

# RUSSIA REFLECTS U.S. INDEMNITY DEMAND

## WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



WHEN THE YOUNG LADIES appearing in the picture above (sure, have it your own way, "they are the same girls") were in Roseburg a few weeks ago I happened to be in Vancouver, B. C. I really had a remarkably good telescopic lens, don't you think, to secure this picture at that range?

The profile shown above is the one which made Douglas county famous three years ago (and a considerable portion of it, envious) when its possessor was chosen Miss Oregon and later placed in the top flight of 15 among 60 entrants at the big beauty show held annually at Atlantic City. Sure, it's Jo Ann Amorde.

I recall that I not only took the picture shown above, but engraved it as well; so as it appears in the News-Review, if you can't tell whether it's a photograph of a beautiful girl, or of a shock of alfalfa hay, this is one time when you'll be justified in blaming the photographer.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

**RUSSIAN FIGHTERS SHOT DOWN THE MISSING U. S. NAVY PATROL PLANE OVER OPEN WATERS OF THE BALTIC SEA.**

A supplementary statement accompanying the note asserts that Russia OSTENTATIOUSLY DECEALED the Soviet airman who did the shooting "in a manner calculated to give the impression that they are being REWARDED for shooting down an American plane."

### WHAT does it mean?

Suit yourself. When I read the dispatch on the teletype, I shrugged my shoulders and put it down as another move in the "cold" war. This term "cold" war, by the way, stirs memories that aren't too pleasant. Do you remember the so-called "phony" war that preceded the German blitz into Belgium and France that ended at Dunkerque?

The phony war became real. This cold war could get hot.

THERE'S an interesting dispatch from New York by AP's William Ryan pointing out that Moscow has

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## Manitoba Region Ravaged by Flood

WINNIPEG, Man., April 21.—(AP)—Southern Manitobans in the Red River valley prepared to move their families, livestock and furniture to higher levels today as the turbulent river continued to swell. Dynamic crews blasted ice jams, barricades and dikes were being raised and the reserve army stood by for emergency flood duties.

Gretna, a border town hit hard by the overflow of the Pembina river, a tributary of the Red, was still one-third flooded. Some families who moved back into their homes after Wednesday's sudden onslaught were forced out again yesterday. Six hundred pounds of meats were flown to the isolated town by a Winnipeg packing firm. North of Winnipeg, at Selkirk, dynamite crews blasted out a huge ice jam. Meanwhile, the crest of the Red and its swollen tributaries, which have hit northeastern North Dakota with its worst flood in 33 years, continued moving towards Grand Forks, leaving hundreds of evacuees in its path.

## Linfield Group To Hold Baptist Services Here

Dr. Hybert Pollard, a faculty member from Linfield college, and a group of students from the college will have complete charge of the Sunday evening services at the First Baptist church at McMinnville, and Burt Bennett, soloist. This group will be entertained at a five o'clock buffet supper for the juniors and seniors of the First Baptist church and will also have charge of the regular 6:15 young people's meeting.

## TV CAUSES DEFICIT

CLEVELAND, April 21.—(AP)—Victor Cohen, Cleveland Transit system board member, blames television for the CTS's march deficit of \$23,275. Because customers stay home to watch television, he said, the trolley system has a 1950 deficit so far of \$140,677 instead of the \$63,152 surplus for the same period last year.

## SOVIET WAR STRATEGY

### Congressman Tells How Russians Will Fight In Event Of Attack On U. S.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—Rep. Elston (R-Ohio) says the United States has solved the case of the atomic explosion in Russia last year.

"We know definitely that it was caused by an atomic bomb," the congressman told a reporter, "and we know what the ingredients of that bomb were."

Elston is a member of the Senate-Atomic Energy committee, which deals with A-bomb and other related matters and has inquired closely into the Russian atomic blast.

He declined to disclose how the U.S. government obtained information about the Russian explosion, or to discuss the Russian bomb further.

"Definitely the Russians don't have the hydrogen bomb yet, any more than we do," Elston added. "We know as much about the potentialities of a hydrogen bomb as they do, and they know as much as we do, and no more. Neither of us even knows definitely how to explode an H-bomb."

