

Boyle's Column

Preview Of What Will Come In The Bright New World

BY HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK, Jan. 6 (AP)—Many people are wondering what the brave new world of the future will be like.

I don't. I'm already living in the middle of it.

This version of what the universe will be like when all men are brothers is a fifteen-story modern cliff dwelling on the lower East Side.

Most of the families work for the United Nations. And the site is much more peaceful than in the days of

the gas house gang. Then the sound of blackjack versus skull was a normal night noise, whereas today the only thing being murdered is the English language.

"One World"
The brass ballrooms in our lobby index people from all corners of the globe, living together in a miniature "one world."

So far our principal meeting place has been the automatic elevators, where by grin, grimace and feature we exchange greetings until we reach our separate floors and part.

The people we want to meet most are the Chinese family beneath us. Every evening ascends from the mysterious East tier up from the gas stove below, redolent odors that fill our apartment with the wonderful fragrance of a faroff land that knew fine cooking when the epicurean French still were chewing raw meat in Gallic forests. I can close my eyes and sniff Hong Kong and Shanghai again, and the memory of egg rolls, delicate soups and strange crunchy vegetables overpowers me.

An unsung hero is the man who delivers milk to the 119 families. "They really need a diplomat for this job," he told me the other morning. "You ought to see some of the notes these foreigners leave in their milk bottles. Brother, they're harder to figure out than a cross word puzzle by moonlight."

The mailman has something of the same problem, and believes the post office ought to give him an interpreter's rating.

"Some of the letters look like they'd been addressed by somebody who just dipped a worm in ink and let it crawl across the envelope," he complained.

Tower of Babel
Harmony has existed so far in our Tower of Babel. Many families have adopted the American custom of Saturday night parties, and as you pass by the doors the multi-lingual voices from within sound like grating exercises at the Berlitz language school.

A Russian family on the fifteenth floor is particularly fond of parties. A friend of mine who lives next to them says he hears all sorts of strange noises, as if they were dancing the mazurka while signing the communist manifesto.

Recently my friend entered the elevator in the lobby, heard voices approaching, and absent-mindedly pulled off his hat just as two Russian men stepped into the cage.

The Russians glanced at each other. The first took off his hat, too. So did the second. Then my friend put his hat back on. So did the first Russian. So did the second. Then all three men rode up to the fifteenth floor in complete silence, looking at each other uneasily.

"I suppose they thought I was crazy," said my friend. "But I didn't know just how to explain it."

FBI Probes Arms Shipment

NEW YORK, Jan. 6 (AP)—The federal bureau of investigation pressed an inquiry today into circumstances surrounding an unsuccessful attempt to ship an estimated 65,000 pounds of TNT from a Jersey City, N. J., pier to Palestine in violation of export regulations banning shipment of arms or munitions to the Middle East.

The explosives, packed in cases labeled industrial machinery, were impounded by authorities Saturday as they were being loaded aboard the Palestine-bound freighter Excelsior. Their contents were revealed when one of the crates broke open during the loading operation.

The identity of the shippers has not been determined.

Entry of the FBI into the case was disclosed yesterday simultaneously with a state department announcement that such shipments to the strife-torn Middle East area have been prohibited since December 5.

Coincidentally with the announcement, FBI agents of the New York office took over jurisdiction of a Bronx warehouse where New York police had reported finding a crate addressing stencil apparently linking the building to the TNT shipment. Cartridge-making machinery, radio transmitting apparatus, motors, and electric equipment also were discovered there, police said.

Speculation Hearing Opens

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6 (AP)—A senate committee laying the groundwork for a full scale inquiry into commodity trading by public officials called another closed-door session today to cross-examine government employees listed as active in the market.

Hearings open to the public will begin Thursday with Harold E. Stassen, candidate for the GOP presidential nomination, and Brig. Gen. Wallace H. Graham, President Truman's personal physician, among the first invited to testify.

William C. Brister, director of the food supply division of the state department's Institute of Inter-American Affairs, was the scheduled opening witness at today's 10:30 a.m. (EST) preliminary hearing by the appropriations subcommittee headed by Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.).

Tunnel Cave-In To Be Probed

DAYTON, O., Jan. 6 (AP)—Atomic energy commission officials today launched an investigation into the cave-in of an underground concrete passage being built at the Monsanto atomic research plant at nearby Miamisburg.

Eight workmen were injured, one critically, last night when 30 to 60 tons of concrete, newly laid over the passage, cascaded into the 30-foot-long tunnel, Kenneth Dunbar, area manager for the atomic energy commission reported.

Three workmen were inside the underground chamber when part of the cement let go. Several companions rushed to their aid, but five of them were trapped in a second slide.

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Brand, "Silvertip's Search"; Campbell, "Eliza"; McDonald, "Thunderbird Trail"; Robertson, "Lost Range"; Walker, "The Lonely Carrot"; Verby, "The Vikings".

Non-Fiction
Christian Science hymnal; Gladwin, "The Christian Pastor and His Working Church"; Lippman, "The Cold War"; Stassen, "Where I Stand"; Canda, the official handbook of "Present Conditions and Recent Progress," 1946; Landreth, "Education of the Young Child," a nursery school manual; Smith, "Industrial and Commercial Geography," third edition; Chase, "Tomorrow's Trade," problems of our foreign commerce; Fanning, "American Oil Operations Abroad"; Gilkey, "Northwestern American Plants"; Graham, "Audel's Questions and Answers for Engineering and Firemen's Examinations"; Colvin, "American Machinist's Handbook and Dictionary of Shop

Children's Books
Coughlin, "The Wishing Well," grades 1-2; "The Find Out Book," grades 1-2; Montgomery, "Three Friends," 1-2 grades; Poque, "Big Top: Tales About Circus Animals," 3-4 grades; Stack, "Safety Every Day," 3-4 grades.
Fiction:
Bulla, "The Donkey Cart," 3-4 grades; Chin, "Two Lands for Ming," 6-8 grades; Gletsman, "Niko's Mountain," 6-8 grades; Heinlein, "Rocket Ship, Galilee," 7-9 grades; Hinkle, "Silver," the story of a horse, 6-9 grades.
Non-fiction:
Carpenter, "Tales of a Korean Grandmother," 5-7 grades; Hallock, "After the Rain," 3-5 grades; Coleman, "Gingerbread Man," first grade; Coleman, "Little Singing Time," pre-1.

