

Camp White To Be Taken Over By VA September 27th

The Veterans Administration will take possession of Camp White at Medford from the War Assets Administration, Monday, Sept. 27, and hopes to have the facility opened as a domiciliary unit by Feb. 1 of next year. C. C. Snyder, chief of information for the Northwest area, with headquarters at Seattle, and Merlin Bials, Portland, information officer for Oregon, reported the plans for opening Camp White while in Roseburg today inspecting the Veterans Hospital here. They have been spending the past few days at Medford working on plans for the transfer of the former army camp to the Veterans Administration as provided in a bill passed by Congress. The bill was introduced by Representative Harris Ellsworth.

The Medford facility, Snyder reports, will have an initial bed capacity of 500. Opening will permit transfer of a large number of domiciliary patients from veterans hospitals of the area and thus open the hospitals for patients in need of hospitalization but who now are unable to gain admittance because of overcrowded conditions.

Camp White will be the only VA domiciliary unit between Safford, Calif., and Hot Springs, S. D., and is expected to be filled to capacity in a short time after opening.

Purge of 'Comics' Asked by WCTU

PORTLAND, Sept. 24.—(AP)—A Woman's Christian Temperance Union official recommended yesterday that local committees be formed to work for abolition of comic books which glorify crime, sex and drinking.

Mrs. Ethel Bliss Baker, Minneapolis, director of the WCTU Child Welfare Department, said that such committees have succeeded in banning "unfit" comic books in several cities.

"Some authorities estimate that more than ten million comic books are sold each week," she told child welfare leaders of the WCTU, which is holding its annual convention here.

"While some are harmless, the content of most includes salacious bawls, depictions of gangsters, drugged drinks, and various forms of murder. Reports of children being tortured, or even killed by companions who were inspired by characters and stories in the books, have become commonplace in recent months."

Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, Evanston, Ill., national WCTU president, told the convention that one out of every seven patients committed to asylums or psychiatric wards is an alcoholic or drug addict.

"Heavy drinking," she said, "is a leading cause for narcotic drug addiction."

Soviet Puppets Reported in Huddle

LONDON, Sept. 23.—(AP)—The British Foreign office said today the Cominform—Communist International Information Bureau—may be meeting now in the Russian Crimea.

A foreign office spokesman advanced this theory in response to questions.

He said such reports had been received at the foreign office and that it had been established definitely that both Anna Pauker, Romania's foreign minister, and Klement Gottwald, president of Czechoslovakia, are absent from their capitals. Gottwald reported last week that Moscow was vacationing in the Crimea.

There also have been confirmed reports that Georgi Dimitroff, Bulgaria's Premier, is away from Sofia. All three are key members of Cominform.

Diplomats in Washington speculated yesterday that the absence of important eastern European officials from their capitals indicated a meeting of Soviet satellite leaders either was in progress or had just ended in Russia.

Polish Socialists Make Way for Red Absorption

WARSAW, Sept. 23.—(AP)—The Polish leftist socialist party continued to lean heavily today to make way for Communist absorption by purging more than a score of its top men.

All those suspected of rightist or nationalist leanings or those who opposed outright surrender to Communist demands were drummed out by the party's chief council.

Minister of Justice Swiatkowski

'Barber, Barber . . .



The Mother Goose rhyme pig got shaved, but this porker prefers a haircut. He's getting dolled up before facing the judges in the 77th annual Colorado State Fair at Pueblo.

Horse Meat Sale Charged to Three

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Charges that thousands of pounds of horse meat have been sold as hamburger and chili meat in the Los Angeles area during the last 18 months resulted in three men being arraigned in Superior Court yesterday on conspiracy charges.

Elmer C. Hanson, former state meat inspector of the Department of Agriculture, and two operators of a meat and provision company, Knute M. Kelvin and Charles Morgan, were arraigned on charges of conspiring to violate state health codes by selling horse meat for human consumption.

The three were indicted by the County Grand Jury. They are to enter pleas Oct. 7.

Fred Henderson, deputy district attorney, said an investigation disclosed that 480,000 pounds of horse meat had been sold to retail meat dealers in the last year and one-half. "I think most of it was ground up and sold as hamburger and chili meat," he said.

Pardon Urged After 13 Years of Murder Term

OLYMPIA, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Governor Wallgren has received a recommendation from Atty. Gen. Smith Troy that a full pardon be granted a prisoner who has served 13 years for a crime he claims he did not commit.

The prisoner involved in the case is Clarence Boggie, 53-year-old former Oregon lumberjack who was convicted of the first degree murder of Moritz Peterson in Spokane June 26, 1933.

The governor said he will study Troy's report on an investigation conducted by the attorney general's office and give full consideration to Troy's recommendation in the report.

Prior to receiving the attorney general's report on his investigation, which was conducted, Wallgren's request, the governor heard reports on investigation conducted by a mystery writer, newsmen, a minister and the penitentiary warden.

Milton and Freewater Will Vote on Merger

PENDLETON, Ore., Sept. 24.—(AP)—Milton and Freewater residents will vote Nov. 9 on a proposal to consolidate the two towns, the Umatilla County Court announced.

The new town would be called "Milton-Freewater."

The court set the election date after a hearing last week on petitions asking a vote on the proposal.

skil, bitter foe of nationalism, was handed the job of putting the finishing touches on leftist socialist plans to unite with the Communists.

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War With Russia Now Less Likely, Sen. Morse States

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Sept. 24.—(AP)—United States Senator Wayne Morse told audiences at Klamath Falls today that war with Russia is less likely today than it was six months ago.

