

RUSSIAN EMBASSY LINKED WITH SPY PROBE

MEAT BOYCOTT CREEPING

Spotty Gains Made As Record Corn Crop Assures Relief—in Year or Two

(By the Associated Press)

A mighty corn crop forecast promised aid to embattled, price-conscious housewives today—but meat industry sources said it would take a year or two before the crop would be reflected in lower prices.

So the housewives continued their creeping boycott of the nation's meat stores. Cleveland meat retailers reported that sales have slumped off noticeably due to price resistance.

Frank J. Klinger, president of the Retail Meat Dealers Association of Cleveland said, "While sales always fall off in July and August, they have probably fallen a shade more than usual in the last weeks."

"We anticipate an even sharper decline as the resistance movement progresses."

Cleveland has had no concerted boycott effort such as those elsewhere which sent housewives telephoning their friends to halt meat purchasing. But President Chester G. Newcomb of the Cleveland Provision Company said, "Wide publicity given such movements in other cities can't help but affect the market here."

In Louisville, more than 300 restaurants volunteered to cooperate with the boycotters. Carl B. Haellin, vice-president of the Louisville Restaurant Association, said the association will go back to the meatless Tuesday system of meat substitutes.

"But," he added, "if a guest asks for meat, we'll have to give it to him."

Women Picket Packers

Louisville pickets of the boycott were mixed with some reporting no decline and others reporting fewer sales.

Meat packers in San Francisco were picketed by 25 or 30 women—some with children—carrying signs reading "meat trusts are keeping prices up—they get the gravy, we get the gristle."

In Chicago, the Progressive Party of Henry Wallace planned a demonstration of women in front of the stockyards Thursday, decided to establish "beat the high cost of living" committees in Cook (Chicago) County; organize phone calls in support of the meat boycott, and plan further demonstrations a week.

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Strong U. S. Faces Long Peace Era, Nimitz Thinks

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 11.—(AP)—Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz says he "just optimistic enough" to believe the United States is "on the threshold of a long period of peace—provided we keep militarily strong."

He told a meeting of 350 Naval Reserve officers last night: "If we remain strong—we are on the way to becoming strong now—I believe we can stay out of war until the United Nations begins to function as it was intended to function."

"I'm not a Pollyanna, but I don't believe we are going to have a war with the Soviet Union."

Billy Rose Offers To Rescue Distressed 'Met'

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—(AP)—Showman Billy Rose has offered to take over the financially shaky Metropolitan Opera, and guarantees he can make it pay.

The diminutive nightclub proprietor, columnist and radio commentator says he would streamline the Met's productions a bit, but would preserve the traditions of grand opera.

His offer was disclosed yesterday as last-minute efforts were being made to reverse a decision by Metropolitan directors to cancel the 1948-49 opera season.

PICKED PICKS PICKER

TOKYO, Aug. 11.—(AP)—A pick-pocket picked Hsialchi Morita's pocket of his pocketbook today.

Morita promptly picked the pick-pocket's pocket and got his pocketbook back.

Morita, a waterworks worker, then called the cop and had Etsuko Shimazaki arrested for pick-pocketing.

HERE is another thought—to

When you do things wrong, you

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Community Hospital List Of Fund Campaigners Adds Earl Wiley as Vice-Chairman

Earl W. Wiley, Roseburg realtor, today was named vice-chairman of the Douglas Community Hospital building fund campaign by H. O. Pargeter, general chairman.

The campaign for \$300,000 to build a modern fireproof hospital will begin Sept. 15 and continue through Oct. 6.

"I am happy to announce the appointment of such a capable assistant as Earl Wiley," Pargeter said. "His pledge to support this project strengthens our campaign organization still further and is a reflection of enthusiasm evidenced everywhere for the building of a new community hospital."

Wiley, one of the 35 members of the Board of Trustees of Douglas Community Hospital, Inc., has long been active in civic affairs of Roseburg and Douglas County. He is a past president of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Park Commission and Rotary Club, and a past president of the County Realty Board.

He will assist Pargeter in the overall campaign organization of some 400 volunteers and in the direction of the fund campaign through October.

Proud To Aid In Task

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