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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

STRONGLY partisan political discussion is usually worth a few smiles. A favorite device used by pluggers for the Roosevelt administration is to remind people of the bread lines of the later years of the Hoover administration. All one has to do to get them back, of course, is to vote republican.

On the other side, we noticed an editorial recently from a GOP partisan who said that Roosevelt caused the depression. Hoover had it scheduled for a licking, but Roosevelt's election and post-election policies so disturbed and unsettled everything that it went on to become a honey of a depression by the time FDR got into office.

Our own idea is that the depression was a world-wide affair and could not be laid at anybody's door. It happened to occur during Hoover's administration.

This writer was a registered democrat and voted for Al Smith in 1928. He's pretty sure the depression would have occurred if Al had been elected. Al just happened to be a guy who missed the train that ran off the bridge.

A world depression occurred in the Hoover administration. A world war occurred in the Roosevelt administration. If Hoover caused the depression, then it could be argued that Roosevelt caused the war. Neither conclusion makes sense.

That Reputation

KLAMATH people who happened to listen to the Southern Pacific's "Mainline" broadcast last night no doubt got a thrill out of the announcer's declaration that Klamath Falls had won nationwide publicity through its hospitality to service men. Our great Commandos, our military service committee, and the general attitude of the community, have helped to create that reputation.

It is important that we live up to it. Doing that does not necessarily mean big, spectacular things. It means thousands of little things—good deeds that you and I can do for service people day in and day out. It means keeping rents down to reasonable levels for service people, taking them with you on fishing trips and other outings, inviting them into your homes, being friendly and smiling to them on the streets.

No individual resident of the community should forget his particular part of this program.

News Behind the News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24—More important people than C. E. Wilson, the vice chairman, have been after the war production board Chairman Nelson to get him to China or even farther, all the way back to Sears Roebuck, whence he came.

The president's strong right arm (though somewhat limp and sore now himself) James F. Byrnes long has been allied against him. Also Harry Hopkins' man, General Brehon B. Somervell, long has hoped and planned for the worst for Mr. Nelson.

The latest inside cause for MALLON renewed anger was a report on army production made by two of Nelson's assistants seeming

to show Somervell a wrong in his figures on army shortages.

This report Mr. Nelson is supposed to have sent to the chief of staff, General George C. Marshall with an invitation to look it over. It claims Somervell was able to arrive at his shortages only by transferring title of equipment and supplies from his own department to army transportation, or the bureau of ordnance or some other army subdivision.

More mention of such a report sends official tempers flying and the sub-officials whisper, "it has been suppressed."

At first Mr. Nelson understood he would be in China for only two or three weeks at the most.

But since then, he has read in the papers he is to be there 60 to 90 days—the so-called crucial period as far as developments within WPB concerning the Nelson method of piecemeal return to peacetime production (30 per cent increase he says) or the Wilson-Somervell idea of waiting for mass reconversion.

Wallace Went There

SENATORS and congressmen also read the papers and they not only criticized the China mission, they threatened to investigate it. To them Nelson is small business as far as the government is concerned, and they want him here. It was their apprehensions which caused Mr. Roosevelt to issue his denials.

But when the president said the Nelson mission to China is "most pressing," the congressmen remembered Vice President Wallace was the last to undertake a pressing mission in that direction, only to lose his job, even with Mr. Roosevelt's support.

The president also said there would be no change in WPB policy (he mentioned nothing about chairmen), but the earlier White House announcement had specifically designated Mr. Nelson's enemy on this issue, Mr. Wilson, to be acting chairman, in which seat he will have many opportunities to act with and without Mr. Roosevelt's notice.

Therefore, Mr. Roosevelt has not been able to dispel entirely the common supposition among the business elements within WPB that the army get rid of Mr. Nelson for the coming 60 to 90 days at least, and possibly for longer.

Civilians tend to sympathize with the Nelson case, but there is an untold side to the army stand also. For instance, it can now be related General Eisenhower, two or three weeks ago, suddenly ordered 80,000 trucks to be shipped immediately. Apparently he decided to move his army forward into Germany on trucks entirely, disregarding railroad repair.

