

Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

It was a relieving circumstance that last week-end's regional violence, which filled the news yesterday, produced a hero.

He is Henry V. Munday, known as Pete to his acquaintances, who rescued his 5-year-old daughter, Virginia, from their burning home on Crosby street.

A modest fellow, Pete made no claims to heroism when he was interviewed on his hospital cot by a representative of this newspaper.

But the story speaks for itself. With the house on fire, he helped his wife and one small daughter out of a window, then ran to the window of the room where little Virginia was sleeping. Calling for her, he crawled into the flame and smoke-filled room, felt in her bed, and found her missing.

Coughing and unable to see, he crawled about the room, feeling for her. Finally, he came upon the child, frightened into speechlessness as she crouched in a corner.

He carried her to the window, put her through, crawled through after her, and the family of four was safe. It was probably not until then that Pete had time to think about the burns he had received on the lower part of his body when the fire first swept into his bedroom, burns that were bad enough to put him in the hospital for several days.

Pete, a log scaler for Ewauna Box, will probably be surprised and maybe a bit miffed at being eulogized here as a hero. But there was need for something just like that to offset the unhappy picture of shootings, automobile accident tragedies, and beat-ups that filled the news Monday, and Pete Munday supplied that relief admirably.



EPLEY

Expanding Tourist Season

EXPANDING the tourist season at both ends is the interesting objective of the travel information department of the state highway commission.

In the past, Oregon's tourist promotion emphasis has been directed on the traditional tourist season—the three months of summer. It is in that period that by far the largest number of tourists have visited the state, leaving those outside dollars that tourist promoters like to describe in astronomical figures.

But it has become apparent that you can't build a \$200,000,000 tourist industry — yes, we've heard that figure mentioned — on a three months' basis. It needs to be expanded over a longer period, and the state's attractions in fall and spring justify such expansion.

Western Oregon's valleys especially have much that is beautiful and interesting to offer the tourist in the spring, while the higher country, like the Klamath region, are in many ways at their best in the fall. Indian summer is especially grand in the east-of-the-Cascades country.

So far as that is concerned, we have a great potential winter attraction here in the Klamath country in Crater Lake National park. The roads to that marvelous winter wonderland are to be plowed out all this winter, and in succeeding winters. It offers beauty and winter sports activities to those who are fortunate enough to visit it in the snow season.

News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 — Concluding my points of yesterday which were these: (A) The Nathan survey advocating another 25 per cent wage increase was hired by CIO's Phil Murray to promote propaganda for his campaign in autos and steel, although the radio and some newspaper accounts termed it an indisputable figure survey which Murray had "accepted"; (B) The survey covered every business project but not alone the pertinent ones of autos and steel which are the two biggest, basic industries and have been in bad shape; (C) Nathan proposed to hold business profits to a pre-war level, while costs and wages have gone up in inflation since then, and industry cannot continue to exist in isolation on a pre-war dollar level; (D) The promise of no price increases was the same the CIO made in its losing 120 day strike a year ago although there have been

Telling The Editor

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HOW OLD?

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., (To the Editor)—Say, mister, how old do the people live to be in this community? Can anyone tell me?

Why, gee whiz, there must be some of the old timers around here who are bordering on the 200 mark, aren't they? There's young Mr. E. B. Hall, for example. He's going on 300, isn't he? And there's Elmer

RADIO PROGRAMS

Table of radio programs for Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, listing stations like KFLW, KFJJ, and KFWL with their respective schedules.

three auto price increases at least to consumers so far that I know of; (E) CIO is leading the unions into irreparable damage because the man on any kind of salary has already found he cannot keep up with an inflationary era in which prices are forced ever higher and higher; and (F) Such a campaign is so poorly grounded in economy it is apt to lead Murray to the fate of John Lewis.