### Strategy Envisaged

"Russian strategy is pretty clear," he said. "If war should come, they will hope to fill the sky with swarms of attack planes, in the hope that even a couple of

## The Weather

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# Truman Urges Rent Control Continuance

## Alternative Is Hardships, Congress Told

'Exorbitant Rent Boosts' Would Follow Lifting Of Bans, President Warns

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—President Truman prodded Congress today to continue rent controls until mid-1951. He predicted "a wave of exorbitant rent increases" if they are allowed to end June 30 when the present law expires.

And if that happens, he said: Small income people, having to shell out more money for rent, will cut down on buying food, clothing and other necessities; unemployment will increase in industries losing sales.

Federal, state and local governments will have to pay out more money for assistance to the needy. Pensions, both government and private, to old people will become more inadequate.

In a special message, Mr. Truman said removal of controls would mean serious hardship for millions of tenants "who are caught in a 'seller's market' and cannot obtain lower rents by shopping around."

He said housing is the one acute shortage remaining from wartime and added:

"Until supply is near enough to demand so that the forces of competition will again operate effectively to protect the tenant, rent control should continue."

Mr. Truman went on to say that the policy should be continued of "granting the landlord all justifiable increases in rent."

The basis of our policy has been fairness to both the landlord and the tenant," he said. The senate banking committee will start hearings Monday on an extension measure with Tigue E. Woods, federal housing expeditor, as the main witness.

Woods brought representatives of ten cities to the White House yesterday and all of them generally urged continuance of controls.

Mr. Truman said in his message to the legislators that a sudden and rapid increase in rents "would affect adversely sales and employment in many industries and trades."

## Economy Proposal To Congress: Reduce Talk

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—Rep. Scrivener (R-Ka.) has offered the House a new—and probably unacceptable—economy proposal: talk less.

Scrivener said the savings to the federal treasury would be considerable if Senators and House members would save their breath during floor debate and "ration" the number of articles they insert in the appendix of the Congressional record.

Every word of Congressional debate gets into the record, as well as numerous unspoken words which the lawmakers ask to have included in the appendix. The cost, Scrivener said, comes to \$82 a page.

"If there were fewer words spoken," he said wistfully, "the cost of printing the record could be reduced."

## Negro Draws Bullet In 4th Prowling Of Market

KANSAS CITY, April 21.—(AP)—Three times in the last two months thieves have robbed Pigg's supermarket.

Yesterday — after the latest robbery — Mrs. Theresa Scola, the operator, remarked:

"I want it known that I dare them to try again."

Her comment was carried in newspapers along with a picture showing her standing beside a pistol.

Today police reported a prowler broke into the market again and was shot by the night watchman.

Police Sgt. Ray H. Williams identified the wounded man as Jesse King, a Negro. Williams said King had a previous police record. His condition was serious.

## Oregon Man Indicted In Gun Death Of His Wife

TILLAMOOK, April 21.—(AP)—Jess Philip Malone, 47, dairy worker, was indicted by the Tillamook county grand jury yesterday on a charge of first-degree murder.

His estranged wife was shot at her farm home near here last Saturday.

## M'KAY INSPIRES SONG (?)

SALEM, April 21.—(AP)—"Pappy don't allow no cussin' around here nohow anymore" is a new theme song being sung by members of Governor McKay's staff. Words and music are by the staff.

They made up the song after yesterday's statement by the governor opposing the use of profanity.



ARTHUR W. PRIAULX, of Portland, public relations director of the West Coast Lumberman's association, will be the speaker on next Monday's Roseburg Chamber of Commerce forum luncheon at noon in the Hotel Umpqua. Prialux will speak on the subject, "There's a Tree in Your Future."

## Losing Team Of Lions Eats Under Cutlery Handicap

Eating their dinner with instruments ranging from pen knives to axes was the penalty imposed upon losing team members of the Roseburg Lions club as the result of an attendance contest Thursday night.

Without being told what the penalty would be, the losing team members were instructed to bring to the meeting knives and a bar of soap. The instruments included butcher knives, bayonets, grass sickles, and various other cutting instruments. Al McBea brought an axe. He managed very well in disposing of his meal.

