

Washington Digest

National Topics Interpreted By WILLIAM BRUCKART
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Washington.—I doubt that there is any phase or function of government that is less understood by the people at large than questions or actions relating to foreign policy. It is easy to understand why this is so. American foreign policy, like the foreign policy of every other nation, is closely akin to patchwork. It cannot be otherwise because of the very nature of the matters to be dealt with officially. Foreign policy, indeed, is one thing to which President Roosevelt's oft-quoted statement about his decisions resembling those of a football quarterback can be most properly applied. It is a day-to-day treatment with new decisions as changes come in the international play.

This brings us to the President's Chicago speech and the announcement by the State department of American conclusions that Japan is the aggressor in China. Of course, all persons who have read anything about the Sino-Japanese war know long ago that the Japs were conducting a raid on China. Officials of the government knew it also, but there is a difference and must be a difference in the methods employed by individuals as distinct from those employed by a nation which represents all of its individual citizens. Time had to elapse, therefore, before our government or any other could say definitely and publicly that Japan was seeking to acquire new territory by theft and seizure.

Many observers and many individuals have indicated their surprise at the President's speech which, by the way, was the most distinct pronouncement of any that he has ever made. There was likewise surprise when the secretary of state, Mr. Hull, gave the press his statement condemning Japanese aggression even though the statement should have been anticipated after Mr. Roosevelt's Chicago speech and after word had come from Geneva that the League of Nations appeared unanimous in the same conclusion.

The reason that I say there should have been no surprise concerning the final position which our government has taken traces back to the administration of President Hoover and Henry L. Stimson, then secretary of state. It was at that time that a fundamental change took place in our foreign policy but it was not a change that appeared to be sensational at the moment. In other words, the position which Mr. Hoover and Mr. Stimson took at that time was overlooked because there was no real crisis to attract attention to American policy.

What that change in policy did is plain now. It was the beginning of the end of the isolationist program which followed the bitter controversy over President Wilson's proposal that the United States affiliate with the League of Nations and adhere to all phases of the program embodied in the league covenant. The reaction against Mr. Wilson's plan was violent and carried us to the other extreme—so much so that for a number of years we were a lone wolf among nations in fact as well as in name.

The one thing that really represents an important change of policy that Mr. Roosevelt enunciated at Chicago is his view of neutrality. Without making any particular reference to the neutrality statute enacted last winter under the sponsorship of Senator Pittman of Nevada, Mr. Roosevelt announced without equivocation that the United States will do everything it can, short of military force, to curb the Japanese course in China. That is to say, and I believe it is accurate, we will not invoke the neutrality laws if such a course will do harm to the Chinese. Rather, the American policy for the time being at least involves working hand in hand with other nations that may be striving to maintain international order and morality in matters in which we are directly concerned.

I have been asked several times recently concerning the possibility that the United States may engage in actual war in the Far East. I think that eventuality is very far removed.

Possibilities always exist for a nation to get tangled up internationally under conditions such as obtain throughout the world today, yet I do not believe that the United States ever will do more in the Far East than exert moral pressure upon the Japs. It must not be overlooked, however, that the bulk of American sympathy is with the Chinese. One cannot tell how far that may lead us as a nation. Nor is it possible to forecast the weight of this sympathy in an economic way. I mean by that, no one can foretell what such a thing as a boycott of Japanese goods may mean eventually.

From all of this it must be plain that our national course in the next few months will have to be determined largely by the other fellow. Or, to state the proposition in another way, the lengths to which the United States will go in punitive action against Japan is likely to be determined, first, by the reaction of our own citizens to Japanese barbarism and, second, the moves by other dominant nations of the world.

SUNSET VALLEY

MRS. L. E. NEWGREN

Mrs. A. R. Roberts and her son Tracy spent last week in Jerome where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Robert's niece's husband, Mr. Leonard Smith. While there, they visited with relatives including Mrs. Roberts son, Asa. They returned via Fairfield for a short visit with her daughter Mrs. Les Rea.

The Sewing club met Thursday with Mrs. Allie and will meet again Thursday, October 28th with Mrs. George Wilson.

Mrs. Chas. Ditty returned Tuesday from Nampa where she has been taking care of her daughter Mary and Tressa both of whom had their tonsils removed Saturday morning.