Significant

PROMISED today to offer truly pertinent statistics which were inconspicuously announced to stockholders by U. S. Steel and GM, and here they are:

Net sales of General Motors fell more than half from last year. The first nine months of 1945 sales were \$2603 millions and in 1946 \$1114 millions, GM reports to stockholders. Now this is a rather bad citation from which false deductions may be drawn (you college economist classes please note), because last year was a bad year for production, being the earliest period of reconversion to peace—and prices have actually been increased three times in many car lines since then. So GM sales are far as much as a period sustained by government contract buying for war, and corporate usage of accumulated tax revenues for reconversion. (All figures cover three quarters).

Net income of GM is shown on its annual statement to be \$14,012,370 for the first nine months of 1946 which is about 10 per cent of earnings of last year's first nine months, \$147,749,167 millions.

The actual amount earned per share of stock by GM has been reduced from \$3.20 the first nine months of last year to 16 cents for the comparable period this year.

As to next year no one can say, including particularly Messrs. Murray and Nathan. I do not intend to do a Dun and Bradstreet on General Motors, but the earnings prospect, I very well know, all depends on Mr. Murray's unions, whether they strike another 120 days this year or longer, or slow down, or production is accomplished.

I know also I cannot buy a Cadillac like John Lewis in less than a year (salesmen promise it then and agree it may be longer) so obviously GM does not know what its production will be, and only by production can it sell cars and earn money, being in that business. If anyone wanted me to do a D and B on GM, I would start off by seeing Mr. Murray, not the company.

Expenditures Cut

U. S. STEEL sales were reported to stockholders as being reduced about a third from last year (first nine months). In 1945 they were \$1368 millions and in 1946 were \$1015 millions. But unlike GM, steel has made up for its loss of sales by reducing expenditures on nearly everything. For wages and pensions it reduced expenditures from \$652 millions to \$505 millions (college economists please note how Messrs. Murray and Nathan have reduced the income of their workers, even after wage increases by not getting U. S. Steel into full production and keeping it there.)

U. S. Steel buying of products and services was similarly reduced from \$510 millions to \$400 millions (with loss of that business for others); even depreciation was cut and state taxes were cut from \$30 millions to \$27 millions with loss of revenue to the states, and federal tax payments dropped from \$28 millions down to \$11 millions. So instead of U. S. Steel income per share being reduced after one third reduction in dollar volume of sales during this inflationary period, these were actually increased from \$2.85 last year to \$4.45 this year.

My eagle eye does not detect from the statements that either company increased its reserves or added to its net worth, but both suffered reductions of same in this period, although steel bought a couple of western plants. (The stock market shows all this.)

Now, as I say, maybe it will not require a college class in economics to figure out that Messrs. Murray and Nathan have just about as weak a case as they could get and are actually advocating the wrong thing for the welfare of their own union and its men. The men need work and production and a stable economy. If these are forthcoming there would be good profits next year. If the union demanded a share in profits after the profits are made, their claim would make some economic sense. But by forcing industry back to pre-war dollar volume of profits they will reduce industry income actually by the extent of inflation, and by seeking a wage increase, yet unjustified economically, they will cause further inflation which would reduce the worth of any new wage increase just as it did last year's wage increase. Mr. Murray had better hire another economist.

Hosking, Bogue Dale, Sheriff Lloyd Low, Gary Cozad, Fred Garich, Bill Houston, Fred Houston, to say nothing of so many others. Demme, if I can figure it out! Why, when I was around here some 25 years ago, all these people were supposed to be "quite old" then. How come? Yet they're all (yes, all of them) still up and around and kicking the dust out from under their heels!

Gosh, it's something to think about. How do they get that way? I know when I came here some 40 years ago, they were supposedly old people then, and yet they're still kicking. Will someone please enlighten me on the subject? It can't be the climate, can it? If that be it, then tell them for me to stick to it. Don't leave it, hoping to find greener pastures in

which to live. Tell them to stand by their guns, because they'll sure make a mistake should they leave it. A sad, very sad mistake. Yours sincerely, JAMES M. WATKINS.

