

Defeat in Italy May Compel Reds To Switch Tactics

WASHINGTON, April 23.—(AP)—European Communists may be compelled to switch tactics as a result of their defeat in Italy.

Officials studying this possibility said today that unless the Communists are willing to resort to violence amounting to civil war they will, at the very least, have to slow down their time table for political conquest.

Two possible moves by Russia enter into speculation.

One is that the Kremlin may order a return to the early post-war efforts to form a common front with non-Communists left wing political forces which in recent months the Communists have attacked bitterly.

Another possibility—and this one is heavily but not entirely discounted by authorities here—is that the Soviets may take the initiative in seeking a meeting between President Truman and Premier Stalin.

Mr. Truman was asked at his news conference yesterday whether he would be willing to see Stalin. He replied that if the Russian leader wants to come to this country the President would be very happy to see him. But the president said again that he has no intention of leaving the country at the present time.

Stalin was never willing to leave areas under Red Army control for his wartime Big Three conferences, and there is no responsible belief here that he would now do so.

However, talk that he might propose a meeting arises from the belief of diplomatic experts that such a move might tend to throw off balance the American anti-Communist program throughout the world. But these same experts also say the Russians themselves probably would

interpret any move for a conference as a sign of weakness on the part of whoever made it.

Trophies Posted For Competition In Youths' Hobbies

Any boy or girl from "nine to 90" is invited to attend the Roseburg Model Club's meetings in the Methodist Church every Thursday at 7:30 p.m., announces Carl Fair, club advisor.

Purpose of the club, according to Fair, is to build up interest in youths in hobbies of all sorts. The individual may choose his or her own hobby or hobbies, and by association the members can benefit in an exchange of ideas.

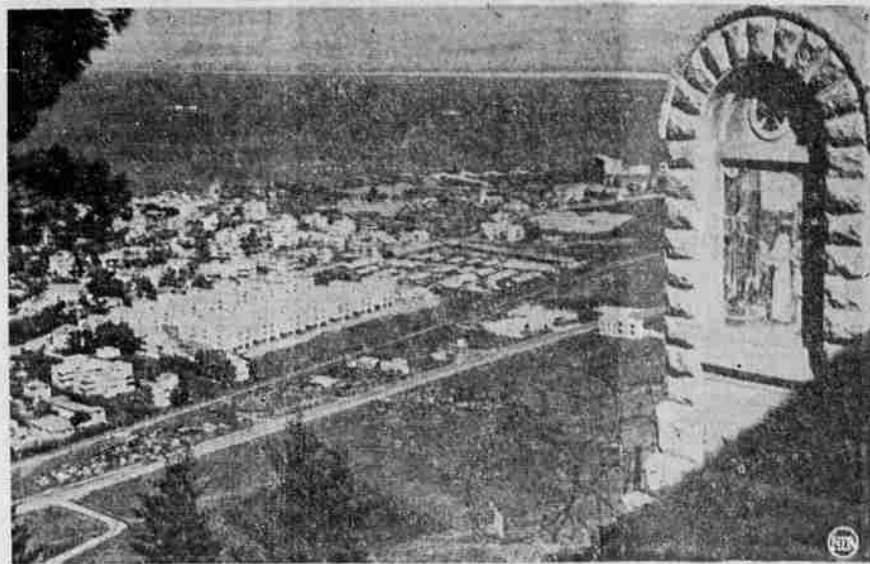
Mayor Albert G. Flegel has donated a 12-inch gold cup to be awarded the boy or girl between 12 and 18 years who has the highest number of points over a given period, to be announced, and Fair has donated a cup for boys between the ages of 9 and 12 years.

Points are given for attendance and workmanship on models. Neither the cost nor size of the model will have any bearing, as the club's purpose is to judge strictly on effort to give the boy or girl who spends a small amount (or material the same opportunity as the one who can afford larger projects, said Fair.

Jet cars, airplanes, trains, boats, carving, leather work, shell craft, photography and many other hobbies may be studied by the club. A model airplane contest May 16 in Eugene has been announced. Entries will come from a wide area, and prizes of several hundred dollars will be offered.

HEART ATTACK FATAL
PORTLAND, April 23.—(AP)—Lee Dunbar, 62, sports editor of the Oakland, Calif., Tribune, died of a heart attack in his hotel room here early today.

