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## Eastern German Republic Proclamation Strategic Move To Win West Germany

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Proclamation of the Eastern German Republic, under Russian domination, is a strategic move by Moscow aimed at winning over the republic recently established in the British-French-American zones of Germany with Bonn as capital.

The Soviet union thus is intensifying its drive for a unified Germany which can be brought under control of Moscow.

The establishment of this Eastern republic doesn't materially alter the status of that part of Germany as a Soviet satellite. The Russians already have communized it heavily and are maintaining control with a big army of Red troops.

What has been done by setting up the republic is to create a symbol of Nationalism which the Muscovites hope will prove attractive to Western Germany and bring about a union. That's an idea which, of course, cuts two ways, for the Western powers are equally bent on drawing Eastern Germany into the Bonn republic. So a hot contest is in prospect.

In any event, what we have been calling the "Russian zone of occupation" now has become a Communist state which takes its place among Moscow's satellites. Thus the Red empire bulges westward into central Europe like a huge fist or battering ram.

Within this bulge lies Berlin, once proud and powerful capital of the Reich and, next to Paris, the most populous of the continental cities. That is a highly important circumstance, as I pointed out in a previous column, and is likely to figure heavily in the struggle for control of all Germany.

Berlin not only is the hub of central Europe—the greatest transportation center of the continent—but it is dear to all Germans as the symbol of the country's former greatness. A

nation's capital and its flag rank together in the hearts of its citizens.

The situation is curiously complicated by the fact that, while Berlin lies within the Russian zone, all four powers have areas which are under their control in the city itself. Because of this, Britain, France and America are said by diplomatic officials in Washington to be considering the idea of adding their Berlin zones to the Western German republic.

As a matter of fact German politicians at Bonn have been agitating for the incorporation of the western part of Berlin in their government. Thus far, however, the three democracies have refused to make such a move because it obviously would antagonize Russia.

On Capital  
Now that Moscow has established the Eastern German republic the Bonn government may get its wish, then we shall have the odd circumstance of one city serving as capital of two separate governments at the same time.

Whatever may happen as regards the capital, the East German communist leaders in proclaiming the new satellite government yesterday claimed to speak for all Germany. More than incidentally they also have their eyes on the great industrial resources of Western Germany.

The new government immediately cabled New York, asking that the big four foreign ministers again take up the German question. The message was an appeal to Soviet Foreign Minister Vishinsky to work for unification of Germany through the eastern government.

The regime denounced the Bonn government. The feeling was mutual, for Bonn characterized the formation of the communist-dominated eastern republic as a national catastrophe.

It is easy to see that warm times are in prospect.

## Mrs. Roy Young Attends Meeting Of Republicans

Republican organization received concentrated Oct. 1 and 2 at a Portland meeting of the Republican State committee, attended by Mrs. Roy Young of Roseburg, member of the state executive committee.

State Republican Chairman Sig Unander, Portland, reported that since the last election, Clackamas and Lincoln counties have swung into the Republican column in voter registrations. All 35 Oregon counties now have active party organizations, according to Unander's report, with Wheeler county being the most recently organized county in the state.

A statewide clean-up of county registration lists to assure up-to-date voters' lists was urged by the committee, in response to a charge made by Leslie Ross of Bend, Deschutes county chairman, who stated that 3,000 voters' pamphlets were returned by the postoffice as non-deliverable in Deschutes county at the last general election.

He urged that county clerks purge the rolls in accordance with state law, which he said requires that after every general election those who have not voted in the past two elections be dropped.

## School Warrior Guards Assist During Contests

The Roseburg high school Warrior Guard has as its principal duties assisting at athletic contests and various other school activities.

This year's officers are Betty Hurd, chief; Silvia Hill, vice chief; and Doree Ellis, secretary-treasurer.

At the end of the year awards are given to the members who have done their part in the organization. Mr. Straub and Mr. Barnick are the advisors.

## Bang's Disease Case Penalty To Be Appealed

ST. HELENS, Oct. 8.—(AP)—A dairymen convicted here of refusing to permit cattle to be tested for bang's disease announced plans today to appeal the case.

Chester Grooms, Scappoose, was fined \$50 and \$100 in costs in justice court. There also was a 15-day jail sentence, which was suspended.

