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The sheriff's office reports armed boys, some of them almost ten years old, are roaming the countryside shooting at random, and hitting practically everything but random.

Bernard Baruch, an elder statesman, who is a statesman, sizes up the world-wide mess correctly, and blames it all on greed. He is more afraid of selfishness now flourishing than the atomic bomb.

The President warns labor and management impartially, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Public has grown weary of being strike pestered, and in plain English, warning, in plain English, Messrs. and Mesdames Voter have been wiring and writing their sons, and threatening some new faces in the halls of Congress.

"Buy popcorn in the movies. By chomping on popcorn in the movies, you can drown out the noise made by people around you chomping 'popcorn'."

Chinese Communists charge America at meeting in the Chinese civil war, and the accusation is promptly denied, naturally by the Chinese central government.

HAPPY ENDING (Salem Statesman) "For the first time in about six years I got into my car this morning without feeding a chicken. It almost broke my heart to see the empty roost, but the last survivor of the time will look mighty nice in among the dumplings."

A "spittin' of snow fell this a.m., and produced the following benefits: 1. Reminded Older Girls to start a drive for a 'White Christmas'; gave outdoor addicts an excuse to tell how much they love skiing; encouraged duck hunters, who so far have been wasting their time and ammunition trying to shoot one, and, farmers need it for fall plowing."

There are plenty of turkeys. To get rid of the surplus the public may again be confronted with one of the leading horrors of the late depression—turkey-burgers.

NO OFFENSE INTENDED (Magazine Digest) "The heroine of a new novel is described as being pretty, economical, industrious, an excellent cook and not talkative. The author states in a foreword that no reference to any living person is intended."

Gordon Warner is back from the European theater, and, is again a Mr. Civilian. At times, he was within range of Col. H. Flewler, the demon baker, now in Australia, and due home this month, as he has been every month this year. In his younger days, Gordon was an outstanding consumer of cookies—home baked or bakery.

"GREEN CHEESE ERA ON WANE" (Hdline Oregonian)—Among epicureans, green cheese is looked upon as a most excellent building material for the moon, and nothing else.

Editorial Correspondence

New York City, N. Y., Nov. 1.—We can see breakers ahead for the Truman administration in many ways, but particularly in the field of foreign relations.

That was F.D.R.'s strongest department; unless there is a radical change in Washington it never will be Mr. Truman's. And for principally one reason,—the Truman administration has no foreign policy,—none at least that this department can discern.

Take the policy toward Russia, for example. At San Francisco the policy was essentially one of appeasement; at the London conference it was one of resistance; now it is one of appeasement again. It is everything by fits and starts and nothing long. In nine cases out of 10 official pronouncements add up to nothing but double-talk.

Take Secretary Byrnes' latest flip-flop on our Balkan policy at London,—opposing Russia's dominance there, but favoring it now. In his sensational admission that Russia has as much right to a Monroe doctrine in Europe as we have in the western hemisphere, Mr. Byrnes proceeds (apparently without batting an eye) to again uphold the Atlantic Charter! But the Atlantic Charter guaranteed to every country regardless of size, the right to determine the sort of government it—or a majority of its people—desired. How CAN Mr. Byrnes do such a thing and keep a straight face?

At San Francisco the present writer talked often with a representative of Lithuania,—one of the Baltic states taken over by Russia by force and now declared to be a part of Russia. The people of Lithuania are OVERWHELMINGLY opposed to being governed from Moscow, they can't do anything about it; but we believe history will sustain the contention that the desire for complete independence in these Baltic states is just as strong, and just as justified as the desire of our forefathers at the time of the Boston tea party. But these long suffering "Russian slaves" have no Atlantic ocean to protect THEM!

Now the latest policy announced by Secretary Byrnes, that Russia has as much right to a Monroe doctrine along her borders, as we have along ours, may be the right one. (If the Monroe doctrine were to be interpreted in Moscow as it has been in Washington there would be little question.) But that isn't the point. The point is: We can't have our cake and eat it too. We can't grant the right of Russia to rule all countries along her borders—for that is precisely what Russia has done and intends to do,—and at the same time, grant to those same countries their right to govern THEMSELVES,—a right guaranteed to them by the Atlantic Charter.

In other words we can't uphold the right of national self-determination in one breath, and deny it the next. That is unless we wish to go on record as being liars and hypocrites, double-talkers, double-dealers and what have you.

We can't believe the Truman administration wishes to do that. But that is what in the past few weeks it has done!

Who really KNOWS the significance of the atomic bomb, what its discovery means to the world and what it doesn't?

This department certainly does not. Nor, we believe, do other laymen.

But the scientists, particularly those who discovered the bomb and perfected it, MUST.

Nothing has been more surprising in this atomic debate indeed, than the contention of the politicians and the professional militarists, who for selfish reasons don't wish the present set-up changed materially, that these same scientists don't know what they are talking about when they comment upon the change this application of atomic power has done and will do,—that they have become hysterical about it, grossly exaggerate its importance, etc., etc., etc.

