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President and Press

THING that damaged Herbert Hoover's influence with the public, in the latter days of his administration, was his resentment of critical comment. It became noised around that Mr. Hoover wasn't able to "take it," and that didn't do him any good.

President Roosevelt, perhaps taking a leaf from his predecessor's notebook, set about being ultra-tolerant of the newspaper correspondents, even the critical ones, and it brought him a lot of prestige and favorable feeling with the public as well as with the journalists themselves.

But recently, a change, too, seems to be coming upon F. R. David Lawrence, the noted Washington correspondent, says that the president, on two separate occasions, in conferences with newspaper publishers, showed a desire to influence them to discontinue publication of interpretative news from Washington correspondents. Paul Mallon's column, which appears on this page, is an example of interpretative news writing out of the capital.

If Mr. Lawrence's report is true, it appears that what Mr. Roosevelt is anxious to do is to suppress those writings which are unfavorable to him. The New Deal has a huge staff of special writers who are turning out all kinds of "official" announcements, many of them "interpretative" in behalf of the writers' employers. As Mr. Lawrence points out, restricting the news to these official announcements would be giving the public only one side of the story.

At the same time, the democratic national committee has engaged in an attempt to discredit some of the interpretative writers in Washington by issuing a libelous statement that they have been "taken over" by the republican national committee. The charge is definitely untrue, but it combines a "smear" campaign with the alleged attempt to get publishers to cut off frank appraisal of Washington happenings by able correspondents.

All of this is against the tradition of a free press. As long as interpretative writing at Washington is honest, it has an important place in American journalism. To attempt to suppress it, because it disagrees, smacks of European dictatorship methods, and any such move ought to be shown up for exactly what it is.

Dangerous Situation

THE terrible menace of rip-snorting driving on such heavily traveled thoroughfares as South Sixth street was demonstrated the other night when, on that street, a three-way accident occurred.

The mishap, in itself, was bad enough, although fortunately, no serious injuries resulted from it.

But it was only by the best of luck that police were able to prevent other accidents on the same scene. Three wrecked cars on the highway constitute quite a traffic hazard, and the first thing the officers did was to try to flag down approaching traffic to prevent others from piling into the accident picture.

They found they had their hands full. Machines approached from both sides at terrific speeds, coming to stop with a screeching of rubber as the drivers caught sight of the frantic officers just in time. It was a nerve-racking half hour or so before the highway could be cleared and the danger of additional mishaps lessened.

South Sixth street happens to be a mighty good place for careful driving. Anybody who roars along that thoroughfare at such speeds as seemed to prevail the other night is taking his life in his hands, and also is risking the lives of others.

Quartz Mountain

QUARTZ MOUNTAIN. — The new top-loader for Ewauna logging camp has arrived to take over the position left vacant by the resignation of "Baldy" Wiggins. During the absence of a loader, Charles Taylor took over the work.

Mrs. Clarence Boe, Mrs. Leo Lehto and Mrs. John Erling were shopping in Lakeview Tuesday morning. During the afternoon the ladies motored to Peterson-Johnson's mill where they spent the afternoon visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Young motored to Medford over the weekend. During their stay they visited with his mother at Rogue River.

Several of the local boys participated in a carnival given by the Lakeview high school Friday night. The carnival was said to be one of the best events of the year and many of the local people attended. Those taking part in the carnival from Quartz Mountain were Ed Taylor, Lee Reel and Lloyd Ryser.

Notices have been sent out to parents of pre-school age children, urging them to have the children given a toxoid against diphtheria. Another toxoid clinic was held in the Central school in Lakeview Tuesday, April 28. A charge of 25c was made.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Snyder were in Klamath Falls Wednesday, where Snyder was taking treatment for a minor illness. Mrs. Letha McLane accompanied the Snyders to town.

Mrs. J. Cobb is working part time for the Reel family until permanent help arrives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crump were visitors in Klamath Falls Saturday night, where Mrs. Crump and the children attended a picture show.

Mrs. Wayne Groshong was taken to Lakeview Wednesday night where she was given an examination for an ear infection. The exact nature of the infection could not be determined immediately.

Vera Reel, Pearl Lehto and Helen Boe attended the show in Lakeview Tuesday evening.

Earl McMoran was ill last week and was unable to report for work.

