

Drummond Reports

(Walter Lippman is again traveling in Europe. Roscoe Drummond reports from Washington in his absence.)

ITALY DOES IT
Washington—If they had the opportunity, the American people, I think, would like nothing better than to stand up and salute a courageous, riskful, and determined ally.

means of self-defense. This is the view he took when he was Defense Minister under the Fanfani government and this is the view he is taking now that he is himself Prime Minister.

Despite warnings from the Kremlin, despite threatened reprisals from the Communists at home, the government and the people of Italy have taken a momentous decision.

It seems to me a magnificently brave decision—and a right one.
Unless you believe that NATO should be weak, unless you believe the Khrushchev doctrine that it is all right for the Soviet Union to possess missiles but all wrong for Western Europe to possess missiles, this is a good gift Italy is making to NATO on its tenth anniversary.

With all 15 Foreign Ministers gathered in Washington to observe NATO's 10th anniversary, this couldn't come at a better time under better circumstances from a better ally.

Italy's decision is to station NATO's most powerful deterrent and defensive weapon—the intermediate range missile with a atomic warhead—on Italian soil.

It was 18 months ago at the meeting in Paris, attended by President Eisenhower, that the NATO council gingerly accepted in principle the U. S. offer that NATO be equipped with IRBMs. The council left it up to each country to decline or accept them.

THE Communists, whether Italian or French or American or Soviet—they speak the same voice—will try to persuade the world that the United States is just putting the Soviet Union on edge by providing NATO with missiles. But let us not forget these facts:

The mood was timid and the tactic was to delay doing anything in the wishful hope that somehow the over-hanging Soviet threat could be magically negotiated away.

NATO came into being in a long-delayed, desperate act of self-defense after the Red Army made Soviet satellites out of every Eastern European nation, plus East Germany. After what happened in Hungary, there is no reason to believe that the Soviets are going home.

Britain alone accepted American missiles.

There are more people in the free nations of Western Europe than there are in the Soviet Union. Should these nations deny themselves the means of modern defense while the Soviets alone possess them?

And now Italy. It is a bold decision diplomatically because it makes Rome the focal target of Moscow's rough tactics.

Does anyone really believe that France or Italy or Germany, singly or together, are going to attack Russia when the consequence is mutual destruction? And if the U. S. didn't start a preventive war when it possessed atomic monopoly—and, therefore, immunity—it will not be so insane as to do so now?

It is a bold decision politically because it puts into the hands of the Italian Communist party a tool with which to try to whip up public opinion against the new Center-Right government of Premier Antonio Signi whose support in the Italian Parliament remains to be sharply tested.

Italy is showing itself an increasingly steadfast, strong, and un intimidated ally. It seems to me that if the Soviets want to add to their representation at the pre-summit meeting of the Foreign Ministers the Big Three couldn't do better than to ask Italy to sit at their side.

BUT Premier Signi, strongly backed by Foreign Minister Giuseppe Pella, who is now in Washington, has decisively and irrevocably cast his lot with the fullest possible commitment to collective security. He has done so not to please the United States but in the deep conviction that he is serving Italy's national interests and that NATO must not only demonstrate the will but utilize the most modern



Judge Virgil Langtry

Juvenile Court Judge to Speak At Annual Event

of Oregon's foremost authorities on juvenile court and domestic relations matters, will speak April 20 at the annual Southern Oregon Child Guidance association meeting. The dinner is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at Medford High school cafeteria.

Judge Langtry plans to discuss the apparent current widespread realization that early recognition and treatment probably present our best method of crime and delinquency.

Circuit court judge of the Fourth judicial district, Judge Langtry is chairman of the Oregon Juvenile Court's Committee on Juvenile Code Revision of which Judge James Main, Medford, was also a member. He was chairman of the Governor's Advisory committee studying adult parole and probation.

Award Winner
A recent winner of the Kelley Loe Memorial award, Judge Langtry was honored for his outstanding work in the juvenile court and court of domestic relations, as well as for outstanding service to many civic and professional organizations. The award is presented by Portland's AFL-CIO Community Services committee.

Judge Langtry graduated in law from the University of Oregon in 1934, practiced law in central Oregon for six years, and was consultant to the League of Oregon Cities from 1941 through 1947. In 1947 and 1949, he was

Common Detergent Chemical Contains Unusual Properties

Washington—UPI—A government medical researcher has reported that a chemical used in manufacturing household detergents has unusual properties which:

—Are credited with saving a life the first time the compound was used in human medication last Friday.

—May prove of value in inhibiting fatigue.

—May enable man to increase his tolerance to carbon dioxide, thereby enabling him to live more comfortably in submarines and sealed vehicles designed for space travel.

—Offer hope of a possible new and superior treatment for acidosis. This is a condition of the blood and tissues which follows many afflictions, including cases of children who accidentally swallow too many aspirins and older persons with respiratory difficulties.

Chemical 'Appears Promising'
The scientist is Dr. Gabriel G. Nahas, 39, chief of the respiratory section of the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research. He laid out the first results of his experiments in highly technical language two weeks ago. He published his findings in Science, the official journal of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Nahas, a French citizen who plans soon to apply for American citizenship, then discussed his findings today for the first time in layman's language in an interview with United Press International.

He said his experiments chief deputy city attorney of Portland and in private practice there in 1950 and circuit judge in 1951. Past state chairman for the PTA's Juvenile Protection committee, Judge Langtry was the first president of the Woodrow Wilson High School's Dad's club. He is married and has three children in high and grade schools. His mother, Mrs. J. A. Langtry, is a resident of Ashland.

