

Ike Tackles

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good would come out of a four power conference of the United States, Russia, France and Great Britain. The President was told that Prime Minister Churchill of Britain had again advocated such a meeting. Eisenhower smiled and said he had disagreed with the Prime Minister in the past on some matters.

SCHWABE COMMENT

6. Commenting on the case of Col. Frank Schwabe, who "confessed" during the Korean War that U. S. forces resorted to germ warfare, the President declared we should be careful to be understanding in judging such cases. He added that he had read that it is practically impossible for anyone to endure the type of brain washing to which some of our men were subjected as captives.

7. Confirmed that he is telling everyone he can reach, as he put it, that he wants emphasis on the positive aspects of the administration's program. Negative things, he added, never make for happiness among people.

8. Touched off a laugh in remarking that he ought to be rapidly impeached if he got so rigid that he could not decide any matter in the best interests of the country. That was prompted by a question on whether he would disapprove any future international executive agreements which contravene the internal law of the country.

FARM SURPLUS

9. Declared surplus farm commodities, such as butter, should be disposed of in ways which are advantageous to the United States. That was his answer when asked for his view on possibility of selling butter to Russia, at 40 to 50 cents a pound provided the same butter were offered to American consumers at the same reduced prices.

10. Differed with claims by Democrats in Congress that they are not being consulted by the Republicans. Actually, the President said, the shoe is on the other foot, and has been for 20 years.

11. Said Clarence Manion was relieved as chairman of the government's commission on federal-state problems, because he didn't have adequate time to devote to the job. The President was asked why Manion was fired, and gave that reply. He said Manion wasn't ousted because of his views on either the Tennessee Valley Authority or the Bricker treaty amendment; the President said he believes in letting a man express his opinions and said he knew how Manion stood on various issues before he named him to head the study commission.

12. Announced that he hopes to get away from Washington this weekend for a visit to Camp David, a presidential retreat located about 60 miles northwest of Washington in the Catoctin Mountains.

Police School To Be Held

An advanced police training school for all law enforcement officers in the area will begin March 11, according to Chief Orville Hamilton, who is in charge of local arrangements. The Oregon Association of City Police Officers and the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association are cooperating in sponsoring the schools and the instructors are being provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the United States Post Office Department, the Oregon State Police,



CAPT. GEORGE A. KANZ, Director of Identification and Investigation, Oregon State Police will be the instructor tomorrow for the first class in the advanced police training school sponsored by the Oregon Association of City Police Officers and the Oregon State Sheriffs Association. Captain Kanz will discuss the function of his bureau.

the Portland Police Bureau, and local law enforcement agencies. These schools are being held in 14 cities throughout the state during March and April.

The classes here will be held in the City Hall and 21 hours of instruction in six subjects will be given over a four week period. The instructors and classes are listed as follows: Class 1; Functions within the State Bureau of Identification and Investigation, Captain George A. Kanz, Oregon State Police; Class 2; traffic accident investigation, Lt. Patrick Carr, Portland Bureau of Police; Class 3; functions and duties of the United States Post Office Inspector, Inspector Stanley N. Smoot, Portland; Class 4; auto thefts, Lt. Paul E. Morgan, Oregon State Police; Class 5; statutory crime essentials, Lt. Thomas W. Simmons, Portland Bureau of Police; Class 6 and 7; homicide—investigation and practical problems, Special Agents Julius H. Rice, Howard A. Patterson, Leroy B. Skousen, Max E. Taylor, Federal Bureau of Investigation and local law enforcement officers.

Other agencies cooperating are the League of Oregon Cities and the Bureau of Municipal Research and Service, University of Oregon.

Valiant Woman Faces New Life With Legs Amputated

By EDDY GILMORE

WEST ORANGE, N. J. (AP) — Rebecca Gross, the valiant lady editor who lost both legs in an automobile accident, said she's sending for her passport.

"But Becky," I gasped, "surely you can't be thinking of traveling yet."