Ray Crump seems to be the lucky fisherman so far this season, being the first angler from Quartz Mountain to make a catch in Quartz creek. He landed a fine rainbow, weighing about four pounds, Wednesday afternoon.

The section crew is at work clearing snow and fallen trees from the railroad grade which was built last fall. Logging operations are expected to start in that district as soon as the track is clear.

Editorials on News

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In any similar period in history. But, instead of reducing the price to the consumer as rapidly as decreased cost of production warranted, industry went on selling at high prices and capitalized the resulting profits in the form of the wildest stock market boom ever known.

That is, the profits resulting from better mechanical processes and lowered cost of production were TAKEN BY THE GAMBLERS instead of being passed on to the public.

THE RESULT of the wild frenzy of speculation that followed this policy was a terrible crash, from which we have not yet recovered.

If we are wise, we will take Secretary Roper's advice and not make that mistake again.

WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS
The Inside Story From The Capital
By PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, April 29.—The best story about business today is that there is no story. Nothing extraordinary appears to be behind the better federal statistics. No unusual situations have stirred an extra vigor in the spring rise.

Merely the cumulative effects of improvement seem to be involved in the better figures for April which will be out in a few days. The tendency of self-acceleration is working on the way up as it did on the way down.

Thus, a thousand little things rather than dominant factors appear to have worked industrial production up to about 97 per cent of normal currently, as may be seen in the following table.

CHART

The figures are collected by the government from various official and private agencies, and all are official except the current month, which is estimated.

Each figure represents the percentage of normality existing at the times stated, with the average year 1923-24 inclusive being considered 100 per cent, except for the price index, which is based on 1926 as 100.

Note the extent to which building construction and freight traffic are out of line with general business, as represented by production. Also note the way other factors are lagging from the 100 per cent line.

Year	Industrial Production	Factory Employment	Payrolls	Freight	Building Construction	Wholesale Trade
1929 Aver.	119	104.8	109.1	106	111	117
1930 Aver.	96	91.5	88.7	92	102	92
1931 Aver.	81	77.4	67.5	75	92	63
1932 Aver.	64	64.2	45.3	56	69	28
1933 Aver.	76	69.0	47.5	58	67	27
1934 Aver.	79	75.5	61.9	62	75	32
1935 Aver.	90	82.1	70.2	68	79	37
March	88	82.4	70.8	65	82	36
April	86	82.3	70.7	61	74	26
1936 Jan.	98	84.9	72.2	70	79	61
Feb.	94	84.0	72.3	70	80	52
March	94	84.3	75.7	66	88	47
(Est) April	97	86	78	67	88	48

INDUSTRY
The four-month level of production around 95 per cent represents the wide bestirring of the durable goods industries which began late last fall. Recent production increases centered in steel, automobiles and building materials.

The operation of steel mills at around 70 per cent of normal is not due entirely to greater automobile demand, but also to increased demand from railroads and building. The first four months of automobile production this year will be higher than last, in spite of the fact that the new models were brought out in October this season instead of in January as usual. The auto market is standing up. Building, while still less than half of normal, nevertheless shows employment gains.

Another thing, the April increase was entirely in the manufacturing phase of production, and not in the mining phase, which showed a slight decrease. In other words, it all looks real.

NOTES

A close connection seems to exist between the employment index and department store sales. You will notice both are estimated at exactly 86 per cent for April. They have kept close to each other during the depression.

Behind the stability of the price index is the fact that manufacturing and industrial prices have not changed in the aggregate during the last few months.

The flood and the drop in coal production after the cold spell are what caused the dip in freight car loadings during March.

WARNING

A general European peace agreement is expected in the not too distant future. It will involve Great Britain, France and Germany and will probably be hailed as a new era. It won't be.

The dope here is that Hitler will be willing to sign a peace agreement in which many pledges are made, even concerning the eastern frontier. His idea will be to maintain Britain's friendship and avoid any drastic action by France. The way is now being quietly cleared for bargaining over such an agreement.

But, even if Hitler swears it, no one here will believe he has abandoned his eastern hopes. Treaties have been made before—and broken.

The time when he will move eastward is still problematical. His last Rhineland move was timed to offset a dangerous situation developing between the radical and conservative elements among the Nazis and unrest among the German people. This is not French propaganda. Trustworthy confidential advisers say such a situation actually existed.

