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These Days

By GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY

Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY Klamath has become dirt-conscious again, and when that happens, attention inevitably swings around to "black snow"—a name which this newspaper years ago gave to particles of soot and cinders that are spouted from local smokestacks and settle on the community.

Black snow conditions have been especially bad here recently. Yesterday, walking along Main street, I saw the stuff scattered widely over sidewalks, with piles of it in doorways or against walls. Motorists complain that newly-washed cars are coated with it. Housewives in certain parts of town say they dare not hang wet washes out on the line. Operators of several buildings have had trouble with clogged roof drains that in some cases caused interior leakage.

It isn't necessary to offer further proof that black snow is one of the most serious obstacles to any program of "keeping Klamath clean." Everybody who lives here knows about it.

The Source

The principal source of black snow is the stacks of the Consumers' Heating company on Klamath avenue. No one argues about that any more. I am told by Bert Hall, one of the advisory committee for the heating company, that recently the plant has been burning a quantity of old shavings and other fuel, left over from the previous ownership. This stuff doesn't lend itself to proper combustion, with the result that partially burned material emanates from the stacks to fall on the business and residential districts in that part of town. That is why black snow has been especially bad recently.

He states that the company is arranging to go exclusively into consumption of hogged fuel, and when this is done, the nuisance will be partially alleviated. The plant loses money on improper combustion, and the management is anxious to improve the situation. Mr. Hall pointed out, both from the standpoint of plant efficiency and good public relations.

There is no idea, however, that the change to hogged fuel will do the complete job of soot-elimination. That will have to be done by installation of certain equipment designed for the purpose.

Encouraging

The hopeful aspect of the situation is that the management is definitely interested in doing something about it. John Merryman, the manager, is gathering information on soot elimination, and plans a trip in a few weeks to Eugene and Salem to look over similar operations where successful efforts have been made to stop black snow production. As everybody knows, the heating company has had considerable financial going with the change of ownership to a large number of local consumers. Completing the reorganization and producing steam efficiently for heating the downtown area was the first job that had to be done, and there was no immediate spare financing for a soot elimination program, which costs many thousands of dollars.

Multiple ownership of the heating plant does not, of course lift or lighten the responsibility of the company for eliminating a serious local nuisance as soon as possible. As a matter of fact, many of the owners themselves are sufferers, and this will most certainly help to promote sentiment for a soot elimination program as soon as a feasible program can be worked out.

Something should be done before another heavy heating season rolls around.

At the church I attended Easter Sunday, the minister spoke in the front end about the hope for peace, while two little boys played at war in the rear of the auditorium, shouting bang! bang! bang! and making other belligerent noises. I'm afraid there was something symbolic about it.

The Doctor Says—

Palsy Victims Need Rest

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M. D. Written for NEA Service "Shaking palsy" usually refers to a chronic disease of the nervous system better called Parkinson's disease or paralysis agitans. In this condition there is a muscular shaking or shivering involving principally the hands or arms, together with stiffness of muscular movement and a lack of expressiveness in the face.

There are two types of Parkinson's disease commonly described. One is that which develops in older people, more often in men than in women. Sometimes severe anxiety or shock brings on the symptoms but the real cause is probably something else.

The same symptoms may come also from infections, especially from epidemic encephalitis, a virus infection of the brain sometimes spoken of as American sleeping sickness. When Parkinson's disease develops from this cause, it comes as frequently in women as in men.

Note: Dr. Jordan is unable to answer individual questions from readers. However, each day he will

NO personal misfortunes that bring to an end Harry Truman's career as president. He has lost the confidence of the people; he has lost the support of his party. The last two years of Herbert Hoover's presidency were very hard, indeed, but his party stood by him until he was actually defeated. Harry Truman is being deserted on all sides. In the South, his party's stronghold, a revolt of a most serious nature is in actual being. In the big cities of the North, the representatives of his party are declaring that they cannot support him, although the convention is four months away. Men who had planned to run for office on the democratic ticket are backing away from it, because they have assured themselves that defeat is inevitable, not only for him but for anyone that runs with him.

The possibility is that President Truman puts all this opposition down to self-interest on the part of others. The southerners are annoyed with him for sponsoring a federal fair employment practices act; the northern big city democrats are angry over the Palestine fiasco; some western "isolationists" object to ERP; and so on over a dozen issues. He undoubtedly believes that he has given the country a competent administration in the face of the most complex difficulties which he inherited from President Roosevelt and none of which were his making.

