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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY THIS newspaper guy, who has been fooling around with written words for the public prints for more than 20 years, has been on the radio for 15-minute broadcasts the last two days.



It is quite an ordeal. We've heard a lot of talk about "mike" fright, but in previous radio "appearances" at football games, etc., it hasn't bothered us. Maybe it is the personal billing, putting us right on the personal spot in those daily programs at 4:15 p. m. over KFLW that has affected us. At any rate, we've had some interesting experiences with throat-tightening, psychological blocks, etc., the last couple of days.

Two days' experience proves that it gets easier as one goes along, thank heavens. Please don't get any ideas this scribe is trying to be John B. Hughes, Raymond Gram Swing, or anything like that. The idea behind the daily program, "Managing Editor's Report" on KFLW is to present a discussion of local, regional and state news, more or less as done in this column. We've been handling that sort of thing for a long time in this space, and we got the call on the radio job. It has been an interesting experience and quite a thrill.

No embryo commentator ever had more sympathetic advice. The radio people at KFLW gave us a lot of technical information and expert criticism. The newspaper folks around here, speaking as radio listeners, were likewise generous with opinions about how it ought to be done, and how we were doing it.

"Just be yourself," was the repeated advice of our well-wishers—a suggestion that might be questioned by some of the folks who know us.

Last week, we went through several mock broadcasts. That was tougher than the real thing, which faced us Monday afternoon at 4:15. Now, as a veteran of two broadcasts, we wish to report a slight easing of the breath, a loosening of the tongue, and a slowing of the pulse.

Give us a few more days and we'll be danged if we'll let that mike mean anything more to us than a suspended hunk of metal.

Warming Up

THE circuit judge race—major political dish on the May primary election menu—is rapidly warming up.

Supporters of District Attorney Humble in his contest with Judge Vandenberg for the office, claim that recent court occurrences have had political implications. They assert that a number of dismissals of state cases were intended to embarrass the district attorney's office. District Attorney Humble said something of that sort yesterday when a directed verdict was given the defense in a state case. Judge Vandenberg promptly denied the allegation. Thus, a campaign issue appears to be developing.

The fact that the two candidates for the circuit judgeship come in frequent contact in circuit court calls for caution on the part of both in their courtroom relations. We know both men well, and like both of them. We believe they can perform their official duties in good spirit, without distasteful courtroom incidents. We hope they will.

The issue of the dismissals is pretty technical, and there could be disagreement over it among lawyers who know more about these things than most of us.

RADIO PROGRAMS

- WEDNESDAY, P. M., APRIL 3
KFLW—1450 kc.
6:00 The Lone Ranger ABC
6:15 So You Want to Lead a Band ABC
6:30 Cheery Mornin' ABC
7:00 Ralph Norman & His Music ABC
7:15 Music of Manhattan*
7:45 Caron Robison*
8:00 Lilo, N. Abner ABC
8:15 Ari Van Damme Quintet*
8:30 The Fishing and Hunting Club ABC
9:00 Stand By for Adventure*
9:15 Clearmont Hotel Orch. ABC
9:30 News*
9:45 Richard Lehner, Organist*
10:00 Cal Timney ABC
10:15 Raymond Gram Swing ABC
10:30 Ambassador Orchestra ABC
11:00 Sign Off
11:30
11:45
THURSDAY, A. M., APRIL 4
6:30 Dawn Patrol*
6:45 Farm Fare*
7:00 News, Breakfast Edition*
7:15 Step and Go Show*
7:30 James Abbe Observes ABC
7:45 Zerk Manners ABC
8:00 Breakfast Club ABC
8:15
8:30
THURSDAY, P. M., APRIL 4
Wake-up Tunes
Victrolans Living
Frank Hemingway, News
Rise and Shine
Headline News
Best Boys
Favorites of Yesterday
Fashion Flasher
News

By PAUL MALLON WASHINGTON, April 3—Mr. Byrnes, the state secretary, received an unreported but official pat on the back for what was judged to be his cleverness in getting the Frenchman, Henri Bonnet, on the UNO-Iran committee to cast the deciding vote.

The French government since De Gaulle went out, has been considered another vote for Russia, a hidden, embarrassed, but practically sure communist vote. But their skilled non-conformist, Leon Blum, arrived in Washington with his hand out for \$2,500,000,000 from United States at the same time Bonnet's hand was intrusted with the deciding vote between Messrs. Byrnes and Gromyko on the committee of the UNO security council.

