

Today's Roundup

BECAUSE Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg and District Attorney Clarence Humble are currently running for the same office, there is a natural public tendency to apply political interpretations to many of the things that happen in circuit court these days which would otherwise pass with little public attention.



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The situation places an unusual responsibility upon the judge and the prosecutor to avoid any incidents which might give the impression that the courtroom is being made a political battleground.

It seems to us that this is a time for those two officials to lean over backwards in professional courtesy in their courtroom relationships. Their conscious efforts along that line will help to keep the circuit judge contest on a level commensurate with the dignity of the office, and will rebound to the credit of both men.

A political contest is a political contest, and it would be unfair to expect either Mr. Vandenberg or Mr. Humble to restrain himself from actively campaigning for the circuit judgeship for which they have declared their candidacies. Campaigning can be constructively educational for the voters who have an important decision to make in this situation at the polls May 18.

We do not believe either of these responsible public officials intends to make the courtroom a place for campaigning. By courtesy and caution, they can prevent any unfavorable public impressions and disarm critics who may attempt to read political implications into their courtroom conduct.

Let's Finish It

KLAMATH county's Red Cross campaign is lagging. Only 42 per cent of the \$43,100 county quota has been subscribed to date. While Red Cross officials and campaign workers have confidence that there is ample public support for this worthy purpose to make the quota, there is some concern lest the campaign be drawn out into one of those protracted affairs that become painful to both public and workers.

Hence the present appeal is to subscribe immediately and close up this job successfully as soon as possible.

Of the total quota, \$20,000 has been budgeted to be spent in Klamath county for the needs of dependents of service men, veterans and their dependents and families of deceased service men.

In that past year, the Red Cross chapter here has cared for several families, giving financial assistance for food, shelter and clothing during the time claims are under consideration by the veterans administration.

There are still many Klamath men in service, and induction is still going on. Some inductees have parents, brothers and sisters who may have been dependent upon them for support. These Red Cross must help under its charter from the U. S. government.

Of Klamath's quota, \$11,000 goes to national headquarters for work with service men in this country and overseas. The balance is budgeted for disaster relief, home nursing, first aid programs, and other general work of the Red Cross.

It seems unnecessary to "sell" Klamath people on the Red Cross. They know about it. They have always supported it well. The need now is to bring that support into full effectiveness immediately.

News Behind The News

WASHINGTON, April 9—Everyone is saying the world crisis has passed. UNO is twiddling its thumbs until May 6, judging the Iran issue more or less settled. On its agenda

are only two matters of organization. But—Russia is known to be planning a regular army of 6,500,000 men or more after next July 1. We are planning an army then of 1,550,000.

Russia is planning an air force of 1,200,000 or more in her army. We are planning an air force of 400,000.

Russia has inaugurated conscription which is to provide 1,500,000 of fresh manpower each year, with two years of service for regulars and five years in her army for specialized services. I have not heard an authoritative estimate of her planes, but we are to have 5000 for one-third the number of men she contemplates, and if the same ratio of men to planes could be maintained by Russia, she would have 15,000 (she cannot provide herself anywhere near that number.) Of her 6,500,000 or more men, fully 5,000,000 are supposed to be her own troops, the other 1,500,000 coming from her satellites.

Is the world crisis over? If so, why does Russia need such an army and air force, three to five times greater than ours?

In the face of such figures, how can people like Senator Pepper arise and naively accuse the United States of kicking Russia around, or proposing to?

Nothing Formidable

GREAT BRITAIN has nothing formidable, a scattered army which will be about the size of China's July 1 or shortly thereafter, and China has far more planes than Britain, mostly ours. Britain will have about half our force in her home army, the others being Dominion troops. Measured in world military terms, she will be weaker than ever before in her history. The army expansion program of De Gaulle in France has been defeated by the communists and France cannot be considered a world force.

Give China 1,000,000; Britain a little over 1,000,000; France around 400,000 and us 1,550,000 (with air) and Russia will have a force greater by 1,500,000 or more, than all the major nations combined. (These figures fill out the Balkans estimates of Soviet strength given you last Friday.)

