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# The United Nations

By FLOYD WYNNE

To properly evaluate the worth of the United Nations it is necessary that we review some of its accomplishments during the eight years of its existence.

In the field of international disputes, these can be attributed in a great measure to the United Nations.

1. The withdrawal of Russian troop from Iran in 1946.

2. The withdrawal of French and British troops from Syria and Lebanon also in 1946.

3. The present armistice agreement between the Jews and the Arabs in Palestine, shaky as it may be today.

4. Intervention in the Greek-Balkan dispute which was eventually settled by American aid.

5. Independence secured for Indonesia when a U.N. commission arranged for withdrawal of Dutch troops from the capital city, and the return of the fugitive Indonesian Republican government. Negotiation then brought the Indonesians their independence.

6. Some measure of credit for eventual settlement of the Berlin Blockade.

7. The big example, of course, has been the Korean war. While it is true that many of the member nations of the U.N. failed to live up to their pledge by fully supporting the U.N. action in Korea, none-the-less, the U.N. action as a whole is all that could conceivably have been expected. It is true that it was the United States which brought the United Nations into the Korean dispute, not the other-way-around. Henry Cabot Lodge pointed out recently that the United States did get two divisions worth of assistance in military forces from U. N. member nations. He pointed out, also, that two such divisions would have cost us $600,000,000 whereas we actually have contributed only $25,000,000 thus far to the U. N. While it was a hesitating step in the direction of collective world action against aggression, it was never-the-less a step in the right direction and for that we have nothing but commendation.

Now, that much has been accomplished in the matter of international disputes.

In other fields there have been great accomplishments also.

World Health: The WHO (World Health Organization) is waging a determined campaign against malaria, tuberculosis and venereal diseases. Investigations are underway in Mediterranean countries and in South America into tuberculosis. WHO has provided medical services for Arab refugees in Palestine, aid to Ecuador during a bad earthquake, fought a cholera epidemic in Egypt, . .and is waging an unceasing effort to combat malaria wherever found. Those are just some of their efforts in this direction.

Education: This commission is fighting for a universal respect for human rights. They are making strides toward replacing libraries and schools destroyed by war. They have arranged for scholarships, exchange of teachers and students in efforts to promote better understandings among nations and peoples of the world.

Food and Agriculture: FAO's primary purpose is to combat famine in the world. It is attempting to do this by better educating the farmers of the world. They have found better ways to improve the production of rice, staple food for almost half of the people of the world. They have developed vaccines against insects and diseases that affect plants and animals. This commissions work may lead to an eventual international granary into which can be funnelled all surplus food of the world, and resold to those nations needing it.

Children: UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund) is working primarily to aid the children of the world. This group has made valuable contributions on behalf of the millions of sick and homeless children left in the wake of World War II.

Now, that should be enough to point out that the United Nations is not idle, nor is it an organization devoted exclusively to the keeping of the peace.

Besides the material benefit that has emanated from the United Nations, it is only fair that we discuss also the mental results of this organization upon the nations and the peoples of the world.

The desire for world peace is not confined to the United States. The advent of the United Nations has presented the small nations of the world an opportunity to expound their demands for freedom from colonial empires and has permitted them to pile new fuel on the fires of their own individual national aspirations. But, in the main, the majority of them desire world peace. Some of them are willing to pay almost any price to secure peace, others want peace, but are careful of the price they pay.

However, the power of these smaller nations of the world is not to be under-estimated. There have been changes made in the United Nations, changes that now nullify to some extent the veto powers of the Big Five in the Security Council, and these changes have come about because of the recommendations of some of the small countries.

In 1947, the move was made to set up an interim Assembly to the period of time that the General Assembly was not in session. Every member nation would have one representative on this little assembly, but no nation would have a veto power. Russia voiced vigorous objections, but in the end, the General Assembly had its way, and there is no veto in the General Assembly. Thus the way is paved for instant action should something arise to threaten world peace and the Security Council becomes deadlocked by veto.

