

TAFT LABOR MEASURE PASSED BY SENATE

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GROUND LEVEL HELICOPTER—Keeping pace with the Oregon Journal at Portland, which acquired a helicopter for faster, statewide news coverage, the News-Review has stepped out with its "doodlebug" for better hometown news coverage. Sitting astride the machine is Royal S. Denton, News-Review staff writer. Interested onlookers are Stan White, left, advertising manager, and Jerome Sheldon, city editor. Denton is growing his chin adornment for Roseburg Rodeo Week in June.

Alternative to Beaten City Budget Topic of Discussion At Chamber's Weekly Forum

What if Roseburg voters fail to approve the city's \$191,435 budget, with its levy of \$79,218.53 above the six per cent limitation, at the special election May 27?

That was one question fired at Mayor Albert G. Flegel at the Chamber of Commerce weekly forum luncheon yesterday, which he relayed to City Auditor A. B. Collier.

U. S. Extends Agreement To Bolster Mexican Peso

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—The United States and Mexico today announced the signing of a \$50,000,000 financial agreement to stabilize the dollar-peso rate of exchange between the two countries.

A joint announcement, said the U. S. will purchase \$50,000,000 worth of Mexican pesos during the next four years beginning July 1, this year.

The pact had been extended twice previously and was scheduled to expire June 30, this year.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

AFTER a week of perfunctory debate, the house of Representatives today voted 287 to 107 for President Truman's Greek-Turkish aid bill. The senate had previously approved it by a vote of 67 to 22.

The President, of course, will sign it. It is his bill. So we are now embarked upon a program of checking the spread of Russian communism before it gets too big to handle.

IS it a wise program? That is a question that can't now be answered with a flat "yes" or "no." Time alone can tell. About the best we can do at the moment is to seek an answer from the past.

In the clear light of hindsight, it seems probable that if we had stopped Hitler before he got too big to handle there might have been no World War II.

THERE are many who believe (some of them sincerely) that the way to handle Russia is to give her what she wants in the hope that when she gets enough

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World Needs Understanding Of U. S. to End 'Imperialism' Talk, Dean Acheson Declares

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—Undersecretary of State Dean Acheson declared today that world wide understanding of the United States—its objectives, its principles, and its hopes—would end "foolish talk" that it follows policies of reaction and imperialism.

And understanding is the aim of the State Department's international broadcasts, he said, summing up the purpose as: "To cover the earth with truth." Acheson testified before the House Foreign Affairs Committee on legislation which would authorize a \$10,000,000-a-year information program by the department.

During the war, the department set up a cultural and information division which now makes the broadcasts, including a "Voice of America" program beam to Russia.

Committee voted against giving it any funds. The committee said Congress never had authorized such activities.

The measure before the Foreign Affairs Committee would simply authorize such activities. The matter of an appropriation to finance them still would have to go through the Appropriations Committee.

While Acheson was testifying, Chairman Taber (R-N. Y.) of the Appropriations Committee, discussing the issue at a news conference, indicated willingness to approve a \$5,000,000 or \$8,000,000 program "if it's cleaned up and get rid of the incompetents."

School Budget Approved By Labor Council, C. of C.

Offers So Far Not Sufficient To End Strike

Phone Workers Insist On Protection Against Company 'Discrimination'

SEATTLE, May 13.—(AP)—Striking Pacific Northwest telephone workers will return to work immediately if today's San Francisco meeting between National Federation of Telephone Workers and company officials results in an agreement, Douglas Chisholm, area strike director, said today.

He added, however, that the workers are "still solid down the line" for continuation of the strike at present negotiation levels.

Similar sentiments were expressed last night in Tacoma, where some 500 workers voted "no" on the question of accepting current wage offers or returning to work without a raise under present bargaining contracts.

Better Offers Wanted

Hal Conlin of Spokane, business agent for the Washington-Idaho area of the T. W. U., said "yes" votes were predominant on the question of strike continuance pending receipt of better offers on wages and the subject of discrimination.

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Jap Girls Explain How Their Romances Began

TOKYO, May 13.—(AP)—Tokyo officials, worried about "protecting" young girls from temptations, interviewed 8,580 girl students to learn exactly what goes on—and found nothing new.

Some 734 of the girls said they were winked at in streetcars, and 319 others said a formal handshake began their romances. More than 400 said they had been followed by would-be swains, and 180 were "victims" of other forms of temptations, the official report noted.

Only 44 of the 8,580 girls had inspired their suitors to write love letters.

The report didn't mention it, but Japanese girl students universally wear a baggy uniform with the lines and romantic appeal of a potato sack.

