

# NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIES SIGN DEFENSE PACT

## WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



**KENNETH FORD**, head of the Roseburg Lumber Company, is pictured as he presents a shelf of books dealing with the logging and lumbering industry, to Mrs. Glenn Wimberly who, as chairman of the Roseburg Public Library board, received them on behalf of that institution.

"The books," Mr. Ford explained, "have been selected by the West Coast Lumbermen's association as representative reading through which a general understanding of the industry may be achieved. I understand that Henry Jacobsen, its general manager, has presented a similar set to the school library on behalf of the Young's Bay Lumber company."

I suppose the present population of Douglas county is reasonably familiar with the lumber industry, at least in its general aspects. But most of us who lived here prior to five or six years ago were abysmally ignorant as to how the great trees were so familiar with eventually could be converted into the innumerable articles which are manufactured from them.

A few evenings spent with some of these books followed by a visit to some of the fine mills hereabouts will prove extremely profitable in furthering our understanding of the great industry which has enveloped us.

## Take-Over Of City Rule, Combat Of Simulated Disaster, Boy Scouts' Plans For National Week Activity

To help celebrate the traditional Boy Scout week, Feb. 6-12, Scouts of the Douglas district are planning "the biggest Scout week Roseburg has ever seen," according to Lloyd Hayes, chairman of the camping committee.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

**SAT** the other day through the annual meeting of the Klamath Production Credit association, which operates on the other side of the mountains, I wouldn't have missed it for anything. It was an unforgettable lesson on what government and the people can do when they work together intelligently, wisely and with due and proper regard for sound and time-tested business principles.

**KPCA** has been operating for about 16 years. During that time it has loaned to the agricultural industry of its area a shade under 40 million dollars.

**ON "THAT RATHER LARGE VOLUME OF LOANS, ITS LOSSES HAVE BEEN JUST ONE-TWENTY-THIRD OF ONE PER CENT!"**

**TO** make sure that it is understood, let's put that this way: For every \$23 loaned by this association since it was organized, (Continued on Page Four)

## Chrysler Pension Strike Peaceful On Third Day

**DETROIT, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**The Chrysler pension strike, with more than 100,000 auto workers off the job, moved quietly into its third day today.

For the time being government mediators took the chief roles. There was no prospect of peace negotiations, before next week, however, as the new year's first major walkout of the industry began cutting into production.

## SCHOOL BUDGETS ASKED

## Filing Ahead Of Deadline To Ease Rural Board's Job Desired Of County Units

Douglas county school districts have until March 15 to complete and submit their 1950-51 budgets to the rural school board. County School Superintendent Kenneth Barneburg, however, urges the districts, where possible, to get their budgets in by March 1 to give the rural board more time in which to process them and compile an overall county budget.

The budget balances submitted by the respective districts but not accepted by the rural board will be left to become a special levy on that district, if so approved by the legal voters, Barneburg stated in instructions sent out to all district officials.

The election on the special district levies will not come until after the amounts accepted by the rural school board become final by means of a county-wide six per cent limitation giving final approval of the county school board.

W. M. Campbell, rural school district deputy, is available by appointment to advise and assist districts in formulating their budgets.

Instructions state that no district can vote to exceed the six per cent limitation prior to submitting the budget to the county board.

Third class school district boards make out their budgets and submit them to a vote of the people before sending them to the board. Union high, second and first class districts do not hold an election on the budget prior to submission to the rural board. After the budgets are prepared, (Continued on page Two)

**The Weather**  
Mixed rain and snow today, occasional rain showers tomorrow; little change in temperature.  
Sunset today 5:18 p. m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 7:33 a. m.

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# The News-Review

## Khan's Stolen Gems Found At Police Door

### \$429,000, One Half Of Booty, Represented

**Note Tells Name Of Man Holding Other Half And Said To Have Been Slain**

**MARSEILLE, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**Half of the Aga Khan's stolen fortune in jewelry—\$429,000 worth of the gems—turned up mysteriously on a police station doorstep last night.

French police, looking for the last six months for the Moslem leader who held up the Riviera highway last Aug. 3, found the valuables in a package outside the ninth police brigade station here after an anonymous telephone tip-off.

Investigators announced no theories as to who tossed the mysterious package. Presumably it came from one of the holdup gang, possibly alarmed by a series of arrests recently.

The recovered gems included two cut emeralds—one of 10 carats and another of 14, an eight-carat pink diamond, 354 other diamonds and four smaller emeralds.

Some of the stones had been taken out of their settings.

