

Civil Rights Bill Splits Demos

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Bitter Attack Launched By Georgia Solon

President Plans FBI
"Gestapo" to End Race
Segregation, Assertion

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—(AP)—The bitter Democratic feud over civil rights hit a new pitch today. Senator Russell (D-Ga.) contended that President Truman is planning an FBI "gestapo" to break down race segregation in the South.

Russell told a reporter the South's revolt against the president's call for new measures to knock down racial barriers "is more serious than any I have seen in my lifetime."

This is true, the Georgian said, because Southern Democrats have interpreted the president's demand for an end of Jim Crow laws on trains and buses as the opening wedge in a fight to halt all race segregation.

That could mean, he said, Negroes and Whites would attend the same schools, swim in the same pools, eat together and, eventually, intermarry.

Gestapo Threat Seen
"The president has made the flat declaration that he considers segregation to be discrimination and a violation of civil rights," Russell declared. "He wants to set up a commission and hire a lot of lawyers to fight segregation wherever it exists."

"He has ordered the Federal Bureau of Investigation to work with the Department of Justice Civil Rights Division and says it is giving specialized training to its agents. This is nothing more or less than an FBI gestapo to break down race segregation in the South."

Fillbuster Expected

Russell's charges highlighted the other developments: 1. Chairman Taft called the Senate Republican policy committee together to pick a spot on the legislative schedule for an expected battle with filibustering southerners over one or more civil rights measures.

2. Senator Bland (R-Minn.) predicted that Congress will pass an anti-discrimination bill with enforcement provisions. Ball voted "no" when the Senate Labor Committee approved such a measure yesterday, seven to five.

3. Reports spread that Gov. Fielding L. Wright of Mississippi would show up at Tallahassee, Fla. meeting of Southern Governors today to have them issue a call for an "Independent" Democratic convention to split away from Mr. Truman.

4. A Democratic official said the party's national committee will "sit tight" to see what happens before it charts its course.

D. E. Carr Will Close Store Here

Carr's Variety Store, a Roseburg business house since 1915, will be closed out, and future operations will be concentrated in the three Carr stores at Reedsport, North Bend and Bandon, it was announced today by D. E. Carr, owner-manager.

The store has been located since 1918, forced either retirement or a move to a new location prior to April 1, Carr said, and as a suitable site in Roseburg has not been made available, business here will be discontinued, at least temporarily, Carr decided. It is possible he may later reestablish business in Roseburg, as offers for prospective locations at some future date have been received.

The stock of merchandise in the Roseburg store is to be reduced immediately by a close-out sale, Carr said, and goods not sold during the sale effort will be distributed to his three coast stores.

He plans to retain his residence in Roseburg at least temporarily. The building now occupied by the variety store recently was sold by the Parrott estate to a Los Angeles firm and is to be occupied in April or May by a shoe store and a dress shop, according to present reports.

Bundist May Have Fled To Russia, Now Thought

MUNICH, Germany, Feb. 6.—(AP)—German authorities speculated today that Fritz Kuhn, fugitive ex-Bund leader, might have fled to the Soviet occupation zone.

They said Kuhn, whose escape from Dachau internment camp was announced Wednesday, might have reasoned it would be harder to extradite him from the Russian sector than the British or French zones.

U. S. constabulary units and German police widened their search over Western Germany for the man who before the war led the pro-Nazi Bund which flourished in the United States. He was deported in 1945.

Stormy Weather Blocks Search for Lost Plane

HAMILTON FIELD, Calif., Feb. 6.—(AP)—Stormy weather over the Sierra Nevada prevented six air force search planes from joining a search for a missing C-45 plane which disappeared with two aboard on a flight from Tonopah, Nev., to Wendover, Utah.

Aboard the missing plane, which took off from Tonopah Wednesday morning, were Lt. Col. Charles M. Beatty of Colorado Springs, Colo., and T. Set. Raleigh Deane of Peterson Field, Colorado Springs.

President Truman still refuses to state whether he will be a candidate for president this year. Surely Harry didn't want a new balcony on the White House for use merely for the remainder of the current year—and it isn't half finished yet.

