

Monkey Wrench Enters Once More

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Ho-hum news; Senator McCarthy and Dr. Robert L. Johnson, outgoing head of our overseas information service, are engaged in a bitter and weary war over what constitutes an "acceptable" book for U.S. information libraries abroad.

That word "acceptable" turns the hair up on the back of my neck. So far as I am concerned, any book "acceptable" at the moment to read, is UNACCEPTABLE. ANY book is any book that anybody tries to force me to read. I imagine most Europeans feel the same way about it—especially the realistic Germans, the cynical and sophisticated Austrians and the able-minded Czechs. (We don't need to mention the Russians, for they'd be shot against a wall if caught reading anything but orthodox party-line stuff.)

If I had my way about it, I'd stock our "information libraries" abroad with American newspapers and magazines—especially our better class weekly magazines. Between them, they hold the mirror up to life as it is lived in America.

Reading them, an average European can get a pretty accurate picture of Americans as they ARE instead of as some starry-eyed and usually a little fruitily propagandist wants to picture them.

I suppose I'd have to include some books, if so, I'd load the list rather heavily with Mark Twain. He wrote of us as he SAW us—and he saw us pretty accurately. He poked a lot of fun at us, but he saw a lot of good in us. I'm sure I'd put in Stewart Edward White's Andy Burnett stories. Everybody loves good, clean adventure, with another red-skin biting the dust. Stewart Edward White, one of the great story tellers of all time, saw the future accurately—some of them admirably good, some of them very characters. Just like white men.

Poetry? You'll laugh at this. I'd throw in some of Walt Whitman's stuff. He wrote a lot of doggerel but he got down to America's grass roots.

Also I'd include some of Graham Dean's Western adventure stories for boys. Professionally, Graham is the modest and able editor, owner and publisher of the Ashland Tidings and the Yreka Siskiyou News, right here in our own glamorous state of Jefferson. By avocation, he is a writer of books. They are thrillers that you can't put aside until you've finished them. They point a truthful camera at our Western life.

We need greatly to reach and inform and impress the YOUTH of Europe. They're the generation of the future. Europe's hard-boiled old sinners are beyond reform—if they NEED reform. If they don't, they're all right anyway.

I wish we had better histories of America. Too many stuffed shirts have written about our history. Too many namby-pambys, among others, including those who picture George Washington as a grown-up Little Lord Fauntleroy when as a matter of fact he was exactly the kind of person you'd love to have along on a rough and rugged hunt or fishing trip, with just enough but not too much snake-bite remedy included among the supplies.

The harm these namby-pambys do is exceeded only by that wrought by the debunkers whose poisonous objective is to convince us that all of our great men have been heels.

If I were stocking our "information" libraries for Europe, I'd go in strong for biographies of our truly great, making sure that sympathetic treatment of our Founding Fathers was included. A nation's greatness lies in the greatness of its leaders.

I've been reading lately Costain's "Pageant of England." Costain is a novelist who is just beginning to try his hand at history. He brings to the writing of history the novelist's technique of making MEN live. His living pictures of William the Marshal and Simon de Montfort will explain to you as nothing else can why the history of the more recent world has been so greatly influenced by the history of England.

Personally, I don't think much of our "propaganda" efforts in Europe and elsewhere in the world. As between propaganda and a snake, I'll unhesitatingly choose the snake—every time. In trying to picture ourselves to the rest of the world, we've relied too much on propaganda and too little on the simple truth.

Involuntary Good Turns Faced By Scouts

JAMBOREE CITY, Calif. (AP)—Who's lost a dental brace, hawk, sombrero or part of a tuba? Those are a few of the hundreds of items being held today in the lost-and-found section of the Boy Scout Jamboree. Others include 70 pairs of glasses and sunglasses, wrist watches, 12 pairs of shoes and 25 knives.

If not claimed here or by letter after the jamboree ends, an official said, the items will be distributed to underprivileged children.

S. Korean Ultimatum Snarls Truce

SEOUL (AP)—Defiant Syngman Rhee and his foreign minister handed the United Nations Command double-barreled ultimatums today which threatened to wreck a Korean truce that appeared only days away.

Rhee issued an angry statement that South Korea will give a post-war political conference 90 days to "persuade the (Chinese Red) aggressors" to withdraw from North Korea.

"If their efforts fail," the fiery old patriot declared, "we shall be at liberty to follow our own course of action."

Foreign Minister Pyun Yung Tal, in an even stronger statement, said the basis for American-South Korea compromise has been destroyed. Pyun warned that South Korea would act independently unless the United States repudiates some assurances given the Communists which the Reds announced at Panmunjom last Sunday. The assurances opened the way for a quick armistice.

