

Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY STATEHOUSE, Salem, Ore. (Special Correspondence)—The lounge had spread to the dignified houses of the legislature.

Going down a back hall in the state house today, we tripped over an oblong article that appeared to be a rug for a room being fitted out as a lounge for the senators.



EPLEY

Over on the house side, the lounge is on the fourth floor. It, also, was being fitted out today with fancy rugs, furniture and draperies, and the inevitable refrigerator in the corner hiding discreetly behind white screens.

The senators and representatives have simply succumbed to a craze that has swept the country in recent years. Every organized group has the idea it has to have a lounge, clubrooms, or something of the kind, while smart business men with an eye to the trade have set up establishments to take care of the unorganized.

The thing has even reached down to the teenagers, who raise the dickens in every community until they, too, have a lounge, complete with soft drink bar.

In the case of our lawmakers, the lounge program is advanced in the cause of relaxation—same as the teenagers.

KLAMATH county's official family was represented in force here Monday. County Judge U. E. Reeder, Sheriff Lloyd Low and Clerk Charley DeLap were here for the only reason that would bring as many of the county's officials here at one time—a salary raise.

Salaries of elective officers are set by law, requiring legislative action for changes. Customarily, the legislature acts in accordance with the wishes of the legislators from the particular county affected.

Here's what the Klamath county officials suggest:

Table with 3 columns: Position, Proposed Salary, Present Pay. Includes Judge, Commissioners, Sheriff, Clerk, Assessor, Treasurer.

These increases were okayed by the county budget committee, A. D. Collier, E. M. Hammond and R. P. Ellingson. Nobody objected at the budget hearing. But even so, we detect resistance on the part of at least the male contingent of the Klamath county delegation.

The above proposed increases are \$600 annually over the present pay. Considering the probability that the cost of living has started to decline—at least, its rise has been stopped—there's sentiment in the delegation for an increase of \$300 rather than \$600.

But the legislators don't appear disposed to make an issue of it on their own.

CERTAIN features of the Marine Barracks vocational school question were clarified Monday.

One matter that has been bothering people was the federal government's requirement that the state pay administrative costs of the transfer of personal property from the Barracks site in connection with the transfer of real property to the state.

We learned today that the removal of personal property will entail truck movement from the Barracks to the naval air station, with not more than 10 truck trips involved. The job should not cost more than \$200, which is negligible in a deal of this kind.

However, the Barracks vocational school project still has several hurdles ahead, the biggest, of course, being a legislative appropriation of several hundred thousand dollars to set the school up and operate it for the first biennium. Once the school gets under way, it should operate at decreasing costs per pupil, and it will be unnecessary to duplicate each biennium some of the rather heavy initial costs.

News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON WASHINGTON, Jan. 29—Some people (not communists) see the recent trend of Washington affairs, particularly the increasing prominence given military leadership, as meaning there will be war with Russia. One ardent enthusiast claims there will be war within a year. I do not think so. Russia has nothing much. She is really a quite inferior nation.

Her home situation, which she keeps from

WAA To Take Over Three Airfields

PORTLAND, Jan. 29 (P)—The former army airfields at Salem, Medford and Madras will be taken over by the war assets administration next month pending

RADIO PROGRAMS

Table of radio programs for Wednesday and Thursday. Columns include station call letters, program name, and time.

our people by the most rigid isolationist military censorship, shows she cannot efficiently operate a peace economy to meet needs of her own people. Military reports indicate she has several million troops under arms, possibly a concentration of several thousands (some say 4000) planes ready near Turkey, and her military allocations have been made with a view to moving further into central Europe and Scandinavia, as well as China. (Several divisions are also well placed for Far Eastern invasion in Siberia). Martial gossip suggests a possible attack on Turkey, Greece, and Spitzbergen in the spring.

Actually this is more likely to take the form of arming the north Greek guerrilla bands for civil war, and annoying Spitzbergen diplomatically. It is true, however, she could attack Turkey at any time and possibly get away with acquisition of part of that country as she did northern Iran.

The necessities of constant alertness were recently stressed by Senator Vandenberg. That is the full attitude here, military and diplomatic. Inner quarters have heard some rumors about meetings of the Russian military leadership in the Balkans to plan spring possibilities, but these are only spurs to the necessity for alertness.

