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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

AN anomalous situation unprecedented in the history of the Klamath potato industry presently threatens the harvest program, which to be successful must be completed before the fall storms set in.

In spite of the highest farm wage scale in the state, and the presence of a large number of transient "workers," the industry is confronted with a labor shortage exceeding that which occurred in the war years.

The trouble lies in the attitude and type of workers here for this harvest. Refusals to work, and demands for wages above the legal ceiling, are common occurrences, among both the white transients and Mexican workers.

Basin farmers arranged to bring as many Mexican nationals here as possible for the harvest. A majority of these Mexicans are now refusing to work for the ceiling wages offered. The alternative is to send all of these dissatisfied people back to their home country. There's no purpose keeping them here in voluntary idleness.



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Not Anxious To Work

FOR several years, the type of transient coming here for harvest work has proved a problem. Efforts have been made to provide the best possible living facilities for these people, and the Klamath farm wage scale has been regarded as scandalous in most other farm districts. Despite this situation, many transient laborers have shown little anxiety to work. Living facilities provided at low prices have been used by the people who won't work for the high wages offered.

This condition is most acute this year. The living camps set up by growers are overflowing, but there is not enough willing labor to get in the crops.

The wages paid here are at federal ceiling—5 cents a half sack for picking and \$1.25 an hour for other work. Pickers can easily make \$10 a day and up, and many of the good pickers can exceed 300 half sacks. In fields where picking conditions are not up to average, a wage committee makes upward adjustments to insure comparable earnings.

There isn't much left that Klamath farmers can do to attract labor. It is a strange and disturbing condition, and can only be attributed to a growing philosophy that working isn't part of living any more. The reader no doubt has his own opinion as to what has encouraged that philosophy.

News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4—The sudden death of the spirit of the full employment bill in the senate was inadequately reported, probably because no one could find out what happened to it. It was a blithe new-dealing spirit born in a family of spenders, including Lord Keynes, Sir William Beveridge and the soviet constitution, declaring some undeniable right of everyone to a job (a right he already has) and requiring the government to spend as much as necessary to provide this right.

The precise papa never proclaimed himself,

Telling The Editor

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WAR AT HOME

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., (To the Editor)—We have won the war overseas but all signs point to a civil war unless the people individually and collectively make a rightabout face and give up their selfishness, greed and envy.

All these strikes show plain selfishness somewhere. Neither labor nor employer can succeed without the other—so practice of the Golden Rule is only common sense and the best self defense. It looks now like selfishness on the part of the union leaders, they want to boss everyone. It makes no difference to the union leaders how long a strike keeps workers from drawing wages. The leaders pocket and plates aren't empty.

If the unions required their members to be good, honest workers they would have less trouble getting closed shop. As

is, many lazy men are kept on the job by the union demands while the so-called "scabs" and "chiselers" turn out good work for the same wages.

If more union members would stiffen their backs and say what they think, this strike would not be. For of what use are higher wages when prices will take a jump too. You and I have seen that happen time after time.

If industry is able to pay higher wages then it would only be right to grant laborers' request quickly and get the men working or drop their prices so the men will not need higher wages to pay for the produce. Wages and prices are links in the same chain, where one goes the other is bound to follow.

For example, look at the way lumber prices have skyrocketed—what used to sell as third and fourth grade is selling as first and second at prices that are high even for good first grade lumber. So, of course, the people who need lumber for building and repairs need to get enough wages so they can buy what they help to produce—else why produce?

So let's use some common sense. What's the use for us to harp at congress to keep inflation down when we are working so hard to bring on inflation?

We must practice the Golden

although I think I could prove it on the Farmers Union, often called the representative of the CIO among farmers. The bill never lacked professed authors, having even now the names of 100 attached to it in the house. These could hardly be called daddies. They are mere sponsors, covering the doubtful parentage. Also both the blithe spirit of the thing, as well as what little substance there was to it, were powerfully promoted further by Mr. Wallace, who is selling the 60,000,000 job notion in book form, and the CIO leaders. It could not be beaten, everyone said, and for a time most people considered it dangerous to express any doubts about its utterly heavenly, though unspecific, purposes.