Diplomatic Subtleties

Of such subtleties is diplomacy inspired these days—but deeper. Listen: The French government, led by the communists had tried earlier to force the United States and Britain into aggressive action to chase out the Franco government of Spain. Both Byrnes and the British went along with a three-power manifesto and white paper accusations against Franco, but when it came to moving troops, the communist-dominated government of France waved the sword belligerently alone. They moved troops up to the Spanish frontier, which is now an armed camp on both sides. The United States government knows if Franco is ousted by outside communist pressure, Spain will get a communist-dominated government, which may be even less cooperative with us than the Franco regime and more isolated. So we are clinging to this new Spanish policy.

If Franco is to be overthrown the Spaniards must do it. Meanwhile we will continue to send some moderate economic aid to the people, including oil and gasoline, as we did during the war.

Big Money For France

BUT with Blum over here seeking big money for France, and Bonnet placed on a spot by Byrnes in UNO, the French government has decided new steps of appeasement to the United States are in order. The socialist party in full assemblage, and in full knowledge of its government coalition with the communists, recommended last Sunday a new French foreign policy of closer co-operation with the United States in foreign affairs and co-operation with Russia (communism) in domestic affairs. This will take good, but the French have usually been equal to such occasions.

For the present, the change means only the French may accept our recommendations for internationalization of the Ruhr and Saar, and settlement of German questions. Most American authorities, however, expect the change toward closer general co-operation to be temporary, that is, until Mr. Blum gets the money.

Comedy Of Complexities

THE comedy of complexities reached its highest note in the fact that Mr. Blum himself refused to go into the cabinet of this French government. While he was willing to undertake its financial mission to America, he declined a cabinet job and is known to regard his government somewhat skeptically.

Indeed, the common authoritative inside opinion here is that the communist-socialist coalition is merely now going through a phase of proving itself to be unpopular. It cannot get the food or clothing necessary to become popular, unless Mr. Blum gets the \$2,500,000,000 or more from us, if then.

As soon as this course of developing unpopularity has been run an overturn of the government is expected in France, a change which will relegate the communists to a less important position.



"She charges 50 cents an hour for staying with Junior, and when she was a baby I sat with her for nothing—when we get home I'm going to send her mother a bill!"

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.

REPLY TO HANNON

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To the Editor): We have been asked to reply to Mr. W. P. Hannon's letter published in The Herald and News of March 28.

First let us make it plain that any promotion of a starch and glucose plant for this area is entirely in the hands of a local committee of farmers. At the growers' meeting held in Merrill, and the one held in Tulelake, it was voted to proceed with the plans for financing and building such a plant.

This proposal has been from the start the work of local committees which have inspected the plants of the Northwest Chemurgy Cooperative at Wenatchee and Ellensburg, Wash. The report of the latest committee to investigate is on file and is highly favorable to the idea. Not only the Klamath Potato Growers association, but the grange as well, has been represented on some of the investigating groups.

The main reason there is a demand for a starch and glucose plant in this basin is to have a plant which can profitably process all the cull potatoes and occasionally some No. 2's, which would otherwise depress the market.

Mr. Hannon states that "it can't be done," and proves conclusively that he, at least, can't do it.

But the committee's report just as conclusively shows that the Northwest Chemurgy Cooperative is doing it. This is true because while raw starch such as Mr. Hannon presumably manufactures, has a low ceiling price of 44 or 5 cents per pound, while glucose such as the proposed plant would manufacture has a ceiling of 10 cents. Also there is a strong demand for more glucose than can be manufactured at this price.

Not only is the cooperative paying \$10 to \$13 per ton for culls delivered at the plant but it also has a substantial margin of profit after selling the finished product.

There is one other good reason why the cooperative can pay more money for off grade potatoes and still have a margin of profit. This is the fact that while Mr. Hannon states that he gets a recovery of 10 to 12 per cent, the culls shipped from the Klamath basin and processed by the Northwest Chemurgy shows a recovery of 15 per cent to 15.6 per cent, as stated by Mr. Carstensen, president of the cooperative at the meeting in Merrill.

Thus a modern, efficient plant pays dividends to the farmers. As to prewar glucose prices, we do know that the product made by the Northwest Chemurgy Co-Op, was not on the market until 1943, as the plants were not in operation before that date. We are living in 1946, with a heavy demand for sugars, likely to be unfilled for a long time to come. As Mr. Carstensen stated, a special trade is rapidly being built up for the product made by the Leipsic process. We have strong hopes that the future market fluctuations on the product will not be

too great but no one can foretell the future even by looking at the past.