Resistance to High Prices Spreads

Harry Bridges "Red," Ex-Wife Tells Probers

Party Book Hidden in
Home, Members Huddled
There, She Testifies

SEATTLE, Feb. 6.—(AP)—The surprise testimony of the former wife of Harry Bridges, Pacific Coast longshore union leader, brought a climactic close last night to a nine-day hearing of the legislative un-American activities committee into Communist activity in Washington state.

Testifying behind locked doors, Mrs. Agnes Bridges asserted that her former husband was a member of the Communist party. She said he had a Communist party membership book which he concealed under the bathroom linoleum or in a slit cut above the door of their San Francisco home.

(Bridges repeatedly has denied party membership and in San Francisco last night issued a mimeographed statement charging his divorced wife's testimony was incompetent.)

"That very same statement was handed to Judge Edward Foley in the form of an affidavit when I was granted citizenship, and it was thrown out by the judge on the ground that 'hell hath no fury like a woman scorned'."

"It is significant," he continued, "that she did not offer the statement in the trial in which I won a divorce. If she had, she would have been subject to cross examination as she is not now, and we would have had opportunity to present refutation."

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Rent Controls Extension Bill, Presented to Senate, Threatens Torrid Battle

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—(AP)—A bill to extend rent controls 14 months in greatly relaxed form threatened to bring on an election year free-for-all in Congress today.



SPEAKER—Dean Seegar, above, city manager of Eugene, Ore., will be the principal speaker at the Junior Chamber of Commerce dinner at the Country Club tonight. Roseburg's junior first citizen of 1947 will be announced at that time.

Power Shut-Off Stirs Up Dispute

REDDING, Calif., Feb. 6.—(AP)—A slowdown and a controversy in the Northern California lumber industry stemmed today from the state's drought-induced power shortage.

More than 100 lumber mills were affected from the California border north into Oregon as idled hydro-electric generators caused the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. to cut power delivery to California Oregon Power Co. and the Mountain States Power Co.

The controversy was over whether the slowdown on the California side was voluntary or in part compulsory. Shasta County lumbermen were seeking a conference with PG & E spokesmen to determine whether the lumber and mining industries were being discriminated against on power conservation.

A company spokesman in San Francisco said there was no change in its policy of negotiating power curtailment agreements on a voluntary basis with individual customers in cases where scheduled cuts could be adjusted without hardship.

In no case, it was said, would there be an industry-wide, blanket slowdown.

A. B. Hood, vice president and general manager of the Ralph L. Smith Lumber Co. at Anderson, Shasta County, disputed the voluntary character of the curtailment.

"The P. G. & E. called me Wednesday and told me I would have to shut down and that was all there was to it," he said. Another mill owner was quoted as saying the company threatened to pull his master switch unless he closed.

Hood said the conference with the P. G. & E. over charges of discrimination probably would be held in Red Bluff.

The Weather

Cloudy tonight; light rain and warmer Saturday.

DeValera Loses Majority in Dail

DUBLIN, Feb. 6.—(AP)—Thomas L. Mullins, secretary of the Fianna Fail (Government Party), said today Prime Minister Eamon De Valera lost his Dail (Parliament) majority by a slim margin in Wednesday's general election.

But Mullins said the prime minister would be able to form a new government with the support of labor and independents.

Complete returns from three quarters of Eire's 40 constituencies showed De Valera's Fianna Fail could not hope to obtain the 74 seats needed for a clear majority in the 147-member Dail.

However, William Burke, general secretary of the Fine Gael Party, De Valera's chief opposition, conceded the prime minister had a "fairly good chance" of extending his unbroken 16 years of rule with the support of the minority groups.

During the campaign De Valera said he wanted no part of a coalition government.

Gen. Richard Mulcahy's Fine Gael (United Ireland Party), main opposition, was second with 21 seats. The normally small Labor Party stood third with 11.

Greece Orders Sinking Of Unidentified Subs

ATHENS, Feb. 6.—(AP)—The Greek navy ministry today ordered its warships to attack and sink all unidentified submarines in Greek territorial waters.