Rhee's sudden statement came as the U. S. State Department sent a secret note to Rhee. It presumably dealt with South Korea's role in the armistice. Pyun said the note contained "nothing new."

How the Reds will react to Rhee's ultimatum was the big question as staff officers continued work at Panmunjom on final details of a truce. There has been speculation that an armistice would be signed within the week.

Pyun, considered Rhee's closest adviser, declared, "The United Nations is now trying to legalize any action on our part to achieve our unification."

He said Rhee made "actually no" pledges in his talks with Walter Robertson, U. S. assistant secretary of state. They were aimed at soothing South Korean resistance to the truce.

Rhee said the major problem blocking "real peace" was the withdrawal of Chinese Communist troops from North Korea after a cease-fire.

Kalpine to Go On 4-Day Week

Effective Monday, July 27, Kalpine Plywood plants in Klamath Falls and Anderson, Calif., will temporarily go on a four-day work week schedule, according to Klamath Falls Manager Steve Michael.

A full inventory and overstocked warehouses are given as the reason for the schedule shift, says Michael, and the move is to be only temporary pending a study of market conditions in the industry as a whole.

About 300 men will be affected in the two areas. Full crews will be on shift during the working days, however, says Michael.

Several other large producers in the industry have already taken this move it is understood, until such time as a thorough survey is completed.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through Thursday with high of 85; low Wednesday night 46.

High yesterday 89

Low last night 55

Precip last 24 hours 0

Since Oct. 1 14.57

Normal for period 12.31

Same period last year 17.11

A year ago in Klamath Falls it was 86 with a comfortable 48 at night.



CITY ENGINEER Taxi Thomas is the subject for today's nine o'clock cameraman.

LIVING COSTS HIGHEST

Elizabeth II Reportedly Graciously Okay to Marry Divorced Margaret

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LONDON (AP)—The government indicated Wednesday that Queen Elizabeth II has given permission to her sister, Princess Margaret, to marry a divorced man.

The man is Group Capt. Peter Townsend, British air attaché at the embassy in Brussels. He is 39 and the princess is 32.

The acting Prime Minister, Richard A. Butler, told the House of Commons that the government proposes to introduce legislation to amend the regency act of 1937. A change in the act would make it easier for Margaret to follow her heart's desire if she wants to marry the divorced air hero.

Opposition Leader Clement Attlee asked if the contents of the proposed bill was agreeable to all members of the royal family. Butler replied in the affirmative and said the personal feelings of all concerned should be respected by everybody and "the pleasurable speculation brought to an end."

Under the present regency act, Margaret would be required to marry a peer. Charles, 4, was the prince's husband.

Townsend brought a divorce action against his wife, on grounds of misconduct, but the Church of England frowned on remarriage of all divorced persons.

Margaret must have her older sister's permission to marry.

Butler did not go into details but presumably Margaret's responsibilities as regent would be transferred to the Duke of Edinburgh, husband of the Queen.

Townsend was a "Battle of Britain" pilot in World War II. In 1944 he was appointed squerry (aide) to the late King George VI under a scheme for obtaining "equerries of honor" from the ranks of war heroes.

In July, 1941, he married Rosemary Pawle. There were two children, Giles and Hugo. Last fall the handsome officer divorced his wife on grounds of misconduct.

During recent months the RAF officer has been seen frequently with the princess. They rode together in Windsor Park, went to theaters and dined out with friends.

Earlier this month while Princess Margaret and Queen Mother Elizabeth were touring Southern Rhodesia, Townsend's connections with the court were severed.

He was posted as air attaché to the Brussels embassy, and left to take up his new duties 48 hours before Princess Margaret arrived back in London. Some London newspapers said he was being exiled.

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate passed 60-16 last night a bill to get the government out of the synthetic rubber business but it attached an amendment some senators claimed might prevent sale of the government-owned 25 plants.

The measure, asked by President Eisenhower, now goes to a Senate conference with the House, which approved it in a form lacking many of the Senate provisions.

The amendment which supporters of the bill said might be fatal was sponsored by Sen. Russell Long (D-La.) and adopted 47-33, with Democrats supplying most of the "yes" votes.

Long's amendment would permit either branch of Congress to veto any of the sales individually. As reported by the Banking Committee, the bill would have required the Senate or House to accept or reject the disposal program in one package.

Sen. Capehart (R-Ind.), Banking Committee chairman, argued that the long amendment would keep private companies from bidding on the plants. He said they would fear Congress might turn down some of the sales, and thus leave part of the plants under government operation in competition with private business.

But Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas told him, "You can walk out any entrance to this Senate chamber right now, and you will find plenty of people who want to buy these plants."

The 25 plants were built in World War II at a cost of \$18 million dollars.

Cow-Dodger Has Car Towed In

An attempt to dodge a cow on the OIT road resulted in a minor car accident Tuesday night.

Francis K. Mulvey, fire chief at OIT, was traveling down hill toward Klamath Falls when he spotted a stray cow on the highway. He swerved and ran off the road.

A Baisiger wrecker towed the 1952 Mercury in. No one was hurt.

APPENDIX

Donnie Morrison, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Morrison, 159 Hillside, is recuperating at Klamath Valley Hospital from an emergency appendectomy performed Sunday night. He expects to be released within a couple of days.

Funeral arrangements are in charge of Ward's Funeral Home. Services will be held 2 p.m. Thursday. Final rites and interment will be at Klamath Memorial Park.

Wilson resigned as president of General Motors to take the defense post.

Morse said that Gen. Omar Bradley, retiring chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, supported a larger Air Force appropriation and declared: "I'll take his judgment anytime to the judgement of the President."

In the spring of 1950, Eisenhower, as a former chairman of the joint chiefs, was called before the Senate Appropriations Committee for his views on defense budget needs. He was then president of Columbia University.

The Truman administration at that time was fighting to hold down the military appropriation. It aimed for an Air Force of 48 wings and was contending with groups in Congress which wanted 70.

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Swimming Pool Slated For Early August Start

Mayor Paul Landry told the Herald and News this morning that "we expect to start construction on the swimming pool shortly after the first of the month."

This optimistic statement by the city's top official followed a meeting last night by the swimming pool committee in which they made three recommendations which will be up for City Council consideration Monday night in its regular session.

The swimming pool committee recommended that (1) the pool contract be awarded the Padlock Engineering Co. of San Francisco; (2) the bath house construction be given Truman Construction Co. of Klamath Falls and (3) the well-digging job go to Wilson Well-Drilling Co. of Merrill.



RANGER was once a happy, care-free dog in Memphis, Tenn. That was before he met a couple of automobiles head-on. Recently a car plowed into Ranger and broke his left leg. Then, while he was out for his daily hobble, July 20, wham — another car — another broken leg.

Long Congress Hours Bemoaned By Senate Pair

WASHINGTON (AP)—Two senators cautioned their colleagues last night they may have to pay a price for the long hours they are working in a drive to adjourn by the end of the month.

"I wonder how many times men like Willis Smith have to drop dead," said Sen. Anderson, (D-MN), before sessions are shortened. Sen. Smith (D-NC) died recently of a heart attack. Sen. Morse (Ind-Ore.) said several senators had worn themselves out for their own self-protection.

Acting Republican Leader Knowland of California said he thought the pace was not too grueling. He said he may ask another late session tonight.

Joint GOP Picnic Sunday

A joint picnic venture, sponsored by three Republican groups—the Chillicothe men and women, the Klamath County Central Committee and the Klamath County Republican Club—is to be held, 3:30 p.m. Sunday at Collier Park on U. S. 97.

Speakers of the day will be Jess Gard, Republican National Committeeman from Oregon, Mrs. Olive Cornett National Committeewoman for the party, and State Senator Phil Hitchcock.

A full program of entertainment for adults and young people has been arranged, including games, contests and prizes.

Gathering time for eating has been set for 1:30 p.m. Those attending should take family picnic lunches. Soft drinks, coffee and potato salad will be furnished by joint committees of the groups.

Those lacking transportation will be taken to the picnic site if 2-3377 is called.

Everyone is invited to attend this Republican outing.

Alturas Man Hits Monument, Hurt

TULELAKE — Al Reed, Alturas, moving by truck to Milwaukie, Ore., narrowly escaped serious injury Saturday morning when the pickup he was driving was completely demolished when he crashed into a stone monument South of Tulelake on Highway 139.

Reed, about 30, was enroute south to Alturas when Charles K. Wiese, president of the Tulelake Growers Association, drove from a side road on the left of the highway. Apparently Reed failed to see the Wiese car and nicked Wiese's front bumper and fender, throwing his own vehicle into the side of the road and the pile of stone.

Eye-witnesses said the monument was moved two inches from its concrete base.

The Wiese car was not badly damaged, nor Wiese injured.

Reed, thrown clear of the wreck, landed in a nearby field with head cuts and body bruises. He was taken by Tulelake ambulance to Klamath Valley Hospital but following emergency treatment, refused further help.