The bar of soap, it was explained, was for the members' use in cleaning up after the meal. A first aid kit was available but wasn't needed.

The winning team was captained by Matt Slinkard, while the losing team was headed by Pete Mutschbacher.

Introduced as club Lions were Alvin Hoffman, Orton Kent, Dr. Robert Sinclair, and a transfer, George White.

A nominating committee consisting of past presidents and headed by Forrest Losee, district governor, was named by President Dr. James E. Campbell. Nomination of officers will be made May 11.

Announcement was made of a scheduled charter night meeting in Yoncalla by a newly organized club in that town. The meeting will be Saturday, May 13 at 8 p.m. in the new Yoncalla high school. The new club is sponsored by the Drain Lions.

A letter was received and read from Dr. L. M. Lehrbach, who recently underwent surgery at Rochester, Minn. He stated that he was feeling much better and hoped to be home soon.

## Insurance Firm Head Victim Of Bond Theft

LOS ANGELES, April 21.—(AP)—Theft of more than \$200,000 in bonds from the home of a wealthy mortuary and insurance company executive was reported to police early today.

Police said the bonds, both negotiable and non-negotiable, were stolen from a vault in the home of Mayor McKinley, head of the Constitution Life Insurance Co., and co-owner of a large mortuary chairman in Los Angeles.

## House Committee Cuts Deeper Into Excise Levy

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—The House ways and means committee today approved an additional \$250,000,000 slash in excise taxes — eliminating some of the imposts completely and halving others.

This brought the total cuts, so far as the committee has covered the excise list, to \$335,000,000 — almost twice as much as President Truman requested.

## Shirley Temple's 'Ex' Draws \$200 Traffic Fine

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., April 21.—(AP)—A \$200 fine has been levied against John Agar's skid with the driving laws.

Shirley Temple's ex-husband paid up after pleading guilty yesterday to reckless driving. The justice court reduced the charge from drunk driving and suspended a 30-day jail sentence provided Agar has no further similar scrapes in the next year.

## Fifty Million Americans To Save Daylight

90 Million Others Will Ignore Fast Time, Due To Commence May 1

NEW YORK, April 21.—(AP)—Some 50,000,000 Americans will turn their timepieces ahead one hour April 30, ushering in another season of daylight saving time.

But the advent of "fast time" will be ignored by some 90,000,000 other Americans, mostly in the rural regions of the south, mid-west and far west.

Clock-switching will be general in the heavily industrial areas of the east and in most of the nation's large cities.

Detroit, however, will remain on standard time. Most of the nearby province of Ontario, with the exception of the night club area across the international bridge from Detroit, will observe daylight time. The night clubs will stay on standard to gain another hour of business under Canada's 2 a.m. curfew law.

Ben Franklin Started It

First proposed by Benjamin Franklin nearly a century and a half ago, "fast time" got its original tryout in the United States during the first World War.

Some cities have used it ever since, but others have tried it and abandoned it. The mere suggestion that it be adopted in some towns and states has touched off bitter community wrangles. Legislatures have even passed laws forbidding its use.

Attorneys for the most part regard daylight time with scorn. Farmers, whose daily chores aren't too closely hitched to the clock, say it causes confusion.

The confusion, dairy farmers contend, is even passed on to their

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## Doukhobors Stage Fresh Fire Orgy

NELSON, B.C., April 21.—(AP)—Police guards patrolled the streets of isolated Krestova, 23 miles from here, today in the aftermath of a two-day outbreak in which rampaging nude Doukhobors fired the ramshackle homes of seven sect members.

Five women and three men were arrested yesterday as 200 nude, ymn-chanting adults were thwarted in efforts to burn down their village, headquarters of the Sons of Freedom sect.

Four mud-plastered huts were set in flames before police arrived. Three others were destroyed Wednesday.

Cause of this latest in a long series of outbreaks was not definite.

Police called it a protest for the arrest of 36 sect members last week for burning the stately mansion of the late Peter (the Lordy) Verigin, one-time Doukhobor leader.

The three dozen accused were committed for trial at Nelson yesterday on charges of arson.

But one of the demonstrators told newsmen: "We are protesting the hydrogen bomb. The Doukhobors are trying to tell the world that third world war is on the verge of starting."