The order followed the reported appearance of two strange submarines.

Troop and supply ships now are being escorted by destroyers and corvettes equipped with depth charges.

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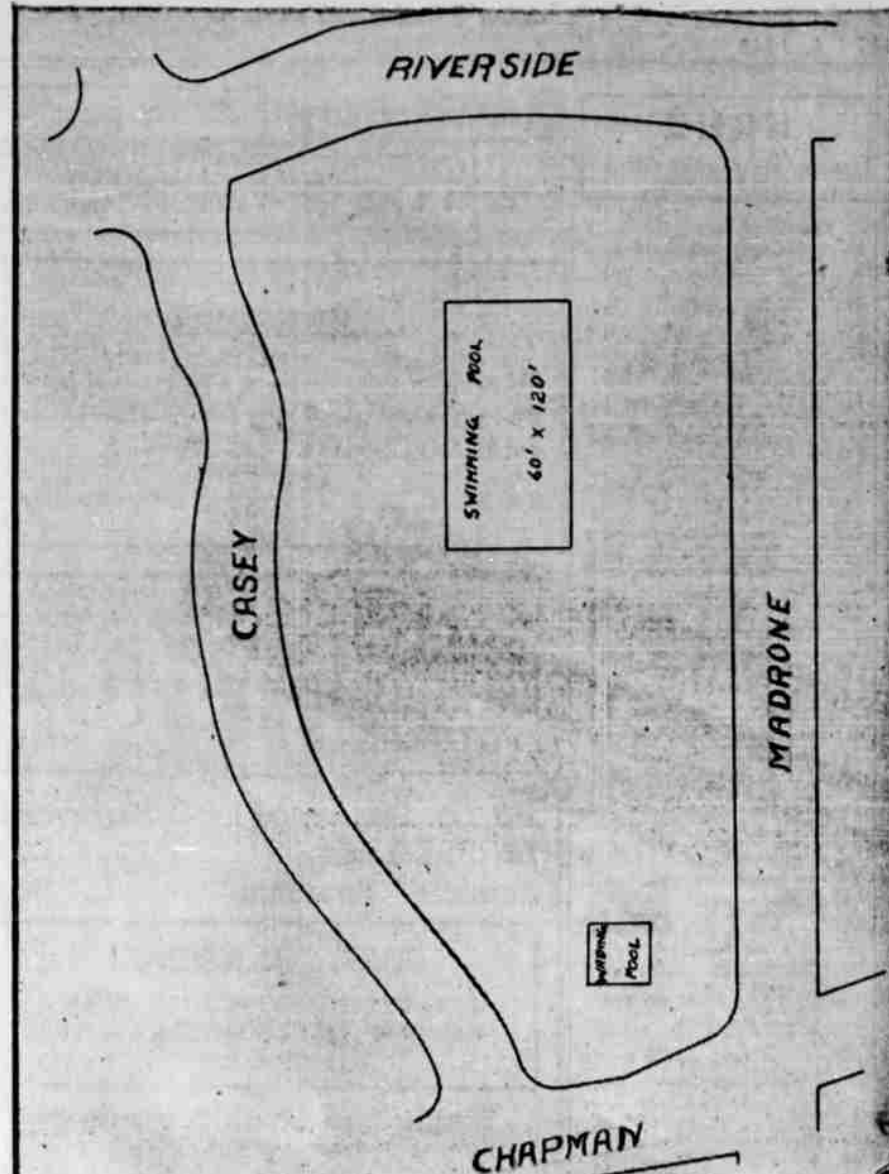
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PROPOSED SWIMMING POOL—Above map was prepared by City Manager M. W. Slankard at the request of directors of the Roseburg Lions Club, who will recommend this location to the City Park Commission Monday. The 60x120-foot pool would be located in Laurelwood Park, bounded by Riverside Drive on the north, Chapman St. on the south, and Casey and Madrone Aves. on the west and east. The park would also include a wading pool. The Lions Club recommendation will be made to end "inaction" in the swimming pool project.

