

TWO ACCUSED IN JO ANN DEWEY MURDER

Acheson Asks For \$45 Million
Requested By Truman In Try
To Check Red Sweep In Asia

WASHINGTON, March 30. — (AP) — Secretary of State Acheson told Congress today that any cut in the \$45,000,000 asked for President Truman's "point four" program would have unfortunate results on efforts to check Communism in Asia.

"It would undoubtedly be interpreted by the peoples of the free countries of Asia, the Middle East and other underdeveloped areas as indicating a lack of interest in a program upon which they have been putting very great hopes," he said.

Acheson went before the Senate Foreign Relations committee to argue for the proposed program of American technical aid to raise production methods and living standards in backward areas of the world.

The Senate group is considering the proposal at a time when Acheson is reported to be trying to draw Great Britain and France into a united front against the spread of Communism in Asia.

Acheson told the senators that the \$45,000,000 figure is a careful estimate of what is needed for the 12 months beginning July 1. He said any cut would "seriously handicap the undertaking of specific activities which can be effectively organized during the coming year."

GOP Gets Recognition
He and roving Ambassador Philip Jessup gave the Senate committee a confidential report yesterday on the Asiatic situation. Thus far, Congress has shown no great enthusiasm for the program.

Republicans have accused the administration of ignoring them in far eastern policy. But Acheson obviously has not tried to remedy this situation by laying his cards before the lawmakers of both parties.

It was reported in government circles that President Truman has authorized the secretary to seek much closer ties with GOP leaders in Congress.

One result expected from this policy is the appointment of a Republican to a top state department post, probably with the rank of ambassador at large.

Following the Capitol hill session yesterday, one Republican said both Acheson and Jessup assured senators that there will be no U. S. recognition of Communist China in the foreseeable future.

Carrier Decision
Affects 30 States

NEW YORK, March 30. — (AP) — In a decision awaited by some 30 states, a U. S. Appeals court has declared valid a Connecticut law taxing an interstate carrier that earns money within its boundaries.

The question centered on the problem, which arose in colonial days, concerning the right of individual states to collect duties in interstate commerce. The U. S. Constitution banned such taxes.

However, the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals held in a 2-1 decision yesterday that the Connecticut tax does not "discriminate against interstate commerce" and does not violate the Constitution.

The opinion noted that 30 or more states have adopted similar tax statutes and awaited the outcome of the Connecticut case which "has not been swiftly forthcoming."

The case has been in state and federal courts since 1942 when the Specter Motor Service, Inc., an interstate trucking firm, filed the action against Connecticut's tax commissioner.

Commander Of Big Mo
Admits Grounding GUILT

NORFOLK, Va., March 30. — (AP) — Capt. William D. Brown pleaded guilty at court-martial today to charges of negligence and neglect of duty in the grounding of the battleship Missouri. He commanded the Big Mo when she ran aground on a Chesapeake bay shoal January 17.

Punishment usually imposed upon an officer convicted of charges of negligence and neglect of duty in the grounding of a ship is reduction in rank. This means a lowering of his standing on the navy's promotion list. It usually has a most adverse effect upon a senior officer in that it normally prevents his attaining flag rank.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

OVER in the Klamath country, where the potato is strictly Big Medicine, they're trying out an interesting marketing experiment. They're seeking by better methods to get back markets that were lost by poor methods.

THERE was a time when the Klamath potato commanded a premium of ten cents per hundred pounds in the San Francisco bay area over any other potato offered for sale there. This price premium wasn't peanuts. In a 10,000-car year, it amounted to \$360,000 additional cash to the growers. It was based on superior quality.

The quality hasn't deteriorated. As the Klamath potato comes from the soil, it is a superior food product. But in recent years it has suffered in marketing. Damage in handling and transit has been running upwards of 40 percent. Much of this damage happens AFTER

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WOULD SUE — State department aide Haldore Hanson (above), called by Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy as a man "with a mission to communize the world," testifies before the senate foreign relations subcommittee in Washington that he would sue Sen. McCarthy for libel if the senator ever gives up his congressional immunity and repeats his charge he is pro-Communist.

