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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

IT HAS been in every jail in the U. S. This is the worst hole in the west.

We hasten to point out that we're quoting, and not offering personal testimony in the above sentence. It was copied this morning from the bull pen wall at the city jail, where prisoners have taken generous advantage of the American principle of freedom of expression in denouncing the institution in which they have been incarcerated.



EPLEY

The author of the quoted sentences above, who carefully qualifies himself as an expert witness before giving us the truth, is in definite agreement with a dozen or more Klamath county grand juries.

It is customary for our grand juries to go through the city jail, holding their noses, and then rush to pen and paper to describe the jail as a " disgrace. Grand jury denunciations of the city jail have been coming out regularly for at least 14 years. In slightly more dignified language, they tell the story that is related in scrawls on the bull-pen wall.

On Friday Ballot

THIS all leads up to a memorandum today to Klamath voters that they will have opportunity, at Friday's election, to give their approval to a far-reaching program that will end once and for all the disgraceful condition in the present city jail.

One measure on Friday's special city ballot provides for a levy of \$36,000 to go toward the city's part of a new city-county jail for Klamath.

The jail will cost about \$150,000. Of this amount, the county is furnishing \$100,000, and the city \$50,000. The city has about \$15,000 from other funds for the purpose. The levy will make up the rest of the contribution.

Because we have been for a city-county jail plan for a decade or so, and have advocated it frequently here, we would be shirking our duty if we did not give it a hearty plug at this time.

In connection with the financing, we point out immediately that no bond issue is involved—that the whole project is to be financed through current levies and funds on hand. Klamath public bodies have simply gotten out of the bond issue habit, and only in exceptional cases should we approve that method of financing in the future. We've had our fingers burned.

Economy

THE city-county jail offers opportunity to bring closer together two law enforcement functions that should work in close coordination. It eliminates some duplication, and will give Klamath a modern, sensible, economical jail set-up.

The committee in charge of plans for the structure is composed of Dick Henzel, Nelson Reed, Vern Moore, Police Chief Orville Hamilton and Sheriff Lloyd Low.

The plan is to construct the building with wings for city and county, with a common kitchen and other general facilities. The proposed site is on Klamath avenue and Third street, diagonally across from the present county jail, which, if the present scheme goes through, can be used for a courthouse annex to relieve the pressure for courthouse space.

Administration will be up to the sheriff and police chief. Under the plan, each department can maintain its distinction, and in case of a clash of personalities, the joint jail can continue to operate efficiently. We believe, however, that with closer physical arrangements, there will be less chance for inter-departmental clashes than when the two departments are operated in widely separated locations. Incidentally, the present police chief and sheriff get along famously, and we are sure they will start off the joint enterprise in good form.

The Friday vote on the city's contribution to the city-county jail is in a way a test of sentiment toward the whole joint jail idea. We hope

that it will get a favorable vote, and that steps will then proceed rapidly to close out the disgraceful jail in the city hall and furnish city and county with a modern facility that will be the envy of other communities.

News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, June 19 — Those senators back from Europe had far more to say than they offered in interviews. Their private reports on their quick-study of the western end of the continent would make your ears curl. Here are some of the things they did not make public:

De Gaulle is staving off an election in France because he fears the communists will sweep him and all democrats into the discard. The impending election in the British Isles may do much to determine how she will stand against the sweeping surge, as defeat of Churchill would mean appeasement of communist expansion. He, himself, is afraid of it. Yet Churchill and De Gaulle are fighting each other.

The French people are not as fully filled with admiration of us as the cheering movie newsreels sometimes suggest. They see American soldiers not always as their liberators but as highly paid strangers (etrangers) who travel in jeeps while others walk, and who are well-fed, while they are not.

Resent Yank Forces

THE French powers likewise resent the presence of American forces in North Africa because we tend to give the Arabs ideas of liberty which the French do not consider healthful for their colonists.