Then in 1950, the General Assembly decided that a strict interpretation of the U. N. Charter gave them the right to take up any dispute that threatened world peace, providing the Security Council did not then have the item on its agenda, or provided the Security Council had been paralyzed on the issue by the use of the veto by one of its permanent members. However, the matter of actual sanctions against nations still lies within the realm of the Security Council.

Thus, the veto power of the Security Council has been partially circumvented.

The United Nations is gradually being re-formed and re-constituted so that it can eventually be the peace-keeper as it was orignally intended to be.

This then is a brief summary of the more important actions that have been accomplished by the United Nations, as well as a look at the changes already made in the internal workings of the organization itself.

Tomorrow: Let us look at the unfavorable side of the U. N., and appraise also its future.

## Vet's Mailbag

Veterans with GI insurance policies, both from World War I and World War II, can save a lot of bother and a little money, Veterans Administration points out, by one simple act.

If you have the extra money on hand, you can make three per cent on your insurance premium by paying your premium in advance. The law permits veterans who pay a year ahead a discount of three per cent, and also permits quarterly or semi-annual payments at a reduced rate.

The advantage is to both the veteran and the government. The veteran avoids the risk of forgetting that "pay every month" deal, twelve times a year. And it enables VA to reduce the number of premium notices it mails, thereby effecting a saving for both the veteran and the government.

The exact arrangements, VA said, are up to you—the policy holder. If you desire to change the method of payment, write the VA district office handling your account, and ask how much you can save and request the change in frequency of payment.

VA says you'll save both worry and a little money by doing so.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Q. I am learning to be an automobile mechanic as an on-the-job trainee under the Korean GI Bill. After I finish, would it be possible to get a GI business loan to open my own repair shop, even though I will have used up my entitlement to GI training?

A. Yes. The GI training and loan programs are separate benefits. The fact that you have used your training benefit in no way affects your rights to the GI loan benefit.

MISS PEANUT

DOTHAN, Ala. (AP) — Judges are looking for an appropriate girl to crown Miss Peanut of 1953 in a festival honoring the money making crop.

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## They'll Do It Every Time — By Jimmy Hatlo

## Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP) — The next time your wife complains she is getting pudgy and doesn't know how to regain her schoolgirl figure—tell her to go jump in the English Channel.

That is, of course, if she can swim.

"I certainly can recommend channel swimming for any woman who wants to lose weight," said Florence Chadwick, who has swam more channels than you find on the average television set.

Before swimming the English Channel — it was getting so habit-forming with her she has finally given it up — Florence beefs up to a rugged 156 pounds by eating four hefty meals a day.

"I usually lose about five pounds crossing the channel," she said.

This summer she wound up a great career by paddling across every European channel where swimmers race against time. She swam from England to France, across the Gibraltar Straits, the Bosporus and the Dardanelles. Previously she had set a record from Catalina Island to the California mainland.

She is now 33, the same age at which Alexander the Great found no more worlds to conquer. But she isn't weeping about it. She simply is retiring.

"I've swam all the channels that have a record — and I hold the records," she said. "So now is the time for me to quit. It was always a sport with me. I don't want to go on and become a stunt artist. I want to be remembered as an athlete."

Florence has slimmed down to 144, and has about ten pounds more to go before she'll be happy.

"I don't drink or smoke and have never tasted coffee in my life," she said. "But I sure love candy. That's my downfall. Sometimes I wake up with a chocolate hangover."

How can a pretty woman—and she is quite pretty and feminine—beat the world's most rugged men at the arduous game of distance swimming?

"Why, it's a known fact that women have less strength but more endurance than men," she said, as if surprised at the question. "So the longer the event, the better chance we have of breaking men's records."

Florence started competitive swimming at 6, and failed to place in one of her first races because she dropped her gum and stopped to look for it.

Her story is the saga of a girl who picked a dream young and stayed with it until she made it come true.

"My childhood idol was Gertrude Ederle—she still is—and I decided I wanted to swim the English Channel as she had."

Florence worked two years in Arabia as a comptometer operator for an oil company to save $5,000 for the first of her three successful trips across the English Channel. Her tour this summer was sponsored by E. W. Stewart, a swim suit manufacturer.