Fire Destroys Machine Shop TULELAKE, Dec. 17 — Flames destroyed the machine shop on the Tulana Farms holdings at the south end of Tule lake, early Tuesday morning, and also set were an automobile and a pickup owned by employees on the place. Origin of the fire is undetermined. Men sleeping in the bunkhouse nearby were awakened by the flames and aided the Tulelake fire department which received the call at 4 a. m. and

SIDE GLANCES



"Don't tell anybody, but I'm wiring a stocking to give Santa Claus a shock—when he yells 'I'll come running down and see him!'"

STATIC

By KELLY ROBERTS

The next 24 hours will be filled with local radio action. First on the bill of fare will be the one hour Christmas concert from the KUHS auditorium at 8:30 p.m. over KFLW. The concert will be presented by the high school chorus under the direction of Andrew Loney Jr. Carl Hagel will be soloist.

Immediately following the concert at 9:30 p.m. KFLW will air Mack Lillard's big fight card from the armory. Don Neal will be on hand to describe the action and Bob McCarl will handle the color as Roy Hawkins, husky slugger from Portland, meets Joe Dixon, dusky pelter from Omaha, Neb.

Starting at 10:30 Wednesday morning KFJJ will take the opening of the Tulelake homestead drawing from the armory. Heard on the half hour are expected to be the KUHS band, Nelson Reed, chairman of the homestead examining board; Lawrence Carr, representing Gov. Warren of California at the occasion; Gov. Earl Snell of Oregon; R. L. Boker, regional director for the bureau of reclamation, and Olney Rudd, the veteran selected to draw the first capsule from the bowl.

Plans include getting many of the lucky winners who are present at the armory to take the mike for a while.

At 11 a.m., immediately following KFJJ's broadcast, KFLW will take the air with a continuation of the next half hour. The two stations will continue to alternate each half hour during the drawing until it is completed. KFJJ on the half-hour, KFLW on the hour. KFJJ's 10:30 to 11:00 broadcast, by the way, will be released through the Mutual-Don Lee network for west coast listeners.

At 4 p.m. Wednesday KFLW will feed the American Broadcasting company about four minutes of homestead drawing results over "Headline Edition." This will be the second network feed for KFLW, the other being just last Sunday on "Report to the People." The program will be heard from coast to coast.

Berry Attorneys Ask \$75,000

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17 (AP)—Joan Berry's attorneys have put a price of \$75,000 on their successful suit to have Comedian Charles Chaplin declared father of Miss Berry's child. Counsel Joseph Scott and A. H. Risse yesterday petitioned superior court for a judgment against the actor for that fee. Chaplin's attorney, C. E. Millikan, told the court the actor was worth \$3,000,000.

arrived at the scene 45 minutes later. The Merrill fire department was also called but arrived too late to assist. Loss was estimated at \$9000 on the machine shop. Tulana Farms is operated by Henzel and Liskey brothers. Carl Olney is foreman of operations.

Expect Good Listening on KFLW - ABC TONITE! 6:00-Hometown News * 6:30-Music of Manhattan * 7:15-Mac Epley * 7:30-Theatre Guide * 8:00-Lum 'n Abner, ABC 8:30-KUHS Xmas Program * 9:00-Boxing, Armory * 10:00-Stardust Melodies * 10:30-Freddie Martin, ABC

The World Today

By DeWITT MacKENZIE AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

There is before the constituent assembly in New Delhi a resolution calling for an independent, sovereign republic of India—a highly explosive measure which, if adopted, could easily precipitate civil war among the four hundred millions of that vast sub-continent.

The point is that the government and assembly as now constituted represent only one party—the dominant Hindus. The Moslem league, claiming to stand for 90,000,000 Moslems, and the some 600 princes who rule over 90,000,000 subjects, have not agreed so far to participate in the provisional government. Thus any measure passed by the legislature would in effect be unilateral, since it would represent only the Hindus.

