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Shocks in the Ranks

By DEB ADDISON

We read that President Truman is publicly "shocked and angered" by scandals in the internal revenue department—shocked and angered publicly to the extreme of casting a few of the boys from the ranks.

This is cause for some shock and wonderment generally since the traitors, chislers and fixers (bearing such names as "our boys," and hence escaped the presidential stigma.

Due reflection leads to the conclusion that the present presidential shock and anger might be prompted by one of two reasons.

One is that next year is the big election year. Truman doesn't want to answer the question because, for every presidential boot, there's always the chance of an uncomfortable rebound.

Thinking back into Fagan lore gives a possible clue. You'll recall the accounts of many a henchman who had run rampant through all the rules of the game and encountered only a sky walk, but who finally made the fatal mistake of trying to take a quick, personal cut at the swag—and then was liquidated privately.

The deduction then, is that the way is clear to muscle into the act anywhere in the tax-spend-elect cycle but NOT to slip any new

sears into the machinery of the tax. Revenues, deliver the goods, all of it, or else!

The Leslie Peyton of Portland who was just elected president of the Oregon Savings and Loan League is a Klamath boy—brother of Cal. Frank and Ralph. Mrs. Leslie was a Klamath girl, Helen Mason.

Frank Drew, member of another well known Klamath brother group, is an all around man—is the hardy expert at the Gun Store on athletics—fishing—hunting—skiing—is now learning to play the piano.

Our special operative reports that Frank is especially good on the "whiffenpoof."

Tom Smith, who threatened to sue us on publication of the report that a well known Scotsman was relegated to special sleeping quarters at Taketee on account of snoring, has more than a naber-dasher's background. Grandfather George Smith founded the Sun Foundry Company—George Smith & Company in Glasgow, and installed the lights along the Thames embankment, which are still in use. Father George Gleg Smith presented the first enamel bathtub to Queen Victoria at the Paris Exposition in 1853, to be installed in Balmoral Castle. I don't know if it's still in use.

Worldwide Bible Reading for tonight: Luke 8:1-21. For Sunday: Psalms 119:1-15.

James Marlow

ABC'S

Or should we retain our splendid isolation, as some thought, turning our faces aside from the spectacle of agony and tyranny which lay ahead for those Western European nations who were our spiritual brothers?

All Europe, except England, was gone before we really began to arm. In rearming we insisted upon business-as-usual—an invitation to disaster which overtook us 10 years ago at Pearl Harbor. Overnight we took leadership.

When victory came our allies climbed back out of the cellar of history. Together with them we created the United Nations. This time we joined. Our isolation seemed over. Not quite. Working Russia would be quiet. We were wrong in disarming and wrong about Russia. And we were slow in other things.

We didn't get the big economic help for Europe the Marshall plan, under which in 1947. By then communism had taken Eastern Europe.

CLANG OF CURTAIN

It wasn't until the shock of Czechoslovakia—when the Iron Curtain clanged down over it in 1948—that we set up a military alliance, the Atlantic treaty.

There were still those who yearned to scamper back into isolationism. They opposed the Atlantic pact and they opposed arms to Europe. It was when we planned to put American troops in Europe, to show her we stood beside her in the flesh, that isolationism made its strongest, and perhaps its last stand.

The cry went up—it was called the Great Debate—to keep our strength at home and turn our backs into a fortress behind those two handsome ditches, the Atlantic and Pacific. The cry was rejected.

Still, the shock of Korea in the summer of 1950 was needed to make this country realize time was running out and it had to arm faster.

We're still not rearming as fast as we could. We still like business-as-usual. Is this a repetition of the mistake before Pearl Harbor? We'll know, but if there's another Pearl Harbor.

Gilchrist Hi Presents "The Little Dog Laughed"

GILCHRIST—“The Little Dog Laughed”, a comedy in three acts, produced by the student body of Gilchrist high school, November 30, and directed by Miss Anna B. Dolezal, was a great dramatic and financial success.