Her success has brought her a good income the last two years but no wealth. She hopes now to try one more channel and stay in it—on her own video sports program.

She figures she has swum an average of 18 miles a weke for the last 27 years—or 25,272 miles, the distance around the earth.

"I wish I had a penny for every mile I've swam," she said, then looked a bit depressed when told that would come to exactly $252.72.

She still swims a mile every day before breakfast "to keep loosened up."

"I've been spending too much time in the water to have any romance in my life," she remarked. "But I haven't been lonely. If I get feeling mixed up, I jump in the water—and then I can think things through better.

"You know, those wolves ashore can cause more trouble than any sharks you meet in the water."


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## ALONG NATURE'S TRAIL
## By KEN McLEOD

Every year we find catastrophe literally shouting at us in headlines in our daily papers as some destructive force of Nature is turned loose upon the land — destructive, that is, in the eyes of man for man in all his conceit stands impotent before the forces of Nature. Man—the egotistical conqueror of Nature—trembles when Nature unleashes her powerful forces of destruction against the puny structures of man and demonstrates to him that after all he is still but her child.

We may go our way confident in our ability to wrest from Nature the very treasures of the earth and ignore all the laws of Nature but every now and then Nature puts on a show of her forces which should be a reminder of Nature's ever present reality — a fact so easily ignored and so often little appreciated.

In a broader sense, to gain a proper perspective of man's place in Nature one really needs to be a philosopher with the ability of Kant, Burroughs, Emerson, Milton and Bryant all combined. But such deep thinking apparently is not within the grasp of us common mortals and so we must be content with merely nibbling at lesser problems and leave the deeper thoughts to the misunderstood gifted few. To them is given the license to work out our true relations to Nature—such is the heavy thinking of the philosopher.

The Nature about which the poet sings is more in our line. However we realize that when we think of and flowers, summer breezes and murmuring streams, we are only touching the hem of Mother Nature's garment, a garment that clothes the whole world with the terrific and destructive as well as the beautiful and beneficient. Still we recognize that it is due to Nature's fairer forms and gentler influences which create the forces and conditions that go hand in hand with the things that have made for our development.

Of savage, elemental Nature, hideous in war and pestilence, black in tempest and earthquakes—the poet and nature writer have but little to say and only the philosopher can place these forces in their true perspective in their relation to the life of man, while some devout souls experience a cosmic chill whenever these subjects are mentioned.

The trembling earth, the hurricane and tornado, the deluge and flood all headlines. These spell catastrophe to man, but to Nature, merely a concomitant of forces in her building of the landscape. There was a time here in our own little basin that we had similar experiences — the earth rocked, the mountains belched fire and molten rock flowed like water across the surface of the land as rivers of liquid fire. There is little doubt but what man was present along toward the end of this period of Nature's building of our country and what was to him—catastrophe—became for us who followed later the foundation of the wondrous fertile land.

But to the untutored savage, in his state of ignorance and superstition he no doubt felt that his world must be truly approaching the end. The earth is shaken periodically from place to place by vibrations we call "earthquakes." This was a natural phenomenon that started many ages before the genus Homo began to walk upon the surface of the earth. The forces that started shaping the earth a billion years ago are still with us and active on this dying cinder in cosmic space.

No doubt, myriads of biological parasites have been terrified by this phenomenon and when man joined this group, he too, failed to understand the forces of natural events, especially the violent and the unusual. Man lacked fact. However, there were a few enterprising individuals who in their alertness discovered it paid off in handsome dividends to rely heavily upon imagination. Thus we discover that the first ideas expressed by primitive man whose life was so closely linked with animals was to resort to animal analogies to explain the primitive forces of Nature. And then with popular growing demand the shrewd primitive thinkers turned more and more into the pathways of the supernatural.

Even today, when the earth rocks a majority of modern men return to the fears of their ancestors. An old professor of mine, asked the question of our class in geology: "What is the first thing to do when you feel the first shock of an earthquake?"

"Run like the devil was after you," said some of the class.

