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Army-Navy Unity Plan Faces Barrier

Concessions
Fail to Ease
Prior KicksChance of Final Action
In Congress at Present
Session Regarded Poor

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—Army-Navy merger foes pasted a "too little and too late" label on President Truman's revised unification plan today.

They took the attitude that the concessions the President and War Department made to the sea arm on such points as the Marine Corps and the joint chiefs of staff were insufficient to overcome previous objections.

And with only four weeks before Congress plans to quit work, they said the prospects of final action at this session are remote.

Senator Robertson (R-Wyo.), in comment typical of those who have been critical of earlier merger proposals, said Mr. Truman's plan still has the insurmountable defect of the Secretaries of

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE United States of America makes news this week.

Our country (sole present possessor of atomic know-how) offers to destroy its own store of atomic bombs and stop manufacturing them if an adequate control of atomic energy is established under a proposed international authority.

The offer is made by Bernard M. Baruch, American member of the United Nations atomic energy commission, at its first meeting, which opened in New York this week.

T HUS we say to the world, and SPECIFICALLY to Russia:

"We presently possess the materials, the equipment and the know-how to produce the most destructive weapon the world has ever known. Not only that, but we ALREADY HAVE a store of these weapons. No other nation

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One Jail Escapee Taken,
Pal Still at Large

NEWBERG, Ore., June 17.—(AP)—State police reported today that Fred Gordlev, 34, who escaped the Yamhill County jail last Tuesday with another prisoner, has fled the region and may be out of the state.

Stanley L. Smith, 22, was recaptured late Saturday at the home of his wife's relatives. The two saved bars from the jail windows at McMinnville to escape.

Movie Celebrities, Turf Club
Head, Motor Maker Top List
Of High-Paid Persons in '44

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—Movies, horse racing and motor making accounted for the first five places today in a treasury listing of 593 top-paid Americans in 1944.

Movie Producer-Director Leo McCarey, with 12-month earnings of \$1,113,035, headed the list easily, while Charles H. Strub, vice president of the Los Angeles Turf Club, was lengths behind in second place with \$466,537.

Movie Financier Charles P. Skouras and Actor Fred MacMurray stood third and fourth with \$393,000 and \$391,217, respectively, and Charles E. Wilson, president of General Motors, was fifth at \$362,954.

The figures cover corporation payments of \$75,000 or more for the calendar year 1944 and business fiscal years which ran into 1945. All are listed before federal, state and other taxes, which in most instances trim the actual cash by from 50 to 60 percent.

Top-paid woman and 35th in the list which included fewer than a dozen of that sex was film actress Carmen Miranda, who received \$201,458. Actresses Paulette Goddard and Betty Grable were her closest rivals with \$187,333 and \$172,000, respectively.

Four businessmen and a movie executive made up the lower half

Power Distribution Dispute
Causes 18 to Quit Douglas
Electric Co-Operative Work

Internal friction on the executive board of the Douglas Rural Electric Cooperative has resulted in the resignations of three directors, the manager, six office employees and the eight members of the field crew, it was announced today by George Cordray, manager.

Resignations were submitted by Adolph Doerner, vice-president, Melrose; D. C. Wilson, treasurer, Yoncalla; Art Rychar, Yoncalla; directors; George Cordray, manager, Roseburg, together with the full office staff, three clerks, cashier, bookkeeper and seven crew members of the field staff, Cordray said.

Remaining on the executive board are Clifford Flory, president, Sutherlin; S. E. Chaudoin, Olalla; Arnold Cheevers, Elkton; Neal Meyers, Lookingglass.

Guy Keffer, Washington, D. C., REA regional head of the applications and loan division, was in Roseburg today endeavoring to compose differences and restore harmony.

Workers who have submitted resignations are remaining on the job to maintain service, pending settlement of the disagreement, which results chiefly, Cordray said, from differences of opinion concerning methods of distributing the limited amount of power the cooperative has available on its system.

The couple had been held in the Washington area since their arrest in Chicago two weeks ago. Col. A. C. Miller of the provost marshal's office said soon after the couple's arrest in Chicago that formal charges against persons involved in the case would be brought in Germany.

Capt. Frank M. Bosworth, serving as temporary counsel for the air forces colonel and his bride, said Saturday the couple had admitted nothing "which they considered criminal."

Army authorities said last week they had recovered all of the missing jewelry and relics. They said a part were located in a house at Hudson, Wis., where the couple honeymooned; some were in the hands of Chicago customs officers and most of the remainder were found in a Chicago railway station locker for which Colonel Durant provided the key.