Bombing Fleet Lack

BEST available military information suggests Russia has no bombing plane fleet (she never had one during the war). She has no navy. As a matter of fact she had only one plane in quantity which was effective, "The Stormovich," and one gun of importance, and of course, an unlimited man supply which she used to absorb the opposition fire power. In all respects except one she is an inferior nation. The one exception, of course, is world politics. In that field our initial conception of winning peace by appeasements, has led us into a somewhat exaggerated notion of Russia's importance to the world. We have drawn her, by our methods, first into international conferences which she entered reluctantly, and then into UNO. But we have succeeded only to a limited extent. She has not come far. She is not by any means a cooperative world peace participating nation. For instance, she isolated herself from air commerce agreements. She has no merchant marine. She is not looking hard for trade outside her own empire acquisitions in adjoining countries. The situation simply is that by taking advantage of political objections to every existing governmental authority—and indeed every complaint of everyone in the world—she has accumulated considerable political power throughout the world corraling all opposition movements.

The theory of the Roosevelt administration was that Russia would fall under her own weight in the peace no matter how much was given her or how much we tried to make her a world peace participant. That was the secret Roosevelt theory but it was poorly administered to accomplish the desired result. She has no available program for world progress, which she can prove better than others, but only a theory of revolution. She does not propose to improve the situation anywhere, but simply to convert it to chaos. Her real power is political braggadocio in a timid world.

No Force Necessary

NOW all authorities here think it would be utterly foolish for us to fight such a ludicrous assault on world affairs. As all agree Russia's self-made destiny is inferiority it is not necessary, they say, to consign her by force to a destiny which seems inevitable. We do not need a heavy, costly army except for air and directed missiles. We need a navy for projecting our world supply system. But what we need most is an ample air force and scientific resource development in order to protect our air defense measures in the face of a rocket bomb threat, measures such as the exploding of bombs harmlessly in the air, a plane force to bear armies northward to prevent establishment of air bases and make our own the ultimate perfect defense for the atom explosion, and steps along this line.

The prominence of military men in diplomacy is merely a reflection of the fact that they are the only people who seem to be able to get the Russians to do anything. They know guns, planes and results. And Russia understands that language as it understands no other. The generals even get along in dealing friendlier with the Russians than the diplomats. They are forthright, determined, uninterested in politics and not at all eager to have another war.

The requirements of the situation then favor acceleration of diplomatic endeavors under these new auspices rather than useless belligerency. We do not, by any means, need any propaganda for war to keep people alert, but developments of the true facts about internal Russia.

This is the one best possible step which could make war entirely remote now. Opening Russia to truthful, thoughtful reporting data—not the old appeasingly polite propaganda stuff and promotion nonsense. These would dissipate the war talk fast enough.

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SIDE GLANCES



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The World Today

By J. M. ROBERTS JR. AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Tass, official news agency, has renewed the Russian press campaign against Great Britain over the Anglo-Soviet treaty in spite of Stalin's recent public acceptance of Foreign Minister Bevin's assurances.

It all started when Bevin made a speech saying "Britain does not tie herself to anyone," outside the united nations framework, intending to convey that she was not ganging up with anybody.

Nobody was thinking of the Russian treaty at the time, but Pravda jumped on it as a repudiation, Bevin told Stalin that Pravda was drawing an unintended inference. Pravda repeated its charge. Then Stalin told Bevin he understood, but took the opportunity to add that before the treaty could be extended, as suggested long ago by the British, it would have to get rid of some "weakening reservations."

Chance for Trouble

Some foreign observers thought the Russians had leaped at an opportunity to stir up trouble for Bevin among the members of the labor party who have been criticizing him, and to drive a wedge between Britain and the U. S. Others were wondering if someone in Russia had been feeding the press a line which Stalin didn't like.

This latter idea was bolstered by memory of the recent cross-up between Red Star and Pravda. Red Star accused the allies of mishandling and cowardice in conveying on the Murmansk route during the war. The British were indignant. Then Pravda put the screws on Red Star for inaccuracy, and more or less apologized.

Red Star's principal job is to indoctrinate political officers in the Russian army, whereas Pravda is largely devoted to expressing to the general belief over here, neither consists entirely of articles dictated or specifically approved from above. Within general policy lines, the writers and editors have leeway, and therefore it is possible for them to go astray.

But the Tass follow-through, accusing the British of violating the principles of the treaty by working on bloc with the United States against Russia, now eliminates any possibility that the furor began with an inadvertent misinterpretation, and leaves open only the question of why the issue was raised on such a thin excuse.