Now 80,000 is a sensational number of trucks (and the army has been claiming a shortage in this line), but they were found stored around the country, and the major war operation of getting them to the seaboard and aboard ships has proceeded satisfactorily.

The army and navy feel they must produce twice as much as they think they will need, in order to have enough. In battle you cannot afford to be caught short.

Back to Midwest

ATOP this, Pacific coast senators say 8000 war workers have been leaving California each month since the end of the European war became evident. They are moving back to the midwest farm regions. A news account estimated 4000 to 5000 leaving the San Francisco area each month.

Furthermore, strikes are being called for trivial occurrences, just to get a rest. Such excuses as the firing of a foreman, transfer of inspectors, upgrading of a riveter, abandonment of a 15-minute rest period, etc., have been used for strikes lately.

The army and navy fear that when the European war ends, the workers will not sustain their interest for Japan. The military will start drumming congress for an industrial draft act again, unless they get the production they want.

There should be some reasonable common ground for starting much civilian production immediately as Mr. Nelson wants, without interfering with the army and navy, to which his adversaries object, but no one seems to have found it.

Thus the struggle waxes, first with Mr. Nelson on top pushing the policy of piecemeal reconversion particularly for small business, and now the Somervell-Wilson men running the works to delay reconversion to a single big peacetime operation, which will surely cause unemployment hardships as well as needless shortages of civilian goods.

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 welcomed.

A few years ago it was my privilege to spend a brief vacation on Huckleberry mountain, and while there to hear the "Lady of the Mountain" play her violin.

I shall never forget the magic of that hour as we sat around the campfire. The great trees reaching over head, the moon shining down through the branches, the intent faces of the listeners grouped about the fire, the gleam of other fires scattered about the mountain and the sound of voices in the distance made a picture of utter enchantment that shall go with me through the years.

And so I say, "greetings to you, Alice Hamilton, and sincere thanks."

LEORA CURRY SMITH.

LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN

By Leora Curry Smith
Lady, lady of the mountain,
With your violin in tune,
As you stood beside your campfire
Neath the glimmer of the moon
With your old, familiar music
Floating upward through the trees
Was it strange that teardrops started
At the surge of memories?

Lady, lady of the mountain,
When the night winds softly blow
I still hear the sad, sweet music
That you fashioned with your bow.
For you set my heart a dreaming
Of a time that could not last
When you played your old, old music
Fraught with heart ache of the past.

State Police Warn, Arrest Violators

SALEM, Aug. 24 (AP)—State police arrested 1797 persons and warned 3673 others in July for violating motor vehicle laws, fines and sentences for these offenses totaling \$13,304 and 1667 days in jail.

There were 119 arrests for speeding and 32 for drunken driving.

There were 294 arrests for general crimes, 76 for game law violations, and 14 for commercial fishing law violations.

Weekly Market Trend

Editor's Note: The following market information is supplied from material obtained over the government leased wire in the office of the extension economist at Oregon State college. The material, in the form of a weekly summary of trends in the livestock market, is not intended to replace spot day by day market reports.

The livestock market at North Portland opened on Monday, August 21, full steady to strong compared with the close of the previous week on hogs and about steady on cattle and sheep.

SHEEP AND LAMB MARKETS
A dock of good and choice 80 pound wooled spring lambs brought \$12 at North Portland, and some medium to good lambs went at \$12 to \$12.50. The markets at Omaha and Chicago opened fully steady to strong on fat lambs.

Ten loads of mixed medium to choice, mostly good grade 65 pound Washington spring lambs went for \$14.50 at Chicago; and around ten loads of good and choice western feeder lambs brought \$12.50 to \$13.25 at Omaha.

CATTLE MARKETS
With relatively few choice to prime cattle being offered, top steers brought up to \$12.25 at Chicago the week of August 21 opened, with some held higher. Grassers were mostly \$10 to \$12. Cows of canner, cutter, and common grades were weak. The government's August report on cattle on feed in the Corn Belt shows a 10 per cent fewer than last year at the same date, the smallest since 1927. Grass fat steers at Portland were quoted up to \$14.00.

