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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

BACK of the county court's protest against a proposed national forest land acquisition in Klamath county is a serious and growing concern over the extension of federal ownership of more and more Klamath county area.



Concern over similar situations in other counties has made federal ownership of otherwise taxable real estate a matter of widespread discussion in the west. The Klamath action will have the effect of forcing the issue to the front and should help bring about an understanding and, eventually, action that will help solve the problems involved.

We think the court is to be commended for taking this step in the interest of Klamath county.

What Is Proposed

THE proposal against which the court protests is shown in a legal notice which has been running in The Herald and News for several weeks. The Shevlin-Hixon people, who own extensive stands of land in northern Klamath, in this proposition offer to the forest service about 16,000 acres, in exchange for an equal value of timber on national forest lands.

If the transaction goes through, the 16,000 acres would go into federal ownership, and would be removed from the tax rolls of Klamath county. Court members say that already 48,000 acres of such land has been removed from tax rolls in this county by this process.

A point in the proposed deal that particularly interested the court is that the legal notice provides for permission to Shevlin-Hixon to log timber from the land until the end of 1949. This indicates that this is not strictly cut-over land, but is land on which there is still taxable timber. Completion of the deal would take this timber off the Klamath rolls.

Shrinkage of taxable valuations piles more and more taxes on farms, surviving private timber, city property, and utilities.

Deadline Met

WHEN national forest men were here recently, we discussed land exchange questions with them at some length. They feel, of course, that the benefits to be derived from federal forest control of the lands outweigh the disadvantages, and they promised to give interested local people a brief in support of this contention, and this will be reviewed when it arrives.

In the meantime, the Shevlin-Hixon exchange was in the process of consummation. The deadline for protest was December 23. The county court moved in time to bring the issue to a head as it applies to this particular transaction.

Today's Bible Verses

(From Psalm C)
A Psalm of David
I will sing of mercy and judgment: unto thee, O Lord, will I sing.

I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when will thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart.

I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me.

A forward heart shall depart from me: I will not know a wicked person.

Whoso privily slandereth his neighbor; him will I cut off: him that hath a high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.

Mine eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me: he that walketh in perfect way, he shall serve me.

He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

I will early destroy all the wicked of the land; that I may cut off all wicked doers from the city of the Lord.

EDITORIALS ON NEWS

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is happening to the other fellow is VITAL in warfare. We mustn't tip the Germans off to anything that will be useful to them.

Hence our rigid tightening of the censorship.

WHEN we don't know what is happening, we GET SCARED.

For example: The New York stock market has a sinking spell today. Prices fall sharply. The fall is attributed in the dispatches to UNCERTAINTY following the practically complete blackout of news from the western front.

When stock market gamblers get scared they SELL.

IT doesn't matter what happens to the stock market gamblers, for in war time

they are only LEECHES on the productive system.

But this stock market fainting spell DOES illustrate quite clearly how public opinion reacts.

When there is NO NEWS, we fear the worst.

CENSORSHIP is irksome, but no one in his right senses criticizes legitimate military censorship that is designed to keep useful military information from the enemy. That just has to be. The team that tips off its plays to the other team WINS NO GAMES.

Political censorship is another matter. The future of the world would

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 — Queer doings have taken the stage here. Mr. Roosevelt did not veto the bill preventing another 1 and 1/2 per cent hike for worker and management in social security taxes. A veto message had been written for him by his social security board.

Assistant President James Byrnes tipped congressmen definitely the veto would come.

The average stereotyped interpretation is that the president is getting somewhat more conservative. I do not think so. Congress was ready to pass the bill over a veto, had the votes in line. The president could not stop it.

His action therefore simply implies he has reached the age where he is not interested in provoking losing fights (or at least this one) for political purposes only.

Those who think he has gone conservative on social security will be dismayed next month when he sets forth a CIO-ish program for its radical expansion.

New Deal Revolt

BUT the queerest of all new goings-on is the anti-administration revolt of the Guffey-Pepper New Dealers, resisting Mr. Roosevelt's appointees to the Stettinius regime in the state department. The revolters are the ones who claimed, for 12 previous New Deal years, that anyone was practically a fascist for questioning Mr. Roosevelt on anything.

