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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

WELLMAN SMITH, the man who made the gold strike in the New Pine creek district, was in my office yesterday and reported that ore brought up from the shaft of the Moonlight mine is running at a little over \$1000 a ton gold and silver.



The shaft is down 65 feet and the ore is improving steadily as the digging proceeds through the rich vein which Smith discovered in the fall of 1946. Equipment is being acquired and put into shape for a busy operation at the Moonlight mine come spring.

Nevada Operator

AFTER making his strike in 1946, Smith sold the property to J. H. Causten of Lovelock, Nevada, who is operating it with Smith as superintendent. Three shipments of ore have been sent to a smelter at Tacoma, and low-grade ore is being stockpiled at the mine. Further developments at Highgrade will be decided on after the owners are just sure what they've got.

The name Moonlight was given to the mine by Smith. It was previously known as the Goldshore, and some work was done on it some 25 years ago by the man who owned it then, George Cline. Cline did considerable tunneling and missed by only 15 feet the vein which Smith came upon through further probing in the earth and the rocky overburden just before snow blew in 1946.

Smith rates the Highgrade area as relatively old, mining operations having started there in 1905, but the Causten property is in what he calls virgin territory. He drew some lines on a sheet of paper to show me the location of the vein in relation to the old Cline tunneling and his own operations, which he undertook single-handedly with the encouragement of his wife when they went into the hills on a sort of hard-working honeymoon after their marriage in 1945.

One other man, Mr. Benefield, is active in the Highgrade district, and is now putting a mill into shape. But Smith said that actual ore removal in recent times has been confined to the Moonlight. After Smith made the strike and it was widely publicized, quite a little rush started but it soon died out when newcomers realized the area was small, with a limited outcropping area and that pretty well taken up already. Some of them tried to get small chunks of land for two or three hundred dollars. Smith said there were several of the "hither, thither and yon" type of wanderers who came in, looked things over, and soon drifted "yon."

Night Visit

THE Highgrade area is in high country east of New Pine Creek, which this scribe and several other Klamath men visited last summer in that wandering safari described in this department just after the convention of the Order of the Antelope on Hart mountain. We went there on a roundabout journey to the convention, and readers will remember it was there, on Dismal creek, that we camped without being certain whether the late Marshall Cornett, one of our party, was in Oregon or California. It made a difference, because he was then acting governor of the state. It turned out he had gone out of California on the way up there, but that we camped in Oregon, all right.

On our wanderings at night up there that time,

we got stuck in Dismal swamp, (an appropriate name) and had quite a time getting all the cars through. When I told Smith about that yesterday, he said: "Wish I'd known about you guys. I had a truck and a bulldozer and I would have given you just the help you needed. I'd have gone over there pronto if you had let me know. I was right there."

These Days

By GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY

OBVIOUSLY, Harry Truman has no conception of a billion dollars. It is just a big number. Big numbers are to him preferable to little numbers. Before Truman, it was assumed that Franklin D. Roosevelt was the biggest spender this country had ever known, but compared with Harry Truman, Roosevelt's spending, except in wartime, was moderate.

Table showing Truman's spending from 1933 to 1940. 1933: \$4,325,150,000; 1934: 6,370,947,000; 1935: 7,583,434,000; 1936: 9,068,886,000; 1937: 8,281,380,000; 1938: 7,304,287,000; 1939: 8,765,338,000; 1940: 9,127,374,000.

Then came war expenditures, which reached an all-time high of \$100,000,000,000 in 1945. Wars cost lives and money without stint, for defeat means slavery. So we can skip those war years.

Four-Year Expenditures

TRUMAN has presented his country with four years of expenditures: 1946: \$63,714,000,000; 1947: 42,505,000,000; 1948: 37,728,000,000; 1949: 39,669,000,000 (Proposed).

In a word, Truman's peacetime budget runs between three and four times more than Roosevelt's highest peacetime expenditure. It is true that Truman has to carry the load of the continuing costs of war, interest on the public debt of \$256,000,000,000, cost of veterans, and the cost of keeping an army in all parts of the world. Also, Truman inherits all the costs of Teheran and Yalta, which means this cold war that Russia is waging against us. But items are hidden in his budget which are unrelated to these costs and which are put in to make the budget high.