Spirit Killed

THEN, suddenly on Friday, September 28, without warning, the spirit was apparently killed on the open floor of a public senate session. It expired without a funeral, a coroner's certificate or adequate recognition. It vanished under circumstances so perplexing the chief author of the bill, Senator Murray, denied it (this spending spark) had existed, a remark which so shocked the bill's leading opponent, Senator Taft, he gasped that it was "the first time he had ever heard" that one. Thus without obituary it passed on somewhere, under circumstances as perplexing as precisely where it originated or what it means. Yet there were some undeniable circumstances in connection with the demise, very, very interesting ones I will tell you, to-wit:

Bill Passed

THE republican, Taft, had been trying for some weeks to get an amendment killing the spending spirit by making the future pledge of spending dependent upon other government interests and policies (meaning whether money was available, for one thing) at the unforeseeable time when all the spending was to be done. But this is a democratic senate. It would never allow a republican to get away with that. On the day of its extinction, however, democratic Senator Hatch arose with the same proposition. It thereupon developed the authors of the bill had suddenly become willing to accept the amendment when it came from Hatch.

After as unclear a debate as you ever read, the amendment was adopted overwhelmingly and the bill was passed 71 to 10, some senators saying it was now a good bill and others describing it, as did Senator Barkley, as a measure "guaranteeing everyone out of work the right to seek a job if he can find one," with the promise that the government will help him "if convenient." (Barkley, incidentally, voted for the measure he thus described.)

Personal Investigation

MY investigation, including some evidence of fingerprints on the amendment, indicates that what happened was approximately this:

After a few days of debate the senate concluded the whole idea was a little silly. Here was a declaration of a future policy without any legal meaning, of doubtful need or effect. It was only a political argument to be adopted into law, an unsettled argument. It probably could not get through unemasculated. So why not take over the dying thing, make the necessary arrangements under democratic sponsorship and act as if nothing had happened. Hmm? Why not?

The "right to work" having been killed in committee, and the guarantee of unlimited spending having been made subject to budget considerations, the only thing left in the bill was an order for Mr. Truman to propose a "jobs" budget showing how much spending was needed for how many jobs, which may or may not mean anything.

No Tears

THUS the unfathomable spirit of the Keynes, Beveridges and New Dealers died as unfathomable as she had lived. Was she murdered? Did she never live as Murray says, or was she done away with as Barkley claims?

One thing is certain—no one cried, except the ten senators who still thought the unfathomable remaining portion of the bill was silly. The house is likely to think so also as the phalanx of opposition there is much stronger than existed in the senate.

Rule for our own sake—for our country and for the world.

Sincerely,
Z. J. KING.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Americans have a word for it

Bill Larkin's boy, who's back from overseas for good, was telling us about the funny customs and the different languages of European countries.

One thing he noticed is that in so many of those countries there is no word for "home." "House," yes... or "building." But no name that stands for what we mean when we say home. "In spite of the fact," says Bill, "that it's the most important thing there is... a place where you can take your shoes

The War Today

By DeWITT MacKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst

President Truman's atomic energy message, advocating development of this power for the benefit of humanity but the outlawing of it by international agreement for war purposes, is a momentous move for which the world has been waiting anxiously.

It probably is no exaggeration to say that the president's action is of far greater importance than the actual explosion on Hiroshima of the first atomic bomb to be employed militarily. After all, that was merely a horrific disclosure of an epochal instrument which already existed. The death and destruction which it wrought are inconsequential as compared with the iron-clad control of this power for, as Mr. Truman says, "atomic force in ignorant or evil hands could inflict untold disaster upon the nation and the world."

Atomic Problem
However, it isn't the purpose of this column to dilate on the control of the bomb but rather to draw attention to its relation to the troubled international situation. We can be sure that government officials and scientists in the major capitals of the globe have been burning midnight oil over this problem. It is not too much to say that the atomic bomb which our country distrusts the intentions of Uncle Sam in the matter of the atomic bomb. Still, it would be absurd to think that foreign countries weren't viewing the existence of this weapon with the gravest concern, especially since it is certain that other nations are bound to develop it before long.

Soviet Claims
It seems quite possible that part of the barriers between Russia and the Anglo-American allies were due to Moscow's desire to force an agreement over the atomic bomb which Russia doesn't possess. That is to say, one wonders whether some of the soviet claims weren't raised and vigorously maintained for bargaining purposes.

Now let it be said at once that this is speculation. Far be it from this column to put words into the mouth of Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov, who is fully capable of making his own speeches. His only reference to the atomic bomb, so far as has been made public, is the remark he is said to have made at a dinner in London during the conference when he observed that U. S. Secretary of State Byrnes "doesn't need to persuade anyone—he just has to hold up a little bomb."