The Rev. Richard Jones, president of the Child Guidance association, will conduct the business meeting, which will include a brief resume of the clinic activities and election of new board members. Reservations for the dinner Child Guidance office, Spring may be made by calling the 3-3174.

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Rita F. — They let Ralph get away with everything.
Mrs. J. F. — She provokes him.

Rita F. — I am a 15-year-old girl whose main problem is her kid brother. Ralph is 8 and he is so spoiled it is terrible. My parents are ruining him.

The worst thing about him is the way he bothers me when I am on the telephone or when I go out on a date. He thinks it's very funny to make remarks like "You should see her in her curlers" or "Gee, lucky you called her — she hasn't had a date in a month." Sometimes he tries to grab the telephone from me and yells things into it.

When I try to spank him he goes screaming to my parents and they protect him. They think he's cute and they never criticize him. But everything I do is terrible. Things have gotten so bad I just hate my home and family. I get the rotten end of everything.

Mrs. J. F. — Ralph is often mischievous and hard to handle and we do try to control him. But you can't do it all the time. He is still a child and boys will be boys. I feel that Rita should be grown-up enough to understand this and just ignore him.

Unfortunately, Rita is really just as childish as he is and she does things to annoy him. She'll walk into a room, turn off the TV program he's watching and turn on the one she wants. Then there is a feud on for weeks.

I have told Rita again and again that if she does things to provoke Ralph she'll have

to take the consequences. If she didn't do those mean little things I wouldn't let him get away with some of the things he does. She always insists that he started it—but how is a parent to know?

Council: We agree that it is impossible for a parent to know which child to punish when each points the accusing finger saying, "He started it."

We also believe that it is impossible to eliminate a certain amount of feuding between children in a household. The best that parents can do is establish certain rules for fighting. Some things are just below the belt and parents must step in as referee and call a foul!

The battle of the TV set, for example, might reasonably lead to a couple of smacks or punches. It should eventually be settled by arbitration with the parents guaranteeing each child a fair amount of TV-viewing.

However, when it comes to retaliation in the form of upsetting a girl's social life, it is time for parents to step in very firmly. This is definitely below the belt. Her dates, the appearance she makes to a boy, the home setting she is seen in are so important to a girl that no younger sister or brother should be allowed to interfere—no matter what the provocation.

Rita shows that she feels she is not getting her fair share of understanding from her parents and we think she is right. If her parents protected her from cruel and unfair heckling from her kid brother, it is possible that Rita would be more grown-up

FAVORS THE TRACK
Laurel, Md. —UPI— Royal Bay Gem won the Spalding Lowe Jenkins for two-year-olds at Laurel, the Chesapeake Stakes for three-year-olds and the Laurel Handicap as a four-year-old.

Youth Enters Guilty Plea in Court Here
Louis Logston, 19, of 552 Eagle Mill rd., Ashland, pleaded guilty Friday in district court to charges of petty larceny. He received a six-months suspended sentence. Logston was arrested Thursday on charges of taking gas from county road equipment recently.

Hollywood —UPI— Actress Debbie Reynolds has consented to a Nevada "quickie" divorce which will free singer Eddie Fisher in six weeks to marry Elizabeth Taylor.

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Drivers Licenses Suspended by State

Salem—The department of motor vehicles has released names of 383 drivers whose licenses were ordered suspended during the period beginning March 23, and ending March 27.

Length of suspension varies, depending on charges involved, recommendation of court, discretionary action by the department or requirements of Oregon law. The department said some of the licenses involving court recommendations may have been reinstated after suspension was ordered.

The department warned drivers that the penalty for driving while suspended is a jail sentence of no less than two days and up to six months, and there may be imposed a fine up to \$500. Under licensing procedures, this will also result in an additional year of suspension.

Those suspended in Jackson county were:

- Driving While Suspended—(Includes any conviction for violation of traffic laws, involving operation of motor vehicle, while driving privileges were under suspension)
- Henderson, Claron William, 22, of 204 South Grape st., Medford, disobeys traffic sign, 1 year.
- Leek, Oscar Darrell, 19, of route 1, box 245, Talent, driving while suspended, 1 year.
- Ridders, Waymon G., 38, of route 1, box 276, Talent, no operator's license in possession, 1 year.
- Robinson Thomas Alonzo, 41, of 1154 Fourth ave., Gold Hill, insufficient lights, 1 year.
- Williams, Wallace Wayne, 22, of 1448 South Union st., Medford, driving while suspended, 1 year.
- Driving While Under Influence of Intoxicating Liquor—(Mandatory suspension)
- De Groot, Robert James, 33, of 224 Garden way, Ashland, 90 days.
- Frye, Cecil Arthur, 55, of 1408 South Columbus ave., Medford, 1 year.
- Huebner, Henry Carl, 42, of route 1, box 317, Eagle Point, 90 days.
- Discretionary Action of Department
- Damewood, Joseph Elsworth, Highway 234, Gold Hill, failure to appear for examination, 1 year.
- Johnston, Jert Leroy, 21, of 120 Jeanette st., Medford, driving record, 90 days.

Ray Johnson Named To Broadcasters Group

Ray Johnson, executive vice president and general manager of radio station KMED, was elected president of the Oregon Association of Broadcasters during its annual meeting in Eugene Friday.

Gordon Capps, of KFRV in Ontario, was elected vice president; Frank Coffin, of KOIN-TV, Portland, was chosen secretary-treasurer. New directors elected were Mac L. Cready, KDAL-TV, Eugene, and T. M. Smith, KVMA, Pendleton.

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