"No," said prof, "the first thing to do is to pull out your watch and note the exact time, then watch and record everything that happens, use your senses to record the display of the forces of Nature at work."

That is the reaction of science, in which the word "fear" holds no place—"caution," yes, but not fear and superstition is the modern attitude.

## Jailed Top Red Gets Head Split By Fellow Con

NEW YORK (AP) — Robert G. Thompson, one of the nation's top Reds, was slugged with a lead pipe Friday by another prisoner in the federal house of detention. Authorities said his head was "split open."

Frank F. Kenton, acting superintendent of the detention pen, said the assault was committed by a Yugoslav, Alexander Pavlovich, who was to be deported Friday night. Kenton said Pavlovich may have done it to stay his deportation.

## IT HAPPENED IN HAWAII

By LOIS STEWART

Bounced out on the tug Mikioi to meet the Lurline this week. Smooth as it was, we never plunge into the side of the Lurline when the big liner silences its engines to rendezvous with the press and well wishers off Diamond Head, without that sensation of having consumed a lead pancake and same is getting fractious.

But once you're on the Lurline, there is no time to commiserate with yourself and mal de mer. You are armed with leis in one hand, if you know anyone coming in, clutching a VIP list in the other. This week included Senator Russell B. Long and his pretty wife—he's the son of the late Huey Long. Their Louisiana drawl was equaled by Mrs. Dorothy Vredenburgh, for four years secretary of the National Democratic party. They were fresh from Chicago and the big feed to fatten the Demo coffers.

Mrs. Vredenburgh was so excited over the mountain of leis that well wishing party members heaped on her shoulders that she's even going for Statehood! In a brief interview she: 1. Said the Republican Victory was a Personal Victory for Eisenhower. 2. She wouldn't be critical yet—believed in giving the president a chance. 3. Would give the Republicans another three years and then—! Whereupon we parted friends as she was having a hard time to keep hands and hips still as the hula girls and musicians were strumming "We're Going to a Hukilau" all over the decks.

She asked me to drop by the Royal Hawaiian for a cocktail. "You'll be entertaining a rabid Republican," we advised the pretty Dorothy.

"Honey," she condescended, "there are a few nice ones. You come anyway!"

This past week has been one where protocol has rubbed elbows with protocol. First, Vice President Nixon and his extremely attractive wife, then Crown Prince Akihito of Japan.

There was a blazing sun bearing down on Hickam Air Force base—that same spot so blasted during the blitz. Out of the sky came the silver plane bearing the round disc proclaiming it a MATS plane. Some thought it was the Vice President's seal but it wasn't. MATS stands for Military Air Transport Service.

All the brass in the Pacific was there. Admiral Radford, now chief of staffs in Washington, has been replaced by Admiral Felix Stump. There were a half dozen admirals, generals, the governor and his wife—both of whom have Hawaiian blood and first leaders of the Hawaiian government to boast an Hawaiian heritage — a band bursting into "Stars and Stripes Forever" and the pop of flash bulbs and the whirl of TV and newsreel cameras.

Within minutes the Nixons were nose deep in leis—orchids, plumeria, ginger, pikake which we know as jasmine, carnation and tuberoses. The leis mounted and soon they were forced to loop them over their arms.

The photographer and the political editor, with me straggling along behind because I couldn't quite figure out what material Pat Nixon's pretty suit was make of (silk and wool faille I found out later), dashed ahead of the cavalcade to get a picture of Nixon passing a flock of school kids at Kalakaua Intermediate.

The next day the crown prince arrived and it was all to do over again. When the prince's car went past our office I was deep in a cup of coffee. Feeling very badly as I'd lost an antique button earring out on the huge Hickam Air Force apron.

It was (my tragic loss) put out over the PA system at Hickam. It will make Ruth Warren very upset to know the earring was found. She thinks I'm disgustingly lucky that way.

Aloha from Hawaii Nei!

## Old Hoss Car Needs Workover

MILWAUKIE, Ore. (AP) — The horse drawn streetcar that sits beside Highway 99E here is getting too much for the Milwaukie Historical Society to handle. It needs repairs and paint and the society is looking for funds for the job.