Chinese Railway Blasted After U. S. Marines Pass

PEIPING, May 13.—(AP)—Several sections of the Peiping-Senyuen (Shanhaikwan) rail line were blasted and uprooted today a few hours after two trains carrying 500 American Marines and their commander passed safely through Communist-held territory.

Col. Julian N. Frisbie, commander of the Fifth regiment of the First Division, traveling in a deluxe coach, and 500 Marines in a special train reached the port of Chinwangtao without incident. They began boarding two transporters for Guam and the United States in the withdrawal of leathernecks from China.

Demo Group Seeks Delay In Income Tax Reduction

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—Senate Democrats began lining up today behind a movement to delay action on the proposed \$4,000,000,000 income tax cut until mid-June.

By that time, they contend, Congress should have a much better idea of what economies it can effect in President Truman's \$37,500,000,000 budget for the fiscal year which starts July 1.

With most of the 44 Democratic senators not sold on the idea of cutting taxes until the probable surplus can be computed, only a few Republican votes would have to be pulled over to achieve the postponement.

Retail Grocery Clerks Accept Pay Hike Offer

PORTLAND, Ore., May 13.—(AP)—The AFL Retail Grocery Clerks Union voted yesterday to accept an 18-cent hourly pay increase offered by Food Employers, Inc., thus averting a threatened strike.

The increase, affecting 1,500 clerks, will give journeymen \$50.40 and department heads \$53.40 for a 40-hour week. It is expected to set a pattern for some 300 clerks in smaller groceries, where negotiations have not been completed.

The employees had voted to strike if a settlement was not reached.

Sugar Stamp 12, Good for 10 Lbs., Valid on June 1st

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—The Agriculture Department announced today that sugar ration stamp No. 12 for individual consumers will become valid June 1 instead of July 1 as originally planned. It will allow purchase of 10 pounds.

The department said that supplies from this stamp must last until October 31, when price and rationing controls will expire unless extended by Congress.

Consumers ration stamp No. 12 is the second to be designated as a 10-pound sugar stamp. The first was No. 11 which became valid April 1.

The June 1 date was set for No. 12 in order to expedite movement of sugar into home pantries while railway transportation is available.

Officials say they expect a shortage of freight cars for sugar after the bumper winter wheat crop starts moving to market late next month.

The department explained that supplies from a big Cuban crop now reaching a seasonal harvest peak, are being imported in large quantities.

Ex-Rep. May Hit By New Evidence

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—Secretary of War Patterson testified today that former Rep. Andrew J. May (D-Ky.) sought his help on several occasions in behalf of the \$78,000,000 Garsson munitions combine.

The prosecution summoned Patterson as a star witness in the fourth week of May's trial on charges of taking more than \$55,000 in wartime bribes.

On trial with the 72-year old wartime head of the House Military committee are munitions makers Henry and Murray Garsson and Joseph F. Freeman, Washington agent for the Garsson brothers.

Patterson told the jury that on March 24, 1945, May asked him to give an "E" award for outstanding war production, to a Garsson firm, the Batavia (Ill.) Metal Products Company.

He said May also contacted him about a cutback of a Batavia Company contract in 1943 and, in September, 1945, called him in the Capitol to protest the Army's action in withholding \$800,000 from the Erie Basin Metal Products Co., another Garsson firm. The money was held up pending renegotiation of a contract.

26 Firms Suspended From Rationed Sugar Dealing

SAN FRANCISCO, May 13.—(AP)—Suspension of 26 firms from their right to deal in rationed sugar for commercial purposes was announced yesterday by the sugar rationing administration of the Department of Agriculture.

Those suspended included one each in Oregon and Arizona, the remainder being California firms. Charles F. Lawrence, regional hearing commissioner, said the action followed hearings on charges of violations of sugar rationing orders. The suspensions he announced included:

Faber's Market, Central Point, Ore., 30 days.

Retirement Pay Boost For Teachers Approved

SACRAMENTO, Calif., May 13.—(AP)—California teachers who have retired and those who do so in the future would receive at least \$20 a month additional retirement pay under terms of a measure unanimously passed by the assembly yesterday.

The added cost to local school districts was estimated by proponents of the bill at five to six million dollars a year and to the state at about \$600,000 a year.

The bill now goes to the Senate.

Italian Premier Quits In Dissension Over Debts

ROME, May 13.—(AP)—Premier Alcide De Gasperi handed his resignation today to Provisional President De Nicola as Socialists and Christian Democrats charged each other with responsibility for the collapse of his coalition government.