LAURELWOOD PARK SITE FOR SWIM POOL RECOMMENDED BY LIONS CLUB

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FROM Geneva, where the Economic Commission for Europe is holding a session, comes this interesting statement:

"Most economic experts here believe Europe is making GIANT STRIDES toward industrial and economic recovery."

"But," these experts add, "Europe still desperately needs help."

THAT could be propaganda, directed toward our congress, which is wrestling with the final decision on the Marshall plan to help Europe back onto its feet.

Also it COULD be the truth. British production is unquestionably increasing. The French are interested enough in the future to have devalued their franc, thus cheapening their prices and giving themselves at least a temporary edge in the world's markets.

When a person who has been desperately sick perks up and begins to take nourishment, we feel that he has a chance to get well. What Britain and France (along with Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg) are doing amounts to sitting up in bed and taking an interest in food.

HERE is why the Geneva statement should interest us:

If Europe is so hopelessly SICK IN MIND as to have lost

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Roseburg's Rats Principally In Evidence at Garbage Dump, Visiting Exterminator Says

To estimate Roseburg's rat population would "drive me crazy," said Ray Rightmire, representative of a Portland pest control business, on the completion of a survey of rat infestation of local business and industrial houses this week.

"As a whole, Roseburg does not seem to be very much troubled by rats," he commented. "They generally breed in places where there is food, and Roseburg people have been generally pretty cooperative in keeping down breeding conditions for rats."

Rightmire said he saw "hundreds of rats" at the city garbage dump on the Umpqua Park road. This is because large amounts of food are discarded there, he added.

With so much new construction activity in the Roseburg area, Rightmire observed, breeding conditions might develop to bring about an increase in the rat population, and "if they ever got bad,

Legal Questions Shift Preference From School Land

In a move to hasten construction of Roseburg's community swimming pool, the Roseburg Lions Club went on record last night as favoring action to "start the ball rolling" on a project which has been in the discussion stages for more than a dozen years.

A delegation from the club will present the organization's views at the next meeting of the City Park Commission, which is scheduled to be held in the Chamber of Commerce offices Monday night, it was announced by Forrest C. Losce, president of the Lions.

Because of a legal situation which has developed in the proposal to locate the swimming pool on the Senior High School grounds, the board of directors of the Lions Club recommended the use of Laurelwood Park as a community swimming pool site.

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Firm Plans to Build Auto To Sell Around \$500

GREENVILLE, Pa., Feb. 6.—(AP)—Davis S. Hoppensstand, president of Hoppensstand Industries, Inc., announces his firm plans to build small automobiles which he hopes to sell in the neighborhood of \$500.

Hoppensstand said the auto will be known as the "Gregory," will be 12 feet long, four feet wide, have an aluminum body and a two-cylinder engine mounted in the rear.

Hoppensstand said he hopes to begin production within a few months. The firm now manufactures small, all-aluminum boats.

Flying Boat Crashes Into House, Killing Woman

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 6.—(AP)—The Navy resumed today investigation of a Catalina flying boat crash which killed a 23-year-old Columbus woman and destroyed the house in which she lived.

The Catalina smashed into a frame house near the naval air station at Port Columbus yesterday. Both plane and house burst. The body of Mrs. Wilma Burris was recovered from the charred ruins several hours later.

Six crewmen and two other occupants of the house escaped without serious injuries.

Motorist's Forgotten Money Delivered to Kin

REEDSPORT, Ore., Feb. 6.—(AP)—Boyd E. Chapman, who left \$1075 beside a road after a traffic accident and never came back for it, will get the money any way.

His brother, Vernon Chapman, and mother came here from their home at Florence to collect the funds—in government bonds and terminal leave checks.

Chapman, who is traveling in California, left the funds and other personal papers on the highway after a minor accident Jan. 20.

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KLANSMEN RALLY AT INITIATION—Ku Klux Klansmen to the number of 189 circle a burning cross at Swainsboro, Ga., courthouse for initiation ceremonies. The members, representing several Southern states, "dedicated their lives to the protection of white womanhood."