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Call Their Bluff

AMERICAN public opinion will strongly support the state department's recent blunt warning to Japan to do less talking about peace and more acting along peaceful lines. Americans have learned to give little heed to suave talk of friendly and peaceful intentions by the Japanese.

It is not to be forgotten that the wave of aggression now engulfing the world in war began with the Japanese a decade ago, and showed the way for other predatory powers to take advantage of the peaceful desires of most of the peoples of the world, who would permit aggressive acts rather than plunge nations into war.

The Japanese have given little concrete evidence of friendship for the United States, discounting their words which are notoriously untrustworthy. Their participation in the three-power pact with the European axis powers was directed definitely at the United States. Their role in the axis plan is obviously to start raising hell in the Pacific at the right moment to divert the U. S. attention from hell-raising by Germany and Italy in Europe. Recently, Japanese activity has indicated the probability that they would thrust southward at a moment to coincide with some major axis stroke in Europe, possibly an invasion attempt on England.

The Japanese are economically vulnerable, and the United States can pinch them until they squeal. That is probably why they appear to back down on occasion after giving evidence of starting something hot in the Pacific. Recently, the state department has adopted a firm attitude toward Japan and this week Sumner Welles, under-secretary of state, made a statement which in effect calls the bluff of the Japanese. That's sound policy and should be followed up.

If we are committed to a program of giving aid to England and of moral opposition to aggression, as we seem to be, there is no better place to display our strength and our refusal to stand for monkey-business than in our relations with the aggressor power of the Pacific.

Labor Makes a Contribution

(Christian Science Monitor)

CONSTRUCTION unions have been particularly under the spotlight with reference to defense activities. Therefore, it is pleasing that John P. Coyne, president of the American Federation of Labor's building trades department, should be able to announce modifications of policy on two points which have been subjects of criticism.

One of these has to do with high initiation fees charged by certain locals, especially where defense projects caused an influx of workers. Now the various crafts have set maximums which must not be exceeded by any member union. Results of the ruling will depend on its enforcement and on adoption in some other occupations.

The second concession made by the building trades unions has to do with payment for overtime. In some localities six-day or even seven-day continuous operation would be possible on urgent jobs by staggering of crews, except that local working agreements, written in much less busy times, often called for double pay on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Contractors might pay time and a half, but double time—that was too much. Now the construction unions have consented to ask no more than time and a half for overtime on whatever day.

Even this may not seem an overwhelming concession on their part. There may be reason yet to inquire whether labor in general should not consent to a lengthening of the straight-time work week in the interests of defense production. That will depend on such factors as the degree of unemployment and trends of living costs. Meanwhile this concession of the construction trades workers means a great deal, and is to be applauded. The example may find application also in some of the machine trades wherever double time has not already been renounced.

Courthouse Records

TUESDAY

Complaint Filed

James A. Balcom versus Ethel Balcom. Couple married Syracuse, Kas., October 4, 1929. Plaintiff charges cruel and inhuman treatment. Don F. Hamlin, attorney for plaintiff.

Decree

Charles C. Ahl versus Mabel Ahl. Plaintiff awarded divorce and custody of three minors.

Justice Court

Gust Lampropoulos, charged with illegal advertising of eggs for sale. Pleaded not guilty. Case continued.

Nell Meredith Pankau, operating motor vehicle as common carrier without PUC permit. Pleaded not guilty. Case continued.

Lui Mario Chavez, petit larceny. Sentenced to one year in

county jail. Paroled for one year to district attorney.

Lyle Petty, petit larceny. Pleaded not guilty. Bond set at \$100 cash or \$200 property. Committed to Klamath county jail.

OFFENSE AGAINST CRIME

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—Police were nearly stumped by this one.

They picked up four men who admitted using a steel wire contrivance to beat marble games paying off in coins. Such games are illegal in Utah, so fraud couldn't be charged.

