

Today's Roundup

THE in-and-out Marine Barracks school plan was back in today, with a favorable vote by the joint ways and means committee of the legislature giving it a good chance for final adoption by the two houses.

It is not over the final hurdle, however. As we understand it, a bill will now be prepared carrying the appropriation for the Barracks school, and this will be offered by the ways and means committee to the legislature.

Customarily, a ways and means committee bill at this stage of the legislative session, carrying a favorable report, receives approval. Thus it can be said that the Marine Barracks project now has an excellent chance.

It now goes before the legislature with the recommendation of the state vocational education department, the state board of education, the joint sub-committee on vocational education, and the joint ways and means committee of the legislature. It ought to pass.

Presentation

THE general opinion around the state house at Salem last week-end was that the Klamath Falls delegation, which appeared in behalf of the Barracks project on Friday, made an effective presentation. The job was done without oratory or high-pressure methods; it was factual and forthright, and the argument was on a broad, rather than community benefit, basis.

It seemed to us, as we sat in on the conference, that the Klamath presentation was especially strong on these points:

1. The contention that the enrollment figures as offered by the department of vocational education were in line with true prospects. In its original report, the sub-committee had questioned the enrollment estimates.

2. Challenging the sub-committee's implication that the state would be binding itself to operate an educational institution at the Barracks for 25 years. It was brought out that the attorney general's office had agreed with the opinion that the state, if it decided to give up the project after a few years could let it revert to the federal government. And it was also brought out that the state might renegotiate to use the Barracks for other purposes in later years.

3. Emphasis upon the suitability of the physical plant for the suggested purpose.

(Incidentally, we are not doing any personal boasting. But we do want to say a word of commendation for John Houston, Arnold Grapp, Howard Perrin, Sam Ritchey, our legislative representatives, and others who appeared. Our part was minor.)

The Klamath presentation was not alone responsible for the shift in the outlook for the Barracks project, we are sure. That did bring out some additional information, but there also developed a program to work out the state's financial problems which helped a lot in winning re-consideration for the Barracks school appropriation.

News Behind The News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, March 31—The trouble with Mr. Truman is he never has to go out to buy anything. He just sits there and reads his own statistics. He and his Treasury Secretary Mr. Snyder talk about prices as a delinquent parent would admonish his errant son, casually and nominally.

Listen: This very morning I tried to hire a man to clean up dead logs on our place for fire wood. He wanted \$1.25 per hour. I told him the work was needed; I had the money to pay for it;

STATIC

By KELLY ROBERTS

KFLW began its second year on the air at 2 p. m. today. The occasion will be celebrated by an all-staff program this evening at 8:30.

The station was actually started almost seven years ago on July 5, 1940, when the application was sent to the federal communications commission asking permission for the station. This application hung fire until after December 7, 1941, when, of course, it was too late to do anything with the country at war.

RADIO PROGRAMS

MONDAY EVE., MARCH 31. KFLW-1450 kc. 6:00 Sports Lineup, 6:15 Home Town News, 6:25 World News Summary, 6:30 Klam. Theatre Guide, 6:45 Year Navy Recruiter, 7:00 The Three Suns, 7:15 Malcolm Epley, 7:30 Sherlock Holmes ABC, 8:00 Lum N' Abner ABC, 8:15 Music of Manhattan, 8:30 Anniversary Show, 8:45 Dr. Talk It Over ABC, 9:15 Report to the People ABC, 9:30 El Rancho Hotel Show ABC, 9:45 Stardust Melodies, 10:00 Red Nickels Orch. ABC, 11:00 Nite News Summary, 11:15 Sign Off, 11:20.

TUESDAY A. M., APRIL 1. 6:15 A. M. Serenade, 6:30 Farm Fare, 7:00 News, 7:15 Rogers Roundup, 7:25 World News Summary ABC, 7:45 Zeka Manners ABC, 8:00 Breakfast Club ABC, 8:15, 8:30, 8:45, 8:50, 8:55, 9:00, 9:15, 9:30, 9:45, 9:50, 9:55, 10:00, 10:15, 10:30, 10:45, 10:55, 11:00, 11:15, 11:30, 11:45, 11:55, 12:00.

but the logs will be there until he wants that kind of work at a reasonable fee. The other day I paid \$1 for a soupbone. It was a good one, but not much better than the one I bought for 15 cents when I was a child. It contained plenty of meat, and cooked up well, but it cost \$1. For three keys, I paid \$5.50. Keys formerly cost a quarter apiece, but the keymaker explained he had to have portal to portal pay, the portal being the door of his office, and he figured all the time he used leaving and returning to same. The widow next door, who lives on fixed income, paid \$12 to have three rugs taken to Washington, which is about seven miles away as the crow flies to the Washington Monument. If he is in a flying humor and wishes to go in that direction. You could go in a taxi for one sixth of that!

