

Allies, in Train Service Halt, Hand Russia Dose of Her Own Medicine

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Widespread speculation that a parley of the Big Four foreign ministers (America, Britain, Russia and France) may be held to try to settle the Berlin crisis has been accompanied by a decided hardening of the Western Allies' attitude towards the Bolshevik aggression.

The Democracies are maneuvering for position in the rapidly developing showdown. They are exemplifying their declaration that they are willing to negotiate but they won't do it under coercion. The attempted coercion in this instance is the brutal food-blockade of the civilian population of Western Berlin.

Yesterday the United States and Britain handed Russia a dose of her own medicine by banning movement of trains to and from the Russian zone of Germany. American officials said "technical difficulties" caused the stoppage, thus repeating the excuse used by the Reds in imposing

their blockade. Furthermore America and Britain are expanding their already huge air services for transport of food and fuel to save the 2,400,000 inhabitants of the Democracies' zones. And these old allies are reported ready to defend this service of mercy with force if the Bolsheviks attempt to interfere by force.

Ruhr Grab Prevented
What must be the last straw for Moscow, however, is the announcement that the military governors and German political leaders of the three western zones of the Reich have reached final agreement for a unified government of that area, which includes the rich and all-important industrial Ruhr. The Muscovites have fought this program tooth and nail, while refusing to join in creating a government for all Germany. The Russians of course are scheming to absorb Germany into the Soviet bloc and thus pave the way for conquest of the whole of Europe.

There is speculation that President Truman and Marshal Stalin might meet to try to iron out the crisis. Presidential Secretary



FOREST FIRE REMINDER—Mike Vasey of Roseburg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vasey, leads a jackass with a sign reminding of the danger of forest fires. Mike's animal with its sign was a feature of the recent rodeo parade in Roseburg. Mike's father is manager of the Forest Service warehouse on the Dixonville Road.



WEAVER—Louis Sohn, 81, weaves in the occupational therapy room at Home and Hospital of the Daughters of Jacob, Bronx, N. Y. Standing are Dr. Herbert A. Seltzer (left), home director, and Maurice Mogulescu who designed the room.

Ross says Mr. Truman hasn't received any official proposal for such a meeting and his position continues to be that he would be glad to welcome Stalin in Washington but has no intention of leaving America for such a conference.

Well, there certainly is a big question whether a meeting of these two Chiefs of state would in itself resolve the differences between Democracy and Bolshevism. We must not forget that the cardinal aim of the Reds is world revolution to Communize all nations.

Britain Ousts Commie From Olympic Games

LONDON, July 28.—(AP)—Britain yesterday announced the first official exclusion of a Communist from the 1948 Olympic games—an Italian newspaper man.

Barred from Britain during the games starting tomorrow was Tomaso Giglio, special Olympics correspondent of the Rome Communist paper "Unita." The home office said the denial of permits to enter Britain was left to the discretion of British officials in each country, meaning the British immigration officer in Rome had laid down the ban against Giglio.

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Huge Racket In Counterfeiting 'Canned' Music

LOS ANGELES, July 28.—(AP)—In an attempt to halt the counterfeiting and bootlegging of a million or more phonograph records monthly, the City Council has asked the city attorney to prepare an ordinance making the practice illegal.

"Sheet music is protected by copyright, but not recordings of the same tune," said Councilman Ernest E. Debs, who said Los Angeles had many counterfeiting plants that copy only hit tunes, using even the name of the original recording firms.

Major and independent recording companies alike have been victimized by the counterfeiters, who are shipping the platters in lots of 30,000 each to New York, St. Louis, Detroit, Chicago, San Francisco, Memphis, New Orleans, Cleveland and other cities, said Debs.

Debs said the pirating concerns

sold for about 15 cents under list price of the legitimate records. He said there was no law, city, county, state or federal, that makes pirating of records a felony.

Court Reaches Decision On Tojo, 24 Other Japs

TOKYO, July 28.—(AP)—The International War Crimes Court has reached a decision in the case of wartime Premier Hideki

Tojo and his 24 co-defendants, wire and under the watchful eyes of armed military police guarding their quarters 24 hours a day to prevent any premature disclosures, court aides said.



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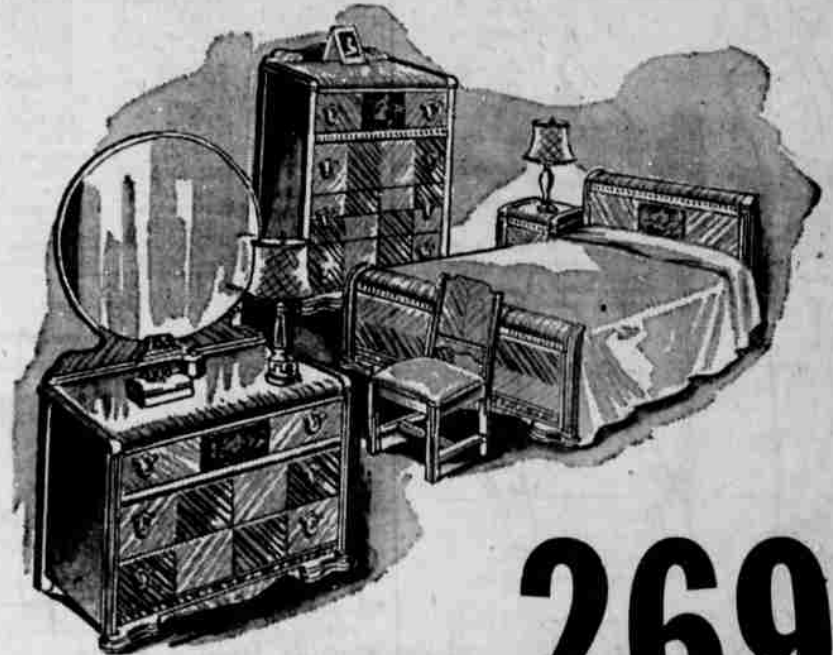
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