Police had estimated the gang made off with jewels worth between \$700,000 and \$850,000 when they held up the fabulously wealthy Moslem potentate and his wife last summer. A total of 40 pieces was stolen.

**Holder Of Other Gems Named**  
The fortune in jewels was thrown on the sidewalk in a (Continued on page Two)

## Green Pleads Innocent Of Murder Count

**Wallace Green Wednesday pleaded innocent to a grand jury indictment charging him with murdering his grandfather, 77-year-old Robt. Thomas Green, railroad pensioner, at Dillard Thanksgiving day.**

The 20-year-old scholar, formerly of Bremerton, Wash., entered his plea upon arraignment at 2 p. m. Wednesday before Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly. The judge set the first day of the February term of court, which will be Feb. 20, as the date for trial.

Green was represented by Attorneys Ray B. Compton and Paul Geddes, District Attorney Robert G. Davis read the grand jury's indictment. Judge Wimberly informed Green that he had one day in which to enter a plea, but the time for pleading was waived by Compton, and Green entered his plea of innocence.

The arraignment came quickly following the grand jury's indictment of the youth on Wednesday.

## Billy Rose Loses Jewelry, Furs To Trio Of Bandits

**NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**Bandits carried off a small safe and furs and jewelry valued at \$100,000 last night from the fashionable east side home of columnist and cafe owner Billy Rose.

Rose said the loss might have been much greater had it not been that his wife wore much of her jewelry to a play premiere they attended last night.

He said the bandits left undisturbed a \$500,000 collection of paintings, and \$75,000 worth of antique silver.

James McDonald, the butler, said he answered a knock at the door, and was told by one of the three men that they had come to deliver a package. McDonald said he admitted the trio, as he had been told to expect a package.

One of the three then drew a pistol, he said, while the other two went to a third-floor bedroom and brought down the safe. The three then took McDonald to the basement, trussed his wrists and ankles with cords and left. He called police after freeing himself.

"I'm glad baby had on her warpaint tonight," remarked Rose, who said the gems his wife was wearing were worth about half a million dollars.

## Former Oregon Scout To Get Medal For Heroism

**Gov. Douglas McKay will present the Boy Scout Honor medal Feb. 9 to a former Boy Scout of the Oregon Trail council, Leroy Mann, now of Monroe, Wash.**

The youth will be presented the award at special ceremonies to be held in Springfield, a part of the 40th anniversary celebration of the Boy Scouts of America.

Mann is one of four boys in the nation to be awarded the medal, highest special award in Scouting. It is in recognition of his heroism in saving another youth from drowning last June.

## Tragedy Strikes After Adoption Of Infant

**NORTH HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Jan. 27.—(AP)—**Samuel and Clara Siegel had always wanted a child, and last week they finally realized their dream.

Final adoption papers made them the mother and father of little Leona, 13 months.

Before they brought her home, Sam and Clara prepared the baby's room, decorated and furnished it. Then they gave her their love.

Mrs. Siegel went about her housework yesterday believing Leona sound asleep. But when she entered the nursery to take a peek at her tiny girl, she found the baby dead.

Tangled tightly around Leona's neck was the string from which a small ball had dangled from the crib.

## Iron Curtain "Permanent," Prize Winner Reminds

**SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**Herbert Agar, Pulitzer prize winning historian, agreed today the Marshall plan had proved "a great success," but then added: "The iron curtain has proved equally successful."

Agar, here to get backing for an Atlantic union, explained: "The Marshall plan is only temporary, you see. But the iron curtain is permanent."

He said that if the U. S. continued the plan "we go broke."

The only solution for preventing Russia from inheriting the earth, he said, was to form an Atlantic union of the western allies.

## Truman Given House Backing In Tax Plans

**Hikes Assured To Offset Excise Cuts; Insurance Firms Face Huge Levy**

**WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**Key House Democrats were reported standing firm today behind President Truman's insistence that any cuts in excise taxes should be balanced by tax boosts elsewhere.

Democratic members of the drafting House Ways and Means committee were said to have agreed on that position, in order to prevent the government from losing revenue through cuts in levies on such things as transportation and amusement tickets, luggage and jewelry.

Republicans still kept up pressure for a simple excise repeal bill—without the balancing cuts—asked by Mr. Truman. One GOP effort to push through such a measure failed yesterday.

That effort came as the House took up a bill—which it later passed—levying a \$90,000,000 income tax on part of the \$4,500,000 investment earnings of life insurance companies which were untaxed in 1947, 1948 and 1949.