Lost No Chances

THE day the price of wheat started soaring on the Chicago exchange, the bakery near our town increased the price of bread 4 cents. The Chicago wheat price could not have affected that bakery for some months. But they did not wish to take any chances of forgetting it apparently. They acted the day after Mr. Truman said he would help Greece.

The weaver wanted \$5 to mend an eighth of an inch hole in my shirt. An upholsterer who is fixing our sofa (sometime in the next six months or so) had a helper who fixed sofas but he quit after two days of work, soaking said upholsterer \$25 a day for his labors. The upholsterer had to go back and re-mend the sofa the young helper had fixed.

A laundress here says it is customary for laundresses to receive \$5 for 7 hours work, no more, and every hour spent over 7 must be paid for at the rate of 85 cents an hour. Apparently laundresses now get \$25 base pay for a five day week—and up, mostly up.

A friend of mine who enjoys whiskey (I never touch it myself) says he paid \$7.90 in a cut rate store for a pint of a blend which formerly sold for \$3 plus some odd cents. Why, even manure is getting out of sight! I advertised for some cow for my roses. I did not even get an answer from two days of ads, but I did get an offer from a fellow who had a horse. He promised me horse manure at \$20.50 per ton. Formerly it cost \$12.

This, of course, is a one-sided picture. It is my side, the consumer's. If you foolishly suspect all this may be cured by another price or wage increase, just listen further to the other side:

The business of the hotel in our town is off 25 per cent. One-fourth fewer travelers are going through. The head of the department store, a small one in our town, is a good friend of mine, as is the hotel manager. The retail man had worried himself into an ulcer because he has loaded up with shoes supposed to retail at \$20 a pair. No one will buy them.

And frankly, he says he does not see why anyone should pay \$20 for a pair of shoes. What should he do? Cut prices and lose money? That would only get him another ulcer. Try to sell shoes for \$20 a pair? That would get him two ulcers.

In the same block in which my office moves its hectic way in Washington, are four large old houses completely for rent. A year ago you could not get an office on the street for twice what it was worth. Parking my car costs 50 cents now where it formerly cost 20 cents.

These are the things which count, Mr. President, not the price of artichokes! My salary has not been raised in 10 years, but I am supposed to meet this tremendously increased, if not wild and fantastic bill for living. So are all the people. Why, my plumber, has had such poor workmanship in help that he must go out on all jobs himself! But don't get me started on that!

We have great dreams in our town, magnificent dreams. We are going to build a \$12 million apartment house across the street on the marshes which flank the Potomac. They will probably never find a base for their basements in the water, but someone is throwing away \$12 million in expectation that they will. Senator Byrd wants 1 million federal employees dismissed; another senator wants to get rid of 750,000 and frankly I could dispense with all of them. Good builders are planning apartment projects much nearer town. And to top it all, surveys show Washington is overbuilt. When the wartime inhabitants are cleaned out the vast ready have too much housing in the vast projects rather recently built here. Frankly I am going to join Mr. Truman and say those naughty, naughty prices should not go up or maybe you will get another wage increase and inflation.

What the hell does he think this is! Twenty dollars and fifty cents for a ton of horse manure!

anything with the country at war. Then on November 21, 1944, the "go-ahead" signal was received, but materials and equipment weren't available, so still no station. The following July the government stepped in to help and the equipment was finally started on its way. A gang of carpenters, plumbers and electricians were whisked up from somewhere to begin tearing out part of The Herald and News building to make place for the new addition to the family. Announcers and engineers were contacted for the running of the station. The initial work of setting up the transmitter and lining up programs and doing all the other little detailed jobs that go with the opening of a new station was capably handled by Bud Chandler, now station manager, and Gib Walters, chief engineer. Under Gib were placed three technicians, Paul Alexander from Washington, Clarence Bauer from KUIN, Grants Pass, and Bruce Hulse from Oregon City.

KFLW practically raised station KEX, Portland, for studio workers. Bob McCarl, special events announcer, Don Neal, sportscaster, and Mel Baldwin, program chief, all coming down from the northern city. Max Frye was brought over from the Roseburg station to take over as sales and advertising manager, and Marjorie Eagle was brought up from Merrill to take charge of the front office.

