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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

LATEST report is that the state highway commission in January will call for bids again on the north entrance route into Klamath Falls. Street vacation procedures incident to the north entrance plan are now being carried out, and it looks as if the way will be clear for proceeding with this important project without further difficulty.

As just about everybody knows by this time, the first unit construction on the north entrance will bring traffic into Klamath Falls to Esplanade and Alameda streets. The matter of getting through traffic across the center of the city to the far end of Main—at Riverside—has given rise to the discussion of one-way traffic on downtown streets and other issues.



EPLEY

We feel that these questions should not in any way delay the highway commission's action on proceeding with construction of the north entrance project. It is certain that a feasible plan for carrying the traffic can be worked out.

In the first place, this through traffic is already going down Klamath Falls' Main street, coming in by Ninth. The only difference the new route will make will be to bring it in by Esplanade. So temporarily, at least, it appears that the new entrance will not add seriously to the volume of traffic already being carried in the business district.

Secondly, if one-way traffic should be decreed, there is no reason to suppose that the plan could not be abandoned if found detrimental and unsatisfactory.

Routing Suggestion

FINALLY, we think consideration should be given to a suggestion made some time ago that north and south through travel be divided by routing signs. This could be done without making one-way traffic mandatory. Klamath avenue could be made a part of the northbound route, and Main street a part of the southbound route, with signs so directing through travelers. This would have the effect of lessening congestion on Main street, without actually requiring all traffic to go one way or the other on either Main or Klamath. The plan should be implemented by the same construction plans at either end of the business district as have been projected for the one-way program.

These ideas are presented with the purpose of showing that there must be ground on which we at Klamath can get together and solve these problems satisfactorily, without permitting them to complicate an important construction project. Resolving our issues locally and with harmony will help present a solid front to the highway authorities.

The thing to do is to be tolerant of all sincere opinion, discuss it frankly, locally, and then get together on a plan that will be as nearly satisfactory as possible.

These Days

By GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY

WHAT did he say? That seems to be the eternal question in Washington. The stories are conflicting and confused, but there is no uncertainty that he barged into con-

The Doctor Says—

Operations Benefit Ulcers

By WILLIAM A. O'BRIEN, M.D. Written for OEA Service Peptic ulcers are primarily problems for medical treatment. The failure of an ulcer to heal, continued development of ulcers under treatment, severe pain, perforation, bleeding and obstruction are all indications that a surgical operation is needed.

Although nervousness is thought to be a factor in ulcer formation, the real cause is the action of acid on the lining membrane of the stomach or duodenum, a portion of the small intestine. Healthy stomachs do not digest themselves, but, in ulcerous patients, they do so in one or more spots.

The upper one-fourth of the stomach, near the opening of the esophagus, does not make much acid. Most of it comes from the lower three-fourths. When peptic ulcer patients fail to respond to medical treatment, the acid-producing portion of the stomach can be removed and a new opening made into the intestine.

Studies of patients, who have had most of their stomach removed because of ulcers, reveal that the majority benefit from the operation.

Some of the patients said that they could not drink milk after the operation. A small percentage found that they could not eat sweets. A

Major Chinese Battle Grows

NANKING, Dec. 18 (AP)—A government military spokesman asserted Wednesday a major battle is developing rapidly in Central China between 70,000 communist troops and possibly 140,000 nationalists.

versations with opinions that impressed others, opponents perhaps, as juvenile.

I am, of course referring to General Eisenhower, who prefers to be called Ike. As the stories go, Ike Eisenhower has been going out to dinner among politicians, male and female. Whenever opportunity offers, he apparently grabs at the conversation. On at least two occasions as I understand it, Ike talked on such subjects as taxation in a manner which startled his hearers because what they heard was unrelated to any reality.

I do not go in either for gossip or prophecy. I do not discuss the family life of queens nor do I manufacture romances for ladies in years of mature discretion. Therefore, I should not give this space to Ike Eisenhower and his mumbled words. It is not that paradoxically one of the most active candidates for the presidency on the republican ticket while at the same time he is Mr. Truman's chief-of-staff and wears the uniform of the non-political American army.

