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Disputed Move

By FLOYD L. WYNNE
I'm reprinting below a copy of a recent letter from William L. Jossin, editor of the UN Advocate, to the editor of the UN Advocate, in which he criticizes an article appearing in the United Nations monthly newsletter.

In my editorial, I stated that since the article was published in the UN Advocate, then it apparently had the tacit approval of the Oregon United Nations Association. Jossin disagrees with this contention in his letter.

HIS LETTER FOLLOWS: "Your recent column on 'UN Suggestions' misrepresents a news story in the November UN Advocate on the recommendations of the United Nations Committee on the Status of Women. The article in the Oregon United Nations Association on Red China. Unfortunately, typographical errors contributed to your mistake. The story as written identified the committee during the UN Conference on the Status of Women, but in misquoting the committee chairman Fulbright, 'While I do not believe that the United States should recognize Communist China at the present time' I do not believe it is wise to continue to ignore the over 600 million people on the China mainland in the naive belief that they will somehow go away."

"But even as issued, the news story nowhere purports to state nor does it state the views of our association, any more than a similar story in your paper necessarily would express the editorial policies of the Herald-News."

"In fact, no position has been taken by the Oregon United Nations Association, either through its Board of Directors or its chapters, or at any annual meeting of its members, as to U.S. recognition of UN membership for Red China. We shall appreciate your giving this correction equal prominence. The news story in question was a brief summary of an Associated Press dispatch appearing in the Oregonian of November 1, 1959. We concur in the statement of Senator Fulbright in making the report public, that it is provocative and worthy of careful study."

I HAVE NO WISH to rebut Jossin's request for a correction, but it is pertinent to point out that it was not myself that made the errors in printing.

Also, it is equally pertinent to point out the obvious difference between a monthly mimeographed letter that goes to UN Association members and a newspaper that publishes daily news to subscribers who pay for the privilege of reading same.

The article in question was the first article in the November issue of UN Advocate, and if it did not have the approval, tacit or otherwise, of the United Nations group then there certainly should have been some sort of statement to that effect before or after the article.

At any rate, I'm certain that a great many United Nations supporters can breathe much more easily, knowing that their organization has not sold their American freedoms down the river to Communist China.

Social Security

By FLORENCE JENKINS
A howl will go up from thousands of employees receiving their first paycheck in January, 1960, when they see that three per cent has been deducted for social security taxes.

Unpleasant or not, the law requires the employer to deduct more money from employees' checks starting on January 1. The tax rate on that date jumps from the present two and one-half per cent of payrolls to three per cent. These changes are effective for the first payday in 1960, regardless of the fact that part or all of the services for which the pay is given may have been performed in 1959.

Associated Oregon Industries has prepared folders for enclosing in those paychecks explaining why social security taxes have gone up 20 per cent.

Last year, the law required a maximum deduction of \$120 from each employee's pay to be turned over to the federal government to help pay the growing costs of the social security system. This year the maximum has been increased to \$144.

Employers are required to match the tax deductions, dollar for dollar. This means the A.O.I.'s out, that six per cent of the total taxable payrolls earned here next

year will be taken by the government to pay for the social security system. Even if Congress should decide not to increase social security benefits above present levels, the law calls for further increases in both employer and employee taxes so that in 1963 the combined social security taxes will again go up. They'll go up again in 1966 and again in 1969 under the present law.

Maximum payment per employee back in 1937 was \$30. By 1959 this had increased to \$120. Next year, it will be \$144. In 1963, it will be \$160. In 1966 it will be \$182 and less than 10 years from now, in 1969, it will be \$216.

The deductions are made on all salaries. For earnings for a year have reached \$4,800, the maximum has been deducted.

This year, those receiving \$3,000 for the year will pay \$75 social security tax. Next year, on the same salary scale, there will be \$90 withheld. For \$4,000, the social security tax amounted to \$100 for 1959 and will be increased to \$120 for 1960. Those receiving \$4,800 and over paid \$120 for 1959 and will pay \$144 in 1960.

Each year more and more persons are qualifying to receive old age, disability or survivors' benefits under the social security law. This group is growing far faster than the country's payrolls. Secondly, Congress has constantly added to the cost of the system, generally by increasing benefits. In the early days of the program, the maximum benefits payable were \$15 a month. Now the maximum benefits are \$254 per month.

Strange Cavern

From The Bend Bulletin
Central Oregon's Plot Butte Cave of the Fort Rock country has received much publicity recently.

There has been news mention of its unique formations: "Lava-caves" dangle from the rocky ceiling, others reach up from the floor like elongated cones. In other parts of the cave are strange "rosettes" which will be described for the world of science, in geology journals, by Prof. A. C. Waters of Johns Hopkins University.

From the cave in the warm days of early fall blew a strong breeze. In recent months near-zero weather, the cave "inhaled."

As a result of unique features of the cave, especially the dangling stalactites and the cone-shaped stalagmites, interest in the cavern is great. It will undoubtedly increase in the 1960 vacation season.

Amateur "cavers" should be cautioned, however, that the Plot Butte Cave is a toughie. It is not a cave for high-heeled tourists.