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SIDE GLANCES



"First they gave us hotel due bills and now it's a railroad credit card—pretty soon a salesman won't be able to make an honest living!"

The World Today

By DeWITT MacKENZIE AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Fear of another world war is a very natural public reaction to recent international events, but we shouldn't let that possibility—shocking as it is—blind us to an actuality which is of even more immediate importance, and that is this:

The Moscow-directed world revolution for the spread of communism, which was born with the establishment of the revolutionary Soviet government in 1917, is at long last in full swing on a truly global basis. It is mobilized to the utmost strength which Russia can muster pending her recovery from the ravages of war.

I return to this subject because I'm encountering people who find it difficult to believe that anything so terrible could be a reality—especially in the United States. Well, it does seem like melodramatic fiction, but we shall be crazy not to recognize its truth.

As this column previously has pointed out, when Stalin came to power in 1925 he temporarily shelved most of the direct-action aspects of this scheme—that is, the use of force—pending the development of Russia's industrial and military strength. He thought communism would be putting the cart before the horse to try to overturn the world while Russia herself was still weak.

Five-Year Plans Stalin's several five-year plans did wonders in building up the Soviet Union's strength. The war,

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A month after the station opened Larry Probasco joined the sales staff, but has since left to be replaced by Aaron Bole from Portland. Mel Baldwin left early in December to return to KEX and was replaced by Charlie McFarlan. Gordon Lee joined the engineering staff during the summer, and Fanette Hodges was recruited to help Marjorie.

Bruce Hulse has since left the station to return to college.

On the whole the radio staff has remained fairly static. The Neal, Hulse and Bauer families all gained additions while with KFLW, and the rumors have it that several more of the staff are expecting.

If it's true that the first year is the hardest, KFLW did a pretty good job of making the grade.

which Hitler unleashed as soon as Moscow had signed the non-aggression pact with him, created exactly the sort of chaos upon which communism thrives, so now we see the red drive being pushed to the utmost everywhere in order to take full advantage of that chaos.

Naturally the United States, as the most powerful nation of our time—of all time, for that matter—and a "capitalistic" one at that, is the main objective of the communist drive. We were given plenty of warning in the sensational testimony developed last week before the congressional committee on un-American activities, and in the report of the committee to congress. This report declared that the communist party in the United States is part of the world-wide revolutionary movement, taking orders direct from Moscow, and that it seeks to overthrow the Washington government.

The world is covered with a rash of events which are developments of the world revolution, some representing bloody violence and others tactical political maneuvers. Typical of the latter class are the food demonstrations in the British zone of occupation in Germany. Some 100,000 people in the great Ruhr mining area have been making public protests over the quantity of the food they were receiving, and there was an ugly climax Saturday when 4000 miners refused to resume digging coal, which is the economic life-blood of Europe because of the economic crisis.

Authoritative sources say this trouble has been inspired by the reds, who exploit every situation which is a potential trouble maker. Such communist tactics serve a double purpose; the public agitation creates public unrest and tends to break down government, and if the food situation is overcome the communists will claim that they forced government to act. This sort of thing is being carried on intensively by the communists throughout Germany as they maneuver to gain control of the entire country.

Such operations are the indirect action which is used as a softening up process before the direct-action is applied. There are plenty of examples of direct-action—governments established by force and the liquidation of the opposition.

The United States is now in the softening up stage. The governmental drive to clean house of the communists is calculated to prevent the development of the direct-action stage in America.

Committee OK's Rent Control Bill

WASHINGTON, March 31 (AP) Legislation continuing rent controls through February 29, 1948, without a blanket increase in rents was approved unanimously today by the senate banking committee.

The bill provides for: 1. The establishment of five-man local advisory boards in each rental area with authority to recommend decurtal or rent increases on an area basis.

2. Transfer of the rent program from OPA to Housing Expediter Frank Creedon. Unless reversed by Creedon, recommendations submitted by local boards would go into effect automatically after 30 days.

3. Decurtal of new housing, dwellings rented for the first time, houses renting for more than \$225 a month, and hotels and motor courts.

4. Authority for individual states to set up their own rent control programs as soon as adequate action had been taken by state legislatures.

5. Evictions on "nuisance" grounds under state or local law, rather than OPA regulations.

Chairman Tobey (R-N. H.) told reporters that the committee rejected on a voice vote a motion by Senator Brieker (R-Ohio) to authorize a general 10 per cent rent increase.