Their ruined industries, shortages of materials and unbelievably extreme decay in morals are combining to break the stamina of the nation and make it an easy prey for any opposition to existing rule—and the sole, present, powerful opposition is the political absurdity known as communism. (A sensational incident involving abuse of German women is told.)

Their heritage runs back into a great love of liberty as deep as our own, but they are to a considerable extent a peasant people, and therefore easily subject to harsh, disciplined leadership of dictators. So far they have not come to that yet, but there is resignation apparent among millions of them who do not have enough to eat and not enough work. They are in the mood for subjection by any over-running political power.

In Italy, communism is much stronger than dispatches have led us to suspect.

Less Moral Decay

THE Belgians and Dutch seem to have much more character, more stamina, are more insistent upon liberty and Christian principles. They are trying harder to revive. Their people show less moral decay.

Whether the people in Anglo-French-American Germany can be made democratic is yet unclear. They are not only dejected but sullen and all believe they face years of dire existence as their penalty for making war. The anti-fraternization policy of General Eisenhower is likely to be changed to permit our soldiers to mingle more with them.

Nothing valid or penetrating is known by us of Yugoslavia, Romania, Bulgaria, Austria, or Czechoslovakia, except that Stalin is there setting up the kind of governments he wants, and one other confirmed fact—all anti-communist opposition is being liquidated.

The Polish issue, which we discuss so extensively, is a minor matter as compared with this whole of middle and southeastern Europe, which is already operating on a Russian axis.

Speaking From Facts

SO when one of the senators said he feared from his trip all Europe was sweeping toward communism or state socialism, he was speaking from the above-mentioned facts.

Many courses of probable action are being discussed. Anglo-French relations certainly need to be fixed at once. rapprochement between De Gaulle and Churchill is called for. More intelligent and earnest American leadership to back the people in Europe who like our way of life (which was their historic way) is needed.

A food conference of all the allied nations also seems possible. We cannot do anything important on this in the present crisis in our own larder, but Canada, Australia, Latin America and other nations have food. There is no starvation in Europe yet, but there may be this coming winter. In fact, winter is likely also to be the critical political time.

If the inroads of despair can be held back until this critical coming period is passed, a few of the senators have an idea the problem of Europe may possibly be worked out.

SIDE GLANCES



"Margie didn't read us this part of her fiance's letter—'your mother is as bossy as our top sergeant, but your dad told me how to handle her!'"

442nd Regiment Officers Organize Replacement Plan For Japanese-American GIs

By SID FEDER

LAKE GARDA, Italy (AP) — Officers of the U. S. 442nd infantry regiment have organized their own replacement plan for the Japanese-American soldiers returning home after gallant fighting with the regiment in Italy and France.

Through arrangements by a committee of three officers, every Nisei soldier heading home takes with him the names of men already contacted in America who will help him locate in the place and in the industry or profession he wants. Along with that, he will have letters of reference from his company, battalion and regimental commanders attesting to his membership in one of the most decorated outfits in the army.

The plan was originated by Lt. William Wolf, Evanston, Ill., who serves on the committee along with Lt. Edward R. Williams, Chicago, and Capt. California (Cable) Ushiro, originally a Californian whose address is the Heart Mountain war relocation center in Wyoming.

It was first planned to have a Hawaiian officer on the committee but the proposal was given up when it was learned the territory already has its own replacement units working.

The system was arranged specifically for soldier victims of exclusion tactics on the Pacific coast — for fellows like T. J. Sagie Nishioka, Hood River, Ore.

The other day Sagie received a note from his mother, who is in the Wyoming relocation camp with his 16-year-old brother and a sister.

Her note began: "I suppose you've heard your name has been taken off the soldier rolls at Hood River . . ."

(The Hood River post No. 22 of the American Legion restored the names of 15 Nisei, including Sagie Nishioka, to its honor roll on last March 6 upon the order of the Legion's national commander, Nishioka was born in Hood River on February 10,

1920, and inducted there on February 1, 1942.)