Captain Nash-Durant was mess officer for an officers' rest camp at Kronberg Castle. In an account released through the War Department here, she said the treasure cache was located in the basement of the historic royal home by German workmen.

B. C. Strikers to Confer
After Meet With Cabinet

VANCOUVER, B. C., June 17.—(AP)—As British Columbia loggers went into their 34th strikebound day today, Harold Pritchett, district president, president of the International Woodworkers of America (CIO) was to report to a meeting of district council members here tonight.

Last night it was announced that decisions reached at a conference here yesterday of leaders of the 35,000 striking loggers will be placed before "government officials" today.

While details of the decisions reached yesterday were not announced, it was understood here today the whole strike situation was reviewed following the trek to Victoria Friday of 2,500 strikers. There they held a conference with Premier John Hart and cabinet members.

JERUSALEM, June 17.—(AP)—All the population of the Jewish settlement of Beth Haavara was reported arrested by Palestine police after a night of widespread terror during which two British soldiers were killed by Arab marchers and eight highway and railway bridges were damaged by blasts.

An official police statement blamed Jewish terrorists for the bridge explosions. Meanwhile, the Holy Land was stirred by a Jewish underground radio report that British authorities were planning to deport Zionist leaders, and the Jewish agency urged the establishment of a Jewish state in Palestine as the only lasting solution of the Palestine problem.

Hands Off Argentina,
United States Advised

PORTLAND, Ore., June 17.—(AP)—The United States has failed to influence Argentina's internal political affairs and must now act at once, Dr. Graham H. Stuart, political science professor at Stanford University, told the Northwest Institute of International Relations.

In an address last night, he said the Argentine people have become "self sufficient" and know they don't need anything from us.

"If the United States will keep its fingers out of Argentina's internal affairs, the democrats—who polled only 10 percent of the votes in the last election—may eventually get control," he asserted.

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In Miller's Addition

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Cordon's amendment was defeated 52 to 15.

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Oaklander Found

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Investigation by County Coroner H. C. Stearns disclosed that Higginbotham had carried a rifle which he had shoved into the ground barrel down with the butt open.

No wounds were found on the body and death was possibly due to a heart attack to which Higginbotham was known to be subject, Stearns said.

Discovery was made by Dorris Cole and Martin Durbin.

Mr. Higginbotham was born at Oakland March 21, 1905, and resided in that vicinity all his life. Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Higginbotham; three sisters, and two brothers, Mrs. Rose Black, Chalmers, and Mrs. Mildred Pratt, Roseburg, and David and Arthur Higginbotham, both of Oakland.

Graveside services will be held in the Green Valley cemetery today at 2 P. M. The Rev. J. K. Howard will officiate. Arrangements are in care of Stearns Mortuary, Oakland.

OPA Urges Pause in
Non-Housing Applications

PORTLAND, June 17.—(AP)—Persons planning non-housing construction were advised today to defer application to the Civilian Production Administration because shortages are "more critical than during the war."

Nelson English, Oregon CPA director, announced 84.3 per cent of applications were rejected last week because of a 45-day freeze of permits to two-thirds of May 28 approvals.

Home Suffers When Boys
Play With Fireworks

PORTLAND, June 17.—(AP)—A skyrocket set off by three youngsters playing with fireworks in the second floor of the M. L. Sines home caused \$3,000 fire damage. Fire Investigator Norman Howard estimated today.

The investigator said Sines' 13-year-old son was entertaining two friends, ages 9 and 11.

With Roseburg's March of Progress

—Photo by Paul Jenkins

TRUCK AGENCY INSTALLED—Appearing above is the new Roseburg branch of Howard Cooper Corporation of Portland, dealers in industrial trucks. The plant is located on East Second Avenue South and is managed by Norman Siefarth. Six mechanics and salesmen are employed.

Butter, Milk,
Cheese Prices
Upped by OPA

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—OPA today ordered retail price increases of 11 cents a pound for butter and six cents a pound for Cheddar cheese.

The agency also raised manufacturers' prices, effective immediately. The retail increases go into effect upon each retailer's first purchase from his supplier at the higher prices.

These price boosts, authorized earlier by Stabilization Director Bowles, followed an assertion by a top government economist that living costs are climbing at an "alarming" rate.

OPA also announced a retail increase of one cent for a 143 ounce can of evaporated milk.

In carrying out other instructions of Bowles designed to increase butter production, OPA also took these actions, effective immediately.