WAA Approval Due Soon On Airport

Final approval by the war assets administration on equipment and buildings at the municipal airport to be given to the city is expected within two or three weeks, Mayor E. Ostendorf said today.

The city council's approval of the resolution regarding the transaction opened the way for the mayor to sign final papers. As soon as they are signed the documents will be returned to the WAA for a final check and the requested facilities will become the property of the city.

Mayor Ostendorf said that the exact list of equipment and structures to be given to the city will be released as soon as WAA approval is secured.

Quit Job Cold

Big Money—Levi was in the big money with plenty of graft on the side and no one to stop him. But he quit it all cold the day Jesus stepped in to say Follow Me. Right off, Levi (Matthew) had the urge to bring others to Christ and he threw a big feed and bid in all the crooks—and Jesus with them. Father and Son—God willed it and Christ did it. God willed the universe and Christ created it. All things were made by Him—Bible. Whatever God wills, that Christ brings thru. God would prove his love for the lost. So it was that Christ came down from heaven, took human birth and grew up as the Son of Man. He was God the Father's love for the strays and so you see Him at Levi's feast among the crooks. With them but not of them.

Despised—At the end, despised and rejected by men, He took our sins and died under them for us. God the Father saw the anguish in His heart and was satisfied that He had suffered to the full, all the pains of hell for your every last sin. Up from the grave He arose and today He stands at the door waiting. Receive Him into your heart as your own Lord and Saviour. Open to Him—obey Him—love Him and let Him become your All in All.

Stan Taylor.

S. W. McChesney Rd., Portland 1, Oregon. This space paid for by a Portland family.

Bomber Groups Ready For Action

SEATTLE, March 31 (AP)—Although air force leaders are "too busy building the air force from its post-war low to worry" about the international situation, Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker said yesterday that several groups of heavy bombers and fighter planes are at combat strength and ready for action.

The deputy commander of the army air forces, here on a nationwide inspection of air materiel command facilities, said the exact number of units at full strength is a military secret.

The general was to leave today for Sacramento, Calif.

Airline Fares Hike Approved

WASHINGTON, March 31 (AP) A 10 per cent increase in airline fares will go into effect at midnight tonight, returning the tariffs to the 1944 level.

The increase was approved by the civil aeronautics board a week ago at the request of 16 airlines. The lines agreed not to change the rates again for 90 days.

Under the increase, the basic fare rate will go up from 4.68 cents a mile to 5.1 cents, which is 10 per cent or more below the pre-war level.

The federal tax of 15 per cent is additional.

The weasel, polecat and stoat are all members of the same mammal family.

Our Home Town

About Self-Inflicted Martyrdom

By EARL WHITLOCK

I know some folks, and so do you, who seem to take a delight in having their feelings hurt. Folks who will grab hold of a perfectly innocent remark made by a friend and proceed to go into a stricken and mournful silence because they imagine the speaker was taking a slam in their direction.

Of course, if you LIKE to have your feelings hurt, you can go on being a willing martyr and eventually no one in all the world will feel sorry for you, except yourself. But if you want to check up on yourself, for this martyr tendency, I ran across a little list of questions, the other day, that seem to me to make sense.

Have you fewer friends than you had at 18 or 20? Does the family have to handle you with kid gloves? Do you feel that people are out to take advantage of you? Have you lost friends through misunderstandings which might easily have been cleared up if you had been willing to take the initiative in clearing them up?

Do you find it hard to say, "I'm sorry" or "Forgive me," because you never really feel that you are actually to blame? And the psychologist who got up the list says that if your honest answer to more than a half of these questions is "yes," the chances are heavily weighted that your troubles lie within yourself and not with the other fellow.

Next Monday Mr. Whitlock of the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home will comment on "Prophecies of Doom."

Oregon Dinner Reservations

Fathers and mothers of University of Oregon students, and members of the alumni, were urged today to make immediate reservations for the Willard hotel dinner tomorrow (Tuesday) night which will be addressed by Jim Aiken, new University of Oregon football coach.

Reservations can be made by calling 7731.

The dads, mothers and alumni organizations are sponsors of the dinner meeting, and officials of these groups said they hope to have a large turnout. The necessity of making advance reservations was emphasized.

Aiken, formerly with the University of Nevada, will make his first visit to the Klamath country on this occasion.

The use of visiting cards for social purposes is supposed to have started in the court of Louis XIV of France.

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