

When The Government Steps In, America's Free Press Is Gone

Every newspaper office is the recipient of a shower of what might be called government propaganda, rolling from presses and mimeographs, riding free in the mails, and covering every subject under the sun, from what the admirals said about the generals to the proper way to mix up a mess of ice-box leftovers.

Truman's oft-sounded criticism of the American press as to truth and honesty. As head of an outfit that hands out millions of words of propaganda to the newspapers every month, the President—and many another government official and politician—shows a paradoxical interest in utilizing the facilities of a press whose disinterest and honesty they question.

Let's Not Get Into Any More Glorifying Of The Masculine

Hollywood notes a gradual transition from cheesecake to beefcake, and the film capital has been wondering what the feminine stars think of it.

ly," and Joan Crawford asked, "Why not?" Ava Gardner called it sensational, but added somewhat cryptically: "Women like men's minds."

A MIRACLE DRUG MIGHT HELP



Merry-Go-Round-Drew Pearson

Sherman Is Admirable Choice For Job As Chief Of U. S. Naval Operations

WASHINGTON — Here's the dope on Adm. Forrest Sherman, the man who favored unification: He was Forrestal's favorite. Forrestal had him earmarked for Chief of Naval Operations, considered him the broadest military man he had ever known.

lines recommended by the President's fact-finding board . . . CIO boss Phil Murray, who knows better, has let his cohorts get away with an unfair habit which boomerangs against labor.

the first place. We want to establish a sound pension plan for U. S. Steel employees. Ching argued that Phil Murray has proved by his responsibility by his relentless fight against Communist elements in the CIO.

Notebook-Hal Boyle

Everything Is Possible In Our U. S.-Even A Female President

NEW YORK, 46—THERE IS A HUBBUB on the horizon over whether America should elect a lady President.

more as I can stuff in the box. A recent Gallup Poll showed public sentiment has changed sharply on the question. It found 48 per cent of the voters were willing to support a qualified lady presidential candidate, whereas in 1937 only 23 per cent would pledge themselves to such a precedent-shattering step.

Affairs Of The World-DeWitt MacKenzie

Chinese Red Success Bound To Be Followed Up In Far East

THE SWEEPING SUCCESS OF THE Communist armies in China has set the chancelleries of the western world to pondering whether the victorious forces are likely to halt at China's frontiers or whether they may try to spread the Redism by invasion of neighboring countries.

Moscow is bound to take advantage of the Communist success in China to try to spread Bolshevism throughout the Far East. Naturally thoughts immediately turn to Burma and to the Indian peninsula, which comprises the nations of India and Pakistan. This vast territory contains more than 400 million people—close to a fifth of the globe's population.

WHATEVER MAY BE THE PROCEDURE, of this I think we may be sure: The Big Spring Herald

Hollywood-Bob Thomas

'Mule Train' Going To Town In Music Trade

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 3 (AP)—Haw! Haw! Clippety-clop. Clippety-clop. You may expect to have your ears assaulted by these noises for the next few weeks.

Lange met again in Hollywood. Glickman dusted off the old record and played it for the other two. They became enthused, polished up the lyrics and put it on the market.

WORD-A-DAY By BACH FUSILLADE (fu-zil-lad) noun THE DISCHARGE OF A LARGE NUMBER OF FIREARMS IN QUICK SUCCESSION, OR AT THE SAME TIME LET'S FLY BACK AND GIVE 'EM ANOTHER THRILL!

Around The Rim-The Herald Staff

Growing Power Of U. S. Federal Government Imperils Freedom

Someone has said that government is best which governs least. If we accept this as a criterion, we must admit that our own government falls far short of the ideal. The growth of bureaucracy in Washington is an indication of how far federal tentacles reach into the heart of America.

in the Pacific Northwest and elsewhere, with an abundance of fish and game to keep the homesteader alive until he could harvest his first crop. Even in normal times, this would have been accounted a golden opportunity; as it was, the average homesteader preferred to stay in the city and draw his weekly pay-check for loafing on a shovel.

Capital Report-Doris Fleeson

Adenauer Says Unarmed Europe Is An Invitation To Disaster

BONN, Germany, (By Airmail) — "If ever there should be military forces raised in my country, they should not be German forces but European forces operating within the framework of a United Europe."

the major decisions respecting Germany are made in Washington, not here. The first task Dr. Adenauer would set America is to realize that Europe cannot be saved without Germany. America, he says plainly, is in some respect more magnanimous than Europe.

The Nation Today-By James Marlow

CIO's Probe Of Left-Wingers Has Been Coming Since 1946

WASHINGTON, 46 — THE LEFT-WINGERS are getting a mauling at the CIO convention in Cleveland. But three years ago they opened the door for what's happening to them now.