15 Transfusions

Sagie is not doing so well just now. He's had 15 blood transfusions and five operations in the last few weeks. A Jerry mortar shell did it to him when he and the rest of the 442nd spearheaded the drive upon the Ligurian coast in the last push of this campaign and actually outran their flanking support.

Sagie has been in the army more than three years. Before that for 10 years — after his father's death—Sagie had been the sole support of his mother, sister and brother on their little farm at Hood River.

The family was forced to leave the farm when the west coast families of Japanese extraction were relocated after Pearl Harbor.

Now, Sagie doesn't know if he ever will be strong enough to return to the farm and work it.

Even if he regains his strength, the outlook is not too bright for him.

A Hood River friend wrote Sagie not long ago telling him things were too tense and advising him not to come back immediately.

WRA Teacher Dies On Way To Work

NEWELL—Grace Menane, 57, a teacher at the war relocation center, died of a hemorrhage this morning. Mrs. Menane collapsed on her way to the elementary school where she had been teaching since February 12. She was taken to the hospital and died there, WRA officials said.

Before coming to the relocation center, Mrs. Menane taught in Eugene. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. George H. Scott of Corvallis, and a son, Ernest E. Menane of San Francisco.

Final arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made. Death is attributed to natural causes.

CLARK RECEIVED

ROME, June 19 (AP)—Back from a trip to the United States Gen. Mark W. Clark was received in private audience by Pope Pius XII today.

500 THOUSAND ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN STATE

SALEM, June 19 (AP)—A total of 500,436 persons will be eligible to vote in Friday's special election, compared with 602,013 at the general election last November, the state department said today in announcing final registration figures.

It was estimated, however, that only 25 or 30 per cent of the registrants would vote.

The totals include 283,734 republicans, 264,334 democrats, 2672 independents, 366 socialists, 478 prohibitionists, and 8952 independents and miscellaneous.

Since last November, the democrats lost 20,482, while the republicans lost 19,071.

There will be only two measures on the statewide ballot. One would levy a 5-mill property tax for two years to raise \$10,000,000, but the tax would not be levied, as sufficient income tax surpluses are on hand to cancel it. Of this money, \$8,000,000 would be used to build new buildings for state institutions, and \$4,000,000 for new buildings for state colleges and the university.

The other measure would levy a 2-cent cigarette tax to raise \$2,000,000 a year for public schools.

The building proposal is expected to win easy approval, since almost no opposition has developed.

But the cigarette tax has found little support, even among school teachers and administrators. Some school groups have endorsed it, but only in a lukewarm manner.

AP WAR REPORTER HOME FROM PACIFIC

PORTLAND, June 19 (AP)—Fred E. Hampson, veteran Associated Press war correspondent, was back home here today for the first time since he left for the Pacific nearly two years ago.

The Portland newsman who went through 10 amphibious landings indicated little hope for a quick Japanese surrender.

"There's not even an indication of it in Tokyo," he told interviewers as he landed at the airport here yesterday.

"If we do get a formal surrender, it's doubtful that our garrisons will accept it. I've seen orders to Jap troops to disregard any surrender order even if it's signed by the emperor, because it may be forged."

Hampson, who lost 50 pounds during 22 months of strenuous war reporting, discounted recent Japanese surrenders as an indication of falling morale. "If you comb through them," he said, "you'll find they're Korean soldiers or Jap work troops. The real Jap fighter never says die."

Northwest Urged To Build Chinese Trade

PORTLAND, June 19 (AP)—The northwest was urged today by Arthur V. Davis, chairman of the board of Aluminum company of America, to begin building trade with China.

Davis said England, Russia and France are eager to capture post-war trade and operate industries there but America can obtain a place in China which no other nation can.

"It is up to us to take advantage of our opportunities," he told a meeting here yesterday.

Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must not be more than 400 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.

"BALLOON" STORY

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., (To the Editor)—I have beside me Saturday's issue of The Herald and News in which there is an article about things that did not happen here concerning a long list of "it is not true's." I should like to add a few of my own concerning the newspaper which landed on an old building beside Link river.

