



A WELL-MANICURED blonde in the throng outside Capt. Peter Townsend's London residence gives the RAF flyer the traditional thumbs-up gesture of approval in his romance with Princess Margaret. The crowd awaited his return from a dinner engagement with Margaret. (International)

Intense Mass Interest in Education in USSR, Member Of Friends Committee Says

An intense, mass interest in education, and the activity of a small religious group are hopeful forces at work in Russia today, Stephen Cary, national staff member of the American Friends committee, declared in a speech here Friday.

Cary, who returned recently from a 30 day trip inside the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, spoke before a crowd of about 150 people at the First Presbyterian church.

Hope for peace lies in a relaxation of internal rigidity in regard to freedom and understanding of the individual, Cary said, and in the Communist doctrine of world revolution being moved from an active political objective to the realm of philosophical theory.

The vastly expanded Russian educational program and Baptist religious activity which stresses the responsibility of the individual, are forces that will help in the achievement of these goals.

In relation to the new concept of the "smiling Russian," Cary stated that Russia desperately needs time to cope with internal problems of food, housing and transportation. He expressed doubt, however, that USSR officials are sincere in their plea for long range, peaceful co-existence.

The Russian people are sincere in their wish for peace, Cary declared. He said that peace is the main topic of conversation among them and that word peace is to be seen everywhere—on buildings, flags and banners across the streets.

The most striking thing in the USSR, Cary said, is the contrast between the immense industrialization program and the standard of living.

He cited instances of high food prices, an almost total lack of refrigeration cars for the transport of fresh fruits and vegetables, the need for steel in civilian consumption, and especially the lack of housing as problems with which the Russians must cope.

Cary saw no evidence of internal unrest among the Russian people. Most of them, he said, either looked upon their government with acceptance or with satisfaction. They are proud of Russian achievement and loyal to their government.

For the first time in 38 years, Cary said, the Soviet government isn't afraid of its own people. Officials go freely among them without security protection.

According to Cary the USSR needs time to cope with its internal problems and to the extent of gaining that time, at least, they desire peace. As long as peace is maintained, the humanizing effects of education and religion will tend to give it permanence.

"Time works for us," Cary said. "We must be patient." In a discussion period following his address, Cary said that many old concepts of Russia are no longer true.

He pointed out that USSR society is very much stratified and the accumulation of wealth is not difficult in a country where the maximum income tax is only 13 per cent and the inheritance tax 8 per cent. Many Russians now own their own homes, he said, although the lower class may not have the right to buy and sell property.

The family and home are stable units in Russian society, he said. Divorce is more difficult to obtain than in the United States. Women have achieved complete equality with men and may become professors or government officials, but may also be called upon to dig ditches and load trucks.

As other evidence of Russian change, he cited the existence of a private medical group and the fact that religious groups are not persecuted, although not permitted to express a social philosophy.

Seven Polio Cases Listed in Portland

Portland—(U.P.)—Seven cases of polio were reported in Portland during the past week, according to city health officer Dr. Thomas L. Meador. It was the highest weekly total for Portland this year.

Dr. Meador said the polio incidence had more than doubled in Portland this year. Yearly total to date was 63, compared to 28 for the same period last year.

News About Books From the Library

By MISS HELEN WEBSTER
Medford Librarian

Librarians gamble! Yes, they do. Every book order they write places a "bet" on your interest in books that have not yet been published let alone reviewed and definitely not available for inspection. It is the only way in which we can have the books ready for you when you want them.

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Best Seller Cited

Earl Miers in the "Saturday Review of Literature," for instance, bears us out in our wager on "Andersonville," by MacKinlay Kantor. He says that in years to come compilers of anthologies will find this long novel based on the history of the most notorious of Confederate prisons a kind of "Ft. Knox." Certainly the author makes his readers participate in all the horror of the institution. We purchased two copies of this new and important title.

Reviewers disagree concerning the lighter, less realistic novel, "Castle Garac," by Nicholas Monsarrat. The story of a young American writer stranded on the Riviera who accepts a mysterious commission to find a certain castle, and a beautiful French girl who may or may not be a countess, is recommended by a "Library Journal" reviewer as a swift-paced novel of suspense, intrigue, and romance.

Burke Wilkinson in the "New York Times," says on the contrary, that here we have a plot that is a "souffle that never rises." "We can hope for better," he adds, "from the talented Nicholas Monsarrat." Let us know what you think of it.