The senator, on a Southern Oregon swing preceding a stump tour for the Republican presidential ticket, credited congressional action on the Marshall Plan and military preparedness for the improved prospects for peace.

He declared that in March, Russia was in a position to take all of Europe in a 90-day campaign. What the United States has done since—including congressional action and its policy in Berlin—has changed the situation materially, and the 80th Congress will go down in history as one of the best on that basis alone, Morse asserted.

The junior Oregon senator said that a war with Russia would probably last 15 years and would mean the end of all private enterprise in the U. S. for its duration and a number of years longer. The senator declared he would take a back seat to no one as a supporter of the American way of life and an opponent of the nationalization or socialization of industry or the professions. In reference to the professions, he interjected: "Doctors please take note," evidently indicating his opposition to the socialization of medicine.

Morse said he will make more speeches for the Republican ticket than any other member of the Senate.

War Record Goes In Truman's Talk

ABOARD TRUMAN CAMPAIGN TRAIN, Sept. 24.—(AP)—President Truman brought his war record into the political campaign yesterday telling a train-side crowd at Fresno that he didn't claim exemption on account of his farm "or because I was 33."

Mr. Truman commanded Battery D of the 129th Field Artillery, 35th Division, in the First World War.

"I can remember very well," the president said, "I ran a farm for the best ten years of my life in Jackson County, Mo."

"It had 600 acres on it and I went there when I was 22 years old and left it when I was 33 to go to war."

"I didn't claim any exemption for being 33 years old. I went over and joined a battery of field artillery. There are a few fellows on this train that have been with me in that division. I am not bragging about that because that is just what I ought to have done, but I want to impress upon you that I know something about the farm situation."

Under his party, the president asserted, "the farm income is the greatest ever in the history of this country. The farmers have eighteen billion dollars on deposit in the banks."

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Christianity Revival Aids Japan's Recovery

SEATTLE, Sept. 24.—(AP)—A tremendous revival of Christianity throughout Japan has aided the country's recovery program, greatly, Episcopal Bishop Timothy Mikita said yesterday.

During the war, Catholicism and Protestantism, being largely "imports" from the western world, were virtually outlawed but now there has been a swing back to Christianity, he explained.

"There are now more than 400,000 Christians in Japan," he said.

He boarded a plane for Tokyo yesterday on his return from the Lambeth conference of Anglican Churches in London.

Java Reds Battle Government Army

BATAVIA, Java, Sept. 23.—(AP)—The news agency Antara said today the Republican Army began offensive against Communist troops who have seized the area around Madioen in Central Java.

The agency quoted Republican military authorities as saying the fighting was continuing today at Atngawi, 18 miles northeast of Madioen, and that nearby Magedan still is in Communist hands.

Republican troops were reported fighting off attackers at Madioen airport.

Meanwhile, Gen. Soedirman, commander of the Republican Army, made a hasty trip to Jogjakarta today to confer with Republican President Soekarno.

It is believed Soedirman spoke to the president about intensifying the action against the Reds at Madioen and also about a radio speech last night by Djokoesono, the Red Army commander, who asked all Republican military commanders in East Java to come to Madioen for "peace talks."

Ex-Hospital Worker Draws 15-Year Term

OREGON CITY, Ore., Sept. 24.—(AP)—Robert M. Burr, 22-year-old former attendant at the State Hospital in Salem, was under a 15-year prison sentence today.

He was sentenced on a charge of assaulting and robbing Winifred D. Green, Milwaukee bartender, in an auto court cabin last spring. Green, bound, gagged and heavily covered with blankets, was unconscious from the cabin's intense heat when found.

An inmate of the State Hospital was arrested with Burr in the case.

Louisiana Ballot Chance Brighter For Pres. Truman

BATON ROUGE, La., Sept. 24.—(AP)—President Truman's chances of appearing on the Louisiana ballot brightened yesterday.

States' Rights Democratic leaders indicated they would accept a compromise on a bill pending before a special session of the Louisiana legislature.

The compromise would keep the Democratic National Committee out of the Louisiana electoral machinery—a major States' Rights objective.

The bill introduced provided for two alternate ways in which the president could have been given a place on the ballot.

The National Committee could have certified elector candidates to the Louisiana secretary of state of 100 Louisiana voters by petition could have nominated elector candidates pledged to Mr. Truman.

The compromise, approved unanimously by a legislative committee, would amend the bill to provide only for the voters' petition.

Neither the original bill nor the proposed compromise would change the status of the Thummond-Wright States Rights Democratic ticket as the official ticket of the Louisiana Democratic party.

World War 2 Service Of Oregon Units Reported

SALEM, Sept. 23.—(AP)—The average Oregon veteran spent three years on active duty in World War II, and three-fourths of them had overseas service, the State Department of Veterans Affairs said today after completing a survey.

There were 132,000 Oregon men and women who served in the

murder forces from Nov. 1, 1940, to July 31, 1946.

Of these, 81,000 men and 2,341 women served in the Army; and 47,228 men and 1,524 women entered the Navy, Marines and Coast Guard.

Oregon lost 2,634 men in combat—1,713 in the Army, 667 in the Navy, 229 while serving in the Marines, and 15 in the Coast Guard.

be baptized were surprised last night, said Sheriff Earl McKnight, as they sought to dig their way out of a cell.

"We heard them hammering all afternoon," the Sheriff added, "but thought we would just wait a while before we went up and let them know we knew it."

'Religious' Prisoners Fail in Jail Break Try

MURFREESBORO, Tenn., Sept. 23.—(AP)—Four county jail prisoners who were taken to a church recently to profess religion and

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