Plot Butte Cave is about five-eighths of a mile long. In its sinuous course back into a lava plain, the cavern is hard on head, feet and knees. There are four major cave-ins. One of these is rugged. Those who attempt to reach the far end of the cave must crawl over the jagged lava, broken edges of which are sharp as glass. The opening over that tumbled mass of rock is small—and painful.

U.S. Forest Service officials have recognized that the new Plot Butte Cave is not a tourist cave. But they also recognize, it is a place of scientific interest. For these reasons, a steel gate has been placed at the entrance to the cave. Entry to the cave is only through permit—and a key.

Ceramic Tile

By SAM DAWSON
AP Business News Analyst
NEW YORK (AP)—The postwar building spree has given an old timer its biggest sales boom.

Use of ceramic tile goes back thousands of years. But in just the last 10, new techniques and materials have brought it out of the luxury class. This and the postwar

rush of building have boosted sales in the United States by 143 per cent since 1949.

The Tile Council of America says costs of production and installation have been cut about 20 per cent since the war.

The council says it represents 27 manufacturers turning out more than 90 per cent of domestic-made ceramic floor and wall tile. It says many of the new techniques and materials were developed at its own research center at Princeton, N.J.

Department of Commerce construction figures put the 1947-49 average annual production of ceramic tile at 104,800,000 square feet, and output in the 12 months ending June 30, 1959, at 235,956,000 square feet.

The council's figures show 99-146,000 square feet turned out 10 years ago. It estimates this year's production will reach 241 million square feet. It says facilities have been expanded to bring present production capacity to about 375 million square feet a year.

Like many other manufacturers, the tile makers are seeing their newly found bonanza threatened by foreign invaders. The volume of imported tile is rising fast. And the council says this year's tide of foreign ceramic building materials may capture 20 per cent of the American market.

The council, like similar industry groups, bemoans the "exploitation of low-paid labor which permits foreign producers" to undersell Americans.

At the end of the war, domestic tile manufacturers offered about 30 different colors. Today they show more than 200. In the post-war years a trend toward diversity in size, shape and texture, offering the architect a large number of combinations, also has boosted use.

Increased production, along with the less costly materials and processes, helped bring the price down within reach of more residential and commercial building budgets. The tile salesmen also make much of its fairly cheap maintenance, which has a dollar and cents appeal to the commercial building operator.

Loyalty Oath

Chiloquin (To the Editor)—How soft in the head can we get? While we are all going along painlessly, but loyally paying ever rising government taxes, we find several colleges protesting the required loyalty oath of students seeking federal aid to help them pay for their education.

What is so wrong in asking loyalty of a student that is asking assistance supplied by all of us? Just what manner of punks do they think they are? Rightfully if such is the caliber of some students and colleges, I would suggest that such taxes be paid under protest.

No doubt there is a preponderance of grateful college students that will gladly comply, and with pride, which is as it should be. Are we to go on wasting good money, and valuable space on those and their "comrades," educating ungrateful scum who are looking to us for that with which to buoy them up so they can float to the surface?

After we have helped them get an education, what have we got. Figure it out for yourself.

Frank E. Hanson.

Vets Mail Bag

An electronic system geared to service the GI insurance accounts of more than six million veterans has been planned for use in the Veterans Administration automatic data processing operation in Philadelphia.

A specially constructed room with more than 6,200 square feet of floor space and precise temper-

ature and humidity controls houses a computer which will service the accounts of the GI insurance policyholders. Policy records for the entire group will be maintained on 80 reels of magnetic tape.

High speed wire communication is planned with the VA insurance centers at St. Paul, Minnesota, and Denver, using the Philadelphia unit to keep current all premium, loan, dividend and policy information of the three offices. It will eliminate the maintenance of more than 18 million filed records.

Tape records will be fed into the computer daily, advising it of the transactions of the day's business. The output from the computer system consists of a new updated master record, punched cards and other printed documents when in order.

On a daily basis, the computer will accomplish all of the premium posting and billing, loan accounting and interest billing, dividend accounting and payment apportionment, renewal of term insurance, allotment and deduction accounting, and miscellaneous file maintenance.

Other management functions of actuarial and statistical nature will be performed by the computer on monthly, semi-annual or annual basis. The automatic data processing operation is expected to reduce the giant task of file maintenance while it provides faster, more accurate service at lower cost to the veterans who hold GI insurance policies with a face value of 43 billion dollars.

Since the VA began to mechanize its insurance operations in 1948, it has reduced its annual cost of administering the insurance program from more than 50 million dollars in fiscal year 1952 to less than 25 million dollars in fiscal year 1959 with approximately the same workload.

The VA has scheduled its automatic data processing system to be in full operation in 1961.

The Almanac

United Press International
Today is Sunday, Nov. 29, the 333rd day of the year, with 32 more days in 1959.

The moon is approaching its new phase.

The morning star is Venus. The evening star is Saturn.

On this date in history:
In 1832, American author Louisa May Alcott was born.

