

British Vice-Consul Tells Problems Facing England

Norman R. Prickett, British vice-consul with headquarters in Portland, was a recent visitor to Klamath Falls where he conferred with resident Britons, visited several schools and in general made himself available to answer questions regarding British viewpoints and policy.

Prickett issued the following statement while visiting in the city:

With a population of fifty millions crowded into an area only one third the size of Oregon the United Kingdom could not practise self-sufficiency, even if its people wanted to do so. Our farmers produce about half of the country's food supplies, and the rest, together with all the raw materials needed for industry, (except coal), have to be imported. To pay for these imports, the country depends in the main, upon exports of manufactures, and to a smaller but nevertheless important extent, upon the foreign exchange earned by the sale of commercial and finan-

1953, followed in the wake of an increase in world industrial activity, and again fortunately, this rise did not lead to any increase in commodity prices. In fact, these continued to fall, right into 1953.

PRODUCTION

The increased production in the United Kingdom provided us with the resources to maintain our exports at a high level and to increase consumption and investment at home. This in turn showed itself in more food consumption, greater availability of goods hitherto reserved mostly for export, in a much higher rate of home construction, and in heavy investment in the basic industries. Yet another striking development has been the ending of all war-time controls.

Commodity markets have been re-opened and importing restored to private hands, with freedom to purchase in most cases, without quota restrictions and without currency restriction as to source.

In recounting the above in some detail, I have endeavored to show you something of the background which has proved so favourable for our long-term aim. This is to find a solution of our difficulties which will assure the strength and vitality of our currency and, in the process, secure the needs of the ordinary man, sure employment, dignified standards of living, and the opportunity for advancement.

FREE TRADE

We shall continue unremittingly with our efforts toward freeing trade, and freeing the currencies. We realize that you on your part are pursuing similar aims, and that today a very great number of Americans are in favour of the liberalisation of trade policies. One very great achievement that already stands to your credit is the fact that you have prevented a recession, maintained your economic activity at a high level, and thus prevented those serious consequences which would have resulted from a serious economic setback in so great and powerful an economy. By the same token you have eliminated the persistent bogey of dollar shortages abroad.

Despite your programmes of dollar expenditures abroad; however, there is as yet no satisfactory long term solution of America's underlying payments surplus, which has now lasted 30 years. This surplus has been offset first by investment, then by gold transfers, and then by aid and by military expenditures. We believe you feel as we do however, that the balance of payments between your country and the rest of the world should move more to the firmly rooted and natural processes of trade, commerce and investment, and should be less dependent upon special programmes, which are really abnormal in nature and subject to the chances and changes of time, and perhaps of politics.

RELATIONSHIP

We aim at a solidly based economic relationship between us, feeling that our "one-world" must rest upon secure foundations. This means in effect that we seek more opportunities to EARN more dollars, and would like to see the same opportunities for others, since a flow of freely expendable dollars to any part of the world, benefits the whole of it. To summarize, we retain high hopes for the future, especially as we know that the versatility of British industry has been strikingly demonstrated in the development since the war of many new types of exports, which previously played little or no part in our trade.

Aircraft, radar equipment, agricultural tractors, office machinery and petroleum products, are all examples of this development, while our motor industry also affords a notable illustration of the possibilities of export expansion. At the same time, we have managed to maintain the reputation we have established in the more traditional lines.

In the overall view of our joint activities throughout the world, we feel there is little doubt of our ability to constantly improve the lot, not only of our own peoples, but also of the many millions of other races throughout the world, to whom our guidance can be of inestimable value in the age old fight against poverty and all that follows in its train.



NORMAN PRICKETT

cial services abroad. These services include shipping, insurance, banking, civil aviation, and the loan of capital for investment overseas.