Ridiculous

NO one tells him that his backing away from a fight with Henry Wallace over basic issues reduced him to a ridiculous position. For weeks after Henry Wallace projected himself as a national savior, all the tipsters were reporting an internal quarrel in the White House between the conservatives represented by Secretary of the Treasury John Snyder and Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson on one side, and the radicals represented by Senator J. Howard McGrath and the employe of the democratic national committee, Gael Sullivan, on the other side.

The conservative democrats apparently advocated a firm policy of national reconstruction; the radicals proposed that the president do anything that came to mind, to win the 1948 election. The mathematical calculation was based on the assumption that the South stays put, blindly voting for any democrat, no matter what he does. With that as a base, it was still possible to win if only he squeezed through in the northern big cities.

That was the argument that won the day. So Mr. Truman came through with his federal fair employment practices program which was designed to please the northern negroes; he supported the Palestine partition scheme; he pulled the CIO and the AFL out of the Wallace ranks. He even went easy on the communists, avoiding great pressures with regard to loyalty, failing to stop the shipment of war supplies to Soviet Russia, preventing the federal grand jury in New York from handing down a presentment on January 20, as planned.

They Won't Wait

BUT time does not wait for an election. The Isaacson election in the Bronx, the Russian seizure of Czechoslovakia, the Italian elections, the open warfare between Jews and Arabs in Palestine, the prospective British withdrawal from Palestine, the terrific pressure from Europe for an immediate ERP, the demands of Chiang Kai-shek in China as a result of communist victories—these are but a few of the issues that refused to wait for the 1948 elections.

At such a moment, Harry Truman needed the decisiveness of a man who knew his way, whose philosophy of life was so certain and fixed that no one could mistake his responses to any challenge. Instead, he vacillated, reversed himself, spoke out of turn and contradicted himself by his acts. He fell through indecision, and his indecision was a product of lack of personal knowledge, for no one, not even his worst enemies, will question Harry Truman's intentions.

And so it is all over. He might just as well not run. And while the republicans may rejoice at his disfigurement, for the country, it is not too good, as Henry Wallace is liable to garner a huge protest vote which will give us Wallace as a national nuisance. Too much Wallace may be too much for the United States.

answer one of the most frequently asked questions in his column.

The Doctor Answers

QUESTION: What effect does drinking have on one who is over 50 and has diabetes? ANSWER: Drinking alcoholic liquor is generally not advisable for a person with diabetes. It throws the diet off balance and can result in serious complications.

POLITE

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 29 (AP)—A robber walked into Glen Holm's cigar store Saturday night and scooped \$83 from the cash drawer.

Then he ordered a package of gum and tendered a \$2 bill plucked from his loot in payment. Holm gave him \$1.94 change.

SAIGON

PORTLAND, March 29 (AP)—The weatherman did nobly by Portland's Easter parade.

Easter Sunday was not only sunny, but the warmest day here since last October. The mercury hit 71.

SIDE GLANCES



"It's fate, that's all! Why couldn't I break my arm last winter when I had to practice piano two hours a day for that recital?"

STATIC

By MALCOLM EPLEY

The public may be interested—though perhaps a little disappointed—to know that Dick Maguire and I fraternized at length the other night at the Elks club. Little was said about our recent well-publicized argument over the Snapp-Hostak fight broadcasts, but Dick said he did not act "cool" toward me the night after the recent Static fight caused the ruckus. (I had said he was.) A great many people saw us talking pleasantly and evinced some disappointed interest. It was commented that this was like a couple of wrestlers traveling around the country together and staging grudge fights every night.

Third man in the Elks club conversation was Bill Spangler, the go-getter lumberman and daddy of Klamath Baseball, Inc. Dick and I learned, are ex-baseball pitchers, and there was a lot of talk about ball games played in these parts 15 or 20 years ago. Bill's last pitch was in a game at Modoc Point—where both used to play, incidentally. One of the Vochatzer boys was at bat and Bill tossed him a slow one. You could see the seams on the ball, but as it reached the plate it broke perfectly, just as Bill had hoped. Vochatzer, who was probably trying to miss it, stepped square into it and they never found the ball. Bill never pitched another one.

Pronunciation of proper names is one of the heavy crosses borne by radio men. How do you say Weyerhaeuser—wairer or wirehouser? Not all the folks who live at Main pronounce it the same way. I have heard local people accent the first syllable of Chemult, but I always accent the last. A new radio announcer here used to accent the middle syllable of Chiloquin, until somebody put him right. As far as that is concerned, I know people who have trouble saying Klamath Falls. They give it an extra syllable—Kalamath Falls.

Tax Representative

To Visit Klamath A representative of the state tax commission is at the county courthouse this afternoon and will be here through April 2 to assist Klamath companies in making out state income tax returns.