1. Established for the first time price ceilings on milk bought from milk producers by dairy products manufacturers and by industrial and commercial users.

2. Brought under price control for the first time all bulk sales of commercially-separated cream and sales of farm-separated cream sold by any seller other than a farmer. Sales by a cream station to a butter manufacturer are exempt.

Higher prices for butter and

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Lake Washington Area
Combed for Lost Child

SEATTLE, June 17.—(AP)—The Navy dispatched 100 men from the Sand Point Naval Air Station and the Seattle Naval Station today to aid sheriff's deputies search for Jimmie Yarno, 22 months old, who wandered from his home at Yarrow Point, Lake Washington, about 4:30 yesterday afternoon.

Simultaneous hunts were carried on in the dense brush land, divers in the lake, and by posses aided by a state-owned bloodhound in the dense brushland on the point.

Only clue was Jimmie's toy teddy bear found between his home and a nearby road.

Jimmie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Yarno, have another son, 4 years old and are expecting a third child.

Refrigerator Closes on
Boy, Causing His Death

ROCHESTER, Pa., June 17.—(AP)—Four-year-old James Sutton of Rochester township climbed into an unused refrigerator on the back porch of his home yesterday.

Somehow, the door closed behind him. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sutton, said a playmate or a dog might have done it.

At suppers time, four hours later, the door was opened. The boy was found dead, a victim of suffocation.

Mrs. Sutton said she had been offered \$5 for the broken refrigerator but refused it in the hope for a better price.

"Why didn't we sell it?" said the heartbroken father.

Springfield-Oregon City
Road Project Revived

LEBANON, Ore., June 17.—(AP)—The Lebanon Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a meeting here Wednesday of representatives from towns interested in the proposed Cascades Highway connecting Springfield and Oregon City, by way of Lebanon.

Oregon City, Springfield, Eugene, Brownsville, Sweet Home, Stayton, Seilo, Silverton and Molalla have been invited to send delegates.

Plans for the road were shelved during the war.

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French Government in
Throes of Fresh Crisis

PARIS, June 17.—(AP)—The French governmental crisis mounted today when the Socialists spurned the presidency of the council and the moderate popular Republican movement reaffirmed the candidacy of Foreign Minister Georges Bidault. The communists have refused to support any regime the moderate new party heads.

Gen. Charles de Gaulle, often associated with the Popular Republican Movement (MRP), emerged from the political obscurity he entered upon resigning the presidency six months ago, by declaring in a speech at Bayeux that he favored a strong executive and a two chamber legislature for the Fourth Republic.

Hope for immediate solution of the crisis dimmed.

Veterans Offered Help
In Insurance Problems

Any veterans of Roseburg and vicinity having problems relating to their government insurance are invited to contact representatives of the Portland regional office of the Veterans Administration at the Veterans hospital in Roseburg Tuesday, it was announced today by Dr. George Melvin, manager.

R. E. Greiner, assistant manager of the regional office, and Raymond J. Goodhart, chief of the insurance division, will be at the Roseburg hospital from 8 A. M. to 4:30 P. M. Tuesday, and will be available for interviews at the contact office.

Woman Charged With
Murder of Child Niece

VICTORIA, B. C., June 17.—(AP)—Police Chief Gilbert Stancome of Esquimalt, B. C., announced last that Mrs. Ethel James had been charged with the murder of her niece, a five-year-old Indian girl, Rosan James, after a two-day investigation of the child's death.

The police officer said Rosan, daughter of Martin and Ethel James, had been beaten to death. She had been living in a cabin with her aunt and uncle, Ethel and Henry James, for more than two years.

Sections of Giant Plane
Moved to Graving Dock

LONG BEACH, Calif., June 17.—(AP)—The three sections of Howard Hughes' mammoth airplane, and Hughes' mammoth airplane, were moved safely in a graving dock on Terminal Island today after a hazardous, spectacular 24-mile journey from the Hughes' factory in Culver City.

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Draft Extension Bill

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Union Control
Bill Believed
Out for 1946

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—Congressional friends of organized labor predicted today that settlement of the threatened maritime strike has blocked enactment of any "drastic legislation" this year.

While some lawmakers still talked of pushing through a modified version of President Truman's emergency strike control bill, the administration itself was obviously relieved over the fresh turn in industrial relations.

In comment typical of those who usually oppose union viewpoints on Capitol Hill, Representative Biemiller (D., Wis.) told a reporter: "Settlement of the maritime dispute takes away the ammunition of those trying to take away labor's rights with drastic legislation."