S. 6th Store To Be Moved

Carl Snyder who has operated a drug store in Idella's for the last year will move his business to a new location in the Marius Peterson building now under construction at 4801 So. 6th. The move will be made about February 1. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder have just returned from a buying trip to San Francisco.

Snyder will also offer complete variety store stock in addition to his drug line. No prescriptions will be filled.

Also to be arranged for in this same building will be space for a sub-post office for which petitions are now in circulation.

More than 1000 signatures have been attached and the petitions are to be forwarded to the U. S. post office department at Washington, D. C. in the immediate future.

The proposal for a branch office came from Harry L. Ward who is circulating the documents.

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U. S. Bonds, Including U. S. Government Agencies	225,511,957.83	\$351,919,490.54
Municipal Bonds and Warrants		58,700,307.69
Other Bonds		1,519,500.00
Loans and Discounts		128,681,070.06
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank		450,000.00
Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures		4,254,587.77
Other Real Estate		None
Customers' Liability on Acceptances		146,874.78
Interest Earned		1,962,706.93
Other Resources		272,939.35
TOTAL RESOURCES		\$547,907,477.12
LIABILITIES		
Capital	\$ 4,500,000.00	
Surplus	10,500,000.00	
Undivided Profits and Reserves	12,374,458.28	\$ 27,374,458.28
Reserves Allocated for Taxes, Interest, etc.		808,065.41
Acceptances		146,874.78
Interest Collected in Advance		831,767.01
Other Liabilities		302,483.78
Deposits (Exclusive of Reciprocal Bank Deposits)		\$18,443,827.86
TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$547,907,477.12

In addition to its 43 branches throughout Oregon, 12 other Oregon banks are affiliated with the First National Bank of Portland

DEPOSITS
First National Bank of Portland and 43 branches \$518,443,827.86
12 other Oregon banks affiliated with First National Bank of Portland 95,570,236.49
TOTAL DEPOSITS \$614,014,064.35

LOANS AND DISCOUNTS
First National Bank of Portland and 43 branches \$128,681,070.06
12 other Oregon Banks affiliated with First National Bank of Portland 14,966,391.07
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Mill Closing Rumor Killed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6 (AP)—N. E. Dodd, undersecretary of agriculture, advised Senator Gordon (R-Ore.) today that the agriculture department has received no reports that any flour mills in the Pacific Northwest have been forced to close because of inability to get wheat.

"We heard, however, that some millers in the Pacific Northwest are apprehensive that they may not receive export orders for enough flour to keep their mills running at near capacity throughout the year," Dodd added in a letter made public by Gordon.

"We discussed this matter with the officials of the Millers' National Federation and the Flour Millers' Export association, who report that although there appears to be sufficient supplies of wheat available to the mills in the Pacific Northwest, the mills are concerned about export orders for flour, because their milling has always been largely for export, compared with mills in other sections of the country."

Dodd said that since December 9 the Commodity Credit Corporation has placed orders with Far Western mills for 39 million pounds of flour for shipment through Pacific coast ports, or which 24 million pounds was ordered from mills in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Typing Class To Be Offered

The general extension division of the Oregon state system of higher education is again offering a class in typewriting, beginning tonight at 7 p. m. room 103 at KUIS.

Beginning and advanced work will be offered. The course carries full college credit but may be taken without credit, if desired. Class will meet on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings for two hours each week for 10 weeks. The fee is \$7. Textbook and other materials are furnished free of charge.

Classified Ads Bring Results

Three-Time Inspection Of GI Loan Homes Ordered

Three-time inspection of homes being built for veterans with the aid of GI loans has been ordered by the Veterans Administration, effective in Oregon on January 2, Patrick W. Kilby, VA contact representative in this area, reported today.

To assure a builder's compliance with plans and specifications approved for a GI loan, the agency will name an inspector to look over construction at three stages:

(1) When excavations are complete and footing forms are ready for pouring concrete; (2) Before back-filling of excavations and with all structural members exposed, and heating, plumbing and electrical installations roughed in, and (3) When structure is completed.

A builder of five or more homes to a project, who contemplates sales to veterans, may obtain a VA panel appraisal and inspections in advance of actual deals. Local fee appraisers will serve also as inspectors.

A new architectural and compliance unit to direct this work has been set up in the VA's Portland regional office.

To this closer check on construction, the VA has added more rigid conformance to state building codes, particularly on plumbing, sewage disposal and wiring, Kilby added.

All houses built within the past 18 months or now being built must pass city or state minimum standards, the VA has ruled.

In rural areas and towns without local inspection, certificates from the plumbing division of the state board of health and from the state

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Tule School Shows Gain

Opening of classes in the high school following the Christmas vacation found an enrollment of 181, slightly higher than when school closed December 19.

Seniors and juniors went to work on class plays to be given in the spring and the White and Gold annual staff started the ball rolling Monday toward the round-up of school news and pictures for the publication.

Evening classes for adults in typing and folk dancing are being held each Monday and Wednesday with Ward Devlin teaching typing and Mrs. Norman Esser the second class.

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