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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY

AFTER a comparatively favorable fire season, fires are now raging in the forests of the Northwest and Northern California, and a smoke pall lies over Klamath Falls from a big blaze in our own section. The summer here has been exceptionally dry (although not very hot) and the hazards are extremely serious now, as they will be until the first general rain.

The modern method of fire-fighting, as I have heard it explained by foresters, is embodied in the implications of the term, "first night control." The idea is to hit a fire with everything you can muster right at the start, exerting the supreme effort to prevent it from continuing out of control through the first night.

This may entail what appears at the moment to be a somewhat reckless use of men and equipment, with a good chance of getting together a bigger force than might actually be needed. But the economics of the situation has been found to justify such action for, if first night control is not accomplished, it may be necessary to expend far greater sums in fighting the bigger fire which is raging on the second day, not to speak of the expanding damage of the mounting blaze.

Another thing to be considered by the forester with a small fire on his hands is that by the time he gets help to fight the fire, it will most certainly be much larger than it is now. In other words, the fire may appear to demand a crew of 50, but by the time that crew is recruited, it is a good chance it will be a much bigger fire demanding the efforts of a crew of 75 or 100.

In general, the accepted idea is to avoid too much conservatism in judging the potentials of a fire. A little extra force used against it today will save tomorrow.



EPLEY

We Can Be Proud

WALKING through town the other evening just to absorb what I could of the atmosphere of the place, I stopped for a close inspection of the memorial shaft on the courthouse lawn, at night properly illuminated by a battery of flood lights.

This imposing obelisk is in remarkably good condition, considering that it is a temporary structure built of wood frame and plywood. There is little warping and the paint is in excellent shape. The name strips are clean-cut and bright. It would be disgraceful for this shaft to be otherwise; were it not well maintained, it would have to be taken down and either abandoned or replaced.

Klamath can be proud of this memorial to the men of the basin who died in World War II. It was intelligently conceived while the casualty lists were still coming in, and it has not been neglected.

It will not last forever. Indeed, thought should be given immediately to a permanent memorial. This writer, as one who will always remember the casualty reports as they came to us through the bitter war years, has a sentimental feeling about the shaft, a hope that its form may be continued in a permanent structure. This can be done without precluding the development of so-called "living memorials."

Briefs From The Pocket File

A RECENT auto tourist home from trekking over Northwest roads reports an interesting difference in deer warning signs along the highways. . . . In Oregon, the signs read: "Look out for deer crossing highway" . . . In Washington, the deer are recognized as a tourist attraction by signs reading: "Watch for deer on the highway" . . . If you get a strong taste of chlorine in the water you drink at restaurants, the chances are it's from the sterilizing solution in which the dishes are washed in.

Barber Shop Blaze—Little Damage

Bill's Barber shop at 810 East Main street had a little smoke incident from its last night which prompted a quick call to the city fire department.

Firemen found a trash barrel in the rear of the shop smoking, and extinguished the blaze in a few seconds.

Firemen report that little damage was done.

FLYLESS FAIR

SALEM, Aug. 22 (AP)—There will be no flies on Oregon's state fair which opens here Monday, 8, Manager Leo Spitzbart declared here today following completion of a DDT spraying program over the entire grounds.

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accordance with the state sanitary regulations . . . I've noticed that difference between water at home and that at restaurants, which comes from the same source, and only recently discovered the cause of it all . . . Salem, like Klamath Falls, faces the possibility of losing United Air Lines service . . . The folks up there are determined that the capital city and Oregon's second in size will not lose the "mainliners" for prestige reasons if no other.

These Days

By GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY

THOSE of us of the generation whose childhood and youth antedate World War I find ourselves only too bewildered by the fears, the anxieties, the uncertainties, the quest for security of the youth of the current era. We were not like that at their age. We stepped into a fiercely competitive world when he who was willing and able to work, whose mind was flexible and whose heart was courageous made his way.

We forget, of course. We forget the very bad days of 1912 and 1913 when the songs of the I.W.W. was "In the sweet by and by, You'll get pie in the sky By and by . . ."

And we forget 1917 and the coming of the war and how we were torn for three years between those who wanted war and those who hated and feared war. But we were going to make the world safe for democracy. It was then a new word, that. It came into our language through Woodrow Wilson's idealism, but we still thought of ourselves as a republic, a confederation of sovereign states. It was still an age of hope for youth unafraid—and our boys went to Woodrow Wilson's war with bands playing.

Challenge

I WAS thinking of all this as I listened at Tanglewood to Leonard Bernstein's Symphony No. 2, "The Age of Anxiety." He is beyond doubt the most promising of native American composers, a blessed talent that has exposed itself to the spirit of his era and to the mood of his country. And in such an atmosphere, with which only Tanglewood can surround those sensitive to music, Leonard Bernstein spoke an idiom and threw out to us a challenge which we cannot ignore. For he spoke eloquently of his generation, of young men and women who came into life's activities during the great depression, who went to college or into work during the new deal, who stepped off the platform of an apprenticeship into a war of uncertain purpose and duration, who have to settle down to the burden of high taxes and frustrated hopes and ambitions.