Included in the cast were Wally Cory as Wally Huntington, a typical high school student; Ruth Allen as Laurie Huntington, his older sister, just returned from college where she is majoring in psychology; Sherry Greer who portrayed to perfection Martha Huntington, Wally and Laurie's frustrated mother; Bobby Sipe, convincing as Sid Huntington, father of Wally and Laurie and a dealer in cars; Judith Bean, as Gus the moonstruck maid; Wesley Thaw who brought down the house with his zany role of Horatio P. Honeywell, a bird fancier; Sharon Krueger winning the hearts of the crowd with her role of Joan Wood, Wally's girl friend; S. W. Ware portraying Ted Wood, Joan's father and a rival of Sid Huntington; Lillian Wood, Joan's mother, played by Joan B. Pusch; the Dick Aensins enacting the role of

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Military Affairs

WASHINGTON—The nation's capital, a high priority target for any enemy's bombing list, Friday began testing its ability to cope with atomic attack.

Unlike such other big cities as New York, the Washington emphasis so far has been heavy on military effort to keep enemy bombers away, lighter on the civilian defense phase.

Friday, defense organizations started a two-day test of the command and communication machinery which would direct aerial and ground protection of Washington. It was entirely a "paper" exercise, with no planes or troops involved.

The military district of Washington announced the exercise was based on a "theoretical atomic and high explosive bombing of Washington." Involved in the command post exercise is the military district of Washington, the air force, the Potomac river command of the navy, the national guard, coast guard, civil aeronautics administration and civil defense organizations of Washington, Maryland and Virginia.

Primary defenses of the capital include a wing of air force fighter interceptor planes and a system of anti-aircraft units.

Recently all three squadrons of the interceptor wing—the 11th with headquarters at Newcastle, Del.—were equipped with Lockheed F-94 all-weather fighters. Their mission is to locate and knock down enemy bombers in any kind of weather, day or night.

The three squadrons are deployed over as many bases—the 12th at Andrews base, Md., ten miles from Washington; the 142nd at New Castle, the 148th at Dover, Del. The wing is an air national guard organization which has been inducted into federal service.

The army, without going into details on the number of batteries or their location, says it believes the anti-aircraft defenses of Washington are "adequate."

Presumably these batteries, like the interceptor forces, are deployed outside the District of Columbia. The reason is the same in both instances: modern bombers travel so high and so fast that interception or gunfire siter a bomber formation had reached city limits would be too late.

Besides its strategic importance, Washington is an ideal target for atomic bombing, for two reasons:

1. The city lies just 7 1/2 minutes flying time from Chesapeake bay and with distinctive clusters of built-up and park area, it is easily identified on a radar screen.

2. Most of the important government buildings—including the White House, Capitol and Pentagon—are situated in a broad flat valley with no hills or ridges to reduce the lateral blast effect of an airburst atomic bomb.

Washington has not made either detailed preparations for civilian shelter areas nor gone through full-scale air raid drills like the one recently conducted in New York, where the population hustled off city streets when raid sirens sounded.

Only recently has the federal government itself started preparations within government buildings. Within the past few days, air raid precaution placards have been posted in the Pentagon, designated wardens and assigning shelter areas.

Construction work is under way, but will not be completed for a long time, on an alternate "Pentagon" at Ft. Ritchie, Md. There underground offices and extensive wire and radio systems are being installed so that the military's high command could move to the mountains should Washington undergo or be threatened with enemy attack.

Tacoma Death Case Pushed

TACOMA—Search for the missing "Bob" in the pending murder trial of Bill Smith Jr., accused of the 1948 slaying of 17-year-old Noreen McNicholas here, was being conducted in San Antonio, Texas, today.

Last Tuesday, Chief Criminal deputy Sheriff Dick McCreadie and Chief Criminal Deputy Prosecutor Charles W. Billingshurf mysteriously left Tacoma for an undisclosed location in connection with the case.

Today the Associated Press said they are in San Antonio searching for a missing witness in a murder case.

Meanwhile, the trial date for Smith is expected to be set for January 7 when he comes up for a plea before Judge Bartlett Rummel on Monday.