Well, we grant scientists are merely human. And it is conceivable that a scientist might blow-his-top and throw a fit over some scientific discovery. But we can't conceive of all scientists doing so over the same discovery, at one and the same time. But that is what has happened in the case of this atomic bomb. An amazing unanimity has been shown. And without exception the scientific world maintains this discovery is so sensational in character, so devastating and far-reaching in its effects, that the entire political character of the world must be changed or an indescribable disaster will result. And with almost as great unanimity the scientific world holds that some form of world government must be created to take charge of atomic power and control it or there will be no world,—or at least not much of a world,—left.

Only a few days ago a group of over 100 well known American scientists drew up a resolution making the following five main points: 1. Other nations will soon be able to produce atomic bombs. 2. No effective defense is possible in atomic warfare. 3. Safety can not be attained by superiority in atomic armament. 4. Atomic war will mean the destruction of a large fraction of civilization. 5. International cooperation of an unprecedented kind is necessary for our national survival.

Do you believe the scientists know what they are talking about, or that these men who are professional seekers after facts and the truth (science literally means to know) are merely cock-eyed and seeing things under the bed, while the professional politicians and professional militarists, who naturally wish to keep their jobs, ALONE know what this discovery means and what it doesn't?

Finally, call in another witness who surely can be termed a qualified one. His name is Dr. J. R. Oppenheimer of New Mexico, who is conceded to be more responsible than anyone else for the final bomb product,—"a genius in the realm of atomic power and development" is the way other scientists describe him. Before one of the Senate hearings Dr. Oppenheimer was asked if it would be a fair statement to say that in case of an atomic attack on this country 40,000,000 Americans might be wiped out in our congested districts in one—mark that, ONE raid. Here is his considered reply: "I am afraid it is!" Forty million—that is 30 per cent of our population gone in one night!—R.W.R.

News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

Washington, Nov. 6—(U.P.)—The Gen. George report for unification of the army and navy has now been presented to the joint chiefs of staff who had hidden it from President Truman and the public eye since last April. The prying job was done by Senator Johnson of Colorado, acting chairman of the military affairs committee. He went to the White House and demanded the right to see the report in connection with the hearings on his bill and the similar Hill bill proposing to authorize the unification.

He not only got the report, but the White House furnished photostat copies of testimony taken by the George committee from 65 officers at the fighting fronts in the field, and all this has been released to the press the past few days.

THE George report, you will recall, was first published in this column October 9. The release of the full document now confirms what was then presented to you. Thus the stalemate worked by Adm. King of the navy to throttle the move for a single department, has been broken. But the inner situation is not entirely clear yet. The only known opposition now to this agreed method of modernizing the national defense is restricted to the chairmen of the naval affairs committees in the senate and house. The others have come around in the past few weeks. But the old navy crowd is doing its utmost to delay action—and rather successfully. The prospect now is that the Hill and Johnson bills will not be acted upon before the recess of congress, which means they cannot be passed before next

TRIBUTE TO SERVICE WOMEN



Official Photo of Lt. Elizabeth Raymond, first member of Women's Reserve of the U. S. Naval Reserve to receive a military naval decoration, was given a commendation ribbon and citation by Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal for outstanding service in connection with the development of the Women's Reserve. She helped train officers. Investment in Victory Bonds will back those who must carry on until conditions are more stable in conquered countries.

spring. Overwhelming support will rally to whatever final detailed arrangement is agreed upon between Johnson-Hill and the war department authorities, but the delay of action will be costly. The plan will no doubt require a year to be brought to full working efficiency. The changing of the status of bureaus all down the line will require at least that much time. Simultaneously also, a reorganization of the top men in both services is in prospect. Adm. King will go with Gen. Marshall, and there is a definite determination to move younger men to the top of the new single department in which the younger generals of the air force, for instance, will have equal standing with the army and the navy under a single cabinet chief.

THE departure of Marshall and King were slated for the first of the year, but an effort has been made to induce Mr. Truman to keep Marshall on for a while to promote the youth draft plan which is his main current interest now, and to keep Gen. Eisenhower in Europe because of the difficulties which have arisen through Russian tactics there, delaying genuine agreement on the peace setup.

There is no valid reason for these delays. The new plan should be launched immediately and the changes in personnel could best be made with the launching of the program. The delay in presentation of the report since last April already has postponed for a year the inauguration of the new setup. Adm. King and the old-line navy people have presented their testimony and have clearly lost the argument. Their complaints have been rejected by the vast majority of congress. To put the matter off now further and further is to tamper dangerously with the defense of the nation.

