

TRUMAN DEMANDS ATTACK ON INFLATION

The Weather

Considerable cloudiness with scattered light showers; slightly cooler today and Wednesday.

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Russia Increases Air Strength Near Berlin

Army Training With World's Biggest Tanks

Berlin Muddle Sees Two Police Chiefs; Envoys To Deliver Note to Molotov

(By the Associated Press)
The Russians were reported by German newspapers today to be increasing substantially their fighter plane strength near Berlin.

The dispatches said also that large Soviet summer Army maneuvers are taking place in the Russian zone province of Thuringia. Great 62-ton Joseph Stalin III tanks, perhaps the heaviest in the world, were taking part.

The U. S. too is increasing its air force. Its air force has been augmented by the arrival of 16 jet fighters and the dispatch of 75 more by carrier. Sixty large Superfortress bombers flew to central England bases earlier this month.

The western air lift, flying food and supplies in to Berlin to head the Russian land block, continued apace. The Americans rounded out their first month of the flying freight service yesterday with 288 flights, carrying 1,629 tons of food.

Police Muddle in Berlin
Inside blockaded Berlin, the confused Germans had two police chiefs.

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The News-Review



SALVATION ARMY KICKOFF—Official start of the Salvation Army building fund of \$25,000 was at a luncheon Monday noon at which campaign workers received their assignments. Among those talking over details with Jack Fariss, chairman of the Roseburg advisory board (above), are Capt. Claude Bowden of the Salvation Army, Paul Geddes and V. V. Harpham standing, and Dr. E. J. Wainscott. Mayor Al Flegel is general drive chairman.

Men 25 First Up for Draft, Hershey Says

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(AP)—Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey announced today that 25-year-old men will be drafted first. Other age groups will be taken in order of their registration.

Hershey made the announcement after a conference with members of the Senate and House Armed Services Committees.

Later he told newsmen that approximately 5,000,000 men will be processed in the first six months of the program, beginning with the 25-year-olds and working down through those in the 22-year age brackets.

Chairman Gurney (R-S.D.) of the Senate Armed Services Committee said that the system established by the Selective Service Board for the selection of draftees is "fair and in accordance with the act."

Chairman Andrews (D-N.Y.) of the House concurred.

Draft headquarters estimated last night that of the 578,000 non-veterans in the 23-to-25 group only about 40,000 or 50,000 are qualified for service.

The group is expected to call for around 30,000 a month it appeared the bulk of inductees will come later from the younger groups.

Set-Up Nears Completion
Organization of state and local boards meanwhile was reported nearing completion. Registration

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SLICKEST SWINDLE—Mrs. Margaret Sullivan, 40, mother of three children, was arrested in Los Angeles on charges that she set up a dummy company with phony letterheads to fleece a bank, a finance company and other firms of \$350,000. Authorities described the swindling as one of the slickest bunco schemes ever perpetrated in Los Angeles. (NEO Telephoto)

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Praise, Swats Come Forth On Message

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Chairman Taber (R-N.Y.) of the House Appropriations Committee: "It looks like he (Mr. Truman) is in favor of increased inflation, higher prices, and greater scarcity."

"It doesn't seem there is anything there that really stands on its merits. This looks like just an attempt to push through Congress bad legislation that he wasn't able to get when the Democrats were in control."

Democratic members of the New York congressional delegation: "It is our unanimous opinion that the issues of inflation and housing alone justify the president in recalling Congress to its duty."

"To a man, we are pledged to stick to our job, and keep others at their jobs, until proper legislation is enacted."

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The widow of George Cram Cook, with whom she founded the original Provincetown playhouse where O'Neill's first plays were produced, her "Alison's House" won her the Pulitzer prize. She was the author of a number of other plays and novels.

Miss Glaspell took degrees at Drake University and the University of Chicago.

Babe Ruth Movie Story Fails of Press Praise

NEW YORK, July 27.—(AP)—Babe Ruth took time out from a hospital to see his life story unfold on a movie screen last night.

The alling home run king was greeted by a tremendous roar from the street crowds as he arrived at the Astor Theater for the benefit world premiere of "The Babe Ruth Story."

About 1,500 persons were invited to the premiere, the proceeds of which will be used by the Babe Ruth Foundation, Inc., to develop baseball-conscious boys.

William Bendix plays the part of Ruth in the movie.

First reviews of the film in New York morning newspapers did not praise it.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
The nominating convention of the new Progressive Party hears from its keynote speaker a plea to the "plain people" to "join the fight against the old-line political parties."

The choice they face, he told them, is between WALLACE and WAR.

DON'T laugh. If you feel that you must do something emotional, WEEP.

These people sitting in the Progressive Party convention AUDIENCE at Philadelphia are wishful thinkers. Most of them want a perfect world. They would like to see right always triumphant, wrong always beaten and disgraced. They want the hero to save the old farm for the beautiful and appealing heroine and they want to see the wicked villain invariably foiled.

