

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

BERLIN, April 29 (AP)—Dear Frances: Coming back to Germany is like revisiting an old acquaintance and finding him in the throes of cancer.

You may not ever have liked him, but you hate to see anyone in that condition.

You remember a year ago I wrote you of the vast devastation we saw as General Hodges' first army was moving eastward for its junction with the Russians on the Elbe river?

I could write you the same things today. The face of Germany remains the same. The rubble and ruin of war have been cleared from the streets, but there has been little if any rebuilding in the damaged cities.

This whole country is still one festering wound. After 12 months the people are still suffering from the shock of defeat. They are growing more hungry now and as they grow hungrier they grow more resentful and emotional.

After flying to Frankfurt from Rome, I took a two-day jeep trip through agricultural Bavaria before coming on to Berlin by train. The difference between country and city in Germany is the difference between life and death.

War has made no fundamental change in the existence of the old Bavarian farmers.

They have stored away plenty of food. Geese and chickens peck the edge of manure piles before their quaint old timber and plaster houses.

To drive through Bavaria's rolling green acres now, past pink and white flowering fruit trees, is to know Germany at its most beautiful.

But the cities—they are full of unhappy, hungry and idle people, for whom the devil is finding work because Uncle Sam, Uncle Joe, and their friends have not been able to find a formula among themselves to help Germany seek its own salvation.

There is so much to be done. All roads are in terrible shape except Hitler's famous Autobahns. Hundreds of peacetime industries that could be revived are lifeless. Little effort has been made to restore the shattered stores and dwellings.

Everywhere on the streets you see empty sleeves and empty pants legs—the war cripples. The Teutonic mind craves certainty, and in Germany there is nothing but uncertainty today. German character is deteriorating into dangerous self-pity, because the people see no way out, no future.

THEY still remain individually honest even in hunger—and in the cities every third sentence from the average German deals with food. If you left three chocolate bars on your hotel bureau top in Naples and returned a day later, all three would be gone.

If you did the same thing in Rome, two would be gone. If you did it in Frankfurt or Berlin, all three would remain untouched.

At night each main street in a German city in the American sector is a lover's lane for GI's and German girls. For all the official hullabaloo that is raised over this, I think these youngsters are the most natural people in this incubator of world hatred called Germany.

They at least are finding love among the ruins and if their love is twisted it is no more twisted than the world of suspicious allies in which they live.

Yours truly, HAL.



"Let's be modern parents and reason with Junior about smoking—I'm afraid he's too big for you to spank!"

Youth Held For Theft Of Autos

A 16-year-old Klamath Falls boy who for two weeks operated a one-man car theft ring, according to a statement he made when arrested by Seattle police, has been brought back here for court action after the FBI declined to prosecute him.

The youth was reported to officials here as a runaway on April 12. In his statement he said that he stole a Ford pickup, registered to H. C. Arnold, Modesto, Calif., at the high school April 11.

He drove the pickup to Oakridge that night, parked there and slept in the car. Next morning he sold the spare tire for \$7.50 and proceeded to Seattle.

That night he parked the car on the Seattle waterfront and slept in an all-night movie, then drove to Oak Harbor, Wash., and back to Seattle the next day.

He again parked the car and spent the next three nights in the movie house. On April 16, he sold the tires and wheels off the truck for \$20 and abandoned it. Next day he stole a 1937 Ford from a Seattle parking lot, he said, sold the spare tire for \$5 and drove to Everett.

In Everett, he told officers, he sold the tires, wheels, tubes and hub caps, bought some clothes and took a bus back to Seattle.

His next car was a 1941 Nash, stolen on the street at Seattle, and he drove it to Centralia. That car was already reported as stolen by someone else in Yakima and Centralia police spotted it, with the boy sleeping inside, on April 17, and arrested him.

The FBI was notified of the boy's statement of his activities but declined to prosecute him because of his youth. He was held in Seattle several days, then sent back to Klamath Falls for court action on the theft of the pickup truck.

Burns Assumes Editorial Job

Lt. Col. R. C. Burns, former executive officer of the Marine Barracks, returned to Klamath Falls today to assume the duties of news editor of The Herald and News, it was announced by Malcolm Epley, managing editor.

He succeeds Paul Haines, who left today for Sturgis, Mich., where he will be associated with his father, publisher of the Sturgis Journal.

Burns was stationed at the Barracks from February, 1945, until November 24, 1945. His wife, the former Louise Sullivan, Red Cross social service worker at the Barracks dispensary, accompanied him to Klamath Falls. They are currently house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Getz.

Treatment — Donna Lee Brautlauch, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Brautlauch of Chiloquin, is in Hillside hospital receiving medical treatment. Brautlauch is a Southern Pacific employee.

Sunday Visit — Toni Reynolds of the reclamation office spent the weekend visiting in Gold Hill with the Centers.

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HIGH SCHOOL News Notes and Comment

By JOAN O'NEILL KUHS came out on top at the recent invitational southern Oregon-California track meet.