Passage of that measure marked the first congressional action on a part of Mr. Truman's new tax program. He told Congress Monday a tax law quirk that lets (Continued on page Two)

## U. S. Agents Crack Counterfeit Ring

**NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**Secret Service agents, posing as traders in the bogus-money market, cracked a counterfeit ring today, and seized \$200,000 in phony bills.

Four men were arrested last night and today after their operations were traced from Los Angeles to New York, where they allegedly planned to put the fake money in circulation.

U. S. Secret Service men, who had pretended to be prospective buyers of the bogus money, told of outsmarting three of the suspects who tried to pass off \$200,000 worth of counterfeit bills as \$300,000 worth.

The three claimed the larger amount was in two suitcases, and sought to sell the faked \$10 and \$20 bills for \$60,000, the agents said. The purchase price for the actual amount of fake bills—at 20 cents on the dollar—would have been \$40,000.

The prisoners were booked as Anthony Chiarella, 33, Manhattan hotel clerk; Vincent Palmisano, 35, Brooklyn salesman; Anthony Pietrantonio, 36, Manhattan butcher, and Joseph Nardone, 49, Manhattan taxicab driver.

## HE'S 141, SOVIET SAYS

**LONDON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**Moscow radio last night reported the discovery of a 141-year-old man in a mountain village in Soviet Azerbaijan, near the Iranian border.

The broadcast said the village, Mahmud Alivador, heads a family of 120, including great-great-grandchildren.



**IN MERCY SLAYING CASE**—Carol Ann Paight (left), 21, is on trial in Bridgeport, Conn., for second degree murder of her policeman father, who was ill with cancer, in a Stamford, Conn., hospital. The penalty on conviction is life imprisonment. During recess her mother, Mrs. Mary Paight, holds her daughter's hand. Mrs. Paight has stood behind her daughter since the gunfire ended her husband's life. She was quoted by police as saying she would have done it herself if she had Carol Ann's "guts." Brother Carl W. Paight Jr., at right, Carol Ann's plea is temporary insanity. Her father died without knowing the nature of his illness.—(AP Wirephoto).

## NEW BERLIN BLOCKADE Russian Strangling Of Traffic Arouses Threat Of Retaliation By Allies

**BERLIN, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**The western powers once again may slap on a counter-blockade against eastern Germany if the Russian strangling of Berlin highway traffic continues, American officials said today.

Some sort of economic reprisal will be threatened, these officials predicted. Strong efforts to break the "creeping blockade" of this Soviet-encircled city are expected to be considered at the high commission level.

Initial moves would await the return of the U. S. high commissioner, John J. McCloy, from a brief official visit to the United States. In Boston last night McCloy told reporters if the Russians impose a complete blockade the Berlin airlift once again will roar into action.

Officials were gloomy about the prospects of an early end to the Soviet hamstringing tactics against truck traffic. American sources said western protests probably would be brushed off by the Soviet Berlin Commandant, Maj. Gen. Alexander Kotikov.

"It looks as if the only way to tackle the issue effectively will be on the highest occupation level (the commissioners) in Germany," an informant said. Protests Prove Futile

Two formal protests by the Allied commandants within a week have failed to protect the city's (Continued on page Two)

## Traffic In Babies Draws \$200 Fine

**PORTLAND, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**It cost \$250 to get a baby illegally here last spring. By summer the price was up to \$500.

That was the testimony of two women in district court here yesterday in a case that saw Mrs. Bae Roach, Portland, fined \$200 for placing the infants in homes illegally.

Mrs. Roach admitted getting the babies from the Thompson maternity home in Seattle. After the two women testified she changed her plea from innocent to guilty.

She was fined \$100 on each of two charges of child-placing. Only recognized social workers may place children legally in this state.

Judge John R. Mears gave her the stiffest fine possible, and commented that the law should be revised to make the penalty more severe.

Mrs. Roach protested that she made no profit. She said the babies were abandoned by their mothers, and that she got them for the Portland women as a favor to them.

## Trucker Evades Jail When Friends Pay \$1,700 Debt

**CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**Pres-ton L. Tucker, who promoted a \$28,000,000 automobile manufacturing enterprise, was saved from a jail sentence yesterday after friends paid a \$1,700 debt.

Tucker, head of the bankrupt Tucker corporation, and seven associates last Sunday were acquitted in federal court of mail fraud and conspiracy charges.