Prefers Uniform

THE impropriety of his conduct caused the president to appoint his successor while he is still in office. This not-too-gentle hint left Ike Eisenhower cold. He prefers the protection of the uniform to the give-and-take of politics. He prefers to discuss political questions in the privacy of dinner parties rather than to set forth his position in the open where they can be subjected to public scrutiny. He is in a class with Harold Stassen and Henry Wallace, who are the most active candidates for the presidency and permanently so, but he lacks their courage. They hit the hustings and take their chances with public opinion and even ridicule; he hides behind a non-political title while he operates in politics. At least, he cuts a paradoxical figure; at most, it is an absurd one.

All the time that I listened to the "What did he say?" conversations in Washington, I could not help wondering why Ike Eisenhower does not play the game according to the rules. Those rules require that an army officer should not play party politics. Eisenhower has a well-organized, adequately-financed political machine seeking his nomination as a republican. He hopes, most of all, to get the Pennsylvania delegation. Both Dewey and Taft believe that Senator Martin, who will head that delegation, will favor them. No one can blame Senator Martin for biding his time; he will hold a balance of power in the convention and can gain political strength for himself and his state therefrom. Eisenhower's managers are concentrating upon that state.

Obvious Game

THE game is obvious and in the open. But the general is not. He is playing coy—but coy in the United States uniform which is a symbol of defense against a foreign foe, not for tricks in party politics. Furthermore, he apparently will invade the republican party as the last hope of the professional new dealers. They have no expectations with Truman. He has managed skillfully to rid himself of the most brazenly opportunistic of them. Those who remain in Washington are sad that the empires they created for themselves crumbled as soon as Truman took office.

Having neither principles nor character, many of them have been invading the republican party, getting little jobs here and there in quiet obscurity. Others, as lawyers and economists, have gone to work for the businessmen they persecuted while in power, selling inside information and inside connections for the dollars they despised when they were on the other side.

Now they have struck on the idea of the man in uniform, Ike Eisenhower, on whose shoulders they will heave themselves back in power. They constitute the propaganda machine of his candidacy. They hope to blitz the republican convention as General Patton did the Germans in the Bulge.

This is clear: Willkie was defeated because republicans did not vote for him. Should Eisenhower run as a republican, a vast enough number of republicans will vote for Truman to elect him—Henry Wallace notwithstanding.

The government hopes to snare three of the communists best generals—Liu Po-Cheng, Chen Yi and Chen Keng—in an area in Honan province some 350 miles northwest of Nanking, said Lt. Gen. Teng Wen-Yi.

In this sector southeast of the junction of the Lunghai and Peiping-Hankow railroads the government is attempting to draw a ring of troops around an area of several hundred square miles, he added. The government's Central News Agency in Shanghai gave a different version. It said the two Chens and Liu were merging forces presumably to set up a new base in the Wu mountains of Western Honan.

Monroe Death Told Here

Word was received Wednesday of the death of Mrs. E. F. Monroe of Elyria, O. Mrs. Monroe was the mother of Holy Monroe of this city.

Mrs. Monroe died Monday. She and her husband, E. F. Monroe, visited here in 1946. Funeral services have been set for this Saturday. Monroe left Monday for the East.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Holy Monroe have lost their mothers in the past few days. Mrs. Joseph Schneider of Cottage Grove, Mrs. Monroe's mother died last Friday, and Mrs. Monroe is in that city.

SIDE GLANCES



"Junior is serious about that new girl of his, all right—he asked me how about getting on that program that gives away iceboxes!"

STATIC

By HALE SCARBROUGH

This column is being written strictly for newcomers to our town who might be puzzled by the names of some of Klamath Falls' downtown landmarks. For instance, do you know where the Grizzle building is? Or the Barnum building?

When the town was growing it was the custom of the builder to use his own name as title for the structure, and in most cases the name was graven on the facade. But now with the inevitable passing of time and glory, we use other means of denoting locations.