THREE OF THEM WERE ANTI-COMMUNISTS. Three were so-called left-wingers, including Ben Gold, head of the furriers union, and an admitted Communist.

Today's Birthday

VILHJALMUR STEFANSSON, born Nov. 3, 1879 in Arnes, Manitoba, Canada, of Icelandic parents. Through explorations and writings this famous Arctic explorer contributed much to the world's knowledge to the Arctic. He made Arctic explorations considered impossible or suicidal. He pictured the Arctic as a fruitful friendly land and for this was sharply criticized by other explorers.





FARM GIRLS NOTE—Co-eds in the girl's dormitory of Southwestern State college at Weatherford, Okla., have no need for alarm clocks. They depend on Jackie Steere, above, who demonstrates how she gives her imitation of a rooster crow at 6:30 a. m. daily. (AP Wirephoto)

Airliner Wreckage Is Awesome Sight

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2. — The wreckage of the big airliner—shredded in places almost beyond belief—was an awesome sight. On board the Navy Tug Watah, veterans salvage workers shook their heads in amazement as a towering crane lifted the shattered front part of the airplane from the muddy bed of the Potomac River late yesterday. There were the crumpled wings, the tattered crew compartment and the torn fore section of the passenger cabin of the Eastern Airlines ship which plummeted into the river Tuesday, killing 55. It was the worst airplane disaster in history. The plane broke in half when it was struck in the air by a Bolivian fighter craft. The tail section and most of the fuselage of the airliner crashed on the river bank. The fighter rocketed into the Potomac—still to be salvaged when opera-

tions were halted last night. The Navy tug, a barge and crane lashed alongside, moved onto the scene yesterday afternoon after Navy divers working in muck to their waists had latched cables to the airliner wreckage. Slowly, cautiously the crane started the long hoist from 35 feet of water. The plane was upside down, and a landing gear to which the main cable was hooked broke the surface first. Then a tedious inching of the wreckage into the air began. After each short haul there was a pause so the water could drain from the exposed section. The left wing, its tip dangling, cleared next. The two engines on that side were gone—still on the bottom. The nose and the crew compartment were the most shattered of all—a maze of tangled wires and cables so dense it was almost impossible to see through the cabin. Both engines also were missing from the other wing, and from the cowings hung another mass of wires.

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Three Striking Sailors Facing Prison In Greece

BALTIMORE, Nov. 3. (UP) — The three Greek sailors on a nautical sidown strike 30 feet up the aftmast of the Freighter Aristocrafts may win their skirmish with the U. S. Immigration Service but it looks as though they'll lose their battle to steer clear of their homeland. A shipping firm spokesman said the vessel will sail to the Orient by way of the Panama Canal and the three seamen will be put ashore in Greece. The ship is scheduled to sail Sunday with a cargo of fertilizer. The trio climbed aloft early Tuesday morning to thwart efforts to deport them. The three seamen, and a fourth who has disappeared, are members of the Greek Maritime Union Oeno which was outlawed by the Greek Government in 1947 as Communist-led. The immigration service refused them permission to come ashore when the Aristocrafts docked. Immigration officials believe they are not bona fide seamen but are merely waiting an opportunity to jump ship and enter the United States illegally. Because this situation had arisen several times and because the four seamen had been agitators in protesting recent pay cuts, the ship's owners decided to send them back to Greece aboard another vessel. That's when the one sailor disappeared and the other three went up the mast, refusing to come down and not letting anyone climb up. A spokesman for their union said they're afraid they'll be put in prison back home, or worse. Sympathetic crew members are keeping them supplied with food, drink and cigarettes.

Coal Relief Fund Is Established
CLAIRTON, Pa., Nov. 3. (UP) — Clairton's city fathers have set up a relief fund for the families of the town's 5,000 striking steelworkers. At a special session yesterday, city council voted unanimously to appropriate \$30,000 as an emergency relief fund. The program will start on Monday. Mayor J. Mullen said the action was taken because a number of strikers' families reported they have no means of meeting food, light and other bills. The steel workers are employed in Carnegie Illinois Steel Corp. mills here. "Our program will be a sort of loan to our people," said Mayor Mullen. "Each applicant will promise in a signed statement that he will repay the money when he can. If the workers are unable to repay in cash, plans will be made for them to work it out for the city."