British-U. S. Split

An effort to embarrass Bevin and to pull England away from the U. S. stand as good reason, Tass hints at another when it says "the time has come to stand by the spirit of the treaty, particularly by that part according to which both countries undertook to work jointly for the organization of the security and economic prosperity of Europe."

That brings us back to the negotiations over Germany, and to the shock experienced by the Russians when the British and American zones of operation were merged economically with attendant political aspects. This also interfered with Russian reparations ideas and generally brought them up against a stronger front than they had previously encountered in Europe.

The "misunderstanding" gives Russia an opportunity to do

Basin Pioneer Passes Today

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Mr. Nitschelm was born April 7, 1858, and at the age of eight was put into a cotton goods factory where he worked for 14 years. In 1880, the Nitschelm family emigrated to America and settled in Chicago, Ill., and in 1885, Mr. Nitschelm, and a brother John went into the Dakotas and homesteaded but during the six years they were there were unsuccessful in raising a crop and had to relinquish the claim.

About that time Mr. Nitschelm learned of the opening of new lands in the western country and moved to Washington where he farmed for 17 years, moving to Klamath county where he purchased 10 acres on Shasta way where he began experimental growing of varieties of truck garden produce that would be profitable in a frosty belt. Mr. Nitschelm added 20 acres to his truck farm and continued its operation until 1930 when he retired to make his home with Mrs. Teed.

Frederich Nitschelm and Frederika Elise Leib were married in Chicago March 31, 1887. Mrs. Nitschelm was a native of Wurtemberg, Germany, and came alone to America in 1880. She died October 31, 1930, in Klamath Falls.

Final rites will be announced later by the Earl Whitlock Funeral home.

In The Day's News

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smaller places all over the country, streetcar systems went out of business—and fast. There the automobile takes people to work and it takes them home.

But in San Francisco, as in New York, the automobile stymied itself. There simply isn't room enough in the area where people work to park the cars. If everybody in San Francisco should drive to work some fine morning, the cars would be piled up like logs in a river jam.

THIS city (these words are written in San Francisco) is stirring with new life. War industry and war transport acted upon it like a benzedrine jag. It is faring to go.

But before San Francisco can go places, as it wants to, it will have to get itself out of the traffic jam that now snafu's every plan for co-ordinated effort.

Surgery—Don Kenyon, Klamath Falls business man, had major surgery at Klamath Valley hospital Wednesday and is reported doing nicely.

some bargaining in this whole field. It seems pretty definite that she intends for it to come up at the Moscow foreign ministers conference. When it does, General Marshall will be ready with a revival of the Byrnes formula, embracing a four-way treaty for a 40-year plan of control for Germany.

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Food Prices Show Drop

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29 (AP)—Retail food prices fell an average of one per cent in mid-December from their record mid-November high.

The bureau of labor statistics in reporting the figures today said the four price decline was recorded in 46 of the 56 cities it surveys. Prices declined most sharply in Louisville, Ky., where there was a 3.4 per cent decrease.

In the 10 cities where increases occurred, Portland, Me., led with a one per cent advance.

For all the cities, price decreases were led by fats and oils at 15 per cent, meats 3 per cent, and fresh fruits and vegetables 1 per cent.

The bureau said laid prices alone fell 33 per cent during the month from a record 53 cents a pound to 35 cents in mid-December.

Nazi Legend Stamped Out

NUERNBERG, Jan. 29 (AP)—The allies have determined to wash the names of Hitler's leaders out of print and their deeds out of mind so they never can contribute to new German legends. It was learned here today.

This policy has been adopted by the allied control council in Berlin for Nazi leaders generally and specifically for the seven Nazis who were convicted with Hermann Goering, Joachim von Ribbentrop and others but were given only jail terms.

They are Admiral Eric Raeder, life imprisonment, and Karl Doenitz, ten years; Walter Funk, reichsbanker, life; Diplomat Constantin von Neurath, 15 years; Munitions Maker Albert Speer, 20 years; Youth Leader Baldur von Schirach, 20 years, and Deputy Fuehrer Rudolf Hess, life.

The ACC order is that no news of any of the seven ever is to be divulged—that all their actions and comments are to be secret. The secrecy reportedly was advocated by the Soviet spokesman in Berlin. The Russians have long felt the best way for the people to forget any individual is by silence.

Lakeview Visitor Hurt In Fall

George H. Lynch, who will observe his 89th birthday on February 17, came here from Lakeview to visit his children but is spending most of that holiday in Klamath Valley hospital suffering from a compound fracture of the right arm and elbow.