When his domestic situation dictates again and when the foreign situation is quiet, Hitler will move and move eastward, no matter how many treaties are signed. He may be able to avoid it for a year, and then again he may not.

RULE CHANGE
Thrill may always be a virtue in the copybooks, but not in the relations of the citizen and the government.

Veterans have found that, if they borrowed 50 per cent on their bonus and paid no interest, all the interest due since September 30, 1931 is cancelled. But if they paid the interest they owed after that date, they

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



Interior temperature of the sun is believed to be about 70,000,000 degrees Centigrade.

MORATORIUM GOES INTO EFFECT HERE

Directors of the Klamath Irrigation district Tuesday received a wire from Senator Charles McNary informing them that the moratorium on federal reclamation project construction charges had been enacted into law.

Decision as to how soon payment on contracts will have to be made is left up to the secretary of the interior.

It is estimated that construction charges would take about \$60,000 out of the Klamath project, all divisions this year if the moratorium had not been granted.

The matter of interest piling up during the delay is also yet to be decided, it is reported here.

Telling the Editor

ABOUT MRS. SHORT
Klamath Falls, Ore.—(To the Editor): Those who are opposing Mae K. Short's reelection as county clerk state that she spends too much time fighting with other officials and does not cooperate with them. That, in my estimation, is the best reason in the world for keeping her in her present position. If we didn't have Mae K. Short around to fight for us, there is no telling how far some of the other officials might go.

On her campaign cards, Mrs. Short has printed, "She will protect the people's money." Many times since she first went into office she has fought against wasting the people's money, and that is the reason she is accused of causing friction.

The taxpayers of Klamath county need some kind of a check-valve on those officials who have the power to spend the people's money. Mae K. Short has done a good job as a check-valve for the past three years, and she should be kept on that job.

The slogan of all voters who are interested in how their money is spent should be: "Keep Mae K. Short in the Court-house."

Yours truly,
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LAST DAY

FRANCHOT TONE
"Gentlemen Are Born"

TOMORROW . .

First Local Run

SHE RISKED HER LIFE TO SAVE HIS!
"TOO TOUGH TO KILL"
with VICTOR JORY SALLY O'NEILL
SPORT
Topics of the Day
ADVENTURE
CARTOON
NEWS
V25X

DANCING FEET
Rhythm on the radio
Romance Packed with musical delight
featuring BEN LYON
JOAN MARSH
Eddie Huggins
Joel Jewel
A Musical Picture
ANY SEAT
15c
BREVITY - ACT - TINTYPE
RAINBOW

News of Oregon

PORTLAND, April 29, (AP)—Ely Culbertson, bridge expert, commented to interviewers here, "women have ruined poker with this deuce-a-wild stuff. That should be a standard game."

He also predicted "a tremendous revival in poker in the next few years" and said he was working out a "system."

Culbertson said he would call a non-bridge player "a happy mortal" and remarked that he was "a designer, an engineer" and "plays bridge less than any of the other 15,000,000 people who play the game in this country." He's too busy teaching to play, he said.

PORTLAND, April 29, (AP)—Directors of the Oregon conference of social workers in session here adopted a resolution endorsing a state-wide program of service for exceptional children and went on record favoring a federal grant for transients if funds are needed before a state plan is put into operation.

Officers elected at concluding sessions yesterday: president, Kenneth Wells, Portland; vice president, Ralph J. Reed, Portland, and secretary-treasurer, Grace Brubaker, Portland.

Speakers at the final meeting included Elinora E. Thompson, director of nursing education, University of Oregon medical school.

PORTLAND, April 29, (AP)—Canada and the United States "stood at the beginning of a new era." We are pioneers of the spirit for betterment of social, industrial and individual relations, Dr. H. T. Coleman, head of the philosophy department of the University of British Columbia, told the Klamath club here.

PORTLAND, April 29, (AP)—A California boy will be understood hereafter when he asks for hot cakes in English.

The 15-year-old youth, who was found asleep in a car here, said he ran away from a California farm because the people couldn't understand him when he asked for food.

Circuit Judge Gilbert of the juvenile court said a long-distance call offering the boy a home had been received since his plight was discovered and that he was found a place on a ranch near Newberg.

MARSHFIELD, April 29, (AP)—Cous county golfers faced the possibility of being unable to use their sporty nine-hole course today—unless they swim for it.

