

President No Longer Holding Leading Hand By Anticipated Favors

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Washington—(U.P.)—There is a cynical wisecrack circulating in the capital to the effect that political gratitude is no more than a lively appreciation of anticipated favors.

This oldie has been dusted off for current use by those who have totaled up the troubles which have befallen President Truman since March 29.

Hold Was Insecure
It was on March 29 before the \$100-a-plate Jefferson - Jackson dinner that Mr. Truman told Democrats he would not be a candidate to succeed himself.

Mr. Truman's hold on congressional Democrats was insecure and his standing with big business and industry was well below par before his March 29 statement.

The announcement of his retirement weakened Mr. Truman still further. It was after Mr. Truman took himself out that J. Howard McGrath boldly solved the problem created by the inability of Newbold Morris to function as administration investigator of corruption. McGrath fired Morris. Mr. Truman promptly fired McGrath, an action which lost considerable sting by reason of knowledge that the President also was on the way out.

In the past five weeks strikes

came in the telephone, oil and telegraph industries. The steel strike came to a series of crises. Unquestionably two of the three most embarrassing reverses suffered by Mr. Truman since he said he would retire came from the courts. The third was resignation of Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson.

United States District Judge David A. Pine found Mr. Truman's seizure of the steel industry to be unconstitutional and enjoined it. The nine-judge Appeals Court in the district stayed Pine's order, but by a scratch count of 5 to 4.

Seizure Legality Waited
The Supreme Court cracked down on the President last Saturday by holding that, pending a Supreme Court ruling, he must not give the steel workers a wage increase while the industry is government-controlled except with consent of private management representing the owners. The Supreme Court still must decide the basic question whether the seizure was legal.

Congress has added to Mr. Truman's troubles by an all-out attack on his spending proposals as contained in appropriation bills now under consideration. There seems to be more force in the economy drive this year than previously.

And foreign and domestic national defense items are more likely this year than ever before to be severely trimmed.

All this grief cannot be attributed to the fact that Mr. Truman is a sort of lame duck President now. But some of it can be pinned right there.

Lions Club Leader Speaks at Meeting Of 8 Valley Clubs

"World peace is not an impossibility," George Doll, Ft. Morgan, Colo., international director of Lions clubs, said at a joint meeting of eight Rogue Valley Lions groups last night at the Medford hotel.

"Through a common code of understanding, through education with a return to a sound moral and ethical set of standards for both business and government at all levels, world peace can be attained," the speaker said. He reviewed the various attempts to develop world courts and pointed out the fallacies which caused their failures.

Doll stressed Lionism working under one constitution, and that it has been able to expand into five continents and develop a strong working organization based on democratic principles, dedicated to community service and betterment.

The speaker cited in particular the Lions of the Philippines, who did much to suppress the Huk's uprising, and then went into Japan to organize clubs in that country to work toward the common good and combat the spread of Communism.

The delegates at last night's

Two Faculty Members At SOC Given Mention

Ashland—Two faculty members at Southern Oregon college have recently had mention in national publications.

Dr. H. S. Fowler, assistant professor of science, is author of an article entitled "Experimenting with Experimental Methods" which appeared in the magazine The Science Teacher, official organ of the National Science Teachers association.

Dr. Arthur Kreisman, associate professor of English, was a consultant for the textbook "Towards Liberal Education," a selection of readings for English classes published by Rinehart and Co., Inc.

Elementary School Music Festival Set At SOC Tomorrow

Ashland—Presentation of four specialty numbers by elementary school choruses will highlight the second annual Jackson County Elementary School Music Festival to be held tomorrow at Southern Oregon college, according to Helene M. Robinson, director of the program.

Main portion of the program, however, will be the singing of 14 numbers by an 800-voice chorus from 14 different county schools, Miss Robinson said. She added that friends of the college will be welcomed at both the 11 a.m. practice session and the 1 p.m. final program to be held in Memorial Court.

Numbers Listed
Individual school numbers will include Sigmund Romberg's "Stouthearted Men" to be sung by the Eagle Point girls chorus directed by Norma Elder; a number by the Gold Hill chorus directed by Charles Cook, the Negro spiritual "Steal Away" by the Elk-Trail upper grades chorus, and Tchaikovsky's "Sir Nutcracker" as presented by the Lone Pine upper grades chorus directed by Lella Van Amburgh.

Climax of the four-long program will be presentation of the "hymn 'God of Our Fathers'" sung by the combined choruses and joined by the Southern Oregon college a cappella choir directed by Oscar C. Bjorlie and the college band directed by Glenn T. Matthews.

Festival participants will be greeted by Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, president of Southern Oregon.

Another Land To Feed Said Russia War Price

Chicago—(U.P.)—America could defeat Russia in war but the sole prize would be the right to feed and clothe the Russians, British historian Arnold Toynbee told a Chicago audience Monday night.

He spoke before a dinner sponsored by the National Arts Foundation in the only address he will make in this country this year.

Toynbee said that both Russia and the United States are nations that "face facts." He said he hoped both nations would continue to do so "and if so we will have a better chance to avoid a third world war."

