,000 tons. The small company went back to the big company. Okay, its men were told, you'll get 10,000 tons—but we can't let you have the 3,000 additional. The government wouldn't like it.

So this firm actually has hired a lawyer to get it out of a defense contract which would quadruple its business. It would rather hold the customers it has had through the years.

These aren't isolated cases. They are just a couple of the thousands of shocks that are waking industry up to what defense really means—and skyrocketing the capital law business.

APPLEGATE YOUTH GAIN PRIZES AT COUNTY 4-H FAIR

Big Applegate, Aug. 28.—(Spl)—A number of blue ribbons were brought home by young people of the Applegate valley exhibiting in the Jackson county 4-H home economics fair held at Medford last week.

All six girls of the Beaver creek forestry club, led by Mrs. Lee Port, took top honors, as did five of the same girls in clothing. These girls included Rosella Offenbacher, Evelyn Byrne, Lucille Culy, Ella Hard, Lorraine and Eleanor Nichols. Fritzie Offenbacher, member of the lower Applegate camp cookery club, led by Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Haskins, was a first place winner, and Leonard Corbin of the same club placed second.

Members of the Ruch clothing club, led by Mrs. Inez McDonough, received third place premiums. These exhibitors included Phyllis Meals, Marcella King, Betty Johnston, and Lillian McDonough. The Danish system of judging was used in which all exhibits of first quality received first premiums, and all seconds and thirds received their respective honors. Top notch winners are eligible to exhibit at the state fair next month. The Beaver clubs placed fourth in the county.

Further 4-H activities were under way here this week when the lower Applegate camp cookery club enjoyed a few days' outing at Perk's pasture, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Haskins. Besides frying pan biscuits and such, the trip afforded fishing and swimming in Squaw lake. Outdoor sleeping was disrupted by rain, however, on the first night out, and the campers accepted the hospitality of Fireguard Zeizler stationed nearby. Members of the club making the trip included Fritzie Offenbacher, Silas Davis, Bobbie Wallis, and Jack Ritchey.

Mrs. Jack Bonney also accompanied the group, as did Lorrenzo Harvey and Douglas McKee, the latter a member of the Beaver livestock club.

Canada Permits Named

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 28.—(AP)—Douglas fir saw logs, hay, straw and alfalfa meals were added by the Canadian trade and commerce department today to the list of commodities on which permits are required for export.

A booklet issued by the department of commerce outlines purchasing procedures employed by government agencies.

Another Acting Barrymore Goes Her Own Sweet Way; Diana at 20 Plots Course

By Adelaide Kerr
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New York—(AP)—The daughter of John Barrymore is one person the Great Profile won't overshadow.

Diana Barrymore is a dark-eyed, dark-haired, spirited girl of 20 with the manner and voice of a woman of 30. She loves and respects the theater with all her Barrymore heart. She already has appeared in two Broadway plays, expects to appear in another this fall, has had several seasons in summer stock, and says in the spring she will join Hollywood's ranks.

Big Spender

Diana spends money like a Barrymore; has a passion for politics; hates cafe society; won't discuss her love affairs; likes dancing, people, tennis, horseback riding and the middlewest.

Now, let Diana take the floor—that's what she did when I walked into her dressing room in the Riverdale theater in White Plains, where she was appearing in "Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines," 40 years after her famous aunt, Ethel Barrymore, starred in the same play.

Knows What She Wants

"My career? Oh, I know what I want to do with that," she said. "Part of the year on the stage—drama, rather than comedy—and six months of the year in the movies. Some time I want to do a musical show. I have a sort of torch voice. I can do tricks with it.

"Most of all, of course, I love the stage. But I'd like to be in the movies as a money-making business. Money slips right out of my pocket. I've made a lot and there's nothing in the bank. I don't know where it goes."

Diana has an unusual heritage. On her mother's side she stems from a New York social register family, on her father's from the royal family of the American theater. She lives in New York with her mother (Michael Strange, the writer), who is now Mrs. Harrison Tweed. A few years ago Diana made her debut and played around dizzily in cafe society.

Unprintable

"But you couldn't print what I think of cafe society now," she said. "I haven't been inside a night club for six months.

"I'd rather sit over a glass of beer and discuss politics, I'm crazy about it—read books and papers a lot, though I'd really rather get my information straight from people who know.

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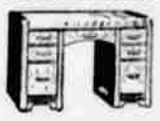

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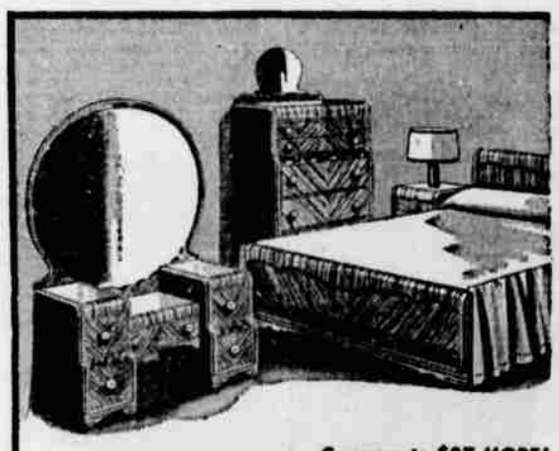

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