If someone told you to meet him at the A. O. Smith building, it likely would be an invitation to hang a heel over the bar at the Driftwood Tavern. The Barnum building is where you buy groceries if you trade at Safeway, 12th and Main.

The Grizzle building, 11th and Main, contains the Coast-to-Coast store downstairs on the corner. Also the Coney Island cafe.

Dick Hibbs' clothing store is the ground-street tenant of the Bovin building. That corner is known to Klamath residents as the K. Sugarman block. "I ain't mad at nobody!" Dick Decker's store occupies the 5th and Main corner of the Odd-fellows building, even better known as the Willits building.

The Melhase building houses the Spud. The Withrow Melhase block features the Hall hotel; the Loomis building has the Rainbow theatre downstairs. Underwood building you know principally as Walgreen's drug.

The Louie Polin corner, most heavily-trafficked corner in town, used to be known as the KKK building. It was once the leading men's store in town. Next door, where the Klamath Billiards has been located for years, was the Vanier building, containing the Golden Rule store.

The corner where the J. C. Penney company now does business was a vacant lot in those days, and when a new structure was located there, the Golden Rule store moved in. The old Herald office was next door. And Central school property used to be where the Medical-Dental building and other structures now stand. Ninth street didn't run through to Main.

The Winters building on Main now houses The Gun store, but 25 years ago held the Winters Jewelry company, a shoe shine parlor and a hat shop.

All this was 25 years ago. If we had a Rio Van Winkle in town and he was just waking up, he'd have a heck of a time trying to find his way around now.

Freighter Sold For Bill Claims

PORTLAND, Dec. 18 (AP)—The freighter Malacca Strait, with a full cargo of debts, was sold at auction Wednesday for \$82,000 to Overlakes Freight corporation, New York, which held a first mortgage of \$163,000 on the vessel.

Last October when the newly formed Far East Steamship company of Seattle was unable to meet a radio equipment firm's bill, 10 other firms and individuals filed claims until the total reached \$136,000. Today's sale by the United States marshal is expected to be followed by litigation of the claimants for their shares of the \$82,000.

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Roosevelt Goes Into Tree Market

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Dec. 18 (AP)—Elliott Roosevelt, engaged in selling Christmas trees which his father planted on his Hyde Park estate as seedlings while president, began a campaign today to "make Christians out of Christmas tree dealers."

At his own retail lot here, he said he would sell trees three feet to 15 feet in height for \$1 each.

The late president's son, now occupied with his mother in farming part of the old Roosevelt estate, said he reached that decision after a trip to New York where he said dealers were selling 15-foot trees for as much as \$35 each. Roosevelt's wholesale price is 65 cents a tree in 100 lots.

Austria Asks For More Food

SEATTLE, Dec. 18 (AP)—Austrian Chancellor Leopold Figl Wednesday appealed in a cablegram to the Pacific Northwest Christmas ship headquarters here for more food.

Figl said the American friends service committee has informed him 4000 tons of food are destined for Austria and "begged to express warmest thanks for this new proof of interest in Austrian needs."

"Considering Austria's urgent requirements of foodstuffs," the cablegram read, "I would venture to ask whether augmentation of Austria's part is possible."

"Red Dean" Defends Heated Remarks

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP)—Replying to criticism by his archbishop, Dr. Hewlett Johnson declared Wednesday he had the "right" and "responsibility" as a Christian spokesman to express his views, which have caused him to become known as the "Red Dean" of Canterbury. The 73-year-old dean recalled that he had been appointed to his post as Canterbury by socialist Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald in 1931 "precisely because I had long urged that socialism was, in my view, not only the scientific but the logical consequence in our age of Christian morality."

Milk Control Probe Asked

PORTLAND, Dec. 18 (AP)—A new study of Oregon's milk control legislation was asked today by a consumer committee. Miss Elizabeth C. Ducey, chairman of the affiliated milk committee, asked the Portland City club to reexamine the milk act which it had endorsed after a 1941 survey. The consumer group spokesman said changes in the milk law may be asked in the 1949 legislature and noted that Washington's dairy industry is prosperous although that state has never had a milk control act.