## Suit In Circuit Court Asks Rental Judgment

Albert D. Applegate has filed suit in circuit court against E. A. McDonald, sometimes known as Lode McDonald, asking judgment for sums alleged due as rentals. Under four separate causes of action, he asks judgment for \$300 as rental alleged due for property near Yoncalla in section 2, 3, and 11, township 23 south, range 5 west of Willamette meridian; \$233.33 for house rental; \$15 for a ton of hay allegedly sold the defendant, and \$500 as additional rental for the Irene A. Titus property a mile and one-half east of Yoncalla, the account being assigned to the plaintiff.

## San Francisco State Rallies To Beat SOC

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 8.—(AP)—Southern Oregon college of Ashland saw an apparently safe lead melt away last night as San Francisco State rallied in the fourth quarter of their football game to gain a 21-21 tie.

Two touchdowns by Snuffy Smith and one by Bob Campbell had given S. O. C. a 21-0 edge early in the final period. The states bounced back on the unerring passing arm of Quarterback Sam Devito who set up one touchdown with a 20-yard aerial and connected for two more TD's by the air route in the late going.

## Library Advancement Aim Of School Club

Roseburg high school's library club's aim is to further the advancement in library fields. The club meets the first Wednesday of each month.

This year's officers are Carol Morly, president; Ladina Watkins, vice-president; and Marilyn West, secretary. Mrs. O. J. Monger is advisor.

Speakers are secured for the meetings. At Wednesday's meeting, R. Cloyd Riffe spoke on the Evanston and Princeton libraries.

ESTATE PROBATED  
Upon petition of Roy O. Young, the estate of Emma R. Cantrell has been admitted to probate upon order of County Judge D. N. Rosenbark. Mrs. Cantrell died in Alliance, Neb., Feb. 18, 1947, leaving property located in Douglas county. Young was appointed administrator with will annexed, and Morris Webber, Clyde Kester and Bert Sandish named appraisers.

SUIT DISMISSED  
Based upon the stipulation of the parties, the complaint of Ralph W. Pearce, Mable V. Pearce and Howard A. Pearce vs. Roy Call has been ordered dismissed.

JUVENILES HELD  
Two juveniles, aged 15 and 14, both of Aberdeen, Wash., are being held in the Douglas county jail. They were arrested by state police.

## Who's Kidding Whom?



## In the Day's News

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gesture made by any nation toward other nations.

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ANOTHER one from Washington:

"President Truman today signed the \$1,314,010,000 (one billion, three hundred and fourteen million) arms aid bill, calling it a notable contribution to the collective security of the free nations of the world."

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THAT one involves a somewhat different principle.

What we're doing there is to give guns to our friends in Western Europe in the hope that if communist Russia runs amuck they'll be able to stop her before she gets to us.

Our motive in this case is somewhat less altruistic.

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AGAIN I hope it works. We ALL hope it works. But it's a gamble—a rather long one, in fact. As of now, this is the situation:

If Russia, even after waiting for us to get our billion dollars worth of guns into the hands of our friends, should go on the prod, it seems certain that she could trample all of Western Europe into the mud before we could do anything to prevent it.

In that event, we would merely have poured our billion dollars worth of guns down a rat hole. By giving them away, we'd have weakened ourselves to that extent.

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WE know this much:

IF WE AREN'T GOING TO START A WAR.

We hope we can convince Russia that it wouldn't be safe for her to start a war.

If Russia is bluffed out of starting a war to conquer the world in the name of communism, it will be our TREMENDOUS ABILITY TO PRODUCE that will do the job. It was our fantastic ability to produce that won the last

## Insurance Agents Urge Caution In Fire Prevention

Almost every hour, day and night, a fire is started somewhere in the United States by careless smoking and handling of matches. Losses from this one cause alone total \$31,500,000 yearly—more than half again the cost of the Golden Gate bridge. In addition to adult carelessness, children, playing with matches, cause more than 20,000 fires a year.

As part of its drive to secure full community cooperation during Fire Prevention week, Oct. 9-15, this alarming information is brought out by the Roseburg Association of Insurance Agents.

## VITAL STATISTICS

### MARRIAGE LICENSE

BOYER-CASKEY—Dolph D. Boyer and Nancy Thelma Caskey, both of Roseburg.

### DIVORCE SUIT FILED

COOK—Bette vs. Juett Lenwood Cook. Married Oct. 12, 1947, at Roseburg. Plaintiff asks custody of their one child and \$50 a month support. Cruel and inhuman treatment charged.

### DIVORCE DECREES GRANTED

KING—Thelma from Edgar T. King. Custody of their two children and \$80 a month support granted plaintiff.