HOG MARKETS
Top hogs brought ceiling prices at \$15.75 with most 241-270 lb. hogs at \$15. Some heavy weights went at \$13.50 to \$14 with light lights at \$13.50 to \$14.50. Cattle and sheep are reported generally in good to very good condition in the western states with local variations. The condition of pastures and ranges was generally as good or better than last year at the first of August, except parts of Oregon and Washington and some other areas.

WHEAT

CHICAGO, Aug. 24 (AP)—Senate banking committee approval of the Bankhead bill to increase the cotton loan rate to 10 per cent of parity bolstered sagging grain futures markets today but the deferred contracts continued to show weakness.

May and July wheat established new seasonal lows during the session and most of the day the market was under heavy pressure.

Buyers rallied quickly following announcement of committee approval of the Bankhead bill. Prices moved up one or more cents from the day's lows.

Oats rallied along with other grains but the upturn brought out increased offerings from a commission house with northwestern connections.

At the close wheat was 1/2c higher to 1 cent lower than yesterday's finish. September \$1.50 1/4. Oats were 1/4c higher to 1/2c lower, September 71c. Rye was 1/4c higher to 1/2c lower, September \$1.07 1/2. Barley was 1/4c higher to 1/2c lower, September \$1.14 1/2.

Potatoes

CHICAGO, Aug. 24 (AP-WFA)—Potatoes, arrivals 67; on track 137; total U. S. shipments 822; supplies moderate; demand very good; market firm for far western stock, stronger for Wasco Triumph, steady for other stock except comely steers on slaughter classes; early sales good and choice native springers mostly \$14.50-75; medium and good \$12.00-14.25; cut and common \$8.00-10.00; shorn native ewes mostly \$4.75 down.

Snails have been known to go hungry for five years.

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Salable and total sheep 800; market slow; fully 25 cents lower; some bids off more; good-choice wooled spring lambs \$12.25; common-medium \$9.00-10.50; good-choice shorn spring lambs mostly \$10.00; few medium-good ewes \$2.25-3.00.

CHICAGO, Aug. 24 (AP-WFA)—Salable hogs 3000; total 11,500; active; fully steady; complete clearance early; good and choice 150-240 lbs. at \$14.75 ceiling; weights over 240 lbs. and most cows \$14.00.

Salable cattle 3500; salable calves 700; fed steers and yearlings 25 cents higher; active at auction; nothing strictly choice here; top \$17.50; but beef cows and good grades \$12.50-16.50; common \$10.00-11.50; heifers very scarce, mostly \$10.00-16.50; choice 725 lbs. \$17.00; cows strong to shade higher; cutters \$7.00 down; canners \$2.00-6.00; entire very light kind under \$2.00; most beef cows \$10.00-13.75; bulls firm, most light and medium weight grass bulls \$8.25-9.75; weighty offerings

Matt Dooley, our local carpenter, has been showing us architect's drawings of the kind of post-war houses that we're going to live in. Some of them look like squared-off dominoes; some are streamlined like they were going to fly. And they're all filled with fancy things like air-conditioning and what-not.

"Sure change our home life!" Matt says importantly.

"Shucks," says Dan Mason, "it isn't the shape of a house, or the gadgets in it, that make up your home life."

"What is it then?" says Matt.

From where I sit... by Joe Marsh
How Different Will be Post-war Homes?
"It's the little things," says Dan. "Like a well-worn chair before the fire—and a good book—and a friendly glass of beer after a hard day's work. Little things, that are a part of living."
From where I sit, Dan's absolutely right. And I think the men who dream of home from overseas agree—that it's the small, familiar pleasures, that add up to home.

Joe Marsh
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INCREASE IN FOREST MONEY GIVEN COUNTY

Klamath county will receive \$111,300 from national forest receipts for the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1944. It was announced today by Karl L. Janouch, forest supervisor of the Rogue River national forest.

This payment represents Klamath county's share of the 25 per cent of the national forest receipts which is paid to the counties each year on the basis of national forest acreages, in lieu of taxes for roads and schools. The Rogue River, Fremont, Deschutes and Umpqua national forests all have acreages within Klamath county and contribute to this payment.