Apparently, Truman believes that high government expenditures prevent inflation. He said so. But there is no statistical or clinical evidence that that is true. Inflation inflates worse when the government spends public funds to purchase goods than when competition drives prices down. As a matter of fact, the current high prices are due to government buying, government subsidies, and excessive government exports abroad.

Fixed Charges

THE fixed charges out of the last war are veterans' services and benefits amounting to \$6,532,000,000. The interest on the public debt amounts to \$3,200,000,000. This \$11,832,000,000 is the foundation of all our troubles and ought to give the citizens considerable food for thought. This \$11,832,000,000 is more than the total 1940 budget by \$2,500,000,000.

In 1940, the national defense cost \$1,500,000,000. Then came the war when expenditures naturally rose. For 1948, Truman proposes that the armed forces receive \$10,700,000,000; for 1949, \$11,025,000,000.

Table showing fixed charges: Public debt \$5,200,000,000; Veterans 6,532,000,000; Armed forces 10,700,000,000; Total \$22,532,000,000.

The cost of government is making each individual American poorer every year. The cost of government is working a revolution in American life. It must be cut drastically if we are not to be conquered by our expenditures—a worse conqueror even than war.

power of life and death over the populace. That, too, is the "freedom" which communism is trying to impose on the countries of Western Europe in defiance of the Marshall plan.

Another Angle This brings us up to a fresh development in Moscow's drive to wreck the Marshall project. The anti-communist press in Western Germany has published what is alleged to be a scheme by the newly formed bolshevik government to cripple Germany's great industrial Ruhr. This would be calculated to deliver a body blow to the Marshall plan, since rehabilitation of Germany is essential to its success, and the coal mines and industries of the Ruhr are the focal point of the Reich economy.

British and American headquarters in Germany are studying details of this reported scheme, and there seems little disposition by either to doubt its authenticity, despite the fact that the Russian-licensed press in Berlin says the report is nonsense. The plan is set forth in what is described as "protocol M" and it would be coordinated by the communist leadership of nine countries, including Georgi Dimitrov.

"Protocol M," as detailed in the German newspapers, lays down the operational procedure for creating mass strikes in vital industries of Western Germany, under American, British and French control. The protocol is quoted as declaring: "In conjunction with the entire working class of all European countries, the German working class will, in a persevering battle for key positions of production, take over the power. It is not a matter of ministers' posts but of jumping off places for the final freeing of the proletariat of the world."

So if we take the protocol as a true bill, the communists are to make the scuttling of Germany one of their earliest objectives, and it must be admitted that this is a logical procedure from Moscow's standpoint because an economically ill Germany means a sick Europe. Such a scheme would contemplate a rebellious German upheaval which would create chaos upon which the communists could build a Soviet dictatorship.

Appropos of this we shouldn't overlook that the so-called cominform is widely believed to be a revival of the old comintern, of third international, which the bolsheviks originally created as a general staff to direct the projected world revolution for the establishment of communism. The comintern—bitterly opposed by foreign nations—was "abolished" in 1943.

Georgi Dimitrov was for years the secretary general of the comintern and it isn't strange to find him a member of the new cominform. Nor is it hard to believe that he had a big hand in writing the revolutionary "protocol M."

SIDE GLANCES



"I so enjoy working with my wonderful new stove—I just put the dinner in and don't have to come near it again till it's time to eat!"

The Sheriff



This is Don Briggs, an army vet who now plays the role of Sheriff Mark Chase. He's on tonight.

STATIC

By JOY A. BIGGS

Zeke Manners is back again on the early morning 15 minutes. He finally got a sponsor lined up for the end of last year to start the first of this, then he got the "bug" called virus X which is going around down south. He had to have a substitute conduct his program but he's back again now.

Tonight the Sheriff program comes on, with Sheriff Mark Chase of Canyon county—that's his picture at the top of the column today.

That favorite thriller-diller, The Pat Man, is also on tonight, and Harry Horlick's waiters come on to soothe you after listening to "Famous Jury Trials."

For sports fans tonight there's the Sports Lineup, the Sports Roundup, Gillette Fighting, a net program and KUHS playing Medford in basketball on the home court.