Several other motions are expected to be presented to Judge Rummel by defense attorneys as soon as the plea is entered. Last week, Judge Hugh J. Rossellini dismissed the old case against Smith, and prosecutor John O'Connell filed the charge again.

Defense attorneys asked for a change from Judge Rossellini's court and the case was assigned to Judge Rummel.

On a previous motion for continuance, O'Connell had said he knew the location of "Bob," but that the plea is entered. Last week it would take time to apprehend him and learn his story.

"Bob" is the missing eye-witness to the McNicholas girl's murder, according to Ellis Mae Cooper who claims to have seen the killing of her girl friend.

Wilson Review To Be Filed Soon

PORTLAND—A petition for a writ of review for the condemned Wilson brothers must be filed within 90 days, attorneys Irvin Goodman and Sanford Clement said yesterday.

A stay of execution to permit filing the petition was granted to Turman and Utah Wilson Monday by Associate Justice William O. Douglas. The brothers have twice been sentenced to hang for the kidnap-murder of Jo Ann D... Vancouver, Wash., in March, 1950.

VICE-PRESIDENT

SAN FRANCISCO—D. J. McGonney will become vice president of the Southern Pacific Co. January 1, the railroad's president-elect, D. J. Russell announced today. McGonney started with S.P. in 1911 in the accounting office in San Francisco.

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Ship Firemen Eye Pay Deal

SAN FRANCISCO—The marine firemen's union is considering an employers' proposal, not made public, which may avert a threatened tieup of West Coast non-military ships.

The proposal was made by the Pacific maritime association after MFU members voted yesterday against signing the required sailing articles on non-military ships until granted high base pay.

A union spokesman said 12 ships in San Francisco would be affected in the next few days by the firemen's action. Three ships tied up in Seattle were held in Puget sound.

Vincent J. Malone, union president, said his men are insisting that PMA carry out the terms of what he calls "a favored nation agreement."

This agreement, signed July 3, calls for a contract reopening prior to December 30, 1951, if between June 16 and that date the PMA grants higher wages and better working conditions to any other unionized seamen's union.

Wednesday, PMA agreed to a 5.2 percent wage increase for the unaffiliated marine cooks and stewards union.

Clever Hoax Keeps Father Out Of Jail

DETROIT—Because his three children have innocent faces and glib tongues, 40-year-old Merrill Bolstar is home with his family instead of serving a 10-day jail term.

But because they also have vivid imaginations, recorder's court officials know it was a nicely executed hoax that got him out.

Bolstar's children—Merrill Jr., 15, Harold, 13, and Barbara, 11—showed up at court Wednesday when he was due to pay a \$5 fine or go to jail on a charge of drunkenness. They took along a couple of neighbor children, aged 15 and 13, to make their case look more convincing, and the neighbors also identified themselves as little Bolstars.

The children explained they had been saving \$5 for their mother's Christmas present, "but it was more important to get daddy out of jail."

Judge George Murphy dismissed the charges against Bolstar and told the children to keep their money.

But later reporters noted the ages of the children and decided they couldn't all be members of one family. Pressed for an explanation, Barbara said:

"We lied to get daddy out of jail. Sirens told us to borrow the \$5 from the grocery and tell him we would pay him Saturday."

Grocer Sam Cini confirmed her story.

"I just wanted to help the kids out," he explained.

Grain Dump Gets First Tryout

PORTLAND—A pilot trial can dump a 20-ton load of grain in 15 minutes or less was given a trial run here yesterday.

The hoist, with a capacity of 50 tons, does the trick by tipping a loaded truck and trailer to a 35-degree angle and letting the grain run into storage bins.

Yesterday's 20-ton load was in a 35,000 pound truck and trailer, belonging to the Portland-Pendleton Transport company. The grain came from the J. T. Llewellyn and son farm at Adams, Ore.

The hoist, one of the largest of its kind in the northwest, was built by Pacific Coast Engineering company, Alameda, Calif., for Kerr Gifford Co.

It's hoped that with a bit of practice, operators will be able to dump a 20-ton load in eight to 10 minutes.