Gas Bill Passes,
Veto Not Likely

WASHINGTON, March 30. — (AP) — A controversial natural gas bill, passed by the Senate after a stiff fight, today ran into a demand by Senator Douglas (D-Ill.) for a presidential veto.

The measure was approved by the Senate late yesterday by a 44-to-38 vote. It would ban the federal government from regulating prices charged for natural gas by so-called independent producers.

Douglas apparently agreed with Senator Kerr (D-Okla.) and other sponsors of the bill that there would be little difficulty getting House agreement on the measure.

The House passed a similar bill last year.

Douglas argued, and Kerr denied, that the bill would be a blow to consumers.

Administration leaders have reported that Mr. Truman approved the Kerr bill in advance.

The legislation would prevent the Federal Power commission from fixing the price on gas delivered to pipe lines for interstate transportation by independent producers. These are defined as producers who do not own pipelines and are not affiliated with them. Included are some of the largest oil companies in the country.

Jewelry Store Robbery
Loss Placed At \$4,750

Total loss in the robbery of Lawson's Jewelry store Wednesday morning was reported today to be \$4,750, according to John Hardiman, store manager.

Included in the take of thieves who smashed the display window with a rock were 21 diamonds, 12 birth stone rings, six emeralds and other miscellaneous jewelry.

The exact loss was determined following a complete inventory. Hardiman said. The loss had previously been estimated at \$2,000.

Boy, 8, Stages Laundry
Holdup With Cap Pistols

ATLANTA, March 30. — (AP) — Wanted by the police, a two-gun cowboy bandit, who robbed a laundry office in the heart of the city.

The bandit, wearing full cowboy regalia, walked into the office last night and pulled two shiny guns on the woman clerk.

"Stick 'em up," he demanded. Then he grabbed a collection box belonging to the Crippled Children's league of Georgia and escaped. The box held about \$5 in small change.

Detectives called in a juvenile court officer. The bad man was a youngster about eight years old. His weapons were cap pistols.

Boys Row Over Pigeons,
One Plunges To Death

NEW YORK, March 30. — (AP) — Two Brooklyn boys had been quarreling about some pet pigeons when a fight started.

It ended when 9-year-old Charles Hapman plunged five stories to his death from a rooftop yesterday.

The Weather

Cloudy today becoming partly cloudy tonight and tomorrow.

Sunset today 6:37 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 5:57 a. m.

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House-Passed Foreign Aid
Bill Gladdens 'Irish Bloc'Clause Hits
Britain Over
Eire PartitionThreat Of Halting Funds
Not Expected To Stand,
But Raises Lot Of Banter

WASHINGTON, March 30. — (AP) — The House "Irish bloc" rode high today after saddling the administration's foreign aid bill with a clause which would cut Britain off without a cent so long as Ireland remains partitioned.

An amendment aimed at barring Britain from economic help while the Emerald Isle remains part independent and part in the British commonwealth was approved late yesterday 89 to 66.

The vote was tentative and is not expected to stand when the final roll call comes. But it raised a lot of good humored banter before House leaders called for adjournment and began rallying forces to defeat it.

President Truman's lieutenants said they weren't worried about the anti-partition amendment. They were concerned, however, over another vote which appeared more likely to stick.

This one, also tentative, approved 119 to 107 an amendment to tie up \$1,000,000,000 in Marshall aid funds for the purchase of U. S. farm products.

Point 4 Deaths Planned
A GOP-led drive was primed meanwhile to lop another \$150,000,000 from European recovery funds for the fiscal year beginning July 1, and to try for a death blow to President Truman's "point four" program of technical assistance to undeveloped areas.

Successful earlier in slashing \$250,000,000 from Marshall plan money, House critics of government spending took aim on \$150,000,000 more in the form of carry-over funds from this year's unexpended aid money.