The tax official will also be in Klamath Falls April 5 through April 9. Office hours are from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m., in the county courtroom.

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The World Today

By DEWITT MACKENZIE AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

History records few, if any, political elections upon which so much has depended as hinges on the Italian national voting of April 18, for the outcome may determine the trend of the "cold war" in Europe between communism and democracy.

This momentous electoral contest is between the powerful communist party and the Christian democrats headed by Premier Alcide De Gasperi, who now presides over an unstable coalition of rightists. If the Reds can elect enough members to control the assembly they will have gained a priceless Mediterranean base from which to conduct a conquest of western Europe and the Greek-Turkish-Dardanelles zone. If De Gasperi can secure a safe majority, democracy's star will be in the ascendency.

Force Threatened

The Italian communists have announced that they intend to seize government by force if denied "the power the majority will give us." The significance of this alarming notice lies in these facts: The consensus of observers is that "popular front" of communists and their leftist allies will get 35 to 40 per cent of the votes. This may be the largest received by any party or bloc. Anti-communist parties have indicated they will combine after the election to claim victory by majority and the right to form the new government. De Gasperi threw the Reds out of his government last year and has given no indication that he wants them back.

There are various factors which he is fair to influence the voting. The proposal of the western allies to return Trieste to Italy is calculated to win democratic support. So is the knowledge that American material aid depends on loyalty to democracy. On the other hand the Reds have many converts who follow communism from choice.

Religious Issue

However, there is another most extraordinary element in this election, and one which may be the deciding factor. The new things look now it may resolve itself very largely into a battle between religion and Red atheism—a fight between the church of Rome and a communism which condemns belief in God as the dope of the proletariat.

Good Eyesight

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To the Editor)—We all enjoyed the letter from the lady that wants to move to Medford. As we sure as heck don't want people going around on the streets all splattered with mud from the dirty streets.

But I will say this, Klamath Falls does need a good cleaning up along the sidewalks down by the Eagles hall it looks like a dumping ground. We need a person with good eyesight to look at the streets over, the alleys and the lot by the side of the Herald and News. That's a spot for sore eyes, many, many other places.

I only wish someone would take it in hand and have a Clean Your Alley, Vacant Lots, etc. week or month if it would take that long. And sitting on the side walk, Klamath has them all beat. Some places you pay a fine of \$1 if caught in this dirty low down act.

People carry their fifth home in their shoes, little children play in the floor at home, they are the ones whom contact the germs. Last but not least, the miff in regards to the Snapp-Hostak fight.

That was more like kid tricks as to whom will get there first. No wonder we have war and more war, the way people live today, jealous of one another, etc. I say live and let live.

Respectfully, Dallas Myre, General Delivery.

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The Gallup Poll MacArthur Gains In GOP Voter Favor

PRINCETON, N. J., March 29 — Republican voter sentiment in favor of General Douglas MacArthur for president has increased sharply since early March. Today he runs second to Governor Thomas E. Dewey in popularity among republican voters.

The popularity of Governor Dewey, senator Robert A. Taft and Governor Earl Warren of California shows a slight drop since the last poll report March 14. The standings of Harold E. Stassen and Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan remained unchanged.

The current survey was completed after General MacArthur's statement of availability as a candidate. A list of eight prominently mentioned republican presidential possibilities was mailed to republican voters, and each voter was asked to name the man he would like to see become president.

The following table gives the current poll results and the findings of the previous poll reported March 14.

Table with columns: Name, Mar 14, Today. Rows: Dewey, MacArthur, Stassen, Vandenberg, Taft, Warren, Martin, Saltonstall, No choice.

A specific test of General MacArthur's popular strength among republican voters in one Midwestern state will come April 6, when the Wisconsin primary is held. General MacArthur's name has been entered in the primary, as well as that of Governor Dewey.

Students of public opinion will be interested in comparing the boom for General MacArthur today with the situation that existed at a comparable time before the 1944 nomination convention. In an Institute poll of republican voters reported on February 27, 1944, the percentage favoring MacArthur was identical with that of today—19 per cent. At that time Dewey, who later got the nomination, was out in front in popularity, with Wendell Wilkie running second. Wilkie was beaten in the Wisconsin primary of that year, and withdrew from the nomination race, leaving General MacArthur in second place, just as he is today.

The results of the February, 1944

Table with columns: Name, February 1944, Today. Rows: Dewey, Wilkie, MacArthur, Bricker, Stassen, Warren, Eric Johnston.

Six-Year-Old Killed By Car PORTLAND, March 29 (AP)—Six-year-old Kathleen Harris was fatally injured when struck by an automobile on the street in front of her home here Saturday evening.

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