This payment is an increase of \$41,000 over last year, and is the highest in the history of the forest. It is abnormally high be-

cause of the war demand for timber, Janouch said, and there is little likelihood of maintaining such high payments during the post-war period. He believes, however, that the planned sustained yield cutting operations will keep payments at a substantial level throughout future years.

This year's payment to Klamath county is the highest of any county in Oregon, and represents approximately one-seventh of the total payment of \$696,219 to the state. This is because Klamath county has a large acreage of national forest land and also because the Fremont and Rogue River national forests' receipts were the two highest in Oregon, Janouch pointed out.

Two Northwest Men Receive Promotions

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24 (AP)—Two northwest men were among a group of 10 brigadier generals for whom the senate yesterday confirmed the promotion to the temporary rank of major general.

The northwesters were Brig. Gen. James G. Christensen of Portland, chief-of-staff of the army ground forces, and Brig. Gen. Ben M. Sawbridge of Yakima.

WINTER GRAIN HARVEST NEAR COMPLETION

PORTLAND, Aug. 24 (AP)—A virtually completed harvest of winter grain over large areas of Oregon was reported today by the U. S. wheat bureau.

The weekly crop-weather survey said that much spring grain has also been harvested, despite some local delays because of morning dew. Irrigated corn was described as good, but late in eastern counties. Unirrigated corn needs rain.

Harvest of Bartlett pears, peaches, and Italian prunes was well underway last week, and watermelons began appearing in markets. The bureau reported nuts in good condition.

Late haying, as well as cutting and threshing of grass and legume seed, progressed during the week. Cattle were turned out

into stubble fields in some areas and unirrigated pastures were being dried. Eastern corn range feed was holding out well, however, in large areas.

The bureau reported beets thriving, and sugar seed being harvested. Hop, potatoes and celery in market. Beets, beans and corn were being canned.

The week's temperature led from a maximum of 81 at Bend and Madras. Except for brief showers in the north the week was rainless.

Victory Soon, Predicts Atherton

PORTLAND, Aug. 24 (AP)—The United States is going to win the war against Japan, Atherton, national commander of the American Legion, predicted here yesterday, "providing we keep up the stream of supplies." "The more supplies we send to the front, the more the Germans will be defeated," he predicted. "The more we send, the more they will be defeated." Atherton recently visited South America and Pacific lands.

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Market Quotations

NEW YORK, Aug. 24 (AP)—A few stocks with a peace rating managed to keep their feet on the ground in today's market but many leaders stumbled under mild selling.

American Can	92 1/2
Am Car & Fdy	40 1/2
Am Tel & Tel	154
Ansoconda	23 1/2
Calif Packing	28 1/2
Cat Tractor	48 1/2
Commonwealth & Sou	1 1/2
Curtis-Wright	5 1/2
General Electric	38 1/2
General Motors	61 1/2
GT Nor by pld	19 1/2
Illinois Central	18 1/2
Int Harvester	80
Kanawha	22 1/2
Lockheed	17 1/2
Long-Bell "A"	10 1/2
Montgomery Ward	16 1/2
Nash-Kelvy	16
N Y Central	19 1/2
Northern Pacific	15 1/2
Pac Gas & El	33
Packard Motor	5 1/2
Penn R R	29 1/2
Republic Steel	19 1/2
Richfield Oil	9 1/2
Safeway Stores	8 1/2
Sears Roebuck	98 1/2
Southern Pacific	23 1/2
Standard Brands	30 1/2
Sunshine Mining	10
Trans-America	10
Union Oil Calif	10
Union Pacific	108 1/2
U S Steel	58 1/2
Warner Pictures	13

LIVESTOCK

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 24 (AP-WFA)—Cattle: 250. Around 30 head to feed-lot, largely 250-pound run; slow.

A Gem of Thought From Idella's

There was a fan dancer named Rose Who asked, Now what do you suppose My Sweeties Wife Says If I don't get outta his life. Me to the public—She will expose.

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