

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

The nation has been on an emotional jag over the MacArthur affair. The country, however, is in a position of crisis today where the head instead of the heart should prevail. Every one without exception has sympathy with General MacArthur over the fact that he was ousted from his high command in the Japanese and far eastern theatre, and there is no question but that this sympathy for the "underdog" has ruled the reactions to his ouster.

His speech before a joint session of the congress was a triumphant defense of his position—his disagreement with the President and the joint chiefs of staff, as well as the United Nations, over prosecution of the war in Korea, and the hearings before the foreign affairs committee and the armed service committees in congress within the next 10 days will likely give the American people a clearer insight into the facts which determine this nation's foreign policy in Asia.

In General MacArthur pontifical in his military decisions? Is he subject to error in his appraisal of the temper of the Asian peoples? Did he make a military blunder when he advised the President the Red Chinese would not enter the Korean war? In fact, is General MacArthur infallible as his worshippers claim, when it comes to matter both military and political in the Asian sphere? These are the questions which will be answered in this up-coming probe into our foreign policy.

But, according to observers here, the real question which is now before the people is: would you be willing to make the decision which might bring Russia into the war on the side of Red China and thus start World War III with all that means, including the fact that it likely would mean that the United States would go it alone with an all-out war on both ocean fronts?

General MacArthur declares that it is the rankest defeatism to think that we cannot conduct a global war on both fronts. So if you follow the MacArthur line of reasoning, that is the question you must decide.

If you follow the line of reasoning advocated by President Truman, we should attempt to conclude an honorable victory by holding the war to Korean borders in an attempt to avoid an all-out third world war. We may not be successful, but that is the position we should take first.

No one who looks at the facts disagrees with the President's authority, or right to fire MacArthur, or the fact that he did not merit relief of his command for refusing to carry out, or refusal to adhere to the orders and policy of his government. This in spite of the fact that the General now says he has not the faintest idea on why he was dismissed. These are the issues, according to the observers, which the

American people must decide on the cold, sober facts, not on emotional impulses.

In the meantime the great debate on foreign policy continues in the congress with temper flaring and near fistcuffs between Senators Capohart of Indiana, Humphrey of Minnesota and Lehman of New York, with Senator Tait of Ohio seeking the role of the peacemaker.

And in the midst of this debate, the one great statesman of his time, the author of the bipartisan, or as he called it the "un-partisan" foreign policy, Senator Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan died. In his place, Governor Mennen Williams of Michigan has named Blair Moody, Washington newspaper man for the Detroit News.

Moody is labeled a Democrat and a liberal, and his appointment was not received with enthusiasm by Senator Homer Ferguson, Michigan's senior senator. As a matter of fact, political observers declare the GOP leadership in Washington will sorely miss the leaving influence and the wise counsel of the late Senator from Michigan.

According to a tabulation of Congressional Quarterly, a non-political congressional reporting organization, lobbyists in Washington spent a record \$10,303,204 during 1950 in attempting to influence legislation in the congress.

Hand Tools Need Special Attention

When not in use hand tools should be kept in tool cabinets or in a tool rack on the wall. L. E. Tuckwiller, county farm agent for the State College Extension Service, said this week.

Sorting tools or searching for the right tool often causes hand injuries as well as damage to tools, he pointed out.

According to records of the National Safety Council, the most common unsafe practices in the use of hand tools are: failure to use the right tool for the job, failure to use the tool properly, failure to keep tools in proper condition, and failure to keep tools in a safe place when not in use.

Wood handles should be firm and smooth to eliminate possibility of splinters. The blades of cutting tools should be sharp and have proper angle.

Always dress struck ends of impact tools when they begin to crack and spread. This eliminates hazards of splintering steel and diverted blows. Grind screw driver blades so the tip has a square edge and parallel surface to avoid slipping. Select screw driver of proper size for the job.

Use wrenches of the right type that fit snugly. Pull in the direction the jaws point. Never use a piece of pipe on the handle to get more leverage, or a shin to make a large wrench fit or pliers as a substitute for a wrench. Examine hammers carefully. Make sure that the head is securely attached. Keep tools and hands free from grease.

entertained the Senior class, faculty and friends at the annual Junior-Senior banquet.

The cafeteria was decorated with trees and murals to carry out the theme of Robin Hood in Sherwood Forest. The banquet table was decorated with flowers and candles, effectively used in colors of green and white. Program was as follows:

Invocation, Mr. J. H. Gentry; welcome, Dean Hodges; Response from seniors, Ned Trivette; vocal solo, "Londonderry Air", Erselle Farthing; accompanied at the piano by Maude Wilson; pantomime, Joyce Wilson; movie, "Margie."

We wish to express our appreciation to Mrs. Gentry, Mrs. Bingham and Mrs. West who helped make the banquet such a success.

Junior-Senior Banquet
On Saturday, May 5th, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, the Junior class of Bethel High School

Bethel School News

The chapel program on safety, was presented on Thursday morning by Mrs. Perry's third grade. Earlene Combs read the 23rd Psalm and the prayer was given by Mary Cornett. Those taking a part in the play—"It was Circus Day" were Ruth Ann Robinson, Edwin Greene, Dale Taylor, Ruth Ann Adams and Joan Harmon. A play, "Are you a Dunce" was given by Walter May, Dallas Cornett, Tommy Phillips, Mary Cornett and Carl Moody.

Mrs. E. F. Warman, music teacher, was in charge of the health program given Monday afternoon at 1:30 over station WATA in Boone. This was continuing a series of programs presented by the schools of the county, through the health department.

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And the weak soul, within itself unbled
Leans for all pleasure on another's breast.—Goldsmith.



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Tax Returns

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
The number of workers covered by state unemployment insurance laws set a new record at 1950, reaching a total of 34,800,000 in December and wages covered by state unemployment insurance laws set a new record about \$100,000,000,000.

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