CURSE OF DRINK

Lenoir, N. C. —(U.P.)— Caldwell County deputies said eight little pigs which had been thriving on swill from a 4,000 gallon moonshine still died after the still had been raided and dismantled, apparently because they had become so dependent on an alcoholic diet they could not live without it.

meeting were from Central Point, Gold Hill, Grants Pass, Jacksonville, Medford, Medford Crater club, Phoenix, Talent, and the Portland downtown Lions club.

National Music Week Observance Here Wednesday

In observance of National Music week, the faculty string quartet from the University of Oregon is holding a string clinic Wednesday at the Medford Senior and Junior High schools under direction of Miss Brist, orchestra director.

During the morning sessions the school orchestras will perform and the university men will lead a discussion on proper string techniques and will add a word of encouragement and advice to the young Medford musicians.

Concert at Day Home
In the afternoon the University quartet assisted by two university students, Larry Mayes, violinist, and a student oboist, will give a chamber music concert primarily for the instrumental students in the Senior and Junior High schools. The activities will close Wednesday evening with an informal concert at the home of Mrs. John Day.

Members of the ensemble are George Boughton, associate professor of violin; Dr. Cykler, violinist and dean of graduate school of music; Milton Dietrich, cellist, and theory instructor; Larry Mayes, student violinist and a student oboist.

Their program will consist of quartet and quintet works by Brahms, Mozart and others.

Invitation Extended
Those especially interested in chamber music and who wish to observe and participate in National Music week are invited by the Medford Music club to attend the informal concert Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the Day home on Groveland avenue.

From here the university group will go to Ashland and Klamath Falls to conduct string clinics and chamber music concerts before returning to their campus.

Engineer in Rogue Forest Transferred

Lloyd Bransford, engineer for the Rogue River National forest, is being transferred to a similar position on the Willamette National forest with headquarters at Eugene, it was announced today by J. H. Wood, forest supervisor.

Bransford will take over the new assignment about May 12, and will be succeeded in Medford by Hector Langdon, whose position Bransford is assuming in Eugene.

Bransford has been in Medford since 1946, with the family residence at 128 Vancouver avenue. A graduate of the Washington State College of Forestry, he entered the forest service on the Ozark National forest in Arkansas, where he spent three years. He then served for a year at Wind River, Wash., in charge of the experimental forest, and in 1939 was promoted to forest engineer of the Tongass National Forest, Alaska.

Gov. Warren Won't Advocate Socialism In Medical Program

Gov. Earl Warren of California "does not and will not advocate any form of socialism," he stated here yesterday. The statement was in answer to a question from the audience on Warren's pre-paid medical care program as the Republican presidential candidate opened his Oregon campaign here.

Warren's questioner stated that many persons believe the governor's program "is, or will become" socialized medicine. He wanted to know how the governor would refute such statements.

Warren stated that the bill which he introduced to the California legislature recently would in no way change the doctor-hospital-patient relationship. It did not provide for mandatory membership, he said, but was based on an "insurance system."

Under the bill, one per cent of each employee's salary, for those taking part in the program, would be placed in the state operated fund by the employer and employee. Benefits would not cover "minor injuries, common colds" and other comparatively small things, Warren said, but would be restricted to illnesses or injuries which would otherwise place a severe strain on the person's finances. The governor stated that, if such a program were to be inaugurated, it should be done without federal funds if possible.

The high costs of medical care is becoming more and more of

HOT-RODDER SUSPECTED

Lincoln, Neb. —(U.P.)— Police searched for a hot-rod with a double exhaust pipe after Walter Becker reported someone stole the muffler from his tractor. Police theorized the culprit wanted the muffler for a hot-rod exhaust.

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He came to the local forest from Ketchikan, Alaska. He is a member of the Society of American Foresters. Mrs. Bransford has been active in civic projects here and is president of the City Council of Parent and Teachers. She and their three children will remain in Medford until school closes.

Langdon is a graduate of the University of California, and a veteran of World War II, where he served with the Corps of Engineers. He entered the forest service at Eugene in 1945. He also is a member of the Society of American Foresters, and is married.

Thomaston, Conn. —(U.P.)— Mr. and Mrs. Treadwell Weeks, formerly of this town, have 15 children, ten of whom have served in the armed forces. Seven sons saw overseas duty in World War II and three are in service now.

SO SORRY PLEASE

Peabody, Mass. — (U.P.) — A thief broke into the Ellis Grain company, robbed a safe of \$400, and left a note saying, "I am sorry." Company officials were left wondering whether the burglar was sorry he took the money or sorry that there had not been more to take.

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Long Recognized

Warren pointed out that the serious nature of the problem of costly injury or illness had been recognized since as long as 20 years ago, when President Herbert Hoover appointed a commission to investigate possible solutions. A plank in the 1944 Republican platform, which was backed by Sen. Robert Taft, favored use of federal funds to inaugurate an aid program, he said.

The California governor added that, in 1935, a group of doctors in his state, under the press of depression conditions, backed a plan under which employees would contribute 3 1/2 per cent of their salaries and employers would contribute 1 1/2 per cent. This plan was dropped because of the objections of employers and because of the start of World War II, he said.

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