The county court ruled a 200-foot bridge over an inlet—the only route to the course—was unsafe for traffic and said it would be closed next week.

Several protest moves were underway.

GRANTS PASS, April 29, (AP)—A nugget mined by John and Jeff Howell at Althouse in 1855 came into the possession of Karl Ludewig, superintendent of the state mining school, when the last of the Howell family sold it to him in order to perpetuate its story. Ludewig said the nugget is the oldest, in its original form, mined in this state.

COQUILLE, Ore., April 29, (AP)—The proposal to form an ornamental lighting district, and assess property for the costs, won by a vote of 112 to 49.

GRANTS PASS, April 29, (AP)—O. D. Adams, secretary of the state board of vocational training, said the first six-month term at the state's free training school here proved more successful than anticipated. The school will close for the summer May 19.

PORTLAND, April 29, (AP)—Lightning and a 2½-pound monkey played havoc with Portland's dinner schedule last night.

The lightning ripped two 60,000-volt power lines near Estacada around 6 o'clock and resulted in shutting off power in many parts of the city for 2 to 20 minutes.

The monkey put on a specta-

Now Playing

DANGEROUS, RECKLESS MAD ADVENTURES!

BONDE BUNDLE OF DYNAMITE
Determined to get her man... and bring him back ALIVE!

Edward ARNOLD
Sutter's Gold
Universal's Hit
LEE TRACY
The House of a THOUSAND CANDLES
PHILLIPS HOLMES • MAE CLARK
IRVING PICHEL • ROSITA MORENO
COMEDY — ACT
CARTOON — NEWS
Show Daily 2, 7 and 9

PINE TREE
Shows Daily 2, 7 & 9 P. M.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

ELEPHANTS AT ONE TIME HAD FOUR TUSKS
THE APPIAN WAY, A ROAD CONNECTING ROME AND CAPUA, IS IN USE TODAY, ALTHOUGH THE PAVING WAS LAID 2240 YEARS AGO! IT WAS PAVED WITH BLOCKS OF VOLCANIC LAVA!
THE REMERA, A BIRD OF TURKEY, BUILDS A BOTTLE SHAPED NEST, WHICH AFFORDS IT PROTECTION AGAINST INTRUDERS.

ELEPHANTS are old-fashioned animals, having been on earth millions of years ago, as contemporaries of many creatures which long since have perished. Scientists believe their keen intelligence has saved them from extinction. The first known elephants were only three feet in height.

NEXT: How many persons co-operate in every official weather forecast from a meteorological office?

ular show in the heart of the business section by scampering all over the face of two tall buildings while scores of store employees and janitors chased him over several hundred yards of fire escapes.

The monkey was imported by a department store to entertain kiddies but there was no age limit to the homebound-bound crowds of workers which watched him leap from window to window and finally scamper through one on the fifth floor. He was promptly captured and returned to his cage.

The little animal scooted up 10 floors to a window it appeared to regard as choice—only to find it closed. Its descent brought concerted "ohs" and "ahs" but was made safely.

"Hobo" was on the rampage, all told for 15 minutes and could have made a sizeable fortune if someone with a tin cup had appeared in the crowd.

MEDFORD, April 29, (AP)—The display of a wrecked automobile, in which two persons were seriously injured in an accident, comprised the chamber of commerce's latest move in a "quit killing" drive.

Opposition in Germany is solidifying itself. The persecution of Jews, Catholics, Protestants, Masons, war veterans and other groups is bearing its inevitable fruit. People are speaking who have not spoken before.—Dr. Daniel A. Polling, editor, The Christian Herald.

Getting back to St. Louis was just like going home. . . . I guess I know every cat and dog in town, and it sure feels good to walk down the street and have a lot of people say, "Hello, Jim!" —Jim Bottomley, first baseman, St. Louis Browns.

The water of the ocean freezes very slowly and imperfectly, due to the presence of salt.

★ SUNDAY ★

HOLD YOUR SIDES!
HERE'S THE BIGGEST LAUGH HIT OF THE YEAR!
"MR. DEEDS GOES TO TOWN"
Because GARY COOPER
and ARTHUR
Because FRANK CAPRA
ROBT. OVERKIN
Because THE NATION'S CRITICS are tumbling all over each other in an acclaim the story of Mr. Deeds and his 20-million-dollar spending spree the greatest, funniest entertainment in years!
★ PINE TREE ★