"Oh, no," she laughed, "not quite yet. I just wanted to find out how tall I was. Your passport is about the only document I know of that shows it."

That remark, that attitude, is so characteristic of the Lock Haven, Pa., newspaperwoman, who simply refuses to be sorry for herself, or to treat herself any way but normally.

"You see," she explained in her

bright, quick way, "I've got to begin thinking about how tall I want to be."

I still didn't quite understand. "I'm ordering my artificial legs soon," she said, "and I've simply got to decide how tall I want to be."

She laughed. "At first," she said, "I thought I might like to see myself five inches so I could see over the heads of the crowds at parades. But then I decided that would offer a real problem. I'd have to get an entirely new wardrobe, one to fit a 5-foot-10 gal. I used to be about 5 feet 5 I suppose, but I'll have to read my passport to find out for sure."

What do you say to a person like that? If you don't have a hole in your head you don't say anything. You just listen in unashamed admiration to a very wonderful human being, making her way back to normalcy with dignity and a sense of humor.

Rebecca Gross lost her legs about 5 p.m. on New Year's Eve. She was driving her car through Williamsport, Pa., on the way to the airport to meet her sister, when, wham! There it was. Two cars collided at an intersection and pinned Becky against a telephone pole.

The left leg was amputated below the knee, the right leg just above the knee.

But save your sympathy for someone who needs it. Becky has no use for it. She has finished her

first week at the Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation in the pleasant vistas of the nearby Orange County.

"I'm getting a little more strength in that leg," she said, smiling.

She looked out of a huge window at some rolling meadows that showed a faint suggestion of spring. The last time I had sat and talked and laughed with her had been in my apartment in Moscow, Not a year ago.

"You know," she said, "you must have had a real tough time over there. Over in Russia with your Russian wife and children when they couldn't get out. You really—"

"Stop it, Becky," I interrupted. "I'm damned if I've come over here to receive your sympathy and commiseration!"

She didn't say it but she gave me a look that said she hoped I hadn't come over there to give her my sympathy and commiseration. I hadn't.

People were all around us. People with one leg. People with no legs. People with no arms. People who were rehabilitating themselves with the help of Dr. Henry Kessler. I looked at these people. A young girl. An elderly man. A man in the 40s. About 12 of them. No one appeared self-conscious.

"I imagine I know what you're thinking," said Becky. "No, none of us is self-conscious. That's part of the battle, you see."

We told a joke. Becky laughed again.

"What are you going to do when you get through here?"

"Go back home," she said, "and try to lead just as normal a life as possible."

"How long is it going to take?"

"I thought about three months,

but I heard it'll probably take longer," she explained. "I'll learn to walk on one artificial leg first. With crutches. And then I'll learn to walk on both legs."

"Becky," I said, "you are splendid. People used to ask me at Moscow parties how I was able to smile and laugh all the time when it looked as if I was stuck there for life. I never told them, but I used to have my private hell about 6 o'clock in the morning when I couldn't sleep and all I could do was think."

"Mine comes at 3 a.m.," said Becky, very quietly and without a trace of emotion.

"Look," she said, changing the subject, "did you know people with no legs can have toe pains?"

She explained. With a laugh. As usual.

"Eddy," she said, "I'm getting real strong. I did 10 pushups with my hands today. Why, before my accident, all I ever got up for was to get a drink of water. And sometimes that was an effort. Now look at me. It's easy."

She was conducting a safety campaign for her paper when she had her accident. Commenting on it, she said:

"The place where your accident is going to happen looks like any other spot you have passed in safety a thousand times."

"I suppose I shall never drive up to an intersection again, or approach a sharp curve in the road, without thinking, 'This is the place where I may have an accident.'"

Despite her trouble, she doesn't preach. But she thinks that is something every American should remember—that the place where your accident is going to happen

looks like any other spot you have passed in safety a thousand times.

I thought she had had enough bad breaks, but I discovered something else, something that perhaps isn't known at all, as we sat there talking, looking out over the hills and meadows.