The World Today

By DEWITT MACKENZIE AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Lt. General Albert E. Wedemeyer, who made a survey of China last summer for President Truman and turned in a report which has been a closely guarded top-drawer secret ever since, expressed some amazingly blunt views about China's situation yesterday in testifying before the U. S. senate appropriations committee which is considering aid for that stricken country.

In connection with his declaration that American assistance is urgently needed, the general laid down the thesis that the United States is "confronted with the expansion of an ideology throughout the world." He didn't name Russia, but it seemed clear that he was seeing "red." Our aim, he maintained, should be "to retard, then block, and then to penetrate back into those areas which have come under the orbit and influence of a power that has world power and world expansion in its program."

Fighting Communism

And what of Chiang Kai-shek and his government? Well, it doesn't matter, said Wedemeyer, whether Chiang is "a benevolent despot, which he practically is." The important fact, in the general's view, is that Chiang fights communism. Happily for the peace of mind of those who aid there must be. If we did have to make this grave decision, we must certainly have to take this fact into account.

We aren't considering a moderate operation involving a few score millions of dollars, when we talk about smashing communism in China, establishing a democratic government and creating economic stability out of the present awful chaos. While nobody could say in advance what the monetary cost would be, Wedemeyer told us that it would run into many billions, with a capital B.

And that's not all we should have to consider. Such all-out assistance to China might result in war with Russia. Many observers answer that contingency by saying that if we don't aid China she will be absorbed by Russia and then we shall have the big war anyway, with communism having the aid of possessing all of mighty China as a military base.

Then again, assuming that America has provided China with the material aid necessary to smash the Chinese communists utterly, how is the "Yan" government going to deal with these millions of red citizens? Communism won't mix with democracy or with any otherism. The Chinese communists cannot be absorbed and you can't lock 'em all up.

Wishful Thinking

Of course the hope has been that Chiang Kai-shek could set up a democratic government which would be attractive to the Reds, but that involves a good deal of wishful thinking. Maybe some wise man can figure out a way whereby the Chinese communists could be given a definition of their own which would be autonomous while still being loosely linked with the Chinese commonwealth. It's difficult to see any other solution which could be reached without endless bloodshed, and even that would be far from perfect because there would always be the danger that this state would be absorbed by Russia.

In any event, Chiang either has to smash the Chinese communists by force or bargain with them. If it is to be bargaining, then the sooner it comes the better. That not only

WHY WE SAY

By STAN J. COLLINS & L. J. STANWON



Main And Spring Traffic Light Back To Blinking

The stop-and-go traffic light at the Main and Spring street intersection returned to its customary blinking this morning.

City councilmen, on the advice of the traffic safety council, decided that because of the icy pavement on winter at the point, the stop-go lights should be discontinued.

Motorists have complained that it is almost impossible to stop at the top of the incline out of the underpass without skidding on cold, frosty mornings.

The stop-go method was started a few weeks ago because city officials felt that it would be easier for traffic entering Main from Spring street.

City officials explained that the

stop-go method will be considered again after the winter months and the danger of skidding on slick streets is over.

Motorists who have wondered when the blinker at 9th and Pine will be replaced by the stop-and-go light formerly used there, will have to wait a while longer. The regular light is broken and some months ago was sent to an eastern factory for repairs. No word has been received from the factory, but as soon as the stop-go light is received it will be installed at the intersection.

Local Men To Develop Big Area

Sixth street, and made a number of other donations to build up the community. The Southern Pacific, Great Northern and O. C. and E. railroad are grantees of land from the Enterprise properties.

Three of the new owners of the Enterprise company are at present Klamath residents. Crane is at present engaged in lumber operations at Corning, Calif., but his interests are still centered here. He operated the Crane mills at Rly for many years.

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Eugene Flavors Yule Ship Cargo

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 18 (AP)—Two hundred pounds of garlic gave flavor today to the accumulating cargo of the Northwest's Christmas ship for European relief.

It was among contributions of canned goods and other foods being gathered here for forwarding to Portland where the ship will dock after picking up the Seattle area gifts.

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