Shivers Trying To Soften Up Texans For New Tax Program

AUSTIN, Nov. 3. (UP) — Whether they realize it or not, Texans are being softened up for the bite of new taxes. Everywhere Gov. Allan Shivers goes these days—and he is on the go a lot and over a wide territory—he reiterates his views that the "broad base" tax is his idea of raising new revenues. The governor first expressed that opinion midway of the last session of the legislature, while he was still lieutenant governor and when it appeared it might be necessary then to levy for new revenues. Shivers was one of the key figures in Senate passage of the anti-bus tax bill that is on the books now. It was written in 1941 and legislatures since then have re-stated new tax campaigns. Texans are now paying—directly or indirectly—about 45 different kinds of taxes in support of their state government. It is inevitable that some new unexplored areas of revenue will be sought as sources to tap. There is already widespread talk about a state income tax, and the spectre of a sales tax is also just over the horizon. Either proposal could touch off a violent legislative storm. It is also reasonable to assume that efforts will be made to increase taxes on some sources already taxed: the usual oil, gas and sulphur tax proposals will be made and also battled to a finish. Not only the governor, but members of the legislature are talking the tax question in their home districts and some of them over wider areas.

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Rep. Marshall O. Bell of San Antonio recently wrote an editorial for the South Texas, official publication of the South Texas Chamber of Commerce, reviewing the state spending and taxation issue. It was widely circulated as a reprint pamphlet with this paragraph emphasized after Bell had said that between \$100 and \$125 million in revenue will be needed: "How will taxes be levied to meet this deficit? In my opinion a state income tax will be proposed; also, a general sales tax, and an increase in the tax on natural resources. I had always thought an increase in the federal government had preempted the income tax field, but more than 31 states now have state income taxes and the number increases every year. The opportunities for further development of Texas will be impaired if excessive taxation is imposed." Both Shivers and Senator G. C. Morris of Greenville, acting lieutenant governor, went into the spending and tax question before the Texas Manufacturers' Association in convention at Mineral Wells. Shivers bore down on the point that the cost of state government will keep on going up as long as the state government is responsive to the requests of the people for more and better services. Morris said it would take \$40 million dollars to bring the eleemosynary institutions up to a level worthy of Texas' honor. Bell's editorial carried this warning: "We are going to have just as good and efficient a government as the voters demand, or just as wasteful and inefficient a govern-

MONAHANS HAS BIGGEST FLEAS

DALLAS, Nov. 3. (UP) — The world's biggest and smartest fleas live in Texas. That's what State Land Commissioner Bascom Giles says. He spoke to the Dallas Rotary Club yesterday, and somehow got

Law 100 to talk about fleas. "Monahans out in far West Texas is now the Mecca of wild flea hunters," he said. "Hunters from flea circuses are coming there to drive. The Monahans country raises a flea that is exceptionally large and intelligent. A Monahans flea learns tricks in half the time of an ordinary flea."

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DOGS CAUSE ARREST OF ACCUSED KINGPIN OF NARCOTICS TRAFFIC

NEW YORK, Nov. 3. (UP) — Peter J. Locascio's concern for his two expensive dogs has landed him behind bars, accused as a kingpin of the American traffic in narcotics. He was called into Queens felony court today on state charges of illegal possession of an estimated \$1 million worth of dope. Federal and police agents raided Locascio's lavish Queens home yesterday. They lay in wait until they saw him leave the house to walk his two handsome boxer dogs. "I wouldn't have been home this afternoon if I didn't have to take these dogs out for an airing," he told police. Locascio was termed by City Detective Emanuel Schein "the biggest distributor of narcotics in the country."

The 33-year-old prisoner described himself as a truck driver. But police said he paid \$20,000 cash two weeks ago for the two-story home. They seized a sporty new Cadillac convertible parked in front of it. Agents said the arrest nine months ago of 17 smalltime Manhattan dope peddlers set off a search for the source of the narcotics. The raiders said they found a pound of heroin in a second-floor linen closet of Locascio's home. A secret compartment beneath a kitchen sink, they said, yielded four more pounds of heroin plus 4,000 vials of morphine and equipment to dilute raw dope for human consumption. Peddled at retail through underworld sources, police said, the dope was worth a million dollars. The actual value in legitimate trade channels is much less. The officers said Locascio admitted serving a two-year federal prison term before the war on an illicit alcohol charge.

British-Yugoslav Talks Strike Snag

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Nov. 3. (UP) — British-Yugoslav negotiations for a \$500 million five-year trade pact apparently have hit a snag. The talks have been in progress nearly nine months. It was disclosed last night that Sir Charles Peake, British ambassador to Belgrade, will leave for London by plane Friday in an effort to iron out the difficulties barring agreement. The nature of the difficulties has not been divulged.

THIEVES GETTING BUSINESSLIKE?

CAMDEN, N. J., Nov. 3. (UP) — Are the thieves holding business meetings these days? Joseph C. Nettleton, business agent for Local 56, AFL-Meat and Cannery Workers, reported to police yesterday that someone broke into his parked car and stole a gavel given him by the union members. Also taken, Nettleton said, was a six-inch square ebony sounding board—used to produce a bigger bang with the gavel.