Molotov's Joke
Of course that must be recorded as a joke. Molotov is famous for his quick humor. Still, the wise-crack was founded on a fact which was recognized in conference circles—that the bomb gives America bargaining power.

In any event, there are a lot of knotty problems to be ironed out between Moscow, on the one hand, and London and Washington, on the other. These relate not only to the troublesome peace treaties which the foreign ministers failed to work out for Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary and Finland, but extend to the Pacific. Russia is insisting on a four-power control of Japan in place of General MacArthur's rule.

Understanding Needed
Whether the Big Three differences be associated with atomic energy, it strikes me we can at

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LOCAL MEN RECEIVE ARMY DISCHARGES

Another large group of men has been honorably discharged from the service at the Fort Lewis separation center October 2.

Those from Klamath county listed included T/Sgt. LeRoy V. Vermillion of Keno; T/Sgt. Clarence R. Bertrand, 3949 Shasta way; T/Sgt. Stephen Scott, 525 Prescott; S/Sgt. Edward W. Lindsey, 731 Oak; PFC James Luttrell, 537 High; T/Sgt. Melvin V. Owens, 2144 Vine; Pvt. Chester A. Bunnell, Rt. 3, Box 230; T/Sgt. David N. Knight, 618 Willow; T/Sgt. Bert L. Smith, Rt. 2, Box 507; PFC Roy Buckingham, all of Klamath Falls; Sgt. Horace Bond, Box 1087, Lakeview; T/Sgt. Lloyd C. Thomas, Box 1024 and T/Sgt. James M. Yaple, both of Merrill.

Employers Urged To Hire Disabled Vets

SALEM, Oct. 4 (P)—Governor Earl Snell today urged employers to hire persons with physical handicaps, including disabled war veterans.

In a statement asking observance of National Employ the Physically Handicapped week beginning next Sunday, the governor said:

"All that can be done to aid those less fortunate is only simple justice, and a step toward letting them prove their capabilities."

Least say that an international understanding over the use and control of the bomb would be calculated to facilitate settlement of the differences.

Surgery Fails To Save Baby's Life

SPOKANE, Oct. 4 (P)—A 10-day old girl born with an unusual throat obstruction died last night despite a delicate operation performed by Maj. Thomas B. Wiper, chief of the thoracic surgery section at Baxter General hospital.

The infant, Michele Ann Rinicke, Spokane, had no connection between the mouth and stomach but an abnormal connection between the lungs and stomach, Lt. Col. Maurice A. Walker, chief of surgical services, said. Since birth she had been kept alive by hypodermic injections of sugar solutions.

Colonel Walker said the army consented to perform the operation because it was considered the only possible way to save the child.

About 14,000,000 pounds of lamp black, used chiefly as paint, lacquer and ink pigment, are produced annually in the United States.

WHIPPING ACT REVIVED

BOMBAY, Oct. 4 (P)—The provincial government announced today revival of the emergency whipping act of 1941, which provides for the flogging of persons convicted of rioting and other charges. As Hindu-Muslim disturbances persisted the death toll stood at 36 and the injured at 174, while close to 700 persons have been arrested.

Radio Programs

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Thurs. Evening, Oct. 4, 1945

6:00 p. m. Gabriel News	9:00 Glenn Hardy, News
6:15 p. m. News	9:15 News Miller, News
6:30 Starlight Serenade	9:30 Calendar of Music
7:00 CIO Program	9:45 Dance Tempo
7:15 Social Security	10:00 Safeway Opera—Tales of Hoffman
7:30 Red Ryder	11:00 News Roundup

Friday, Oct. 5, 1945

6:30 a. m. Wake-Up Time	1:15 Johnnie Family
6:45 Farm Bulletin	1:30 Afternoon Musicals
7:00 Frank Henry News	2:00 Music That Sparkles
7:15 News Time	2:15 Farm Front
7:30 News Bulletin	2:30 Salton Fair-rites
7:45 News News	2:45 Local News and Town Topics
8:00 Island Melodies	3:00 Dr. Louis T. Talbot
8:15 News Time	3:30 Tea Time
8:30 Take It Easy	3:45 Kina Maxwell
8:45 Canner Musicals	4:00 Follies Lewis, Jr., News
9:00 William Lang, News	4:15 News Miller, News
9:15 News Time	4:30 News Time
9:30 News Bulletin	4:45 Klamath Theatre Time
9:45 Variety News	
10:00 Glenn Hardy, News	
10:15 to 11 p. m. World Series	
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