A republican who has watched the progress of their unnatural conduct from across the aisle surmises they are trying to convince Mr. R. they won the election for him, and he must do as they say.

I doubt the full implication of this analysis, as the men involved are not Borahs, lone wolves or of a strongly independent character. Joe Guffey is a 69-year-old professional politician, whose biography in the congressional directory (where congressmen generally set forth all the glories of their careers for constituents to see) is tersely this:

"Joseph F. Guffey, democrat, Pittsburgh, Pa., unmarried."

Just as his record is unmarred by any opposition to CIO obviously Mr. Guffey is not burning with anything inside for the future world. To characterize him, I would say he is wholly at the service of CIO, to burn as it burns, to flicker as it flickers—and nothing else. That is where the votes are in Pennsylvania, or at least Guffey's votes.

The 44-year-old Pepper is a different proposition. This Floridian reflects no glow from Florida, but mostly things from the newspaper PM in New York, the Marshall Field escape from too many millions.

This fire does not burn or glow but erupts like a volcano. To say that it has a definite line or destination would require clairvoyance.

Bitter About Churchill

FOR instance, it and Pepper were bitter about Churchill when he tried to stop the communists in Greece. Yet they were just as bitter when he did the opposite and gave in to the communists in Poland. To say they are half communists (as many people do) is to state the matter too mildly, and inaccurately.

True, I judge they would rather have a communist regime than a bankers' or British regime in Greece or anywhere. But, they do not hate riches, only certain riches.

Among the state department appointees none is as rich as Field except Will Clayton. You might surmise Clayton does not have the proper revulsion against his money as Field does, but then neither does Ickes, whom they love, and whose nausion or more never caused him the slightest nausea. Nor is their ideology of the world any easier to define.

For years they have claimed the Roosevelt foreign policy was the mark of true internationalism and true liberalism, but they always hated Mr. Hull, a League of Nations internationalist, who made the policy. Now they are opposing senate confirmation of the six internationalists who are on their own side of the fence, yet a few days earlier they approved Stettinius, who recommended these men, although he is probably about as rich as Mr. Roosevelt.

One thing they think they are clear on is their "cause of the common man," but their stands generally favor the common man in the CIO unions, less than the common man in the AFL or the commonest man of all outside their small radical group. I do not think they know what they want.

If, as the republican surmises, it is to prove to Mr. R. that confusion of this volcanic nature won the last election and not Mr. Roosevelt or the war situation which caused so many people opposing his policies to vote for him, the democratic senate is resisting it. And, if it represents CIO pressure through Guffey to needle Mr. Roosevelt gently in a losing fight, Mr. Roosevelt will furnish the answer in future actions. It seems to me he is getting tired and inconsiderate of pressure.

Merchants Warned About Cashing Treasury Checks

Klamath merchants were warned by the United States treasury this week to use caution in cashing treasury checks of which some \$30,000,000 are issued each month.

Merchants were told to either know the endorser personally or to request an absolute identification. Persons cashing forged checks of this type have no recourse and must take the loss, they are advised.

Woman Injured As Stove Explodes

Mrs. Agnes Lund, about 45, suffered second degree burns about the face, arms and hands when a gas stove she was operating at the Buffalo lunch, S. 6th, exploded at about 4:30 p. m. Tuesday.

Mrs. Lund is a patient at Klamath Valley hospital where her condition is reported satisfactory. She lives at the Shasta View trailer camp.

Army Colonel Takes Duty At Boeing

SEATTLE, Dec. 20 (AP)—With jurisdiction over all aircraft factories in Oregon and Washington, Col. Harley S. Jones, U. S. army air forces, has assumed duty at Boeing aircraft factory here as the two-state representative of the technical service command, the Boeing news service announced yesterday.

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SIDE GLANCES



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Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must not be more than 300 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.