Reputed to be the first Oregon streetcar, the stubby conveyance bears the inscription "Columbia Land and Improvement Co."


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## Northwest History Highlig

By DAN E. CLARK
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No. 57: Today's question: What were the main features of the Cayuse War?

When news of the Whittman massacre reached the Willamette Valley early on Dec. 6, 1847, there was widespread fear of a general Indian uprising. A small company of "Oregon Rifles" proceeded to The Dalles to guard the Columbia River approach to the settlements. The legislature of the Provisional Government authorized the raising of a regiment of volunteers, of which Cornelius Gilliam (after whom Gilliam County was later named) was selected as Colonel. There was a prompt response to this call and more than 500 men enlisted to fight the Cayuses. Among them was a company of French-Canadians commanded by Captain Thomas McKay, son of Alexander McKay who lost his life on Astor's ship, the Tonguin. Supplies were furnished by the Hudson's Bay Company, which accepted the promissory notes of several prominent American settlers.

The little frontier army proceeded up the Columbia in detachments. A supply base was established at the Cascades and a rude stockade at The Dalles. There were skirmishes with hostile Indians near The Dalles and in the lower Deschutes region, in which five men were killed and others wounded. Somewhat to the embarrassment of Colonel Gilliam a peace commission of three members accompanied the military force, with instructions to keep other powerful tribes from joining the Cayuses. As it turned out the Yakimas, Walla Wallas, and Nez Perces remained friendly to the whites.

After a long and difficult march the volunteers finally reached Waiilatpu, where they found all the buildings burned, the orchards destroyed, and the remains of the victims of the massacre ... over the ground after ha... exhumed by wolves. Th... aroused the fighting spir... men. A fairly large force ... in pursuit of the Indians ... tles were fought north and ... Waillatpu. In most cases ... uses were defeated and ... tired into the mountains wh... suit was impossible. Reinfo... was needed and another ... of about 250 men was ... after fifteen young ladies ... an announcement that the... show no favor to any you... who refused to enlist.

The Cayuses were ... discouraged. In the mounta... lacked ammunition and food ... ly, they yielded to the dem... they surrender the murderers ... Whitman massacre. Five ... were brought down to Oreg... and given a fair trial. A ... guilty was returned and ... Indians were executed by ... on June 3, 1850.

Next Question: What fac... layed the establishment of ... ritory of Oregon?

Clip and paste in your ... scrapbook. (If you have a ... you would like answered ... gon or Northwest history, ... to Dan Dan E. Clark, care ... newspaper.)

## Sam Dawson

NEW YORK (AP) — Christmas shopping got going strong this week—at the wholesale level.

Everyone from piano makers to match book manufacturers are urging dealers to push their particular product as the perfect gift.

They are aiming not only at the great mass of family and individual givers but also at the big business gift market. Business firms are expected to spend 300 million dollars to spread good will among their customers, suppliers and the cop on the beat.

A rising call for many items in preparation for the Christmas sales season is reported this week by wholesalers. Dun & Bradstreet reports that gains in early ordering leads most wholesalers to predict this year will see their best dollar on Yule gift buying. Rising demand is reported for toys, apparel, radios, phonographs, and small appliances.

Retailers usually do around one-fourth of their annual sales volume in November and December. Since last year saw the biggest Christmas business on record, merchants this year will have to strain to top it. But some say they expect business to be up by five to 10 per cent.

The competitive battle for the Christmas gift dollar is fast shaping up as different types of stores strive to move in on the market or increase their share of it.

The nation's 47,000 independent druggists, for example, in the past saw most of the Christmas business going to larger retailers. The corner drug store usually got only that last-minute shopper.

But this year the Druggist' Supply Corp., a merchandising organization for 159 wholesale drug firms, has teamed up with 37 manufacturers to furnish druggists with some seven million copies of a gift catalog. It lists gift ideas ranging from electric coffee makers to rubber giraffes that can be bought at the drug store. The sponsors think it ought to boost sales by four million dollars this Christmas.


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