The estimates of our army are based upon announced factors such as minimum occupation requirements, keeping bases, transportation lines, etc., and lastly—and perhaps least in consideration—maintaining home defenses. They do not contemplate war with anyone. What requirements the Soviet figures are based on, I do not know.

Yet it is evident in these realities, the world crisis has not passed, and that the idling in UNO reflects simply the ignoring of problems of world peace, greater than Iran. No peace treaties have been concluded for Italy and Austria. The peace for Germany and Asia is unsettled. But even if these diplomatic affairs are eventually adjusted, can there be a world conference in peace with Russia maintaining such plans?

Peace Cannot Come

PEACE cannot come unless or until Russia opens up, drops her isolationism, her censorship, and takes her footing on the same basis as other nations of the world. Her tremendous military program, coupled with her secrecy, cannot accomplish any result except world unrest, uncertainty and suspicion. Free inspection of limited armaments, on the other hand would establish a justifiable feeling of international security.

In view of this condition of affairs, it is plain enough our estimates of military requirements may be too small. Any proposal that we give Russia the atomic bomb, in addition to the prospective military advantages, is absurd. Above all, our national state of mind is no longer alert to realities, but is already lapsing into theories of defensive security, which caused the past two wars to last twice as long as they would have lasted, had we been prepared to face reasonable prospects.

The greatest defect of American defense has always been our customary woeful deficiency in men and weapons inspired by our customary belief that the latest war was absolutely the last one, and in any event, that we will have a year or so to get ready.

Oceans saved us from effects of our follies of the past, but science has now shrunk the oceans into ponds.

SIDE GLANCES



"I'm afraid his thrill of being back home is wearing off—he's complaining about the milking and just kicked old Daisy!"

BOYLE'S NOTEBOOK

Editor's Note: Hal Boyle's column today is in the form of a letter to his wife, Frances.

ROME, April 9 (AP)—Dear Frances:

Well, here I am in this place where you are supposed to do as the Romans do.

I don't know whether to build a statue or try to sell something on the black market. But that's what the Romans seem to be doing mostly.

What a wonderful place this would be to start a scrap metal drive! I never saw so many statues and monuments in my life. They certainly must have a strong sculptors union to get so many contracts. There is a statue to everybody but Mussolini and the street-sweepers.

The clothing shortage is reflected in the statues. All over town you see lovely nude bronze and cast iron ladies riotously squirting water through their teeth, wrestling with fishes and holding up stone porches. After walking around among these undressed nymphs you get the slightly insane feeling you ought to step up and help shoulder a porch.

New Design I have thought up a design in case they ever build a monument to Italy's newest national industry—the black market. It would consist of a number of men of heroic stature standing in a circle, each with his oversized hand in the next man's pocket.

There is no end to beginning to the black market here. It affects all classes and there is little moral feeling about it. We ran into it as soon as we arrived by air from Athens on TWA's inaugural flight. Before we left the airfield several shady characters sidled up to ask "anything you want to sell, Joe?" or "want some money changed, Joe?"

Street beggars are numerous. One little squalid girl in a tattered dress slipped a typewritten note in my hand reading, "Gentle Sir, I am in want and have no father or mother. Will you not succor a helpless orphan."

I started to give her some money but just then a big blonde woman rushed out from her shop and belted my career "orphan" on her ear.

My phoney little friend made a very ugly face at the lady and then skipped away looking for another "gentle sir."

Your loving husband, Harold Vercingtorex Boyle.

Pistol Toter Gets 25 Days

Thomas Bently Prine, 2615 Kane, was sentenced to 25 days in the city jail yesterday afternoon in police court and the .45-cal. Colt automatic found in his possession when he was arrested at the Pastime tavern Sunday afternoon was ordered confiscated by the court.

Prine was charged with carrying a concealed weapon, a misdemeanor. He admitted that he was drinking Sunday and did not recall the events of the afternoon, but the arresting officer said that he had brandished the pistol before a man and woman in the tavern.

The officer said that when he went into the Pastime on a routine call a man told him that Prine had come over to the bar where he and his wife were sitting, asked them if they wanted a drink, then ordered three beers.