The pity of it is that they think what they can be had by WISHING. Thousands of years of experience teach us that it can't be had that way. Proverbs, the philosophers tell us, are the distilled wisdom of the ages. There is a proverb that says: "If wishes were horses, all beggars would ride."

Unfortunately, we don't see many beggars riding. They trudge along the road, carrying their

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Don Kaye In Battle For His Children

OKLAHOMA CITY, July 27.—(AP)—Hollywood band leader Don Kaye had his two young sons and his personal liberty today—at least for the time being.

He won them in a bitter court battle yesterday against his own mother, who charged him with criminal child theft under Indiana law.

Kaye and his second wife dodged an Indiana trail when district judge Albert C. Hunt granted them a writ of habeas corpus and refused to honor Indiana's extradition request. Kaye was arrested in Tulsa last month.

Judge Hunt said the charge—carrying two to 14 years in prison on conviction—was not made in good faith.

His reason was that Kaye's mother, Mrs. Irvin J. Metzgar, 60, Angola, Ind., testified here she was willing to drop the criminal case if she could have the children back.

The youngsters are Freddie, 10, and Phillip, 5, born to Kaye and his first wife, who died five years ago.

Mrs. Metzgar, a mail clerk's widow, has had the children since then.

Kaye recently married the daughter of George E. Berger, a Tulsa oil man, and went to visit his mother.

A family fight developed, Kaye said in court, and his mother served an eviction notice on him. He went to court to gain custody of his boys, but they were awarded to his mother.

"The next day he broke down my door, cut my telephone wires, and took the boys away," Mrs. Metzgar told Judge Hunt, quivering with anger.

Cordon Asks Delay In Land Offices' Closing

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Senator Guy Cordon of Oregon has asked Secretary of Interior J. A. Krug to delay or rescind action closing district land offices in the Dalles, Lakeview and Roseburg, Ore., effective July 30.

His letter followed protests received from chambers of commerce at The Dalles and Lakeview.

The senator asked that the closure be delayed either until a hearing is held or the justification of such action or until after the Hoover commission on reorganization of the government reports about the first of the year.

Bandon Port Blocked By Big Sandspit at Harbor

BANDON, Ore., July 27.—(AP)—The Port of Bandon was blocked today by a recently formed sandspit at the harbor entrance.

An Army engineer dredge, expected to clear away sand in June, was unable to come here because of emergency work in the recent Columbia River flood.

Strong winds meanwhile extended the spit into the harbor mouth.

The dredge now is expected next week. Until then lumber from Bandon mills will be hauled by truck to Coos Bay.

Dixiecrats Brand Act as Surrender To Henry Wallace

By OLIVER W. DE WOLF
WASHINGTON, July 27.—(AP)—President Truman took part of the civil rights crusade into his own hands today by ordering an "FEPC" for federal workers and an anti-discrimination drive in the armed forces.

Senator Russell of Georgia, leader of a formally organized big of southern senators, cried out a quick Dixie protest.

He called the twin actions an "unconditional surrender" by the president to the Henry A. Wallace Progressive Party convention and to the threatened civil disobedience campaign of some Negro leaders.

This chief executive and rebellious Dixie Democrats faced each other across, even more sharply drawn battlelines.

Republican leaders maneuvered for position to join the fight once Mr. Truman lays his promised new demand for anti-lynch, anti-poll tax and other anti-discrimination laws before the reconvened Congress today.

Two Orders Issued
The president set the tone for the civil rights portion of his message late yesterday by issuing two unheralded executive orders.

The first directed his cabinet officers to see that there is no discrimination within the federal family because of race, color, religion or national origin. It also created a seven-man fair employment board in the Civil Service Commission.

The second order set up a committee on "equality of treatment

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Ousted Employee Blames Support of Wallace

PORTLAND, July 27.—(AP)—A Civil Service controversy was on today over the discharge of an employee of the State Public Welfare Commission.

The employee, Mrs. Julia Eaton, Portland, a part-time correspondent for the Federated Press, a labor news service, said she would appeal to the State Civil Service Commission.

She voiced belief her political stand for Henry Wallace was to blame.

The Welfare Commission said officially her "activities and public utterances reflect upon the Welfare Commission and the State of Oregon and the U. S. government." Unofficially a Welfare Commission member said one of her articles in a San Francisco publication contained "unfounded criticism" of the welfare activities during the recent flood.

Car Kills Deer, County Hospital Patients Feast

Patients of the County Hospital will feast on venison, and out of season, the next couple of days.

The reason—a buck deer was struck and killed by a car last night on the North Umpqua road.

The deer was brought this morning to the City Police and then taken to the State Police headquarters.

From there the animal was removed to the county home. Name of the person who killed the deer was not learned.