At the end of the meet Klamath had attained 574 points. Second place group was Medford with a total of 531 points.

Seventeen schools from over the state participated in the event which was held here Saturday.

First place winners from Klamath were Irvin Whitt, Javelin; Ben DeVore, discus; Tom Edwards, broad jump, and Dick Yates in the 440 dash.

KUHS also had four second placers: Joe Zarozinski, shot put; Jim Pope, high hurdles; Bill Rose, javelin, and Bob Redkey, low hurdles.

The relay team took a second place berth also. The cup given by the Lost River Dairy was taken by Rasmussen of Bend.

The relay cup went to Medford, and the Leslie cup went to Tad Gandee of Ashland. Klamath was awarded the Lions club perpetual trophy for the fourth consecutive year.

Drunk Driving Charge Lodged

Otto Leopold, 47-year-old carpenter living at 3840 S. 6th, was arrested by state police at 2:15 p. m. Monday and lodged in the county jail charged with driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Officers said Lloyd was picked up on highway 66 as his car was traveling west.

Business Trip — Harold Talley, assistant Boy Scout executive in the Modoc area council, is in Klamath Falls on a short business trip from his headquarters in Bend. He will leave Wednesday.

Move — Mr. and Mrs. E. J. McCabe moved over the weekend from 435 High to their new address, 522 5th.

STATIC

Tonight's Lum 'n Abner show will play host to Kay Kyser when he visits them for the first time in over three years.

And when Kyser hits Pine Ridge it leads to nothing but trouble and confusion. He calls on Lum 'n Abner to enlist their aid in finding a typical Arkansas plant to add to his collection — one plant from every state in the union.

In delivering Kay's message to the boys, Grandpappy Spears loses the message and attempts to tell them what it was all about, getting pretty badly mixed up in the process.

Lum gets the idea that Henry J. Kaiser is coming to look over Pine Ridge for a possible UNO site. From that point on even pandemonium is not a clear thinking leader.

As of Wednesday, Sammy Kaye's program "So You Want to Lead a Band?" will originate in Hollywood rather than in New York.

The program features local amateurs who win or lose on audience approval in leading the band. From these contestants one will be chosen from each section of the country to travel to Hollywood and compete for the \$1000 grand prize.

There are a lot of fish in the Klamath river, but yesterday they must have been overwaded by the human side of the thing.

There seemed to be a fisherman for every rock along the way, and you practically had to ask permission to fish. Not just a whole lot of fish were being taken though. Water was too high, or the water was too low. Maybe it was too clear or too cloudy. Or maybe we all left the correct lure at home.

Classified Ads Bring Results.

RADIO PROGRAMS

MONDAY EVE., APRIL 29 KFLW-1450 kc. 6:00 Lone Ranger MBS 6:15 6:30 Forever Tops ABC 6:55 Elmer Davis ABC 7:00 Bill Thompson Show ABC 7:30 James Abbe Observes ABC 7:45 Carson Robinson ABC 8:00 Lum 'n Abner ABC 8:15 Hedda Hopper ABC 8:30 Fat Man ABC 8:45 8:50 Braille Institute Broadcast ABC 9:15 9:30 News by Adlam ABC 10:00 Cal Tennyson ABC 10:15 Raymond Swing ABC 10:30 Market Street Blues ABC 11:00 Sign Off 11:15 11:30

TUESDAY A. M., APRIL 30 6:00 Wake-Up Patrol 6:15 Farm Fare 6:30 News 7:00 News and Go Show 7:30 James Abbe Observes ABC 7:45 Zake Wallace ABC 8:00 Breakfast Club ABC 8:15 8:30 8:45 8:50 Glimmer Manor ABC 9:15 9:30 Bkfst. in Hollywood ABC *KFLW Feature

TUESDAY A. M., APRIL 30 6:45 Bkfst. in Hollywood ABC 10:00 Home Edition News ABC 10:15 Top Melody MBS 10:30 My True Story ABC 10:45 11:00 News and Betty Crocker ABC 11:00 Backstage Talking ABC 11:15 Ethel and Albert ABC 11:30 Listening Post ABC 11:45 Music by Transcription *KFLW Feature

TUESDAY P. M., APRIL 30 12:00 News 12:15 Man on the Street 12:30 Ladies Be Seated ABC 12:45 1:00 Jack Herch ABC 1:15 1:30 Try and Find Me ABC 1:30 This Moving World ABC 1:45 Hymns ABC 2:00 What's Happ' Ladies ABC 2:15 2:30 Norman Nesbitt ABC 2:30 Jim Wacky Trio 2:45 Music Hall Varieties 3:00 Bride and Groom ABC 3:30 At Large ABC 3:45 4:00 Headline Edition ABC 4:15 Malcolm Epley 4:30 Our Singing Land ABC 4:45 Top Melody MBS 5:00 Terry and Pirates ABC 5:15 Top Trac ABC 5:30 Jack Armstrong ABC 5:45 Sports Lineup *KFLJ Feature