Now, all these matters are, in the long run, part and parcel of our problem of balancing our overseas payments. This has been our chief aim since the war, and within the framework of that problem, we have of course had to balance our dollar payments. It was, therefore, a matter of satisfaction to all concerned, that world trading conditions in 1953 were more stable than they had been in the previous two years. The boom in world trade which followed the outbreak of the Korean War had spent itself by the spring of 1952, but fortunately the volume of world exports rose in the first half of 1953. This gradual revival of trade in

Missing KF Boy Returns Home

Larry Stevens, 13-year-old grade school student, reported as missing when he did not return home from school Monday was located this morning.

Local police reported the boy had gone to Tulelake where he spent the night with friends.

Also reported missing for a time last night were three members of the younger set, a girl aged 3 and two boys 5 and 7.

The youngsters were found in a local theater where they had gone for a bit of entertainment.

Governor Bans Yuletide Liquor

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Cake and ice cream at state employees' Yuletide office parties are fine, Gov. Goodwin Knight said Monday, but liquor is definitely out.

"There must be no drinking, no liquor, no parties or celebrations of that character. This is a flat, tough rule," Knight told a meeting of department heads.

"It would be a tragic thing if we had a death due to drunk driving by a state official returning home from his office," he said.

TRAVEL SMILES

By Merry Miles

At an Indian village on Highway 56, we all got out to look at the hand-made jewelry and pottery. "Yah-tah-hay, Mary, sic kee," our driver greeted an aged, dignified squaw. She answered, in perfect English, "Fine, Bill, thank you. Where have you been for the past year?"

"How's Victoria?" Bill asked, stily. Indian Mary grinned. "Don't get fresh, Bill. You know we don't speak." Later the driver explained the "avoidance relation," an odd Apache religious custom. A married man must never speak to his mother-in-law, or even look at her.

This happened on Greyhound's Great Southwest escorted tour which I enjoyed recently. We stopped at a famous Wickenburg dude ranch, and went sightseeing around Phoenix. An evening in exotic Juarez, Mexico, was an exciting feature of our stay in El Paso. Carlsbad Caverns and a stop-over in picturesque Old Santa Fe were other wonderful events.

We toured the Indian Country via Albuquerque, Gallup and Flagstaff, and our trip to Grand Canyon included lots of sightseeing

and a night at rustic El Tovar Hotel.

We visited Hoover Dam, and Greyhound gave us a farewell dinner in the Opera House Theatre Restaurant of El Rancho Vegas Hotel, Las Vegas. The floor show was fabulous!

The group on the new Greyhound air-ride, picture-window coach was really congenial, and our Tour Conductor took care of every travel detail. We stopped every night at a good hotel. Altogether, it was the most delightful and fascinating vacation I ever had!

Greyhound is offering several of these Great Southwest 13-day escorted tours this winter. The cost per person (twin-bed room rate) is only \$191.70 from Klamath Falls, plus federal transportation tax.

I'll send you all details about these unique tours if you'll drop a card to Merry Miles, Greyhound Bldg., Market & Fremont, San Francisco 5, Calif. Or see your Greyhound agent or travel bureau.

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THE THRILL OF A LIFETIME came to, right, Mrs. Virgil F. Churchill, 640 N. Ninth Street who was presented with a hand-sown Oriental rug, a seven by nine foot Heriz, by Mrs. John Korenjan, of Korenians, new business at 413 Main Street, during their recent opening.

Canada Angry At U.S. Move

VICTORIA, B.C. (AP) — A federal government threat to block a dam construction deal in British Columbia was answered Monday night with charges that such an act would be "denial of the rights of the province."

In a lengthy statement here Robert Sommers, provincial lands and forests minister, explained his government's policy on the low-level storage dam proposed for the Arrow Lakes by the U. S. Kaiser Aluminum Co.

"The threat of federal veto amazes us all," said Sommers. The 30 million dollar dam, near Castlegar in southeastern B. C., would increase the power potential of the Columbia River south of the U.S.-Canadian border.

The federal government earlier served notice that it intends to block what it calls a "give-away" deal.