Lynch was on his way to catch a bus on S. 6th last Tuesday morning when he fell in the snow. Lynch came to Lakeview 65 years ago and has logged in various camps in this area and also operates a big truck garden at his home each summer. He is the father of Albert M. Lynch, 3312 Cannon; Mrs. E. C. Jones, Esplanade courts; Dick Lynch, S. 6th street, and Mrs. John Driscoll of Bonanza. Several children live in Lakeview, relatives said.

Dairy

Mrs. Harry Kolb was dismissed from Klamath Valley hospital on Monday, January 20 after undergoing major surgery. She left for her home in Lakeview Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Hazel Schmoee and sons Cecil and Jerry of Harrah, Wash., arrived Friday evening to visit with their parents' grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Schmoee of 3950 Homedale.

Visit In South—Mrs. William B. Yates, 638 Eldorado, with her mother, Mrs. Lottie Moffatt of Los Angeles, spent a week in San Francisco recently. Mrs. Yates has resumed her position as superintendent of Hillside hospital.

Treatment—Max Hooper of Midland, well known rancher, is receiving treatment at Klamath Valley hospital.

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MIDLAND EMPIRE NEWS

Camp 4-W Malin The Eastern Star Social club, Malin and Merrill, will present a three-act comedy, "Fixin' Aunt Fanny," February 10 at 8 p. m., at the Broadway theatre in Malin.

Characters in the play are: Dorothy Randolph, the bride, played by Mrs. Herbert Wilson; Boyd Macon the groom by Ted De Merritt; Toby Sullivan best man, Bernice Wilson; Lucy Randolph lph the mother, Mrs. Ted De Merritt; James Randolph the father, P. G. Wilson; Ted Randolph the son, Bonnie Stephens; Clara Belle Jackson, Mrs. Frank Victorin.

Fannie Greene, Aunt Fanny, the trouble maker, is played by Mrs. Roscoe Stephens. Audrey Nelson bridesmaid, Mrs. P. G. Wilson; Janet Reed maid of honor, Mrs. Byron Johnson; Bloodhound Bailey the detective, Frank Victorin; Izzy Eisenheimer the collector, Mrs. Lester Schreiner.

The comedy will be presented Saturday afternoon, February 8, for children only.

Mrs. Lee Gillette was honored last week at a surprise bridal shower when Mrs. Edith McGraw, Bernice Valasky and Mrs. Beulah Reber entertained for her at the Reber home.

Guests were Mrs. Tony Steyska, Mrs. Mervyn Wilde, Mrs. Fred McDonaid, Rachel Ping, Agnes Thompson, Mrs. Gordon Burris, Barbara Remick, Vonnice Inks, Adella Hawkins, Mrs. Jack Hudson, Mrs. Thelma Cheeman.

Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Wilson entertained the play cast of "Fixin' Aunt Fanny" at their home, with dinner, last Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hershfeld and Kenneth recently returned from Salem.

Mrs. Vaclav Kalina, Ruth and Ronnie vacationed in San Francisco several days last week.

Denny Kalina celebrated his fifth birthday last Thursday afternoon when his mother, Mrs. Louis Kalina entertained with a party for him. Games were played during the afternoon. Refreshments were served to these guests: Joan Freitag, Corby Stastny, Donnie Stastny, David De Merritt, Maxine Paris, Darla Reber, Gary Halousek, Melvin Paris, Bruce Brickner, Phyllis Johnson, Jaquetta Saunders, Grady Saunders and Jimmy Tozell.

Mrs. Walter Stastny entertained in honor of Mrs. Edwin Stastny last Friday night at a birthday surprise pinocle party at the M. M. Stastny home.

High score for women went to Mrs. Stastny, high for men to Mervyn Wilde, traveling to Mrs. Murel Long, low to Mrs. Emil Tozell and Emil Tozell.

Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Roberts left last week in vacation month in southern California. Mrs. Vaclav Kalina and children accompanied them as far as San Francisco.

William Rajnus and Bonnie Stephens were in Portland the first of the week on business.

Tony Steyskal recently returned from Coos Bay.

Malin firemen met January 20 at the city hall and plans were completed for the annual firemen's ball February 8. Pappy Gordon's orchestra will play. Tickets are now on sale by all volunteer firemen. Edwin Petrasek is the new president of the organization.

Mrs. J. Walter Browning is completing the teaching year for Mrs. Daisy Huggins who will leave soon for New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hamilton motored to Gazelle, Calif., last week-end and visited Hamilton's brother.

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