Rep. Taber (R-N.Y.), top financial adviser to House Republicans, led the attack. He said the Economic Cooperation administration had over-estimated its recovery spending needs for the fiscal year ending this June 30, and that it had not figured on its needs in the new year, either "properly or intelligently."

The vote to knock Britain out of the Marshall plan came on an amendment by Rep. Fogarty (D-Ill.), who tried without success to put the same condition in last year's Marshall plan bill.

Fogarty, in presenting his proposal, told the House that under his proposal Britain within 24 hours would give Ireland a chance to vote on the kind of government it wants.

The news caused no immediate excitement in London; it did raise some cheers in Dublin.

Most of Ireland achieved full independence last year, but six counties in the north remain in the British commonwealth.

Fight Against Arthritis
Wins Child Martyr Title

BOSTON, March 30. — (AP) — Her valiant fight against arthritis today won Martha Kelley, 4½, the title of "Miss Martyr of 1950" at Massachusetts General hospital.

The child, suffering from painful rheumatoid arthritis, has been a hospital patient for two and one-half years.

Nurses reported that not once in all that time has she cried to attract attention to her suffering.

Her tiny legs are attached to heavy traction weights during the day. The weights are replaced by cumbersome casts at night.

Husbands' Fake Alibis
Headaches For Police

OMAHA, March 30. — (AP) — The fake alibis given by errant husbands to explain things to the wife are causing Omaha cops a real headache.

Inspector Harry Green says that in recent months he frequently has had to take two or more detectives off regular investigations to double-check stories husbands gave as excuses for late hours or gambling losses.

"Invariably they claim they were stuck up or rolled," he lamented yesterday. "The wife calls us or makes sure the husband reports it. Actually it takes more work and time to check those stories than it does a bona fide case."

\$1,500 FOR 50¢?
SAN FRANCISCO, March 30. — (AP) — Dancer Carol Vaughn doesn't think much of tossing coins to entertainers.

She said someone chipped one of her teeth with a thrown 50-cent piece while she was doing a back bend.

So yesterday she sued the Associated Home Builders, at whose banquet she was dancing, for \$1,500 damages.

The News-Review

ROSEBURG, OREGON—THURSDAY, MAR. 30, 1950

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9 Patients Of
Sanatorium
Perish In FireThirty Others Overcome
By Fumes; Scores Led
To Safety By Firemen

PHILADELPHIA, March 30. — (AP) — Nine male patients—some strapped in their beds—died last night as choking fumes from a basement fire filled upper rooms of a private sanatorium.

A fireman and at least 30 other patients, both men and women, were felled by fumes in a wing of the Belle-Vista sanatorium for convalescent, senile, nervous and mental cases.

Rescuers tore apart wire mesh-covered windows to lead scores of others to safety.

The three-story, stone sanatorium is located in suburban Springfield township on Philadelphia's northwestern border.

Fire Marshal Edward H. Chew said the blaze apparently started in the basement laundry from an unknown cause. It spread to the first floor where the men were housed but was brought under control quickly. Only the basement was badly damaged.

Those who suffocated were all in quarters on the first floor.

The dead: Holden Williams, 26, Abbott Road, Welleysville Hills, Mass.; Thomas Robinson, Philadelphia; John Siggins, 70, A. Romano, 26, Barry Pass, 12, Nicholas Termini, 26, Irving Halpern, 47, Frank Castenader, William Stepp.

Superintendent Roland L. Randall said the wing with wire-covered windows housed about 43 men and 31 women. Many of the men patients were considered violent and were held in their beds by restraining straps. Chew said the blaze was discovered by four patients watching a television show in a first floor recreation room. They said they felt the heat around their ankles. A search led to the blaze in the basement, where the boilers and laundry are located.

The blaze was the third at Belle-Vista in 14 months. A year ago last Jan. 21 a fire forced ten patients to flee an older wing and last Jan. 29 a burning mattress was found in the basement of one of the buildings.

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She further stated that the high school students had not taken an active part in the discussion and have been warned by their parents that they are not to "demonstrate."