In 1890, the first Army-Navy football game was played, Navy winning 24-0.

In 1929, Richard Byrd radioed that he had flown over the South Pole.

In 1945, Yugoslavia became a federated republic.

In 1948, an opera was telecast from the Metropolitan Opera House in New York for the first time.

A thought for today. It is written in the Bible: "Every one that aseth receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth."

Quotes

United Press International
NEW YORK — Rock 'n' roll disc jockey Alan Freed, 38, who left WNEW-TV by "mutual agreement" in the middle of the "payola" fracas, saying goodbye to his teen-age fans on his final show.

"The people I dig the most are you. We know we are more adult than adults."

LONDON — Lady Churchill, speaking to Sir Winston as he glumly entered the living room of his Hyde Park home to pose for his 85th birthday picture.

"It won't take long and it will be quite painless."

DAYTON, Ohio — Air Force Capt. Joseph Kittinger, revealing that he "goofed up" leaving the gondola on his 15-mile parachute leap, causing the drag chute that should have stabilized him to open early and foul.

"At (that) moment I knew it was going to be a long way down, but I still felt I could make it."

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Former President Truman, stating that President Eisenhower never contacted him about a proposal that Truman accompany Eisenhower on the President's forthcoming 11-nation tour.

"I never heard from him."

CHICAGO — Coroner Walter McCarron announcing that a blue ribbon inquest jury will start hearing testimony on the 11-deck crash of a TWA cargo plane into a crowded residential area near Midway Airport.

Midway Airport was there first. We want to know why more houses were allowed to be built there.

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By Jimmy Hatlo

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Court Records

KLAMATH FALLS MUNICIPAL COURT

Justin A. Aguilar, drunk, released to Air Force police.

Joe Allen Hart, drunk, released to Air Force police.

Dale Lynn Wallace, drunk, \$25.

Edward Everett McWilliams, drunk, \$25.

Dean R. Woodbridge, drunk and disorderly conduct, \$50 or 10 days.

Fred W. Cline, drunk, \$25 or five days; disorderly conduct, \$25 or five days; vagrancy, \$100 and 30 days.

Wilbur Eggensten, drunk, \$25.

Donald Schulz, drunk, released to Air Force police.

Robert H. Glendon, minor in possession of liquor, continued.

Wayne Whitman Chronister, drunk, \$25.

Loraine Nichols, vagrancy, \$100 and 50 days.

Edward Rhines, drunk, \$25 or five days.

William J. Adams Jr., \$25 or five days.

Edwin L. Martin, drunk, \$25.

Dope Charge Ends Career For Actor

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Hollywood's forgotten man sat on the bare floor of his big, empty mansion. Jay Robinson was alone with the posters of his past.

Not long ago filmland called him a genius.

He made \$3,000 a week then. Friends and rich furnishings filled the house. There was laughter and music.

His life may well have rivalled that of the Emperor Caligula, whom he played in "The Robe." He was also a featured actor in "Demetrius."

But on Thanksgiving Day, at 29, he was left with memories.

Last June he was convicted of sale and possession of narcotics. He insists he was innocent and has appealed the case.

But since then I haven't been able to get work," he said.

His Thanksgiving guests dropped in by accident. A telephone operator said he dialed her Thursday, then stopped talking in mid-sentence. She called police and firemen.

They found the great rooms empty except for a box springs and mattress on a bedroom floor. A lamp stood beside the mattress, a bath towel for a shade.

He has been selling his furniture.

"I sold the last thing yesterday, a bedspread," he said.

He pulled a few bills and some change out from under the mattress, which had jelly rolls and potato chips on it.

"This is it," he said. "\$17.67."

He is about to lose the house, he said. He is three months behind on the payments. Robinson said he didn't know whether his father, a wealthy shirt manufacturer, will come to the rescue.

He opened a closet door and said: "I hit my peak at 23."

In the closet were a few scripts, several photographs, some reviews and posters.

"That's what's left of my career," Robinson said.

PUTTY CLEVER

PORTSMOUTH, England (UPI) — Municipal official Alex Kinnear reported Wednesday that local hoodlums had stopped smashing large plate glass windows on local buildings.

"They now carefully remove the putty from around the windows, take the glass away and sell it," Kinnear said.

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Demos Slate NY Meeting

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Six Democratic presidential possibilities will be on display at a series of party huddles in New York Dec. 5-7.

The Democratic get-together also will produce a "state of the union message" recommending a program for the 1960 session of Congress.

The double feature will be offered at a meeting of the Democratic Advisory Council. The climax will come at a fund-raising dinner Dec. 7 honoring Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

Among the dinner speakers will be a number of party leaders viewed as probable or possible candidates for the 1960 Democratic presidential nomination.

These include Adlai E. Stevenson, Sen. John F. Kennedy (Mass.), Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (Minn.), Gov. Edmund G. Brown (Calif.), Gov. G. Mennen Williams (Mich.) and Robert B. Meyer (N.J.).

The only conspicuous absentee from the field of Democratic presidential prospects are Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson (Tex.) and Sen. Stuart Symington (Mo.).

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