## Two Boys Jailed In Murder-Robbery Case

PEORIA, Ill., April 21.—(AP)—Two young boys were held in jail, one on a charge of murder, in connection with the slaying of a 62-year-old coal miner during a robbery.

Kankakee state's attorney Robert Calkins said the boys had signed statements that they fatally shot Benjamin Pannier as he walked into his farm home Wednesday. The boys related in their statement, Calkins said, they took Pannier's wallet containing \$43 and dragged his body to his barn and covered it with hay. Pannier's body was found by police after they had found his car abandoned on a highway.

Calkins said a charge of murder was placed against Donald Simmons, 14, who he said admitted firing a single shot with a 22 caliber rifle into Pannier's chest. No charge was made against the second boy, Jimmy Chatman, 9, Donald's cousin.

## Closed Stream Angling Results In Fines To Two

Justice of the Peace A. J. Geddes reported Wednesday the sentencing of two men for what is believed to be the first fishing violation of the current season rule.

William Kenneth Cootware, 33, and Frank Lester McEwing, 22, both of Remote, were fined \$29.50 for fishing in a closed stream. The two men were arrested Wednesday by state police at Slater Creek.

## BUDGET LESS; TAX LEVY—?

### Funds In Excess Of 6 Pct. Limitation Needed To Pay City Administration Bills

On May 2 the voters of Roseburg will go to the polls to ballot on the 1950-51 city budget.

Because of a low tax base, which is \$55,017,83, the city each year has to have an amount outside the six percent limitation. The budget request last year was a little more than \$330,000. The tax rate for this budget, which provided for city improvements and operation, was 15.6 mills. This was considerably below the average tax rate for Oregon cities, points out City Manager M. W. Slankard.

The voters each year have approved budgets which provided many improvements desired by the citizens. The budget this year has been compiled with only slight allowances for improvements. The department budgets remain the same, except that the street, fire and police departments were

wanted additional personnel to cope with the growth of the city and the recently annexed areas.

The proposed budget for the coming fiscal year is \$301,635 or \$29,000 less than at for current fiscal year. The amount to be voted up outside the six percent limitation is \$71,907.17. It is not yet known what the tax rate will be for next year, but it can be assumed with the added areas annexed and increased assessments for new construction, that the tax rate will remain about the same, or may be slightly increased, according to Slankard.

The average tax rate in Douglas county for all cities is 21.4. The highest tax rate for any Douglas county city is 43 mills. City taxes are only a small part of the overall tax picture, Slankard pointed out. He has compiled the following schedule of past budgets and tax rates.

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## McCarty Urges Extended Probe Of Budenz' Story

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—Senator McCarthy (R-Wis) today challenged Senate investigators to dig beyond Louis Budenz's sworn testimony that Owen Lattimore was a member of a "Communist cell."

McCarthy noted that Budenz, a former Communist, testified that his information about Lattimore came from men he said were high in the party—Earl Browder, Frederick Vanderbilt Field and Jack Stachel.

"I think the investigating committee ought to subpoena those men and get their story," McCarthy told reporters. Attorneys for Lattimore already had asked that Field be subpoenaed so his testimony could be matched against Budenz'.

McCarthy has accused Lattimore, Far Eastern Affairs expert, of being Russia's top spy in this country.

Budenz said on the witness stand yesterday that McCarthy's accusation on that score was not technically accurate. But he did back up the senator's contention that the Communists exercised disciplinary power over Lattimore.

Brig. Gen. Elliott R. Thorpe told the committee yesterday that Lattimore is a loyal American "and is in no way an agent of the Communist party nor of the U.S.S.R."

Thorpe, now retired, was Gen. Douglas MacArthur's counter-intelligence chief during World War II. He said he had investigated Lattimore three times and found nothing to substantiate charges he was a Communist.

## Threatened Strike Stayed On Greyhound Bus Line

PORTLAND, April 21.—(AP)—AFL drivers and shopmen held off a threatened strike on the overland Greyhound lines from Portland and Spokane to Salt Lake City today.

They reached a tentative agreement with company officials last night, just hours ahead of a strike scheduled to begin at midnight.