Haifa a Pawn as British Pull Out



The British Army, in a surprise move, began evacuating the city of Haifa, except for two strategic towers. The city, shown here with the port in background, is expected to be the prize of a showdown battle between Arabs and Jews. Monument (right) is on grounds of a monastery used by British as headquarters.

—Photo by NEA-Acme Photographer David S. Boyer.



KITTEN ON THE KEYS—Lucky, black Persian cat owned by Mrs. Marcia Custer of Normal, Ill., performs on piano. His repertoire includes the scale—with variations.

Wisconsin Centennial on New Stamp



Postmaster-General Jesse M. Donaldson has announced the issuance of a new stamp to commemorate the centennial of Wisconsin statehood. The 3-cent stamp will go on sale in Madison, Wis., on May 29.

War Vet-Skier Dies Of

Bulbar Type of Paralysis

SEATTLE, April 22.—(AP)—A war veteran, believed five days ago to be dead, died yesterday of Guillain-Barre, a bulbar type of paralysis.

His physician said the youth, Robert Charles Miller, 24, was stricken two weeks ago. For the last 10 days he has been in an iron lung.

The physician described the disease as a medical rarity. It is always fatal, he said.

Miller, a well-known skier and section chief of the National Ski patrol at Paradise Valley on Mount Ranier, was given up for dead last Sunday when he became pulseless and turned blue, the doctor said. He was restored through stimulants but could not make progress against the disease.

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On Hand for Re-Election

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 23.—(AP)—Robert Barrett said he would re-elect himself today as commander of the Department of Kentucky Grand Army of the Republic.

The 101-year-old Barrett, who resides at Princeton, Ky., is one of Kentucky's two surviving Un-

ion Army veterans of the war between the states.

Barrett explained he is the only one able to attend the department's annual convention today. He arrived by train last night.

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Students' Concert At Senior High Warmly Received

Indicative of the audience's response to the choral interpretations of the spring concert, given Thursday night in the Roseburg Senior High School auditorium, the advanced mixed chorus was called back for three encores.

The students showed evidence of definite music appreciation and of careful handling under the direction of Miss Melva Williamson, vocal department instructor. From the sophomore girls' chorus through the more mature students' presentations, the program proved highly entertaining and was conducted smoothly and without delay.

Miss Holly Nicholas, featured soprano vocalist, was warmly received in her interpretations of "Were My Song With Wings Provided," and "Come Back to Erin." For her encore she responded with the ever-popular "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes," by Jerome Kern.

The advanced mixed chorus encores numbers were the spiritual, "I'm Going to Ride on the Carousel to See My Lord," "Without a Song," and Jerome Kern's "Ol' Man River." In the latter selection, Harold Mobley carried the baritone solo part as he did in "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

A highly popular number was Dargomizsky's "Vanka 'n Tanka" featuring the trio, Miss Sue Hahn

soprano; Miss Joyce Graham, alto, and Jerry Coen, tenor, with the advanced group. Miss Hahn was the soprano soloist with the advanced chorus' presentation of "Listen to the Lambs."

Accompanist for the sophomore girls' chorus was Miss Phyllis Hahn; for the junior-senior girls' chorus, Miss Norma Lockwood, and for the advanced mixed chorus, Miss Janice Plummer.

TRACK MEET OFF

Roseburg High School's scheduled track meet with Cottage Grove Wednesday afternoon was canceled because of rain. Coach Ed Newby is planning to take a large group of boys to Eugene Friday weather permitting, for the Greater Willamette Valley district meet.

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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

Homer Does Some "Back-Seat Sewing!"

Homer Bentley's missus was working on her new sewing machine, when Homer comes in, draws up a chair, and starts talking: "Don't you think you're running too fast?" he says. "Slow down! Watch out! Be careful!"

When the missus finally turns with murder in her eyes, Homer says goodnaturedly: "I thought you might like a little help, dear—like you help me drive the car."

The missus can't help but burst out laughing—and they settle what might have been a quarrel over a

friendly glass of beer. The missus agrees to give up back-seat driving and nagging Homer about ashes on the rug. Homer agrees to quit criticizing Sarah's taste for flowery hats and parsley salad.

From where I sit, the key to getting on together is meeting every issue half way—and overlooking any petty differences in tastes—whether these tastes apply to beer or flowery-looking hats!

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