The foregoing are all points thoroughly discussed at potato growers meetings. They lead to the conclusion that the proposed plant will help farmers get more for their off-grade potatoes, and make available a food from what is now waste material. Surely no one can quarrel with such aims as these.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE, Klamath Potato Growers Association; by Mark Evans, chairman, H. R. Jackman, George E. Stevenson, E. E. Lemler.

ON OPA

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To the Editor)—I hear that people criticize the OPA on every corner. It is not republican entirely, as many democrats are critical.

This milk situation is sure a rotten deal. A 10-year-old boy can see the injustice being done to the dairy industry. Nearly everyone is willing to pay more for milk. It is coming to the dairy business.

The cost of milk production is such that if the dairies continue, they will be serving as charitable institutions. They won't do that, and as a consequence, unless something is done, there will be no dairies here.

In the matter of rent control, there is "something rotten in the state of Denmark."

There is an unfair control of rentals. I'll illustrate a couple of cases. An 8 by 10 shack in a dirty alley rents for \$30. It has no toilet or bath. Another case, the owner of a fine duplex apartment with all conveniences is allowed only \$22.50.

Do away with the OPA. It will start production again. It may make inflation for a while, but when production gets in full swing, competition will remedy that.

Business institutions are sick and tired of price control. Let's get back to the old American way of doing things.

Dr. W. P. Taber, 4060 Shasta way.

Classified Ads Bring Results

By HAL BOYLE ATHENS, April 3 (AP)—Tragic Greece, womb of world democracy and present Balkan political pivot, faces one of the most stupendous reconstruction jobs in history. Her buildings are 23 per cent destroyed. More than 200,000 families among her 7,500,000 population are still roofless or living in make-shift hovels. Her revenue has been cut 20 per cent in the agricultural areas by the ruin of war and the resultant flight from farms by peasants who for thousands of years have been her mainstay. These are Greek government figures. And all that is left to rebuild her, even to her former precarious economic level, are her peoples' stout hands and hearts—and hopes of foreign help. Hearts are Fewer. These hearts are fewer by 450,000—dead during war years from battle wounds, malnutrition and disease. Her plight even was grudgingly admitted during the Nazi occupation by the German minister of national economy who frankly stated that "Greece has suffered more than any other country from the effects of this war." Peace has brought no solution to her problems, which are primarily economic rather than political in this last Balkan outpost of democratic capitalism. Those problems are titanic in this rocky land which has an area no larger than England and a population about that of New York City. In normal times 60 per cent of this population live on the soil yet only 18 per cent of Greece is arable. German, Italian, Albanian and Bulgarian invasions have razed by fire her towns and shell scores of villages, and thousands of individual farm dwellings and made great stretches of farmland uninhabitable. Gather in Cities. "As a result," said the government survey, "people have congregated in the large urban centers of Greece." The nation's battered industrial system, never too flourishing, has been unable to absorb them yet productively—despite the tremendous rebuilding task at hand. Things are needed—tools, materials, transportation and communication facilities—to put this idle reservoir of labor to work. "In these centers where there are not enough jobs even for the regular population," the report continued, "the number of unemployed has increased terribly and tens of thousands are without work." Overcrowding Terrible. "Overcrowding is terrible—10 to 20 persons live in a single unhealthy room—sanitary conditions are execrable and tuberculosis passes from person to person. The Greek race will disappear and the conquerors whose aim was to wipe us out because we were the last Mediterranean obstacle to their drive to the



"He always starts his garden by testing out his hammer first!"

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Vets Advisor Puts In Plug For OPA SALEM, April 3 (AP)—The death of OPA would result in inflation like that which followed the first World War, Jack Hubbard, veterans advisor for the Portland OPA office, said last night at a meeting of the World War II post 136 of the American Legion. Hubbard claimed that milk producers in their recent strike intended to increase their returns from a profit of 190 per cent to more than 227 per cent. He said distributors' milk profits now are double those of 1941.

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Victory Ship Damaged In Collision A tug stands by as the 10,500-ton Oneida Victory tries to get under way off Point Conception, Calif., where she was damaged in a collision with a tanker. Note two small boats over the side in which crew members left the ship when it was feared sinking. The men later returned and the ship taken in tow. —AP wirephoto.

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