

Truman Message 'Left Wing' Type, GOP Cries

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you can write your own ticket." In this connection, Senator Taylor (D-Idaho), who has been thinking about running with Wallace on a third party ticket, said he will "fight, tooth and tongue" to obtain congressional enactment of the president's excellent domestic program.

"However," Taylor added, "his statement did nothing to allay my deep fears that his foreign policy, which is also the Republican party's foreign policy, is leading us to war."

The White House said today that reaction to President Truman's state of the Union message yesterday was "quite favorable."

Press Secretary Ross told newsmen that telegrams and messages "seemed to be four or five to one favorable," and that they still are coming in.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Europe's non-communist newspaper hailed President Truman's message to congress and the Marshall plan report today as steps to bolster the structure of western civilization.

Communist newspapers attacked the European recovery program as a plan of world conquest.

There was no immediate reaction in Moscow, but the Soviet press and radio continued their familiar attacks on capitalism in the United States, declaring America was preparing for another war.

Truman's message and the recovery plan report were given streamer play in practically all other sections of the European press.

"The destiny of the western world lies in the hands of the American Congress," said Britain's influential Manchester Guardian.

The communist London Daily Worker said the Marshall plan is an attempt "to limit the European production of goods which would compete with U. S. industries."

Youth Will Die For Murdering Two Officers

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formal plea to a second murder charge in connection with Glass' death.

Crime Orgy Admitted

Reno Chief of Police Clayton Phillips testified yesterday that Blackwell has admitted wounding two other persons in Tacoma, and admitted robberies at Seattle, Spokane and Tacoma, Wash.; Couer d'Alene, Idaho; Salt Lake City, Utah; Greeley, Colo.; Butte, Mont., and Reno.

All of the crimes took place between his escape from the Monroe reformatory Oct. 13 and his capture here Nov. 8.

Six days before his Reno capture, Phillips said, the youth returned to the reformatory, scaled

the prison wall with a rope and grappling hook, and engineers the escape of two companions, Arnold Thomassen, 22, and James Blake, 21, both of Tacoma.

Thomassen has pleaded innocent to two murder charges in connection with death of the policemen and will be tried late this month. Blake is charged with robbery.

Ray Ryan, superintendent of the Monroe Reformatory, told the court he dug up an ammunition pistol and 49 rounds of ammunition reported to have been buried by Blackwell in the prison yard when he re-entered to aid his companions' escape.

Declared Beyond Hope

In asking the death sentence, District Attorney Harold Taber said "there is no hope for this defendant if he is given life, and there is absolutely no possibility of rehabilitation."

Defense attorneys sought to have the conviction set at second degree murder on grounds the state had failed to prove the shooting was "willful, deliberate and premeditated."

Blackwell heard the death sentence with the same slight frown he wore throughout the hearing. His brother, Harold, a former army major now studying for the ministry, and his father likewise showed no emotion. They previously had expressed hope the youth would escape with life imprisonment.

Northwest Floods Ebb, Leaving Six Deaths

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through the flood at his Glenwood home.

South of Salem, hundreds of families moved out of their homes. The Willamette was 6.4 feet above flood stage this morning and still rising toward its expected evening crest 8 feet above flood level. The city itself was not endangered.

Portland, where the Willamette empties into the Columbia, is expected to get the crest tomorrow, and 20 carloads of merchandise were being moved from the lowest waterfront terminal. It will be covered at the one-foot-above-flood-stage forecast.

Highways Partly Closed

Main highways and secondary roads throughout the flood areas were either kept open on a one-way basis or closed entirely. U. S. Highway 99 was under water on both its east and west side routes at mid-Willamette Valley points.

The Oregon Coast Highway was closed south of Coquille but there was likelihood of its reopening late today. Elsewhere slides and water plagued motorists and disrupted bus schedules. The Union Pacific reported its trains getting through but Southern Pacific tracks were blocked by a slide near Dunsmuir, Calif.

Throughout Southern Oregon the trains were reducing speed over bridges and trestles. The SP expected to add a shuttle train today between Salem and West Salem because the lower high-

way bridge will be covered by the Willamette.

The Pacific Highway was still closed at Harrisburg today by high water. It also was closed three miles north of Ashland, but a detour is available there.

The North Santiam Highway was closed today by a slide at Sardine Creek, between Niagara and Detroit.

Other highways closed today are the Coos River, Springfield-Creswell, Wilsonville Ferry, Junction City-Eugene secondary, both Albany-Corvallis routes, the Bellevue-Hopewell, and the Cascade highways.

Truman's Major Plans For '48 Appear Doomed

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committee meets next week to look over the legislative program—party leaders privately predicted this outcome for other

of Mr. Truman's proposals: Compulsory Military Training

—unlikely to be passed despite the insistence of top members of the House Armed Services committee for action now. There is a "bare possibility" that the proposal might be resurrected and put through at the last minute.

Foreign Aid—The Senate Foreign Relations committee starts hearings today on the administration's long-range plan to stem Communism abroad by means of a multi-million dollar European recovery program. There is little opposition to the principle of foreign aid but sharp disagreement over how much should be spent and who should supervise the program.

Statehood for Alaska and Hawaii—"Perhaps Hawaii, but not Alaska at this time," said a top Republican.

Further details of President Truman's message to congress will be found on page 3.

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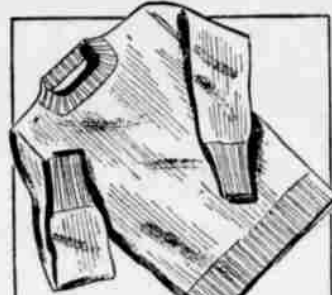
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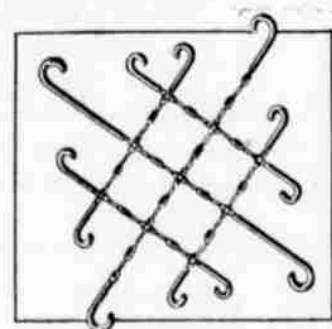
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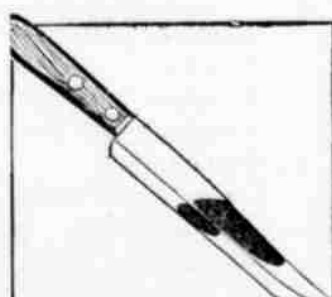
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