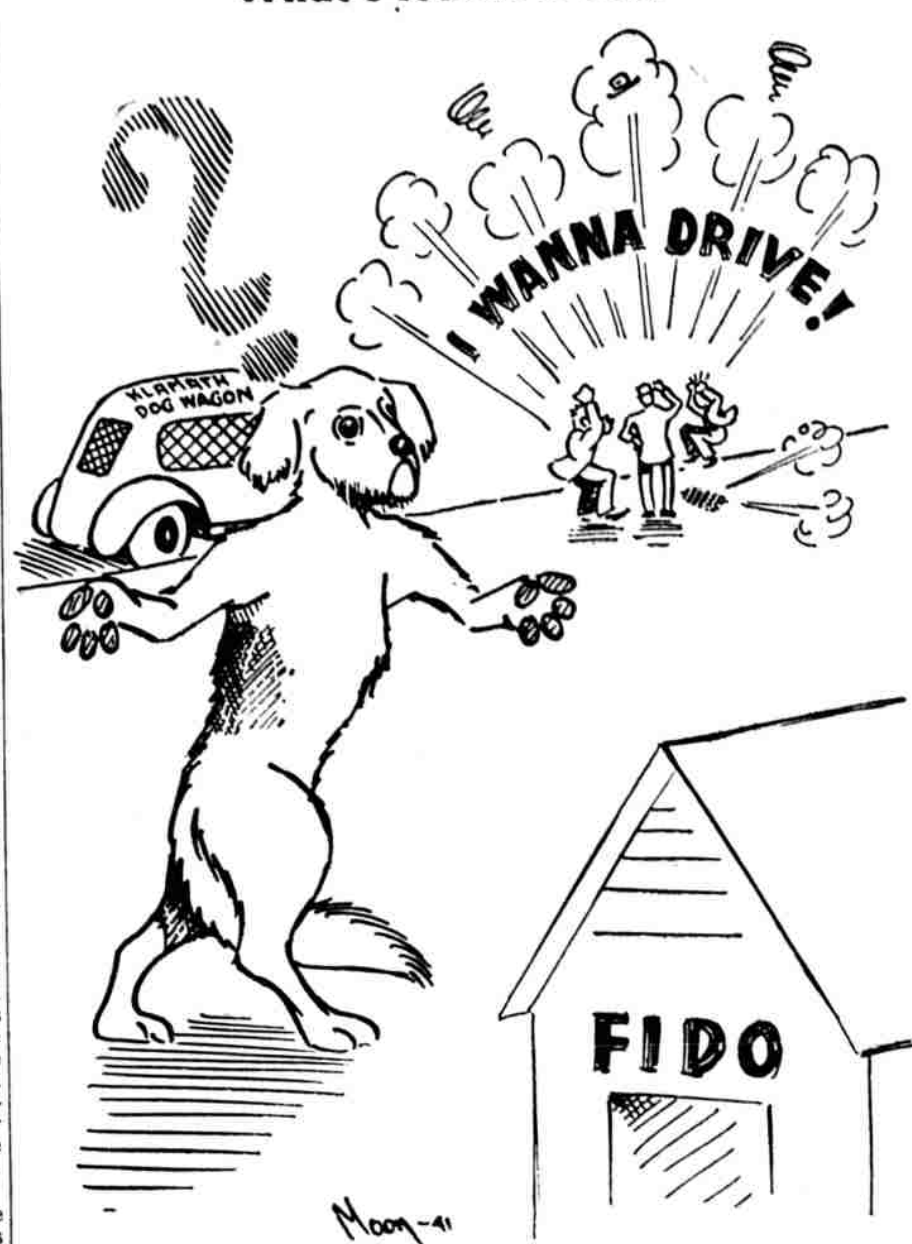
Finally the four, lacking visible means of support, were charged with vagrancy.

I am here to challenge you to a higher fate than common compromise, negotiation, and death. —Wendell Willkie.