Biemiller said he believes he and his associates now can prevent passage of the emergency bill asked by Mr. Truman.

Fresh Storm Looms

While the labor situation generally is "very much better"—in

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Schools Lose Two
Veteran Teachers

The Roseburg school system has "suffered the severe loss" of two veteran teachers, Superintendent Paul S. Elliott said this morning, as he announced the resignations of Miss Verlie Tracy, principal of Benson school, and Miss Floyd L. Cooper, third and fourth grade instructor at Fullerton school.

Miss Tracy has taught in the Roseburg school system for 34 years, Elliott said. She became principal of Benson school in 1929. She was an instructor at Benson since 1924, and previously taught at Rose school and at the old Riverside school.

Miss Cooper has been a teacher at Fullerton school since 1926. In her letter of resignation, Miss Tracy said, "I have given my best efforts here since 1912 and can truthfully say that the troubles, disappointments, and heartaches have been more than outnumbered by the pleasures I've enjoyed and the fine friends I've made."

"May I take this opportunity to thank you for all courtesies and considerations during these years."

"I shall hope for the continued success of these schools and I can honestly say I see no reason to think otherwise when such able leadership is at hand."

The resignations of Miss Tracy and Miss Cooper will be considered by the school board when it meets tonight, Elliott said.

"Personally, I consider it a great loss to the district," he commented. "We hope they will be receptive to a renewal of their contracts with the district if circumstances will allow them to return."

Future plans of the two teachers will be announced at a later date, Elliott said.

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Former Democratic
National Chairman,
McCormick, Passes

VANCE MCCORMICK

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 17.—(AP)—Vance C. McCormick, publisher of two Harrisburg newspapers, an industrialist and former chairman of the Democratic National Committee, died yesterday. He would have been 74 years old Wednesday.

A former mayor of Harrisburg and Democratic candidate for the governorship of Pennsylvania in 1914, McCormick retired from politics in recent years to publish the Harrisburg Patriot and the Harrisburg Evening News.

He attracted national attention in 1916 when he led the fight for the re-election of Woodrow Wilson as president. He was chairman of the Democratic National Committee at that time.

A graduate of Yale University, he was named quarterback on the late Walter Camp's all-American team of 1892.

School Vote Calls
For Three Verdicts

Roseburg voters today will choose a new director for the school board to serve a five-year term, will vote on the \$144,659.47 school district budget which exceeds the six per cent limitation, and will approve or disapprove consolidation of the Roseburg and Sylmar Valley school districts.

The election will be held in the Junior High School between the hours of 2 and 7 P. M. Polling place will be the home economics class room on the basement floor, to the left of the front entrance.

Results of the election will be made known to the school board when it meets at 7:30 in a continued session of its last meeting, Superintendent of Schools Paul S. Elliott said.

Candidates for school director are James Mess, John C. Piper, and Charles Polrot. All registered voters residing in the district are eligible to participate in this election.

Voters qualified by holding property in the district or stock in a tax-paying corporation, may vote on the budget and the matter of consolidation of the Roseburg and Sylmar Valley districts. To Meet Cost Increases

The ballot for the special election on the budget reads: "Shall a special tax levy in the sum of \$144,659.47 over and above the constitutional limitation by School District No. 4, Douglas County, Oregon, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1946, for the purpose of covering necessary increase in salaries, additional teachers required, additional expenses of janitor and operating expenses made necessary by increase of costs and school attendance?"

The election board will include five persons, it was announced by A. J. Geddes, clerk of School District No. 4: H. B. Church, J. B. Bailey, Mrs. Tillie Johnson, Mrs. Mabel Harness, and Miss Florence Cole.

Senate Group Disclaims
Power in Court Wrangle

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—The Senate judiciary committee decided today it has no "authorization or jurisdiction" to take action on charges made by Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson against Justice Hugo L. Black.

Chairman McCarran submitted to the committee the statement received from Jackson who now is prosecutor in the war crimes trials at Nuernberg, Germany.

Finland Keeps Lone Role
Of War Debt Payment

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—Finland today maintained its record of being the only country not in default on its World War I debt.

The Treasury announced it had received \$166,479.74 from the Baltic country, representing its semi-annual interest installment. Treasury officials said Finland has paid \$7,263,000 to the U. S. so far, but still owes more than \$8,000,000.

Lovity Fast Rent

By L. F. Redmond

Russia, it appears, would not refuse a helping hand from the United States if it contained a billion dollar loan and the secret of the atomic bomb.