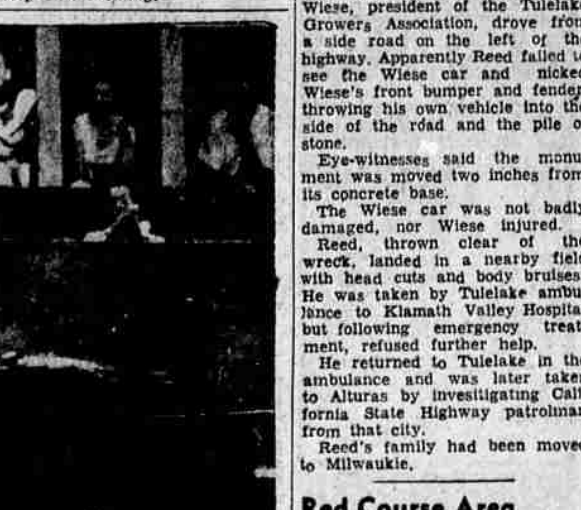
He returned to Tulelake in the ambulance and was later taken to Alturas by investigating California State Highway patrolman from that city.

Reed's family had been moved to Milwaukie.

Red Course Area Representative Due

Robert H. Smith, First Aid and Water Safety representative for the Pacific Area of the American Red Cross, will visit the local chapter, Thursday and Friday. It was announced today by Virginia Dixon, executive secretary.

Anyone wishing to confer with him regarding classes of instruction in either first aid or water safety may do so by calling Red Cross Headquarters, 7184.



BARLEY MEET speaker Harold F. Hollands, professor of agricultural economics at Oregon State College, will be on hand at the big barley improvement meeting scheduled for Tulelake on July 30. The meeting will be held at the Marcha Theater and will be followed by a field trip on the 31st.

High-Points Of Truman Times Beat

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government reported Wednesday that rising food prices forced living costs to a record high between May and June.

Besides higher food costs, canceling out most of the grocery store price declines which took place earlier this year, price boosts were reported for housing, medical care and such things as cigarettes and beer in some cities.

The index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics rose four-tenths of one per cent between mid-May and mid-June. This put the index at 114.5 per cent of the 1947-48 average.

This means that the consumer paid in June nearly \$1.15 for what he could buy for a dollar in the 1947-48 period.

The prior living cost high record was registered last August and November at 114.3. Wednesday's new index for June at 114.5 was two-tenths of one per cent higher.

June living costs were one per cent above a year ago, and 12.5 per cent above the level when the Korean War began in June, 1950.

It was the first time since President Eisenhower removed wage and price controls shortly after taking office that the government living cost index topped anything reached under the former Truman administration.

Food prices in June had returned about to the level of last December, wiping out the decline realized during the late winter and spring months.

The sharpest rise among foods was in fruits and vegetables, up 6.8 per cent between May and June. Meats, poultry and fish rose 1.8 per cent as a group, with pork alone advancing about 6 per cent during the month.

Veal and beef prices rose slightly for the first time since last September.

Higher prices for telephone service, dry cleaning and laundry helped boost the index. A number of items of home repair also were higher.

The bureau said that a substantial rise in residential rents in Cincinnati following decontrol there last May helped boost the nation's rent index between May and June by two-tenths of one per cent.

Clothing costs declined a bit, as did much things as prices of toys, radios and television sets. But higher prices were reported for drugs, dental services and movie admissions.

Many labor contracts carry clauses fixing wage rates to changes in the government index. Contracts covering about 100,000 workers were thus affected.

Wednesday's index, mainly in the aircraft and glass industries.

The Labor Department said that among firms having "escalator" clauses geared to the index are Lockheed, Douglas, and Consolidated-Vultee aircraft companies and the Pittsburgh Plate Glass and Libbey-Owens-Ford glass companies.

Crash Victim's Mother Dies

The second death in the Foster family on the Klamath Indian reservation in less than 48 hours was recorded yesterday when Mrs. Ellen Foster, 59, died at the home of a sister, Alice Jackson, Chillicothe.

Mrs. Foster, a resident of Klamath County for 30 years, was the mother of Ralph Foster, 31, victim of an automobile wreck late Monday east of Chillicothe.

She is believed to have died from natural causes.

Surviving are five sons, Raymond, Harold, John and Andrew, Beatty; Alex, serving in the U.S. Army; four daughters, Julia Barney, Sprague River; Dora, Anna, Joan and Winnie Foster, Beatty; a sister, Alice Jackson, Chillicothe; two brothers, Eugene and Emory Parker, Beatty; also five grandchildren.

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