He spoke of all this in the language of music which each one can only understand as he hears it. Yet, I think, as I watched that young man play with the Boston symphony, I caught what he and what the hundreds of young boys and girls who cheered him, meant.

No generation has, in our times, been so anxious and really so frightened. Perhaps that is why so many of them turn to ideas of one world or even to communism, which is a coward's retreat into the security of slavery. There is little to fortify the strong heart, little to drive the young to high hopes of personal achievement except perhaps in the arts which know neither time nor place, or politics which has become a mug's game of betraying one's conscience for a place among the mighty.

Youth Must Have Faith

YOUTH must have faith in itself. It must never believe that it is only fit for a safe place; that its security comes from the charity of a government's program for buying votes. It must believe that it can do anything, can build, can create, can achieve anything. Life itself only too often takes the starch out of a man and a woman and leaves them at 50 with the memory of ambitions unachieved. But if youth starts as other generations ended, the finale must be bleak, indeed.

And so Leonard Bernstein commences his symphony with neither the excitement of Beethoven nor even the aborted hopefulness of Tchaikovsky. He starts with a wail of despair, uncertainty, insecurity, frustration which somehow reminded me of a boy trying to get into college and being told there is no room; or going through his first year in constant fear that a third of the class will be dropped because there is no room; or the young fellow who wants to start a small business only to discover that the law, the taxes, the controls are weighted against him.

What have we done to our young people? Shall we be able to answer for our failure to give them as good a world and as good a country as we received?

STRIKE CONTINUES

OLYMPIA, Aug. 22 (AP)—North Coast Greyhound buses still were stalled today by an employees' strike that is now nearing the end of its 10th week. Hopes for resumption of service pending arbitration of the controversy were abandoned Saturday when Governor Langlie said he was unable to get officials to agree to arbitration.

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SIDE GLANCES



"That's the trouble with television—how'm I going to know what's going on when I'm out plowing?"

BOYLE'S COLUMN

Poor Old Brooklyn, Still The Saddest Town On Earth

By ED CREAUGH

NEW YORK. (AP)—Poor old Brooklyn. Nobody loves her. Except, of course, her 2,910,000 sons and daughters.

And sometimes you can't help wondering about them.

Does that chest-thumping local pride mean that they really love Brooklyn? Or are they merely going through the motions of cherishing a lost cause?

Everybody who doesn't live in Brooklyn laughs at the old girl. And nobody knows why. It's one of those curious facts of life—say "Brooklyn" out loud and people guffaw.

This, by damn, is not fair.

Brooklyn is not a funny place. It is a sad place. Consider its melancholy rows of somber brick houses, its silently weeping little Allantus ("A Tree Grows in Brooklyn") shrubs.

It can't be just my imagination that the whistle on the Brighton local drifts wearily into a minor key when the point of no return is reached on the subway voyage from Manhattan.

And there's no sadder sound in all the world than the keening at Ebbets field when the Dodgers boot one.

You can say many nice things about Brooklyn. It's New York's bootlegging borough, population-wise. It's bigger (honest, it is) than Philadelphia, Los Angeles or Detroit. It's the borough of churches, of homes.

Brooklyn is still a sad place.

Anything You Want

You can get almost anything in Brooklyn. You can get a bathtub, a vitamin pill, a wig or an antique pool table straight from the factory.

You also can get assassinated—some nervous-fingered alumnus of Murder, Inc. are still around.

Brooklyn is 5-1-1—a sad place. You can praise Brooklyn's people to the skies, and I'll praise them with you. They're warm-hearted, witty, unquerable, sentimental—in the good sense of the word—and kind to stray animals, including visiting New Yorkers.

But Brooklyn is still a—

What I think I'm trying to say is that Brooklyn gives its citizens too hard a time. It gives them so much grief that they have to unload it on each other.

Take, for example, the story about the soda jerk. All soda jerks have a hard time, but in Brooklyn: A little guy breezes into the soda fountain and says, "gimme a flat-bush special."

"A what!" says the soda jerk. (He's sad already, see?)

"You hold me," says the little guy. "So I gotta tell ya how to make it? Okay, put in three scoops ice cream—one each chocolate raspberry, vanilla. Sprinkle with powdered walnuts. Then lotta maple syrup. It's gotta be gooey."

"Then make wit' the whipped cream. Heavy. Then one layer chopped almonds. They gotta be chopped fine. Then whipped cream. Then three cherries. Then—"

"Look," screams the soda jerk. "This is Thursday—you got time to come in Saturday for a fitting?"