About Socialists

PORTLAND, Ore. (To the Editor)—I have a letter from Norman Thomas in which he says that he was interviewed recently by the Associated Press and later was shown a copy of a release that was already in the mails. For the most part it was correct, but the statement that he said "the Socialist party was politically dead" is not true. His letter summarizes what he said as follows:

"It is enormously important to build in America a party like the Canadian C. C. F. I do not think that that can be done immediately, or until the objective situation changes, but much preliminary work can be done now. The Socialist party, where it is strong enough, will continue its electoral work in state and local campaigns. Everywhere it will push its even more important educational work. It is premature to say what can and should be done on the national electoral field by the party in 1948. Every reasonable effort should be made to further a coalition of forces on the order of the C. C. F. which is genuinely a democratic socialist party. To build such a party here, the socialist party must live and extend its work. If such a party cannot be built, more than ever the socialist party must live and extend its work. The best answer to false statements or mis-statements about the party is the work we do. Fortunately, as I told the A. P. reporter, the last campaign strengthened the party organizationally."

Thank you very much for the courtesy extended in making this correction.

R. D. Snyder, For the Socialist Party of Oregon.

Home on Leave

Corporal Lawrence Mitchell, U. S. marines, son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Mitchell of the Eleventh Street grocery, is home on leave after 28 months in the South Pacific. He was in the fighting on Guam and in the Marshalls. He is a former student of Fairview grade school and Klamath Union high school, and plans to enter Oregon State when he returns from the service.

Return Home

Mrs. Don Fisher, who has been a patient at the Klamath Valley hospital for the past two weeks receiving treatment for a badly injured leg received while on duty at Fremont school, will leave the hospital Wednesday afternoon for Lava Beds national monument to join her husband for the holidays. She is quite improved. Fisher is custodian at the lava beds.

OBITUARY

JAMES CURIE FITZGERALD, son of James Corie Fitzgerald and the late Mrs. Corie Fitzgerald, died at his home, 1123 1/2 S. 11th, at 11:25 a. m. Tuesday, December 19, 1944, following a brief illness. He was a native of Deep Creek, Utah and at the time of his death was aged 23 years, three months and 23 days. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Nier Fitzgerald of this city; three sons, James Winford Fitzgerald, merchant marine; Harold D. Fitzgerald of this city; one daughter, Fern M. Fitzgerald of this city; a sister, Mrs. May Cronin of Eureka, Utah; three brothers, Victor of Pleasant Grove, Utah; Frank of Coquille, Ore.; and Stanley of Coquille, Ore.; and two grandsons, Mr. Fitzgerald was a member of Herbert Applegate No. 23 U.S.W. The funeral home, Pine at Sixth. Notice of funeral to be announced in the next issue of the paper.

FUNERALS

JOHN BRUSKEY - Funeral services for the late John Bruskey, who passed away in this city Tuesday, December 19, 1944 following a brief illness will be held in the chapel of the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home, Pine at Sixth, Thursday, December 21, 1944 at 9 a. m. with the Rev. Daniel B. Anderson of the Klamath Temple of the City officiating. Commitment services and interment Linkville cemetery. Friends are invited.

EDWIN ALZO LUCAS - Funeral services for the late Edwin Alzo Lucas, who passed away in this city on Sunday, December 17, 1944 will be held in the chapel of the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home, Pine at Sixth, Thursday, December 21, 1944 at 2:30 p. m. with the Rev. Cecil C. Brown of the First Baptist church of this city officiating. Commitment services and interment Linkville cemetery. Friends are invited.

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GI'S RETAKE TOWN, CLING TO POSITIONS

(Continued From Page One) was a focal point of one of four German drives. Held by Yanks Stavelot and St. Vith, where some American troops were pocketed, at last reports still were in U. S. hands.

While the German assault had lost its first speed, there was no reason to suppose the enemy may not have made still further gains beyond his four initial penetrations of five to 20 miles into Belgium and Luxembourg.

By now Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' armor and infantry had been thrown into the breach and the Germans were running into a stiffer battle every hour.

Tide Changes (A CBS frontline broadcast reported that at some points the tide of battle is beginning to change in our favor.) The broadcast said that "at several points the Germans made no progress to day, and one of the German spearheads was pushed back several thousand yards by one of our veteran divisions."

The Germans were pouring infantry in behind the swift armored columns that penetrated first army lines.