Better Treated

Howard Spring's newest novel, "These Lovers Flew Away," fares better at all hands. Men and women of the theater, science, and government through its pages as a series of great events take place, and yet it is a quiet story. The "New York Herald-Tribune Books" reviewer describes its course as "gliding along as gently as a pole-driven punt on the Thames at Maidenhead, with small eddies and whirlpools of excitement" varying its way.

Written in England during the bombardment of 1941 but suggested by the ordeal of the Donner party on their way to frontier California a hundred years ago is Norah Loft's "Winter Harvest." "The force of her narrative," says Walter Havighurst in the "New York Herald-Tribune Books," "is not spent on the physical ordeal. Out of a gruesome episode Norah Loft has made a novel that searches and illuminates the spirit of man."

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Two To Attend NFLA Conference

William C. Higinbotham, Central Point, and Oliver H. Roundtree, Williams, will represent the Southern Oregon National Farm Loan association at a four-state conference of NFLA directors in Spokane, Nov. 3-4, F. E. Bowman, association secretary-treasurer, announced this week.

The Spokane meeting will bring together two representatives from each of the 65 national farm loan associations in Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington. These local farmer-owned farmer-operated associations make and service loans for the Federal Land Bank of Spokane.

Bowman said the agenda of the Spokane meeting includes discussions of the land bank's broadened credit services under the Farm Credit Act of 1955; appraisal standards, new business, annual meetings, loan servicing and membership relations.

Speakers at this year's conference will include Thomas A. Maxwell, director of land bank service, Farm Credit Administration, Washington, D.C.; Oscar G. Swenson, Malone, Wash., and H. C. Ellis, Great Falls, Mont., members of the district farm credit board; Fred A. Knutsen, land bank president, and Eugene Fisher, Oakland, Oregon, and A. Lars Nelson, St. John, Wash., chairman and vice-chairman, respectively, of the 12th district NFLA advisory committee.

Frederick Sadri Receives Award

Frederick Sadri has received a \$25 cash award for his entry in a Unit Masonry association home design contest. It was announced here last week.

His winning entry was a design of a three bedroom home and the prize was one of 19 given in the contest which was open to all Oregon and Washington architects or students of architecture.

Sadri lives at 117 North Oakdale ave., and at the present is free lancing in house designing. He is a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The meringue topping for a pie won't pull, if the pie is cut with a well-greased knife.

Pair Bound Over To Grand Jury; Six Appear in Court

Two men were bound over to the grand jury in district court, Friday, two others were released on their own recognizance, and two more were fined for killing another's animal and trespassing.

Dismissal Denied

Paul Leon Jacks, 20, Gold Hill, was bound over to the grand jury on a charge of rape, at a preliminary hearing held Friday. An earlier motion of dismissal of the charge against Jacks was denied.

Walter Earl Adams, 33, Butte Falls, also bound over to the grand jury, was charged with drawing a bank check with insufficient funds in the bank to pay it in full.

Bond for Adams was set at \$1,500. Robert Leland Taylor, 25, Box 614, Ashland, who was charged with failure to support a minor child, was released on his own recognizance and ordered to report to the court again April 28, 1956.

A 17-year-old boy who had al-

Sunday, October 30, 1955

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

Two Teachers Added To Rogue River Staff

Rogue River—Two additional teachers have been added to the Rogue River elementary school staff.

Mrs. Grace Bain, who is teaching the third grade, came to Rogue River from Southern Oregon college, and Mrs. Alice Arnold, who is teaching eighth grade, formerly taught in California.

Loran Casebier, elementary principal, said there now are two sections to each the first, second, third and fourth grades.

legedly stolen a car owned by Benjamin Alfonso, Rogue River, was released on his own recognizance for a period of one year. Robert Donald Sefarly, 19, of 724 West 11th st., and a 17-year-old boy were fined \$15 each for killing another's animal while trespassing.

The pair killed a black and white domestic duck while trespassing on land owned by Charles Edward Crowe, route 2, box 210, according to a sheriff's office report.

Garbage Can Check Requested by Police

Medford police have asked residents to see if they have an extra garbage can around

the house. Police want to return any extra ones to the proper owners. Several residents have reported thefts of garbage cans in last couple of days.

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