Tucker was ordered detained in court for failing to pay \$3,567 to Mrs. Justina C. Perkins of Noblesville, Ind., who claimed Tucker owed her part of the purchase price for a farm he had bought in 1935. His attorney said he could not pay the \$3,567 judgment. It was settled for \$1,700 but Tucker did not have that amount.

Tucker's attorneys obtained \$1,500 and the remaining \$200 was in the form of a 30-day note and won his release.

## DEFAULT JUDGMENT

Judgment by default for \$195.58 plus interest and costs, was awarded the State Unemployment Compensation Commission by Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly. Plaintiffs charged nonpayment of required contributions. Defendant in the case was James R. Daugherty.

## Eight Nations United In Face Of Red Threat

**Flow Of American Arms To Follow; Master Plan Of Defense Kept Secret**

**WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—**The United States and eight North Atlantic allies signed agreements today that will govern the flow of \$1,000,000,000 worth of American arms to Western Europe's defenses against possible Russian attack.

It was the last step—but one—before guns, tanks, planes, ships and raw materials begin moving under the aid program Congress approved last year.

The final step is President Truman's approval of the secret master defense plan worked out last month by military chiefs of the 12 Atlantic pact countries. That is expected momentarily.

The master defense plan will be kept secret.

But the State department made public the texts of the separate aid agreements made with each nation when they were signed by the ambassadors of each at the department.

The amount of American military aid each nation is to get was not mentioned.

**Biggest Share To France**  
But it is known that the largest share of the American weapons and raw materials will go to France.

Countries signing agreements in addition to France are Brit-

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## Events To Boost Polio Fund Slated

**An active polio campaign week-end is planned for Roseburg.**

Two big events are scheduled for tonight. A benefit polio basketball game is on tap tonight at Roseburg high school gymnasium, when Jack Newby's Indians tangle with Reedsport in an important clash. A preliminary game will start at 7 p. m.

Starting at 9 o'clock tonight at the armory will be the President's ball, under sponsorship of the Roseburg Active club. Dick Gilman, general chairman, announced everything is set to go, and urges everyone to turnout for this affair.

Lea Francis's Happy Valley Cowboys, the Shalimar Trio and Elks Band will alternate in providing the music.

City Chairman Del McKay announces that a mile-o-dime parade will be held on the city street by the Boy Scouts Saturday, and during the same day the Junior Chamber of Commerce will conduct a chain of dollars donation drive.

Concluding polio activities will be Elton Owen's benefit wrestling card at the armory Saturday at 8:30 p. m.

The Kiwanis club has already started its business district solicitation, collection containers are out in the city, and a big auction Feb. 3 is announced by the Lions club.

## U. S. Plane With 42 Aboard Missing

**EDMONTON, Alta., Jan. 27.—(CP)—**A United States air force C-54 with 34 passengers and eight crew members aboard has been unheard from since yesterday. R. C. A. F. officials announced today.

The four-motored plane was enroute from Elmendorf field at Anchorage, Alaska, to Great Falls, Mont., and last reported its position at 5:09 p. m. C. S. T. over Snag, Yukon. Snag is 1,300 miles northwest of Edmonton.

R. C. A. F. said a sweep would be made today of Amber Airway No. 2 from Northway, Alaska, to Fort Nelson, B. C., covering an area of 20 miles on either side of the air route. The sweep was expected to get underway about 11:30 a. m. C. S. T.

Snag is in the Yukon, about 20 miles east of the Alaska-Yukon border.

## Probation Granted On Penitentiary Sentence

**Melvin Frances Burrows, 37, Reedsport, was sentenced to serve one year in the state penitentiary, then placed on probation, when he appeared before Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly Thursday.**

Burrows pleaded guilty on District Attorney Robert G. Davis' information, to a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses at the Spot Tavern in Roseburg. Ernest Carl Goodwin, 18, Ft. Lewis, Wash., pleaded guilty on district attorney's information Thursday, to a charge of automobile larceny, allegedly stolen on Jan. 23.

Goodwin waived indictment by the grand jury. He will be sentenced at a later date.

## Levy Fact Rant

**By L. F. Reizenstein**

A "terrific explosion" on the planet Mars on January 17 last has world scientists searching for the reason. In due time, no doubt, they'll be advised it was merely the echo of the blast of a minor atomic bomb in Russia.



**SMILES AND SMOOTH TALK** were demonstrated last night at the final session of the Davis-Thompson Sales Consultant school held in Roseburg Monday through Thursday. Attended by representatives of nearly every retail firm in the area, those pictured in the above foreground are Grady Gooch, salesman at left, and Bud Fies, customer.—(Staff photo).