Taxpayers of District Vote Tomorrow

Endorsement of the special school election tax proposal, to be voted on tomorrow, was given Monday by the Roseburg Central Labor Council and the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce, the presidents of the two organizations reported.

City Councilman Frank Ashley, president of the Roseburg Central Labor Council, said the labor council had endorsed not only the proposed levy for schools, but the proposed city budget, to be voted on at the special election May 27.

Ashley said the council's endorsement of the two elections was given because it is felt that salaries and wages of city and school employees must be raised, "if any efficiency is to be expected at all."

Ashley estimated that 75 per cent of the local A. F. of L. membership are property owners and taxpayers and therefore eligible to vote in the school election.

Schacht, Ex-Bank Chief of Nazis, Draws Eight Years

STUTTGART, May 13.—(AP)—Hjalmar Schacht, German financial wizard who was cleared of war crimes charges by the International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg seven months ago, was convicted as a major Nazi offender by a German denazification court today and sentenced to eight years imprisonment.

The former Nazi finance minister and Reichsbank president, 70 years old, has been on trial for six weeks. He heard the verdict in stunned silence, his face drawn and white.

The decision also banned him from voting or any public activity.

The court ordered the confiscation of all of Schacht's remaining personal fortune—officially estimated at 1,190,000 marks (\$119,000)—except for 10,000 reichsmarks.

Postal Head May Have to Yield Democratic Post

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—Speaker Martin (R-Mass.) said today a pending House investigation may lead to a divorce between the postmaster general and the Democratic National Committee.

"There ought to be one," Martin told a reporter. "The House schedule this week calls for action on a resolution directing the Postoffice and Civil Service Committee to investigate matters in its field. The committee would be required to report its findings to the present Congress and submit any 'recommendations for legislation' it considers desirable."

"Running a billion-dollar business ought to be a full-time job," Martin said, "and the government ought not to finance political fights around the country under the guise of official post office department business."

Committee O. K.'s Navy Post-Grad School Plan

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—The House Armed Services Committee unanimously approved today a bill to permit the Navy to acquire the Del Monte hotel properties at Monterey, Calif., for a Naval post graduate school.

The bill was amended to authorize an expenditure of \$2,500,000 to purchase the properties and convert them to school uses. The owners would receive \$2,149,000; the remainder would pay for the conversion.

Rep. Gavin (R-Pa.) told the committee today the full program of post graduate training at Monterey involves an expenditure of about \$40,000,000.

No Hangovers From Petroleum Hooch, Claim

HOUSTON, Tex., May 13.—(AP)—Hangover-free whiskey, equal in taste and quality to the best grain liquors, could be manufactured from petroleum if manufacturers and drinkers did not have a "prejudice" against obtaining liquor from oil wells, Dr. Henry Haas, head of the chemistry department at Purdue University, said here today.

"Whiskey processed from oil products would contain no fuel oil, which is the ingredient that causes hangovers," Haas said.

The Weather

Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday.



Picture by Paul Jenkins

TO 'CHUTE CARGOES TO FIRE FIGHTERS—Forest Service men from five Western Oregon National Forests, above, are instructed in the art of packaging and wrapping food and supplies to be parachuted to forest fire fighters in isolated areas. The two-day carrying and dropping school is being held at the Roseburg airport. Larry Souler, pilot, with his back to camera, center, loads a bundle into this Forest Service plane.

New Technique in Supplying Forest Firefighters Taught At School Held at Airport

Fire fighters in isolated forest areas this summer may look forward to eating hot meals dropped to them from the air, it was promised by Forest Service officials conducting a two-day carrying and dropping school at the Roseburg airport.

Approximately 20 men from five national forests in Western Oregon and the Eastern and Western Lane, and Douglas Forest Protective Associations, are learning the art of packaging food and equipment for the forest crews, and stowing cargoes in light airplanes.

A new technique is being developed this year, in packaging hot meals in insulated containers and dropping the food to forest fire fighters at the scene of action.

Les Colville, Portland, instructor, said that airplanes are being utilized not only in supplying fire fighters but trail crews working in the isolated, backwoods of national forests.

At the hangar at the Roseburg airport, yesterday and today, the men were instructed in the methods of wrapping shovels, axes, picks, saws, and other tools for easy dropping, and practiced rolling parachutes. The Forest Service purchases its air cargoes with burlap. Likewise, parachutes are of the same material.

Another new technique adopted this year is the use of lighter planes than in the past, and the dropping of cargoes by the pilot himself. Previously, an extra man was carried to do the dropping.