On Dial Fun Thursday afternoon—it comes on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon each week—Don Neal asked who the Klamath basin's outstanding young man was for 1947 as his first question—Mrs. Jackie Bedford, 2533 Orchard was the first to call in the correct answer and received a choice of a case of soft drinks or five packages of frozen foods—this is the Lost River dairy program.

The second question, "Who is Medford's basketball coach?" was answered by Delmer Neeley, 3235 Hilgard, who was also given his choice of awards.

"Who is writing Static this week?" was the third question, and Mrs. H. A. Moore who lives at 132 S. Carol answered this so fast it would make your head swim. Thanks for reading the column, Mrs. Moore, and we're glad you won on Dial Fun.

Washingtonians To Attend Meet NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (AP)—Two Washington newspaper men will be among 27 city editors and assistant city editors from national newspapers to begin a three-week seminar on their work at the American Press Institute at Columbia University next Monday.

Approximately 55 guest experts will discuss ways to improve city desk work. Seminar members include John A. Biethen, assistant city editor, Seattle Times, and Frank C. Ferguson, city editor, Spokesman-Review.

Glucose Plant Eyed At Meet

The advisability of Klamath basin growers taking over the defunct potato starch and glucose plant at Hatfield was the main point of discussion at a meeting held in the county agent's office Thursday evening.

Dan Crawford, secretary of the Tulelake Growers association, and Bryant Williams, formerly on the chemurgic co-op committee, met with the committee, County Agent C. A. Henderson and Assistant Agent Walter Jendzrejewski.

J. A. Wright, attorney for the Washington State grange was also present, due to the suggestion that Oregon, and Washington state granges may wish to take over the plant cooperatively. No conclusion was reached at the meeting.

Runaway Girls Located Here

Two 15-year-old girls, runaways from Creswell, were located here by city police this morning and turned over to the juvenile officer for return home.

The girls were seen on Klamath avenue at 3:45 a. m. and questioned by a patrol officer. They admitted running away from home early last night and hitch-hiking to Klamath Falls.

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Hall Visit Plans Laid

The Republican central committee was completing plans this week for the reception of Governor John H. Hall, who is slated to pay his first visit here as governor of the state of Oregon, on Thursday, February 12. Gov. Hall will be the principal speaker at the Lincoln Day banquet to be held at the Willard hotel.

Tickets and reservations may be had through Mrs. William DeWet in her office in the Klamath county courthouse, room 5, or by calling 6259.

Mrs. Hall will accompany the governor here and arrangements are being made for her entertainment. The Halls will be houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Boivin at their home on Conger avenue.

Toastmasters Hold Meet

The regular meeting of the Toastmasters club was held Wednesday evening at the Willard hotel. Bill Owens was in charge of the meeting acting as toastmaster of the evening, ably assisted by Clarence Linn as general critic and Stanley Pade as table topic chairman. Two of the new members started off the speaking program with their ice-breaking talks. Al Cottingham gave "I've Got Snow on My Shoes," and Hugh Killmeyer spoke on the theme, "Klamath Falls and I." Ted Lind informed the club on "Co-operatives and the Federal Income Tax" followed by "The Patron Saint of Printers," Howard Holt brought the speaking program to a close with a very interesting travel talk entitled, "It Was on the Isle of Capri."

For the next regular meeting to be held January 21, Joe LeClair will be the toastmaster of the evening and Jack Robbins will act as table topic chairman. There will be no general critic or appointed speakers for this program. The speech class of the Klamath Union high school will furnish six contestants, who will compete for the toastmaster speech trophy. This trophy is awarded semi-annually to the speaker who is adjudged winner of this contest by the members of the Toastmasters club.

Mercury Down To 22 Here

The mercury fell to a minimum of 22 degrees early this morning around 6:30 o'clock, but skies remained clear throughout the morning and early afternoon. Maximum temperature yesterday was 50 degrees.

Ice skaters continued to call City Recreation Director Sam Smith on the possibilities of skating on local lakes and ponds, but Smith said he would not advise skating at this time and those who did venture on the ice were doing so without the recommendation of his office. He particularly warned against skating on Upper Klamath lake. Smith said nights were "cold enough" but days were too warm and much of the ice melted as the temperature rose.

