

## 'Muddled' State Department's No. 3 Man Represents U. S. in S. A. Emergency

By DREW PEARSON

## Secretary Royall Disapproves

It isn't being advertised, but one high official who frowned on the prosecution of Jap war lords was the top man in the army department—Secretary of the Army Kenneth Royall.

When Joseph B. Keenan, patriotic attorney who spent two years of his life as war-crimes prosecutor in Tokyo, reported to Royall the other day, the secretary of the army stated flatly that he was dead opposed to war-crimes prosecution.

"Suppose something should happen in Berlin to cause a war," argued Royall. "The Russians might shoot General Clay as a war criminal—if we set this precedent."

"They probably would," replied Keenan. "Those are the risks that brave men take."

"But," continued Keenan,

"when a boy of 20 is taken from his home through no fault of his, and put on a transport, and sails up to Okinawa and then is told by his commander to take that island, though he may not want to go at all and though he knows his chances of coming out alive are almost nil—then I say that the war lords who start such a war must be punished."

"It was no fault of millions of American boys that they had to leave their homes. It was the fault of a little group of men sitting safely in Tokyo who decreed that Japan was to rule the Pacific. And when we make an example of them," concluded Keenan, "there will be less chance of war in the future."

**NOTE:** Secretary of the Army Royall defended the Nazi saboteurs in court when they were tried as spies during the war. He also has done his best to discourage the war-crimes trials at Nuremberg. However, this is the first time Royall put himself no record so bluntly regarding a policy which has been officially adopted by the U. S. government.

## U. S. Toys with Peace

Recently, a Latin American president who had disbanded his army and announced to the world that his colonels now would become school teachers, appealed to the Pan American union for aid.

His country, Costa Rica, had just signed the Pan-American mutual defense pact, a history-making document pledging all Pan-American nations to come to each others' help—a pact rightfully expected to make the western hemisphere a peaceful model in contrast with chaotic, war-torn Europe.

And having trusted this pact, and disbanded his army, President Figueres of Costa Rica appealed to the Pan-American union.

For six hours the union debated this emergency call. They discussed, argued, orated. This is not unusual. Pan-American meetings always lean heavily on forensics, and it always takes strong leadership from the United States in consultation with Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico and a few others to harness the oratory and arrive at definite conclusions.

At this meeting, the USA was represented by charming, ineffectual Paul Daniels, chief of the American republic division. Everyone likes Daniels, but Latin American ambassadors aren't guided by his judgment. He is considered a number three man in a badly muddled state department.

## Previous Peace Precedents

In contrast, here is how the United States handled earlier threats of war.

**1. WHEN** war threatened between Bolivia and Paraguay in 1938, Charles Evans Hughes and Secretary of State Frank B. Kellogg met all day. Hughes was an ex-secretary of state, ex-presidential candidate—one of the biggest men in the nation. So was Kellogg. The fact that they dropped everything, concentrated all their time on peace, made a profound impression in Latin America.

**2. WHEN** war threatened between Russia and China in Manchuria in 1930, Secretary of State Stimson staged a meeting of every ambassador and minister at the White House. He used not only the force of his own dynamic personality, but also the prestige of the White House to demand that the two nations cease belligerent moves. He succeeded.

**3. WHEN** various warlike moves were made between Peru, Columbia, Venezuela and Central American countries, Undersecretary of State Sumner Wells, a man with great prestige throughout Latin America, acted in person. Peace was too precious. He did not leave matters to subordinates.

Yet when the vital test of the Pan-American defense pact came up, Ex-Secretary of State Marshall issued no statement from his sick bed. President Truman kept silent, and Acting Secretary Lovett was nowhere to be found. A number three men without even the rank of assistant secretary represented the great and powerful USA.

No wonder the meeting adjourned with no real result. No wonder Latin America got the impression that the U. S. wasn't much interested in the defense pact.

## TEST YOUR I. Q.

## QUESTIONS

1. Where in the U. S. did women first have the right to vote?

2. Who was the Greek god of war?



3. What do penguins do to enable them to dive for their food?

4. Where and when did the greatest battle in U. S. history take place?

5. What are the seven states that comprise the Arab League?

## ANSWERS

1. In the territory of Wyoming in 1869.

2. Ares.

3. Penguins swallow stones in order to adjust their hydrostatic balance. If they lose a little natural weight, they make up for it by swallowing stones.

4. The second battle of the Philippines, November, 1944.

5. Saudi Arabia, Trans-Jordan, Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq and Yemen.

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49 YEARS AGO  
January 4, 1900

G. C. Hazellet returned to Omaha Sunday after spending the Christmas season in this city and, incidentally, furthering plans for the Klondike expedition, which will start for the fields of gold the latter part of the present month. There will be some 15 or 20 men in the party and they will be equipped so as to get out the gold-laden dirt in great quantities.

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## Some Christmas Highlights Told

By A. STROLLER

PHOENIX, ARIZ., Jan. 1—New Years day and the sun just burst forth after a long rainy spell. It has been cloudy and rainy for several days, but very few persons complained about it for the moisture was badly needed. There has been a long drought in this country and this was the first good, general rain in many months.

The sunshine will be especially welcome today by the people of this city for the reason that the Salad Bowl football game between the University of Arizona and Drake University will be played here. The game will be preceded by a monster parade with 32 bands and innumerable floats, which will move through the downtown district to the stadium.

JAMES DAVIDSON has facilities so he can operate a small electric motor of his own invention. This is the second one of these machines Jim has made. He attaches them to a small electric generator and by turning wheel a current is produced sufficient to magnetize the motor to such an extent as to support the weight of an ordinary screw and hold it fast to the side of the machine. In the realm of machinery and invention, Jim is an expert.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Rhode, of Lincoln, were callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Collins Sunday. The game is being sponsored by the Phoenix Kiwanis club for the benefit of physically handicapped children.

Last week, the writer suggested that he might write something in the next issue of The Frontier about some of the highlights of the Christmas season as he had observed them. The Yuletide is always an interesting time everywhere and it was particularly attractive this year in this community.

One of the highlights which impressed the writer was the street decorations. They are brilliant, were put up several weeks ago and will remain a few days longer. Then, they

will be taken down until next year.

The store decorations are also brilliant for there is a brightly lighted and decorated tree in every window and also attractive displays of holiday goods. The residential districts are likewise decorated with Christmas trees, holly wreaths, etc.

Another thing which always interests the writer at Christmastime is the crowds of shoppers. They jam the streets and stores and stand in line for hours at the postoffice.

Christmas music is a big feature in Phoenix. The old, familiar songs pour forth on every hand from morning until night and great oratorios like "The Messiah" are presented in the churches.

Special Christmas services were held in some of the churches.

Of course, there were many and festivities of various kinds social events—parties, dances, and there were two at the YMCA which the writer attended. One was the annual Christmas party, attended by everybody connected in any way with the association and their families, and the other was the Christmas breakfast of the YMCA Residents club.

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