"Your insurance, Becky," I said, "it must cover all of this."

She laughed. "Do you know," she said, "let my accident insurance run out. I said, oh, nothing of that sort is ever going to happen to me."

I rose to go. "Come to see us in London."

"Yes, I will. And I'll climb your stairs too."

She will. I never felt surer of anything in life.

Septic Tank Owners Take Notice

Home owners have discovered that septic tanks stop-up and overflow. Two reasons are—first, because the tanks are not cleaned at proper intervals; secondly, toilet tissue that does not readily disintegrate may clog the drains and force them to back up! This situation can be partially averted by buying the proper toilet tissue.

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Royal Neighbors To Hold Meeting

Royal Neighbors of America will hold a business meeting and initiation at the KC Hall Friday, March 12 at 8 p.m.

Candidates to be initiated are Helen Murphy, Velma Mulligan, Angela Casebier and Mae Eck.

Alice Hoover is Oracle.

Further plans will be made for the state convention to be held at Eugene April 20-21.

Following initiation, refreshments will be served.

Officers are asked to wear formal for the occasion.

FOE Auxiliary To Hold Meeting

The Eagles Auxiliary will meet Friday, March 12, 8 p.m. in the upper FOE Hall for initiatory work. All officers are to wear formal.

There will be special entertainment.

Men of the Aerie, No. 2090 will serve refreshments.

Educators Plan Salem Meeting

SALEM (AP) — The annual conference of the Oregon Association of County School Superintendents will be held here next Tuesday and Wednesday.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Rex Putnam said that all 36 county superintendents would be here.

Music Students Honored

Thirteen Klamath Union High School music students have been honored by selection for the All-State Orchestra. The orchestra will rehearse three days in Portland during spring vacation. They will be directed by Dr. Frank d'Andrea, nationally known orchestra conductor. Rehearsals will be climaxed by a concert for the annual convention of the Oregon Education Association in the municipal auditorium.

Students will be housed in private homes and participants from the entire state have been selected on the basis of character, musical ability, and contribution to school and community life. They are recommended by their music directors and the principal. Walter Smith, director of orchestras in the schools, will have charge of the group.

Students making the trip are: Jewell Shannon, Florence Lampropoulos, Betty Bagett, Patricia Isensee, Judy Brauner, Janice Shaw, Helen Cramer, Lucy Cornelius, Shirley Woodard, Kay Jensen, Tom Grigsby, Kenny Jensen, and Marion Mullen.

Longtime SP Employee Dies

DUNSMUIR — Funeral services were held today, Wednesday, at 2 p.m. in the Dunsmuir Methodist Church for George Edward Dickson, 80, retired Southern Pacific locomotive engineer, who died Sunday in the Yreka Hospital after a lingering illness. The Rev. Robert M. DeWolf officiated and interment was in the Dunsmuir cemetery.

A resident of Dunsmuir since 1903, he was born December 10, 1873, in Placerville, California. He was married to Jennie Elder of Auburn, California, January 23, 1898.

Dickson was given the honor of piloting many dignitaries over the Biasta Division line during his period of railroad service. At the time of his retirement, January 1, 1939, he was No. 1 on the engineers' seniority list.

In addition to his widow, he is survived by sons Aiden of Yreka, a druggist, and Robert of Dunsmuir, assistant road foreman of engineer. A brother, Alex, lives in Folsom, and there are 10 grandchildren.

Housework Easy Without Nagging Backache

Nagging backache, loss of pep and energy, dizziness and distress may be due to a weak kidney function. Doctors say good kidney function is very important to good health. When some everyday condition, such as stress and strain, causes this important function to slow down, you'll feel that nagging irritation that is so miserable. Minor backache setting up, or cold or wrong diet may cause it. Don't neglect your kidneys if these conditions bother you. Try Don's Pills—a mild diuretic. It's amazing how many Don's give the happy relief from these discomforts. It's the 10 million kidney tubes and filters that flush out waste. Ask for new, large economy size and save money. Get Don's Pills today!

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