Mountain roads continue to be hazardous because of fog, snow and ice. The state highway commission said today. The 9 a. m. road report advised 22 degrees at Gold Lake on the Willamette highway, 12 degrees at Sun Mountain on highway 97, 16 degrees at Keno and the Greensprings highway was slippery from frost.

DIES PORTLAND, Jan. 16 (AP)—William F. Horatz, 57, veteran Columbia river captain, died here yesterday after a five-month illness.

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The World Today

By DEWITT MACKENZIE AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Communism has been exhibiting ruthless direct-action ever since the bolshevik revolution of 1917 but there have been few more chilling demonstrations than that given by Bulgaria's communist premier, Georgi Dimitrov, in cracking the whip over his national assembly.

I referred to this in yesterday's column, but it's a story which can't be repeated too often, for it epitomizes Soviet "democracy" perfectly. Dimitrov, who is one of the chief leaders of bolshevism and is Moscow's right-hand man in the Balkans, became infuriated when nine deputies dared to criticize his budget. He threatened them with hanging unless they jumped into line—and the budget was adopted.

That's the freedom which communism offers you and me in exchange for our own bill of rights. We are advised to install a dictator in the national capital, with virtual

RADIO PROGRAMS

Table of radio programs for Friday Eve, Jan. 16. Stations include KFLW-1450 kc, KFJI-1240 kc, and KFLW-1240 kc. Programs include Sports Lineup, Home Town News, The Sheriff ABC, Around Town, Sports Roundup, Dinner Dance, John Carl Trio, Voice of Sports, The Fat Man ABC, KLUH vs. Medford, The Merry Men, Famous Jury Trials ABC, Stardust Melodias, Freddy Martin Orch. ABC, News Summary, 11:30 Teletext, John Wolahan Orch. MBS, News MBS.

Table of radio programs for Saturday P. M., Jan. 17. Stations include KFLW-1240 kc, KFJI-1240 kc, and KFLW-1240 kc. Programs include Sports Lineup, Home Town News, World News Summary, 4:30 News Reports, This Is Your FBI-ABC, The Lone Ranger ABC, KLUH vs. Grants Pass, Requestfully Yours, Requestfully Yours, Kids Bible Hour, Communism & World ABC, Rhythm & Reason.

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The Gallup Poll Public Frowns On Round Of Wage Ups

By GEORGE GALLUP Director, American Institute of Public Opinion

PHINCETON, N. J., Jan. 16 — Although there is pressure from workers for a "third round" of wage increases, the general public is beginning to frown on wage boosts if they lead to increases in the price of goods.

That is shown when the issue of wage and price increases put to the public in a nationwide poll, as follows: "Some people say workers' wages should be increased again because of today's high prices. Other people say that if wages are raised, prices will go still higher. How do you stand on this—arguing for or against increasing the wages of workers?"

Table showing poll results: For (31%), Against (53%), Qualified (7%), No opinion (9%).

The demand for wage boosts is being led by organized labor. One of the CIO "big three," the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, recently announced that it will demand substantial wage increases to offset

RC Meeting Held Thursday

Robert Mitchell, certified public accountant, explained to the Red Cross board of directors the new bookkeeping system he has worked out at the meeting held at the chamber of commerce Thursday afternoon.

He was assisted by C. H. Aldridge, Rev. David P. Barnett Jr. presided over the meeting and appointed Mrs. Dick Miller as chairman to train a group of volunteer women workers to assist with the growing welfare service of the Klamath Falls Red Cross office.

Reports were heard from the committees, including one from Mrs. Frances Palmer, executive secretary, on activities of the office for the last four months.

Matson Company Sues Stewards

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 16 (AP)—The Matson Navigation company yesterday sued the CIO Marine Cooks and Stewards union for \$17,000, charging stewards of the union delayed sailing of the Hawaiian Craftsmen by refusing to sign shipping articles.

The vessel scheduled to leave Tacoma for Portland December 30, sailed on January 10. The union and company were engaged in a dispute over the pay rate for such chores as polishing brass and making up bunks aboard the Hawaiian Craftsmen and several other West coast vessels.

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