It is not true that a woman and her TWO daughters were terrified that the "balloon" would land on their house as WE could tell from the time we saw it coming down that it must be a paper, and we also thought that it would land in Lake Ewauna. We were merely greatly interested, having heard all the rumors down town.

It is not true that Sheriff Lloyd Low "discovered" the paper, because when we saw it come down, we watched it where it landed and immediately drove down and located it, thinking we were doing our civic duty or some fool thing in helping to clear up some of the rumors.

Immediately after this, about half an hour before the sheriff arrived on the scene, I called The Herald and News to report the incident (also thinking that it might just possibly help to clear up some of the rumors) but was told that what people down town were watching was the planet Venus and that the movement could be accounted for by the movement of the earth. If this was true, the earth must have been pretty lively that day, jumping up and down and back and forth. Of course, I have no doubt some people were watching the planet Venus, but the people we saw and talked to weren't. It moved from over Waggoner's to Drew's and back over Penney's.

When Sheriff Low arrived, we explored what we had seen, pointed out to him where we found it, told him what it was and he drove down to look at it. The Herald and News had the true story when it first happened, but I realize that the sheriff's second hand account would carry more weight than an ordinary citizen's first hand account.

DARLE HEILFRICH,
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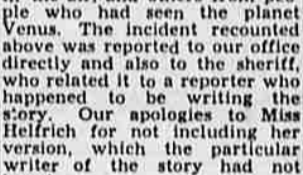
INCREASE RECOMMENDED

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP) An increased price for northwest tuna has been recommended by the fish and wild life division of the interior department, Sen. Mitchell (D-Wash.) said today.

Mitchell told a reporter he has urged the increase to encourage development of the industry.

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Paul O. Landry
this question:

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THREE BILLION IN BONDS SOLD

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP) Corporations, eager to invest their idle funds in U. S. securities, already have put more than three billion dollars in the 7th War Loan drive.

Bonds were not issued to corporations in the drive until yesterday. Ted Gamble, national war finance director, said the size of the early figure "indicates that corporation sales will equal the good record shown to date in sales to individuals."

Here is the money standing in the drive which ends June 30:

Total sales, \$8,903,000,000, which is 63.6 per cent of the \$14,000,000,000 quota. This figure is divided as follows:

The corporations, \$3,049,000,000 which is 43.5 per cent of the \$7,000,000,000 quota.

The individuals, \$5,854,000,000, of which series E bond sales made up \$2,838,000,000. The individual sales are 83.6 per cent of the \$7,000,000,000 quota

for individuals. E bond sales are 66 per cent of the \$4,000,000,000 E bond quota.

Weyerhaeuser Worker Given Probation

Albert M. Waldo, Weyerhaeuser employe, was given four years probation to the district attorney's office here and told to make restitution of a forged check in the sum of \$119.66 by Circuit Court Judge David R. Vandenberg in court yesterday afternoon.

Waldo had pleaded guilty to forging the endorsement on a check and had waived preliminary hearing and grand jury indictment. Waldo had been held in the county jail in lieu of \$1000 cash bail.

OSC Summer School Registration At 408

CORVALLIS, June 19 (AP)—First day registration at Oregon State college summer session was reported today as 408, compared with 370 last year.

About 100 more students are expected before the lists close. More men turned up this year—131 to last summer's 100.

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THE OLD JUDGE SAYS...



FRED: "Is it true, Judge, that a war can't be won without the use of war-alcohol... the kind the beverage distillers have been producing for the government for over two years?"

OLD JUDGE: "That's right, Fred. It is a basic ingredient in the smokeless powder used in virtually every firearm from a pistol to a 16-inch gun. And, in addition, it plays

a more human role. The medical supplies which our military doctors use to alleviate pain, combat infection, save lives are prepared with war-alcohol."

FRED: "No wonder, then, more and more people are recognizing the great contribution our beverage distillers have made to the winning of the war with their double-duty product."