Trouble Looms There you have a kettle of trouble — at least a potential trouble. Unhappily the political divisions in India are largely on religious and racial lines. The feud between the Hindus and the Moslems has been the source of rivers of blood through the centuries. As recently as the past summer thousands of people died in fierce communal strife in various parts of the country—strife which was the outgrowth of the political warfare in the capital. Over a short period in August more than 300 were killed, and nobody knows how many injured, in the great city of Calcutta. Things got so terrible that the sewers were choked with the dead.

If horrors like that can grow out of political differences, what can we expect to result from a unilateral declaration of independence by one of the political parties? Many observers believe that former British Prime Minister Churchill gave the answer when he declared in the house of commons December 12. "Any attempt to establish a reign of Hindu numerical majority in India will never be achieved without civil war."

The British are said to have only about 50,000 English troops in that whole vast sub-continent. Attempting to restore order with them would be like trying to police New York City with two cops. Of course there is a big native standing army, but one would scarcely expect the British to try to employ that, made up as it is of both Moslems and Hindus.

The only hope of averting catastrophe in India lies in finding some formula which will permit the warring factions to join forces in creating a new government to implement the independence which England has offered.

Car Wreck Injures One

Mrs. J. H. Bromfield, 123 S. 2nd, suffered injuries at 9:45 a. m. today when she was struck by a car operated by Byron P. Foster, 33, Colonial hotel, as Foster's car made a left turn at 7th and Klamath. Mrs. Bromfield was moved to Klamath Valley hospital but her injuries are said to be minor.

City police, investigating the accident, were told by Foster that he was driving slowly on 7th and had stopped at the intersection to make a left turn when Mrs. Bromfield stepped in the path of his car as he entered into the street. He stopped immediately. Foster's occupation was given as druggie operator. He posted \$10 bail at the police station in answer to a charge of failure to yield right-of-way.

The first Canadian Expeditionary Force departed for France October 3, 1914.

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the undersigned, Executrix of the Estate of Myron Willis McVay, Deceased, has filed her Final Account with the County Clerk of the State of Oregon for Klamath County, and the Court has set Thursday, the 16th day of January, 1947, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M. of said date, in the Circuit Courtroom in the Court House in Klamath County, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections thereto and the settlement thereof. Dated this 16th day of December, 1946. FEARL McVAY, Executrix of the Estate of Myron Willis McVay, Deceased. D. 17-24-31, 7, 714—No. 981.

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CARNIVAL By Dick Turner



"Chief Smoking Teepee heap fed up on shortages—no can get-um battery for new electric blanket!"

Man Held On Murder Charge

PORTLAND, Dec. 17 (AP)—Mrs. Laura Maria Riopelle, 55, was found shot to death early today, a roomer coming home to find her body with a bullet hole between the eyes, Deputy Sheriff Elmer Wallenstein reported. Richard Bras, about 55, is held in the county jail for questioning.

Wallenstein said Bras lived in a one-room shack at the rear of Mrs. Riopelle's house in southeast Portland and had been arrested by state police following a minor automobile mishap a short time after the woman's body was found. When sheriff's officers sought him for questioning, state police reported he was in the Oregon City jail, the deputy said.

Dodge Employees Walk Out

DETROIT, Dec. 17 (AP)—A dispute over a worker who said his religion prohibited his paying union dues left 800 foundry workers idle Monday at the Dodge main plant of Chrysler corporation. Management said the employees left their jobs "because the company would not dismiss an employe the union said had refused to join the union."

From South—Odell Olson of the city police department has returned from a vacation spent with relatives in Los Angeles.

Pearl Harbor Drydocks Burn

HONOLULU, Dec. 17 (AP)—Six men were overcome by smoke while fighting a fire which damaged two drydocks in Pearl Harbor late yesterday and for a time endangered shore installations. All six were released after treatment at a navy dispensary. Cause of the blaze was unreported.

Forest fires cost the United States from 30 to 45 million dollars annually.

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