Jaycees Mull Centennial Fete Ideas

Thoughts on Roseburg's centennial celebration coming up within the next couple of years developed at a meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Monday night at the Umpqua Hotel.

Don Forbes was appointed by President Charles Williamson to explore the possibilities and see if the group is big enough to tackle the project.

Forbes was authorized to contact the Senior Chamber to consider the move. The membership agreed that it was time to start thinking about the centennial.

Another project coming up at an earlier date will be the Jaycees' "Forum of the Air," Lowell Rhoden, chairman, asked the cooperation of other members in suggesting program possibilities for the committee. The forum will begin in the early fall.

Initiated into the group were Gordon Carlson, Jay Golden and Leroy Innman. They were presented with pins by Forbes, state vice-president for this district.

Speaker of the evening was John M. Chesbro, public relations director of the Salvation Army, who is directing the local campaign to raise funds for a new Salvation Army building in Roseburg.

Composer's Cookie' In Reverse, Seeks Divorce

LOS ANGELES, July 27.—(AP)—It was "lookie, lookie, lookie, there goes cookie" for Songwriter Mack Gordon today.

Some years ago Composer Gordon came up with a hit song entitled "Lookie, Lookie, Lookie, Here Comes Cookie," dedicated to his wife, the former Elizabeth Cooke, actress. She reversed things on him yesterday when she sued for divorce, alleging he indulged in violent scenes, threatened to tear up her clothes and once threw her out of their \$200,000 home.

She asks \$2,000 monthly alimony, asserting he earns that much a week.

Increase in Milk Price Ordered for Portland

PORTLAND, July 27.—(AP)—Milk will go up 11 cents in Portland Aug. 1.

The price for a standard 3.2-3.8 percent quart of milk then will be 204 cents. Other grades will increase similarly.

The increase was ordered yesterday by E. L. Peterson, state director of agriculture, who conducted a hearing here earlier this month in which producers said they needed more money.

Forest Fire East Of Cottage Grove Battled

EUGENE, Ore., July 27.—(AP)—A crew of 100 today was fighting a 50-to-70-acre forest fire 12 miles east of Cottage Grove.

Flames were eating through old-growth stands of timber. They were believed to have started from wind-fanned slashings.

Preacher, Ex-Student Face Morals Charge

ATLANTA, Ga., July 27.—(AP)—A 45-year-old Baptist preacher and one of his former missionary students faces a preliminary hearing in records court on a charge of living in adultery.

The two were booked Sunday as the Rev. D. A. Martin, a Greenville, S. C., minister, for more than 20 years, and Miss Lois Chandler, an attractive 27-year-old brunette.

Detectives said the minister admitted he and Miss Chandler were the parents of a baby, which they left on the doorstep of his brother-in-law's house, before leaving Greenville in March, 1947.

"They could not have children and I thought they would like it," the detectives quoted Martin.

Martin also left a wife, a 22-year-old son and an 18-year-old daughter in Greenville, according to the detectives.

Bunyans Plan to Attend Oregon City Centennial

Tentative plans to attend and participate in the Oregon City Centennial celebration the middle of August and also to take part in the Albany celebrations August 24, 25 and 26 were made at a meeting of the Roseburg Paul Bunyans this morning.

The Bunyans hope to be able to initiate Oregon's and visiting governors, who will be present for the Governor's banquet in Oregon City August 14. The members plan to attend at least one day and possibly be there overnight.

Plans were also discussed on the possibility of sponsoring the Douglas County exhibit at the Manufacturers and Land Products Show division of the Pacific International Livestock Exposition, Inc., in Portland Oct. 1 to 9.

BOON TO CUPID, WIVES

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Union Agent Found Slain; Suspects Held

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 27.—(AP)—A union business agent was found shot and beaten to death east of here last night and two men were held for questioning today.

R. K. Lord, Clark county sheriff's deputy, said papers belonging to William O. Fischer, 53, Portland, business agent for the Master, Mates and Pilots union of Portland, were found in his car stopped last night because it had no license plates.

Lord said the car's occupants were Donald Lewis Lillard of Los Angeles, and Harold Raymond Coe, 17, Camas, Wash. They were held without formal charge.

Fischer's body was found beside the Evergreen Highway at Skamania, 40 miles east of here. His car was found in Portland today. His wife said he left three days ago to drive to Umatilla, Ore., where he was to pick up a boat and pilot it to Portland.

Lord said the body apparently had lain in the roadside bushes for about two days. Fischer had been shot in the chest and his head was battered.

Joe Tinker of Baseball Fame Dies on Birthday

ORLANDO, Fla., July 27.—(AP)—Joe Tinker of the double-play, Tinker-to-Evers-to-Chance baseball fame, died suddenly in a hospital of respiratory trouble.

Today was the 68th birthday of the famous old Chicago Cub shortstop. Physicians only a few hours before had remarked how well he was.

He was in a hospital here for a checkup on his diet and for treatment of a respiratory ailment.

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