The new defense plan cannot be worked out until unification is accomplished. As every one can see it coming eventually, decisions made now are necessarily only of a tentative nature in both services. If Mr. Truman considers the state of the world such that he cannot demobilize speedily and completely, it then must be similarly urgent to get the unification plan into action as the efficiency of the armed forces relies just as much upon that as upon the number of men retained.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters to the editor must bear the name and address of the writer although the use of a pen-name or initials for publication is permissible. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarity and condensation.

To the editor: I would like to know why some persons forget the war so quickly and forget so easily the returned soldier who offered to give his life in order that this person might remain at home in safety. One of these returned soldiers is a frequent guest at our home. We met him when he was stationed at Camp White. He was born and raised in New York City but he loved Medford. When he returned from overseas he closed up his affairs in New York and returned to Medford where he hoped to settle down, find a job and make his

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A. N. POTTER NEW AGENCY PARTNER

A. N. Potter, Jr., formerly of Portland, is now associated as a partner in the firm of Daniels and Robinson, insurance agency, it was announced today. The new partner has been with the Connecticut Fire Insurance company as state agent for the past five years and prior to that was with the insurance broker firm of Johnson and Higgins in Seattle.

Mr. Potter, Mrs. Potter and their daughter, Judith, aged three and one-half, have purchased the Ben Newman home at 32 North Myrtle street. The Daniels and Robinson firm, of which T. E. Daniels and V. J. Robinson are partners, is one of the city's oldest agencies, having been established in 1908.

Occupation Force Asks More Food

Washington, Nov. 6—(U.P.)—U. S. authorities in Germany have asked for an additional 300,000 tons of food, about \$30,000,000 worth to carry the American occupation zone over until the next harvest, Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay revealed today.

Clay, who is deputy to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, American military governor for Germany, said the food shortage in Germany is serious.

The request for additional food was made to the War department.

Many Women Leave California

San Francisco, Nov. 6—(U.P.)—More than 140,000 women have left California war plants since Japan surrendered the State Department of Industrial Relations disclosed today. Of that total, nearly 50,000 women left their jobs in the first month after the surrender. Indicating a continuance of the trend, the department's latest figures showed that heavy and light industries let go about 49,000 women in September.

P.-T. A. Activities

Plans for a school carnival will be made at the meeting of the Shady Cove Parent-Teacher association set for Friday, Nov. 9 at 8 p. m., at the schoolhouse. Moving pictures will be shown and refreshments will be served. All members are urged to attend, especially new members of the association.

Officers announce that the playground equipment recently purchased by the association will be installed soon and that the hot lunch program for the school has been started.

ROBERT TAYLOR OUT Hollywood, Nov. 6—(U.P.)—Actor Robert Taylor, 35, was discharged from the naval air corps today after two and one-half years' active duty as a flight instructor. Taylor, the husband of Actress Barbara Stanwyck, flew here from Chicago last night and was separated from the service in a few hours this morning.

What, No Fish?



(Acme Telephoto) Willie Golodoff, 27, of Attu Island, only known Eskimo who was taken prisoner of war by the Japs while he was fishing in 1942, is returned to San Francisco, Calif., after release from POW camp. About to return to his rocky, fog-bound island, Golodoff worries about his wife, Julia, who will ask him, "Where have you been?" and "Where are the fish?"

Phoenix High To Present Carnival At School Friday

Phoenix, Nov. 6—The Phoenix high school carnival will be held at the school gym Friday at 7:30 p. m.

Highlight of the evening will be coronation of the carnival queen. Candidates are Beverly Wier, freshman; Dorothy Keene, sophomore; Peggy Glover, junior; Betty Epperson, senior.

The carnival will consist of the usual concessions, prizes and food stands.

Among the valuable prizes offered during the evening will be a rose gold alarm watch, an all metal hunting knife, an Esmond blanket, chickens and turkeys. The public is cordially invited.

Tire Ration End Still Far Away

Washington, Nov. 6—(U.P.)—Civilian tire rationing cannot be ended for several months unless there is a substantial increase in tire production, Max McCullough, retiring OPA deputy rationing administrator, said today. McCullough reiterated that rationing would be lifted as soon as possible, but said local ration boards now have a backlog of nearly 1,000,000 tire applications.

THANKSGIVING NOV. 22

Sacramento, Nov. 6—(U.P.)—November 22 will be California's official Thanksgiving Day. Gov. Earl Warren proclaimed this yesterday, making the state's holiday conform with a federal practice of setting the next to the last Thursday of the month as Thanksgiving.

300 More Japs To Face Yank Trials

Tokyo, Nov. 6—(U.P.)—The Japanese government shortly will be ordered to arrest 300 suspected war criminals, it was learned today. The legal section of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters is speeding preparations for war criminal trials which are expected to start this month. China's is submitting names of Japanese wanted for war crimes in China. The new arrests will bring the number of Japanese war criminals in custody to 1,000.

Closing time for Sunday Toe Late to Classify 4:00 Saturday afternoon. Please remember

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