Underworld Character Slain on Detroit Street

DETROIT, May 13.—(AP)—Fred A. Baraky, 33-year-old minor police character and once-convicted gambler, was shot down in the street today in a slaying reminiscent of Detroit's roaring rum running era of the 1920's.

Police expressed fears that his murder may be linked to a week end crackdown in which officers claimed to have smashed an \$8,000,000 gambling syndicate with roots deep in the city's underworld.

Nine bullets were pumped into Baraky's body by a man who accosted him and an unidentified woman companion outside a bowling alley and bar.

Fire at Coney Island Razes Five Buildings

NEW YORK, May 13.—(AP)—Fire at Coney Island destroyed five buildings and smudged a dozen more last night. Doctors said they treated 22 persons, mostly firemen, for smoke poisoning, but none was injured seriously.

Fire officials estimated the loss at \$125,000. The amusement park is scheduled to open this weekend for the summer season.

Longer Skirts Mean Junking of Wardrobes

SHAWNEE-ON-DELAWARE, Pa., May 13.—(AP)—Longer skirts this fall will make obsolete 80 per cent of the wardrobe of American women, says Mack Gordon, president of the Linder Coy Women's Specialty Store of Cleveland.

Gordon spoke before 100 textile manufacturers, executive administrators and technologists.

Approval Given Plan For Building Rental Units

Construction approvals listed today by the Oregon review committee of the Civilian Production Administration included a permit to M. L. Veatch, Roseburg, for construction of rental units at Rose-Etta Lodge to cost \$32,000.

Margin Large Enough to Kill Predicted Veto

Compromise Will be Sought With Tougher Bill Adopted by House

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—The Senate today passed its controversial labor bill by a vote of 68 to 24—more than the two-thirds margin needed to override the presidential veto which some opponents have predicted.

The far-reaching measure, denounced by organized labor but generally endorsed by many industrialists, now goes to conference for compromise with a tougher bill approved by the House.

Then the compromise version will go to the White House, probably late this month.

Shortly before the final vote the Senate rejected, 73-19, a substitute bill drafted by a group of Democrats who regarded it as the kind of legislation Mr. Truman would sign. Critics called it a "milk-and-water" bill.

Senator Taft, chairman of the Senate's Republican Policy and Labor Committee, led the fight for the bill adopted.

The substitute was tailored to meet President Truman's recommendations on labor legislation. Senator Murray (Mont.) and 10 other Democrats presented the bill only to put themselves on record with a specific example of the kind of labor bill they believed should be adopted.

Unlike the Taft bill, the substitute would have permitted the closed shop, under which employers can hire only union members. It made no provisions for injunctions against national emergency strikes. The adopted Taft measure does.

Both bills deny collective bargaining rights to a union if any officer can "reasonably be regarded" as a communist or communist sympathizer.

This provision was placed in the Senate bill on adoption of an amendment by Senator McClellan (D-Ark.).

Presiding officer Vandenberg named the following as conferees to meet with a House group to iron out differences in the versions of the two bills: Senators Taft (R-Ohio); Ball (R-Minn.); Ives (R-N. Y.); Murray (D-Mont.); and Ellender (D-La.).

Barkley Raps Martin

Senator Barkley (D-Ky.) shouted to the Senate during debate that House Speaker Martin (R-Mass.) "engaged in a form of intimidation against the president of the United States" by declaring that there will be no effort to pass new legislation if labor and tax bills are vetoed.

It was a "peculiar spectacle," the Democratic leader went on, to find the Speaker of the house announcing in advance of final congressional agreement on the terms of such legislation that the labor bill's final passage was Republicans for: Cain, Cordon,

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Building Permits In 5 Weeks Shown

City building permits issued during April and the first week in May totaled \$17,800, with \$6,060 of the amount for construction and remodeling of commercial enterprises, Fire Chief Glenn H. Taylor reported.

Taylor expressed the opinion that the restrictive policies of the CPA were responsible for commercial construction hitting a new low during the past two months.

Biwest Industrial construction project here during April was the erection of a new sand house by the Southern Pacific Railroad, at \$2,560 cost.

Other industrial and commercial projects included: Addition to KRNR, technician's shop, \$1,200; remodeling of the Mabel Lewis Shop, \$2,000; remodeling at 311 W. Cass St., into the donut shop, \$300.

Total of 14 permits were issued during April and only one during May. These were for two new dwellings, two temporary dwellings, five garages and woodsheds and two remodeling projects.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizemataia

What matters if Britons haven't enough to eat, haven't enough fuel for heating and the country is head-over-heels in debt? George and his family have returned, and it will now be a pleasure to either starve to death, freeze to death or die in the poorhouse.