See what I mean about Brooklyn?

TELLING THE EDITOR

Letters printed here must not be longer than 300 words, must be written legibly on ONE SIDE of the paper, and must be signed by the writer. NAMES AND ADDRESSES of the writer. Contributions following these rules are warmly welcomed.

THANK YOU

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To the Editor)—We wish to thank The Herald and News for assistance and cooperation given us recently in locating a person in a Midwestern state to inform him of the illness of a relative here.

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The World Today

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Washington's decision to allow red Yugoslavia to buy a three million dollar steel mill in this country, thereby increasing that Balkan country's military potential, marks a bold development of U. S. policy. Emphasis is given to it by the probability that the Yugoslavs also will be granted a large American-backed loan from the world bank.

Clearly this gesture toward communistic Yugoslavia represents what Secretary of State Dean Acheson bluntly describes as a "calculated risk." Marshal Tito, director of Yugoslavia, is no friend of capitalistic Uncle Sam. It's only as far back as 1946 that the generalissimo's gunners were shooting down American air-planes, with loss of life, after our flyers had been driven over Yugoslav territory by bad weather.

Tito was made to pay reparations for this "outrageous performance"—but that doesn't change the leopard's spots. True the Marshals ostensibly broke with Moscow some 14 months ago over his refusal to abandon nationalism and place the sovereignty of his country in the hands of the Kremlin.

However, this whole Moscow-Tito row could be a trick to fool the western powers into giving aid to Yugoslavia and which later would be turned against them in furthering the expansion of the communist empire. Washington is quite well aware of that.

Big Issue

Why then do we lend aid and comfort to Tito? The answer is that the conflict between Moscow and Belgrade may not be phony but the real thing. Indeed, most of the evidence seems to support this view. The present picture we have is that of a Tito who still clings to a modified communism which stands for nationalism. He refuses to accept the Russian Bolshevik edict that the sovereignty of all satellite states like Yugoslavia rests in Moscow.

Assuming that Yugoslavia is at loggerheads with Moscow, there are sound reasons for giving the Balkan states assistance. These may be summed up by stating that Yugoslavia could be a powerful obstruction to further communist imperial expansion in Europe.

For one thing, the mere fact that Tito is defying the might of Russia is encouragement to other small nations to stand firm against aggression. Moreover, militarily Yugoslavia is one of the most important bases in Europe. It is the eastern sentinel of the Adriatic — Russia's gateway to that sea, across which lies an Italy that Moscow would give its right arm to bring into the Bolshevik camp.

Yugoslavia is the most powerful of the Balkan states. Her 15,000,000 people not only are fiercely independent but are among the world's best fighters. I have traveled in that country — have talked with all

X-Ray Your Heart

You would flare up in wrath if some mere man were to tell you. Then let God say it. Says He—"The heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked—BIBLE. And from the heart flows sins aplenty, for from the lower nature comes Impurity, Indecency, Strife, Anger, Jealousy, Drunkenness, Murder and all the rest listed in Galatians 5:19-21.

NEW BIRTH—No wonder Christ said—"You must be born again. So it is that when you trust your life over to Him as the Savior who died for you. He gives you new birth into eternal life. And He waits to bring you His harvest of Love, Joy, Peace, Self-control, Piety and the rest listed in Gal. 5:22-23.

HARVEST—Hear the Tillamook County believer who surrendered life, talents, and all years after came this—"I surrendered all and the old ways began to fall off like dead leaves." And as a saved soul, may you also have Christ for Victory.

Grant Taylor

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Reds Threaten Action Against Tito Measures

MOSCOW, Aug. 20 (AP)—Soviet Russia threatens Yugoslavia with "more effective measures" to protect Soviet citizens in Yugoslavia from what it called repression and unlawful arrest by Premier Marshal Tito's regime.

In a stern note to the anti-communist government at Belgrade, Russia also threatened to "bring to account" any persons found to be persecuting Russians in Yugoslavia. Just what these measures would be was not specified.

The note was broadcast by the Moscow radio.

Premier Marshal Tito's government has sought to evade charges of "gross arbitrary rule and brutal repression against Soviet citizens," the radio said.

It said the Russian charges were contained in a note sent Yugoslavia Aug. 18. This was another in a series of bitter exchanges between Soviet Russia and her former Yugoslav ally.

Russia originally protested the arrests in a note July 25.

classes. They are intensely proud of their sovereignty and are ready to fight to preserve it, a fact which lends strength to the idea that the Tito-Kremlin battle over sovereignty is the real thing.

All these circumstances explain why the United States for the first time since the war is deliberately sending "war-potential" material to a communist government. Other satellite states in eastern Europe have been asking for American machinery and have been turned down for fear such materials might be used for war. But in the case of Yugoslavia the United States is taking the "calculated risk."

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