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Nervous Woman Nowadays Needs Doc for Friend

LOS ANGELES—The nervous woman of today is "a scared and lonely individual in need of a friend," and she needs sympathy more than medical treatment, says a California diagnostician.

She is a product of the machine age and is frustrated and confused by its speed, competition and complexity. Dr. Earl O. G. Schmitt, San Jose, Calif., told the American Medical Assoc.

There are five kinds of nervous women, Dr. Schmitt said. These are:

1. Those 65 or over.
2. Women in the menopause.
3. The young matron.
4. The recently married woman whose husband may be in service.
5. The "missed by marriage" women.

A surprisingly large number of these women are "unhappy" and worried about matters of sex," Dr. Schmitt said. This situation is made worse, he added, by the fact that many doctors neglect the subject or are incapable of giving useful advice about it.

The flood of current books and articles about sex are evidence of this wide uncertainty and confusion, he said. The much-discussed Kinsey report, though it may be well-intentioned, likely will not help the confused woman and may even have a "very damaging effect on the proper understanding of sex problems and on the dignity of sex in the lives of many otherwise sane-minded women."

One cause of frustration, Dr. Schmitt said, is due to inability to keep up with some other person doing a job. Sometimes this other person is the husband who has a great capacity for work. Out-classed, the woman becomes frustrated.

What many of these women need, the diagnostician said, is a doctor to whom they can tell the entire story and be sure of getting a sympathetic hearing.

One drawback to this, he added, is that males, including doctors themselves, have much to learn about nervous women.

Work is good medicine, he said. "I have a firm conviction that more nervous women are created over the bridge table than over the wash tub."

These women should be encouraged to find something or someone on whom they can trust and believe. Many would do better if they returned to religion, he said.

New Lakeview Toy Plant Starts as Man's Hobby

LAKEVIEW—A new toy manufacturing industry has taken root in Lakeview, a small operation at present as the two brothers-in-law partners feel their way into making and selling toys that utilize locally produced ponderosa pine, particularly mill ends and other pieces which are top grade except for small imperfections which would be burned as waste or sold as cheap fuel otherwise.

John Gray, Postville, Ida., and his brother-in-law, John Hanson, Lakeview, are the partners who are finding that their products are in special demand because they take

Photo Snares Young Yegg

HARTFORD, Conn.—"I knew she'd get me in trouble," grumbled the nine-year-old boy when the policeman showed him a snapshot of a woman in a nightgown which was picked up near the scene of a parking lot burglary.

The policeman was looking for \$32 and \$80 worth of checks which disappeared yesterday from a cash drawer in the parking lot of ice.

The investigation had just started when a woman handed two detectives several checks and the snapshot of a little girl. She had found them in a gutter near the parking lot. The snapshot turned out to be a picture of the nine-year-old boy's girl friend.

The next clue came from an attendant at a nearby gas station. He had just "shooed off two kids who wanted to change a five dollar bill," he said.

Shortly thereafter the detectives found two boys, nine and 10 years old.

One of them flashed a plastic popgun at Sergeant Joseph Meany. "Don't get tough with me," piped the youngster. "I know my rights. I want to talk to a cop."

Meany said the boys, who had several dollars in change in their pockets, led him and his fellow officer to two money caches. One was in the parking lot itself, the other behind a nearby building.

Other money had been given to three young friends of the pair. The parents of all five have been notified to present them in juvenile court.

All the money has been recovered, except for \$1.50.

That was what the plastic popgun cost.

Soviets Hold Westerners

BERLIN—An anti-Soviet underground movement reported today East Germany has imprisoned at least 50,000 men and women as "dangerous" to the Communist regime.

The fighting group against ineptly said in a report that the East zone government had jailed 24,000 for political activity. Another 10,000 were listed as a combination of "political and criminal" violators. Eight thousand were classified as "economic saboteurs" and an equal number were reported awaiting judgment.

None of these 50,000, the report said, have been included in the amnesty of 20,000 prisoners promised by the East German regime as part of its campaign for all-Germany elections.

The amnesty announced several months ago has lately been cloaked in silence. The Communist press trumpeted the first announcement but has not referred to it since.

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