SCOBIE TO CARRY BATTLE TO ELAS

(Continued From Page One) ments largely dominated the scene, however, with the probability of an early acceptance of Archbishop Damaskinos as regent.

A telegram from Premier George Papandreu's cabinet to King George II in London recommended that the rule be turned over to Damaskinos as regent. Themistokles Sophoulis, elderly Greek statesman, sent a similar message, and the assent of the king was awaited.

Practice Bomb Found In Seattle District

SEATTLE, Dec. 20 (AP)—A live practice bomb found behind an apartment near the downtown business district was dropped accidentally by a Canadian air force searching plane over Seattle recently, army officials said today.

A boy at play, Dick Newell, found the device last night and thought he had an "airplane." Street grocer, who had a neighbor recognized it as a neighbor, excitement in the district, took it to the state patrol office.

Army officials identified it after contacting Canadian authorities and the bomb disposal unit at Auburn was called in. The state patrol was told it had enough of a charge to damage a large building.

VITAL STATISTICS

KRIZO—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 19, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Krizo, Lakewood, Colo. Weight, 7 pounds 10 1/2 ounces.

WICKERSHAM—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 19, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wickersham, 1341 Aviation, a boy. Weight, 7 pounds 14 ounces.

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A faithful child of God, one who believes in Him, and accepts Him, and has been pardoned, can cease to be a believer. We are made partakers of Christ conditionally. Heb. 3:14, "If we hold fast the beginning of our confidence firm unto the end." 2 Pet. 1:10, "Wherefore, brethren, give more diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never stumble." Our presidents are elected in November but they do not become presidents in fact till January 1st, the inauguration day. It is possible for such a man to violate the laws of our country in such a way and never become president. So a Christian is elected here, but he has to live in harmony with God's laws and heaven's constitution until death then that election back yonder, when he obeyed the gospel of Christ will be sure when he is inaugurated into the golden glory of our Father's home where all tears will be wiped away.

"SAVE YOURSELVES FROM THIS CROOKED GENERATION." Acts 2:40.

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Today On The Western Front

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Replying to vitriolic criticisms in which one laborite shouted "There may be civil war in Britain" Eden said Britain's only error in Greece was in not taking the troops of her allies into that country along with her own.

No Question He said there was no question of Britain's armed intervention in Greece "without consulting our allies."

The government would "welcome quarterly meetings between the foreign secretaries of the great powers as they used to have before to deal with some of these matters," Eden said. "The prime minister and I have said over and over again that they would go anywhere."

He denied implications that British policy was dictated by spheres of influence, and said Britain was "seeking nothing for ourselves in Greece—neither strategic advantage, nor economic advantage or any other advantage of that kind at all."

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Brothers Meet After 24 Years' Separation

COTTAGE GROVE, Dec. 19 (AP)—For several months Charles O. Clark had sold gasoline to Oral George Clark, knowing him only as "Mr. Clark."

At a lodge initiation attended by both men, the men found seen each other for 24 years. Their family was broken up and separated in Michigan.

Passenger Train Delayed For Hours

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 20 (AP)—The Spokane, Portland and Seattle No. 2 passenger train Spokane today by a derailment near Home Valley, Wash., the chief dispatcher disclosed.

The derailment occurred last night, and the main line was cleared at 4:40 a. m. today, the dispatcher said. The train was due in Spokane at 2:15 p. m. Home Valley is between Stevenson and White Salmon.

TOKYO BLACKS OUT FOR NEW B-29 ATTACKS

(Continued from Page One) by Lt. Everett P. Abar of Co. 1, N. 11, got over Tokyo and found the bomb-bay door open and all guns inoperative. In the heavier anti-aircraft fire he saw a few phosphorus bombs. The first reported dropped over Tokyo by defending Japanese planes.

Bombed Island He finally got the doors open and bombed a small island down the coast. Night fighters attacked his plane 20 to 30 times. Their tracers came in from all directions but none got at the defenseless Superfortress.

The previous night a B-29 under the command of Lt. Harold Bombardier, three miles south of Shimonoseki, three miles south of that twice-hit city, touching off a large explosion with blue-green flames roaring to 10,000 feet.

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