Escape TO GLORY
 PAT O'BRIEN
 Constance BENNETT
 John HALLIDAY
 Coming—Pelican

GABLE & LAMARR
 "Comrade X"
 COMING PINE TREE

What's It All About?



BUILDERS OF BRAIN POWER

By DONALD A. LAIRD,
 PH. D., SCI. D.
 Author of "Psychology of Selecting Employees"

For nearly 30 years now, Dr. Horatio M. Pollock has been wrestling with facts about mental disorders in the department of mental hygiene of New York state.

His voluminous records, about more than a quarter million mental patients, have enabled him to discover trends in types and severity of mental disease which have been continuous landmarks to guide research and treatment.

Dr. Pollock discovered that some types of mental disease which were considered hopeless 30 years ago have now become curable. First of these was general paralysis of the insane—paresis, or syphilitic softening of the brain. Before a cure was found the paresis mental condition invariably became steadily worse, and he seldom lived more than five years after the mental symptoms appeared.

As long as 15 years ago, Dr. Pollock saw a great decline in the mortality from paresis; it was no longer a fatal disease. In addition, a large proportion of those afflicted with it are now being restored mentally so they can return to their families and work.

More recently, he discovered that another mental disorder—one that occurs the most frequently—is also on the verge of being conquered. This is dementia praecox, or schizophrenia. This disorder used to be responsible for about one-fourth of the new cases of insanity and for more than one-half of the patients in mental hospitals. It is only in the last half dozen years that Dr. Pollock's records have revealed a substantial number of recoveries from this once incurable affliction.

Recently he has found that some forms of mental disease appear to be on the increase, but he does not look upon this as serious, or as indicating that the country is gradually going crazy.

The increases, he finds, are chiefly in mental diseases due to old age, and these are due to the increased number of older persons in the population.

Dr. Pollock has found no grounds for the popular theory that women in general tend to develop mental disorders more readily than men. In fact, the rates are somewhat higher among men.

He also finds that some time or other during his life, one person out of every 20 is taken to a special hospital for treatment of a mental breakdown. Encouragingly, 50 out of every hundred of those taken to a mental hospital manage to improve enough to return to their families as improved or cured. Thirty years ago, not nearly as many returned home.

Dr. Pollock started life as a farm boy, and he is still a farmer, finding time to manage a fruit farm near Middleburg.

Pollock park near Albany is named after him.

NEXT: The business man who saves minds.

Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must not be more than 500 words in length, must be written legibly on ONE SIDE of the paper only, and must be signed. Contributions following these rules, are warmly welcome.

A WORD FOR LADDIE
 KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., (To the Editor)—I was thoroughly disgusted to read your sarcastic remarks about "Laddie" in the Editorials on News column.

If some of the largest papers in the nation thought the story of "Laddie" important enough to use many times, it seems your small one should be happy to have the news.

I believe the public did not

heave a "sigh of relief" but was indeed sorry that Laddie died.
 BEVERLY SANDERS,
 312 North 11th St.

THE VILLAGE IN THE SNOW
 The village seemed deserted as darkness settled down. The mists that hid the hillside seemed to have an angry frown. The stars too hid their faces lest they look upon the same. Which the master hand was painting of a landscape on the screen.

The village church was lighted and the church bell pealed aloud. But its tones were low and muffled as lower came the cloud.

The north wind moaned in passing, whirling snow flakes in the air. Clothing village, field and landscape with a robe both white and fair.

The people hastened homeward from the church across the way. Where they spent the worship hour at the closing of the day. Morning came in all its grandeur, clothed in sparkling robes of white. Left there by the white winged fairies as they frolicked through the night.

The village lay in silence as the sun peeped o'er the hill. Adding beauty to the landscape which no artist's pen can fill. The trees were decked with diamonds, their boughs were bending low. In this world of silent beauty was the village in the snow.

By FRANK ELSWORTH PELLETT.