### LAWRENCE—Mina Darlene from Arthur Raymond Lawrence.

Custody of their one child granted plaintiff and \$50 a month support to be paid upon defendant's release from the state penitentiary.

### CLAYBORN—Virginia from Lee T. Clayborn. Property settlement ratified.

HOLLAND—Mary from Stewart Holland. Plaintiff's maiden name of Mary Littlefield restored.

### HOSKINS—John L. from Josephine Hoskins. Plaintiff awarded ownership of described Myrtle Creek property.

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Successful fire prevention begins at the individual level, the agents emphasize. They point out several frequent causes of fires which everyone can help prevent: home dry cleaning, careless smoking, overloading electrical equipment and forgetting to unplug electric irons, faulty chimneys, hazardous stoves and unsafe storage of trash.

Last year, national fire losses topped the \$700 million mark, according to figures released by the Board of Fire Underwriters of the Pacific. There were 650,000 fires in all, and approximately 11,000 people, more than half of whom were women and children, died as a result of fire.

## Vet Hospital Patients Will See Movie Starlets

Patients at the Roseburg Veterans hospital will be entertained by Joan Wallace and Rosy Stuart, movie starlets from the Twentieth Century-Fox studios, who are making tours of the veterans hospitals under the auspices of Veterans Hospital camp shows. The young ladies are arriving from Portland on Sunday afternoon and will tour the wards, handshaking and visiting with patients. They will return to Portland on Sunday evening.

## PHONE 100

between 6.15 and 7 p. m., if you have not received your News-Review.

Ask for Harold Mobley.

## Further Decontrol Of Rents Ordered On Speed Basis

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8.—(AP)—Tight Woods, Federal Rent Control boss, has ordered a speed-up to end rent ceilings in communities with 25,000 population or less.

Top-ranking aides who reported this today said Woods has set as a goal the removal of restrictions from 40 such areas each week "until the job is done."

The accelerated pace of decontrols results, in Woods own words, from an "assumption" that rents in most smaller localities have "come back to normal."

Just how long it will take to lift ceilings in all such areas, no one would say.

Bu. Housing authorities released figures showing that controls now have been lifted from an even 500 areas—most of them in areas having less than 100,000 population—in states scattered across the country.

A summary of decontrol activities since the federal rent act became effective in April showed that a total of 1,780,623 dwelling units were involved in the action.

## Chapter Of DeMolay Sets Installation Of Officers

Installation of officers will be held Thursday, Oct. 13, by the Roseburg chapter of DeMolay.

The officers to be installed are as follows: Master counselor, Dwight Raines; senior counselor, Tommy Taylor; junior counselor, Dale Carlson; scribe, William Loftin; treasurer, Sid Smith; Franchill, Vernon Thompson; chaplain, Jim Anderson; senior deacon, Bob Laws; junior deacon, Frank Olson; senior steward, Dick Nickens; junior steward, Bruce Voeller; sentinel, Johnny Raushert.

Other officers were not disclosed. The installation will not be presented to the public.

DeMolay is sparking a drive for new members. The master counselor, Dwight Raines, is planning a new field of activities for the members.

## Blackout Bewilders Fans At Roseburg-Reedsport Game On Finlay Field

Perhaps most bewildered by last night's sudden power shortage were the several hundred fans watching the Roseburg-Reedsport football game played at Finlay field.

The blackout occurred just prior to the second half kick-off, as both teams were preparing to line up. After several minutes of waiting, the teams groped their way back to the dressing rooms, leaving fans huddled in the darkness of the stands.

Entertainment during the prolonged half-time included a spirited game of "night football," staged by the three officials and a dozen Roseburg grade schoolers.

Meanwhile, the Roseburg high school band played on—providing an impromptu band concert and featuring such tunes as "Blues in the Night."

## Faraday Science Club Officers Are Announced

The Faraday club at Roseburg high elected officers for the 1949-50 year. The list includes: president, Dennis Hayden; vice president, Tom Brady; secretary, Norma John; reporter, Gordon Gibbs.

The Faraday club consists of students especially interested in science. The requirements are that a student takes a course in science each year. He must obtain a grade average of a 2 in science classes and 3 or better in other subjects.

The members are now soliciting membership in the club. They hold regular meetings at which different scientific experiments are demonstrated and explained. Through this club, members hope to obtain better knowledge and more understanding of science.



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HONORING COLUMBUS—Felicita Lozada decorates the family "egg tree" with empty shells as Puerto Rican country folk, the jibaros, prepare to celebrate the birthday of Christopher Columbus who visited their land on his second voyage in 1493.

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