When the drinks came, the man told the officer, Prine displayed his pistol and said, "You pay for them."

He said, but when the patrolman arrived the man pointed Prine out.

Prine told Police Judge Harold Franey that the pistol didn't belong to him but was the property of a neighbor who had gone to California for a visit and left the pistol in Prine's wife's care.

When Prine was arrested the pistol was fully loaded, with one round under the firing pin and another full clip was found in his pocket.

Classified Ads Bring Results.

Air Group To Revise Contract

The city airport commission, meeting in Mayor Ed Ostendorf's office yesterday afternoon, decided not to immediately accept a contract for local use of the airport received from the navy but to rewrite the agreement putting items and costs of deferred maintenance on the port down in black and white and return the rewritten clauses to the navy for action.

Members of the commission feel that the navy will reject the changed agreement, but the move would allow time for the city to make some arrangement with the civilian fliers now on the field for continued use and liability for damage.

Bond Issue Right now the city cannot take over the port because no money had been budgeted for it, but the fliers may be asked to bond themselves to accept any liability and to operate the flying field until the city can take over, either July 1 or next January 1.

The navy's new contract would remove any liability or burden of maintenance from the navy without expressly demanding for the upkeep of the field, and the alternative to signing, offered by the navy, is to move the civilian aviators off the field.

Refuses Responsibility The airport commission does not want the fliers ordered off the field but is unable to accept responsibility for the field yet. Deferred upkeep is still a navy responsibility but the city is to put the specific items of deferred maintenance down in the contract and return it to the navy.

This agreement refers only to the old hangar and runways which are city-owned but leased to the navy. In addition to the civilian fliers now making their living at the airport, the city has received several applications from freight and passenger air services for landing rights.

14 Bus Stops A Day Made At Cresdell

Fourteen stops a day by buses using the Willamette Pass route were reported by J. C. Nolan, operator of the recently opened Cresdell lodge at Crescent Lake. The lodge, destroyed late in 1945 by fire, has been rebuilt on the site of the original building and is one of the largest resort buildings in that part of Oregon.

Cresdell is a regular stop on the trans-mountain bus line and during the months it was not in operation, buses stopped at Cresdell for rest periods or full meal time.

Advertisement for Venetian Blinds by Patterson Furniture, 230 Main, Phone 7150 for Metal or Wood.

Advertisement for E. L. Beck Cabinet Work, 4255 Frieda Ave., Phone 4975. Screens Made—Phone in your order to Beck's and a representative will call at your home, fit your screens, and install them.

Advertisement for Supertex Exterior House Paint, Choice of Colors, 3.04 Gal. In 5-Gal. Cans. COAST-TO-COAST STORES.

Advertisement for Easter Sales at Montgomery Ward, It Pays To Shop During Wards Easter Sales. Check Circular For Savings In Every Department. HERE ARE A FEW! Paint Now For Less! 3.08. Wards Super House Paint 53.28. Single Gallons 96c. Wards Semi-Gloss Enamel, qt. 77c. Flat Wall Paint, Sale Priced, qt. Its rich, velvety flat gives glareless finish.

Advertisement for Klamath Merchant On European Trip, Richard "Dick" Hibbs, Klamath merchant, made a fast trip across the Atlantic when he left New York by Pan-American at 4 p. m. Sunday, arriving at Shannon, Ireland, at 9:30 the next morning.

Advertisement for Dr. Peak Resumes Practice In KF, Dr. F. W. Peak has returned to the practice of dentistry in Klamath Falls after three years with the armed forces.

Advertisement for Rock Thought Cause Of Motorist's Death, LA GRANDE, April 9 (AP)—State police today reported they believed a rock on the highway had caused Oscar French, 22, La Grande, to lose control of his auto and plunge to his death into the Grande Ronde river near Perry.

Advertisement for WANTED, Young man in early 30's, married, reliable, veteran, wishes job with opportunity to learn business. Write Box 2400, The Herald and News.

Advertisement for Bob Will's Texas Playboys, TUESDAY NIGHT NINE IS BOB WILL'S KFLW-145 American Broadcast.