Mrs. Chas. Schweizer is staying at the Oee Schweizer home to be nearer her school work.

Mrs. Mamie Givens of Boise was a business visitor in Sunset valley Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kollen attended a veteran's lodge meeting in Payette Thursday night.

John Case is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Jake Kollen helped the Veterans' Auxiliary sew aprons Thursday at the home of Mrs. Chase in the Richland district.

Leslie Ditty and John Case threshed oats for Henry Terra last week.

Mrs. Asa Roberts, Mrs. John Case and Mrs. Newgen attended the program at the Owyhee school Tuesday.

The entertainment was in honor of Dr. John McLoughlin and was very much enjoyed.

Vern Wilson has been confined to his home this week fighting a very severe cold.

R. W. Bollitho and Fred Snively went to Garden Valley last Thursday deer hunting. They returned Monday with two deer.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Terra and daughter Mildred were in Ontario Monday attending business and shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Vanderpool of Arcadia visited one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. John Vanderpool.

Little Phyllis Joan Case visited her aunts in Nampa over the week end.

Lester Kendall purchased three milk cows last week at Homedale.

Mrs. Vern Wilson entertained of Sunset Valley entertained with a turkey dinner Sunday in honor of the birthdays of Vern's father and mother Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson and Mrs. George Wilson all of Nyssa.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sherril and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Kendall and family Miss Bernice Ray, Mrs. Robert Moffitt and daughter and Mr. Barney Verwolf.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Splawn is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fleming of Boise were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bullard Wednesday.

John Zittercob and Otis Bullard

OWYHEE

Mrs. Ellis Walters and sons Jack and Byrd were business visitor in Payette Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Culbertson of Unity were down visiting relatives. They took their trailer house which had recently been built back with them on Saturday.

Miss Tillie Truelson returned to her home in Portland Monday after a visit with her uncle Henry Truelson.

Rev. Emerson of Ontario will preach after Sunday school at the Owyhee next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Slippy spent Sunday at the parental Slippy home. Other guests were Mrs. J. P. McGinnis and her son Glenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Franklin were afternoon guests of the Ronald Holmes family in Oregon Trail Sunday.

Miss Nadine Crocker was a dinner guest of the Klingback girls Sunday.

The Owyhee bridge club had a delightful party at the Andrew Boersma home at Oregon Trail Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dimmick of Yakima were visitors. Florence Patton and Neil Dimmick won high prize while John Low and Peggy Dimmick won low.

Oral Hite and son Dick and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hite made a business trip to see Bill McEwen at Cascade Sunday.

Several hay buyers have been active in the community this week. Russell Patton and Mrs. Larson sold to Bill McEwen, the Hites sold to Jim Little.

Franklin and Jess Kygar have also sold.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dimmick who have been visiting here the past month left Sunday for their home at Yakima, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Pullen and family of Homedale, Ida., were visiting relatives in the community Sunday.

The Owyhee Sunday school was glad to welcome Mrs. Earl Strickland back after a years absence due to illness.

Phone your news items to the Journal.

Nyssa Heights

MRS. DAN CORBETT

Glen Suiter left early Friday morning with a party of men, B. H. Maw, Virgil McGee, James Malloy for Jordan Valley on a deer hunt.

O. J. Kurtz and Jess Hunting are having wells drilled this week.

Clarence, the small son of Glen Suiter, is quite ill.

Mrs. James Malloy spent the afternoon Monday with Mrs. Glen Suiter.

House guests of Dan Corbetts from Tuesday until Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Roth, friends from Kansas.

Earl Anderson is digging a large stock cistern.

John Quigley is busy cleaning his land and expects to build soon.

Buena Vista News

Silas Hoffman and his son are helping E. L. Jamison set the form for his basement.

Mr. and Mrs. Kollen and Mr. and Mrs. Notheis called at the C. C. Wyckoff and Alva Goodell home on Sunday.

Hjalmar Scott is helping Alva Goodell dig a cistern.

Jack Brodie returned home from Payette on Sunday.

ARCADIA NEWS

Mrs. C. T. Splawn is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fleming of Boise were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bullard Wednesday.

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