Sommers said the federal government set the precedent in 1948 when it approved additional storage dams on the Kootenay Lake. The project was beneficial only to the U.S. B.C. received nothing in the deal.

The proposed Kaiser project would net the government one million dollars in power and taxes, at no cost to the government.

Canadian Town Hit By Fire

VANCOUVER, B.C. (AP) — A two-alarm fire in Vancouver's tallest building caused an estimated \$100,000 damage to an elevator shaft and three floors of the Marine Building Tuesday.

The blaze knocked out all elevator service in the waterfront skyscraper, hampering firemen who were forced to clamber up 15 flights of stairs to battle the blaze. Some 1,500 office workers also were forced to trudge up flights of stairs to their jobs.

Building Manager J. E. McGlashan said the exact extent of damage was not yet known but estimated damage at more than \$100,000.

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Red Radio Reports US Air Device

TOYKO (AP) — Peiping Radio Tuesday said an elaborate device had been dropped to an espionage agent in Manchuria so an American plane could pick him up in flight.

It was the Chinese Communists' latest propaganda blast in support of their recent sentencing of 13 Americans to prison on espionage charges.

The broadcast said the agent was to have been picked up by John Thomas Downey, 34, New London, Conn., and Richarda George Feteteau, 37, Lynn, Mass. Downey was sentenced to life and Feteteau to 20 years. Both were civilians. The other 11 were airmen. The reported trial and conviction has been bitterly attacked by both the United States and Great Britain.

Peiping said the apparatus consisted of 16 sections of aluminum tube, upwards of 100 feet of nylon rope and a harness. It said the aircraft was equipped with a hookup device for picking up an agent the Reds identified as Li Chun-Ying.

"The aluminum tubes are screwed together to form uprights

about 25 feet high," Peiping said. "Photographic instructions, found with the tubes and ropes show how to put the whole equipment together. These photos show that the poles are fixed about 30 feet apart. And a rope stretched between them passes down to the harness."

"In the pictures a man, an American, strapped into the harness, is lying on the ground, ready to be hooked up to the passing aircraft."

"The whole thing looks like a giant high jump stand. There are Japanese houses in the background of the photos."

Peiping said the device was "on show" at the trial of the two Americans.

Peiping also said the two Americans carried large scale maps of Northeastern China, Colt auto-

compasses with ammunition, military signaling mirrors. Lao Ling, where the agent supposedly was to be picked up, was clearly marked in pencil on the maps, the broadcast said.

YMCA Groups Plan Sale

The two chapters of Hi-Y and the newly-organized Y's Men's Club of the YMCA will stage their annual Christmas tree sale again this year, Bill Cornell, program secretary, has announced.

Sale of trees on the name-your-own-price basis, will provide funds for the clubs to carry on their various service projects and educational programs.

Stands will be located at the YMCA building, 722 Pine, and at a South Sixth Street location to be announced.

Y's Men will have tree stands available for purchase also.

Stands are expected to open Saturday, December 11. Persons interested in securing trees prior to the opening date are requested to contact the "Y" office, phone 9279.

Trees have been cut by club members in all-day outings.

Police Shoot Fleeing Youth

PENDLETON (AP) — James Davis Smith, 15, of Stanfield was in a hospital here Tuesday with a bullet wound in his leg, the result of fleeing across a field when police sought to stop him to ask why he had been driving a stolen car.

State police said that when the car with the license number listed as stolen was spotted Monday near Stanfield, a chase started that at one time reached a speed of nearly a hundred miles an hour. Finally, a police bullet hit a tire, the car stopped and the Smith boy fled, only to be brought down by a bullet.

In fair condition, he was expected to be transferred to the juvenile ward at the city jail Wednesday and then be sent to the boys' school at Woodburn from which he was paroled in 1953.

OPPOSITION

SEOUL (AP) — Sixty one minority members of the South Korean Assembly Tuesday laid the groundwork for a new opposition party and pledged a renewed fight against the constitutional change permitting President Syngman Rhee to run for office as often as he likes.

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