Advertisement for Paul O. Landry, this question: "We are forming a flying club and contemplate the purchase of a small modern sports plane. Can we, as a club, secure insurance covering collision, property damage, passenger liability, fire, theft, etc?"

Advertisement for Oil Burning Furnaces, NORGE M'PHERSON KLEER KLEEN Floor, Utility and Basement Models. Free Estimates. PHONE 6595 Nites, Holidays Phone 3041 2323 So. 6th.

Advertisement for The Sun Motor Tester, in the hands of an expert will completely test your car. "Hank" Hankins has had 25 years experience. Motor Tune-up, Electrical Repairs, Minor Repairing. We Pick-up and Deliver. Phone 6452. FANNING'S RICHFIELD SERVICE 1102 E. Main—Reclamation and E. Main Across From Community Grocer

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The originally scheduled fight between Humberto Zavala and Charlie Fusari on Friday has been moved to April 19, so in its place there will be a match between Tony Martellano of the East Side and Charlie "Chue" Taylor of Terre Haute, Ind. Martellano, just out of the coast guard, was a high ranking welterweight prior to his entry into service. Taylor, a new boy, has had only 15 fights as a pro, but is a capable, sharp puncher. The scrap will originate from St. Nick's arena in New York.

America's Town Meeting of the Air, 8:30 to 9:30 p. m. on Thursday, April 11, will take as a subject "What Are the Real Issues in the Russian-Iranian Dispute?" Speakers on the forum will include William Shirer, well known author, foreign correspondent and radio commentator; Max Lerner, chief editorial writer for PM, and Edgar Ansel Mowrer, author and correspondent.

Musicians Union Will Re-Organize

After having been inactive during the war years since so many members were in the armed forces, the Klamath Falls Musician's Protective Union, Local 495, met last night to reorganize. New officers were elected as follows: Kyle Morgan, secretary and business agent; J. A. McDonald, president; W. R. "Baldy" Evans, vice president; George Burton, sergeant-at-arms; and Estin Kiger, Bob Van Duker and Frank Niles, directors.

The meeting was held at the Winema hotel and was attended by about 35 members. The local had a prewar strength of over 100 members.

BEAUTIFY HIGHWAYS

SALEM, Wash. 9 (AP)—Wilbur H. Simonson, Washington D. C., landscape engineer for the federal public roads administration, was here today conferring with Oregon highway officials on plans to beautify Oregon's post-war highways.

Stromberg-Carlson Radios. Derby's Music Co.

Service Personnel Released From Navy

Discharged from Bremerton and other naval separation centers throughout the country are a number of Midland Empire servicemen and women.

They are Bachman Carroll Leland, PHM 3/C, 421 Market; Halo Ferroni, BM 3/C, 411 I. Frank Dodson, S 1/C; Philip S. Duffy, SSN 1/C, 210 Ward; Andrew C. Lovelady, S 1/C, Box 104; Eldon E. Mulman, PHM 404; Leo J. Bocchi, AMM 2/C, box 637; Klamath Falls.

Released to inactive duty was Lt. Cmdr. Harold A. Romberg, 1932 Portland, Klamath Falls, and discharged from the WAVES are Neva N. Goeller, SK 1/C, 125 Pine, Klamath Falls.

Hoover In Holland On Food Survey

AMSTERDAM, April 9 (AP)—Herbert Hoover came to Holland today on his European food survey.

"We all hope Holland will soon regain her prosperity," he told a welcoming party, including U. S. Ambassador Stanley K. Hornbeck. Hoover is to return to Brussels later today and fly to Copenhagen tomorrow.

Office Closed—The office of Dr. Boyd F. Sprague, dentist, is closed for redecorating this week. It will open next Monday.

RADIO PROGRAMS

Table of radio programs for Tuesday P. M., April 9 and Wednesday A. M., April 10. Includes stations like KFLW-1450 kc., KFJI-1240 kc., and various time slots and program titles.

Table of radio programs for Wednesday A. M., April 10. Includes stations like KFLW-1450 kc., KFJI-1240 kc., and various time slots and program titles.