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Coach's Aide
At Glendale
Faces Charge

GRANTS PASS, March 30. — (AP) — A charge that poker playing, as well as basketball, was taught by a Glendale high school assistant coach resulted in a hectic public meeting attended by some 250 school patrons there last night.

The session revealed that the situation "had been deplorable" by Attorney General George Neuner, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Rex Putnam and Douglas county's school superintendent, Kenneth Barneburg. All had agreed, however, that any corrective measures rested with the district 77 school board.

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Warrants Out
At Vancouver
For Brothers

U. E., and Turman Wilson,
Both With Police Records,
Have Evaded Searchers

YANCOUVER, Wash., March 30. — (AP) — Utah E. and Turman C. Wilson, Vancouver brothers, were charged today with kidnapping and murder in the abduction death of Jo Ann Dewey, 18, March 19.

Prosecuting Attorney DeWitt Jones signed the warrants on information presented by Police Chief Harry Diamond.

Neither of the men is in custody. Diamond said both had been sought for some days and could not be located.

Turman, 34, is listed in FBI files as having been sentenced to the Chehalis training school for burglary in 1942; to having appeared in Portland juvenile court in 1942 for assault and in the same year to have been sentenced to seven years' imprisonment from Portland for rape. He escaped from the Oregon prison but was recaptured in 1949.

Again in 1948 he was sentenced in Multnomah county (Portland) to six months for armed robbery and was charged in 1949 at Kelso with assault.

Utah, 20, in 1946 escaped from the Chehalis training school but was returned. He had had several juvenile after-hours investigations on his record. In 1948 he pleaded guilty to two counts of burglary here and was sentenced to one year in jail and two years probation. He shortened his term by good behavior.

The funeral of the girl, whose battered and nude body was found in Wind river a week ago last Sunday, was held yesterday from the Seventh day Adventist church at Meadow glade, north of here. The persons in the overflowing church heard Elder G. C. McKeown say, "The enemy has snatched her away."

Degrading stories, pictures and comic strips were assailed by the elder who added "we have to close our eyes and teach our young ones because we live in the land of the enemy."

A reward of \$1000 has been offered for information leading to arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for Jo Ann Dewey's death.

The reward was posted by the Oregon conference, Seventh day Adventist church.

Cattle-Rustling Nurse
Displays Muscular Skill

OAKLAND, Calif., March 30. — (AP) — A nurse, 23, charged with cattle rustling, readily showed a skeptical deputy sheriff how she could handle the four-footed critters.

Mrs. Firth Band grasped Deputy Stanley Peterson around the waist "boosted me three feet in the air, and said 'like this.'"

Mrs. Band, a nicely proportioned 5 feet 10, said she learned to like cattle and horses in Wyoming. She added that she took nurse's training in Boston.

Leon Blum, Ex-Premier
Of France, Passes Away

PARIS, March 30. — (AP) — Leon Blum, 77, three times premier of France, died unexpectedly today. He had long been a leader of the Socialist party in France and was recognized in recent years as its elder statesman.

A bitter foe of the Nazis before and during the war, Blum was just as vehemently an enemy of the Communists who made him a constant target of their attacks.

Shower Of Suits Bares
Activity Of Thieves

BOSTON, March 30. — (AP) — Dozens of men's suits cascading out of the fifth floor window of an Essex street building aroused the curiosity of a passerby last night.

He called police. They discovered the Beacon Clothing company had been entered.

The thieves, apparently expected confederates to pick up the suits, valued at \$4,200. All were recovered.

Boy Killed By Rock
Hurled By Playmate

SEATTLE, March 30. — (AP) — A rock thrown by a playmate was fatal to 12-year-old Lawrence E. White early today.

He was hit on the head while walking home late yesterday afternoon and never regained consciousness. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward D. White. The father is a yacht broker.

The boys were tossing rocks playfully at each other.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Retzmeiste

Looks like March is going out traditionally like a lamb, and consumers hope it will take lamb prices with it.