The value of American aircraft deliveries during 1940 amounted to \$825,000,000 as compared to \$225,000,000 during the year of 1939.

It is estimated that one-twentieth of the nation's freight moves over the highways.

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19—Like all successful reform movements, having conquered all, the Roosevelt majority on the supreme court is showing signs of breaking within itself.

The "aha's" of lawyers close around the court could be heard unmistakably when the Frankfurter wing issued last Monday its second split opinion within a week against a new deal minority. First turn came in a 5 to 3 ruling, legalizing injunctions against picketing in cases of expected violence. The second showed precisely the same division limiting the federal trade commission from intrastate regulations against business. These points involved fundamentals.

It seems as if the academicians are cutting off somewhat from the reformers. The majority is being led by legalists, Frankfurter and Murphy, turning away from the crusaders, Black, Douglas and Reed. The reform trio seems to favor any activity that appears socially advisable and searches for legal excuses to justify it. The Frankfurter leadership obviously wants to stick to law.

In the process, Justice Frankfurter is becoming the unofficial chief justice of the court. His leadership of the majority is establishing him as a dominant figure. He is writing far more opinions than anyone else.

GOP SPLIT

Not one of Wendell Willkie's suggested amendments to the self-lease-lend-gift bill was even proposed in the senate foreign relations committee. Willkie thought the countries should be named, a monetary ceiling should be fixed, congress should be consulted, and the word "facility" should be clarified so the president cannot control broadcasting and newspapers. Some of these suggestions were discussed in committee, but no amendment was offered by any of the republicans to carry them out.

This failure is a fair sample of the silent anger of so many republican legislators because Mr. Willkie has chosen to go his own way.

NO SUPPORT

Willkie's suggestion that the White House should let Britain have ten more destroyers a month does not seem to have met with any more success in the executive branch than his legislative proposals in congress.

Obviously Willkie was speaking with authority. His friends claim Mr. Roosevelt indicated some sort of approval to the idea in their private confab.

Yet unquestionable administration authority holds no destroyers will be released for a long time to come, if ever.

NO TEAMWORK

Internal cleavage in the opposition is what made Mr. Roosevelt's task in the senate much easier. In their private meetings the opposition senators could not even get together behind the Taft substitute for a straight \$2,000,000,000 credit. Their minds would meet only on such broad fields as opposition to release of the navy.

Plain fact is, a number of opposition senators do not want to aid Britain. Others want to aid in varying degrees. Forceful opposition, therefore, was impossible.

SIDELIGHTS

Senator Wheeler, who has been a bad boy, is suffering the consequences. His proposals for senatorial investigation of the federal communications commission and patent controls are bottled up in the audit committee, controlled by the administration. No money will be allowed him for these inquiries as long as the administration feels he might misuse the money by

SIDE GLANCES



"He says he'll have his tonsils out without a fuss if he can exhibit them in a glass jar at school."

Gems of Thought

Self-Control

Know, then, that you possess sovereign power to think and act rightly, and that nothing can dispossess you of this heritage and trespass on Love.—Mary Baker Eddy.

He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.

—Proverbs 16:32.

There is more heroism in self-denial than in deeds of arms.—Seneca.

Prove that you can control yourself, and you are an educated man; and without this all other education is good for nothing.—Hitchcock.

There are seasons when to be still demands immensely higher strength than to act.—Channing.

In vain he seeketh others to suppress, who hath not learned himself first to subdue.—Edmund Spenser.

BONANZA—ALMOST CUMBERLAND, Md. (AP)—Prospectin was good while it lasted at Cumberland's "diamond mine"—but the rush is over.

A group of boys, clawing in rubbish at the city dumping ground, turned up a box containing \$14,000 worth of diamonds. When the boys tried to sell the gems on the street, an investigation followed.

The stones, owned by an attorney's wife, had been left at a jeweler's for cleaning. The box was brushed off the counter by accident, fell into a waste basket and was hauled away with the rubbish.

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