A union spokesman said an attempt would be made today to work out details of the agreement, which then will be submitted to a vote of the 225 drivers and shopmen involved.

No details were disclosed, but both sides said earlier that a pension plan was the principal point of dispute.

## Slayers In \$18 Robbery Pay In Electric Chair

CHICAGO, April 21.—(AP)—Two men convicted of the holdup murder of a taxicab driver were executed in the Cook county jail electric chair early today, both men protested their innocence to the last. The double execution was completed in 19 minutes.

The two men were given the death penalty for the murder on April 12, 1948, of Alfred Brody, 39-year-old war veteran, whom they had robbed of \$18. They were Alfonso Najera, 37, married and the father of two small children, and Fred Varela, 26.

## Congressman Loses New Shirts Worth \$270

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—Rep. Miller (R-Neb) is out twelve new shirts, valued at \$22.50 each. The shirts were sent here from a New York haberdashery and through some mistake were left at the door of an office Miller hasn't occupied for four years.

Apparently someone saw them there last weekend and made off with them. Miller put the \$270 total value in a report to police yesterday.

## U. S. Orders Czechs To End Chicago Consulate

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—The United States today ordered Communist Czechoslovakia to shut down its consulate general in Chicago no later than May 1.

The action, announced in a note to the Czech government, was in direct retaliation of an order closing the libraries of the U. S. Information Service in Czechoslovakia and the American consulate general in the city of Bratislava.

## Baltic-Lost Plane Bomber, Reply Insists

Craft Ignored Order To Land, Fired Instead, Is Version From Moscow

LONDON, April 21.—(AP)—Russia rejected today a U. S. demand for compensation for the loss of an American plane fired at by Soviet fighter planes in the Baltic area April 8.

The U.S.S.R. also insisted the plane was a B-29 bomber, not an unarmed Navy Privateer, and that it fired at the fighters first.

In a note handed to U. S. Ambassador Alan G. Kirk at Moscow, Soviet Foreign Minister Vishinsky declared the plane was trying to "photograph Soviet defense installations."

The note said the Soviet government cannot accept for examination the U. S. demands for compensation and a guarantee against any recurrence of the incident.

It asserted these demands "are clearly absurd and without any foundation whatsoever."

In part, the Soviet note says: "As already reported in the note of the Soviet government of April 11, the American aircraft which violated south of Lepaya, Latvia, the Soviet frontier, according to verified data was a 'wild range' military aircraft B-29 Flying Fortress, which not only failed to obey the demand of the Soviet fighter planes to follow them and land at an aerodrome but opened fire on the Soviet planes."

"After the leading Soviet fighter aircraft had been compelled to fire in reply, the American aircraft turned in the direction of the sea and disappeared."

"These are the facts established by proper verification."

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—Senator Cain (R-Wash) wants the State department to answer some more questions about the lost navy plane that the United States accuses the Russians of shooting down.

The senator said in a letter to Secretary of State Acheson that the department left a "wide range of uncertainty" about the incident.

Cain said he wanted to know if the State department could "completely disprove the possibility that our aircraft might have blown up or disintegrated in flight."

"The American protest note left 'many a reasonable and legitimate question' unanswered."

Suggesting the missing plane's flight plan should be made available, Cain said that if the Russians actually destroyed the Privateer, Congress and the nation will support the demand for a reasonable and legitimate question unanswered.

All Democrats and interested persons from Douglas county are invited to attend the Jackson-Jefferson day dinner, sponsored by the Douglas County Democratic central committee, tonight. The dinner meeting will be held at 7 o'clock at the Evergreen Grange hall five miles south of Roseburg. The tickets are \$3 a plate, said Mrs. Christina Miceli, county chairman.

Austin Flegel, democratic candidate for governor, and David Shaw, candidate for congress from the Fourth Congressional district, will be the principal speakers. Flegel is a Portland attorney and Shaw an attorney at Gold Beach and Eugene. Shaw is scheduled to discuss the controversial CVA and the Roosevelt-Truman farm program.

Other Democratic candidates scheduled to speak include Howard Crockett, for county judge; V. T. Jackson, candidate for state representative; Sidney Leiken, also a state representative candidate; J. M. Morgan, candidate for county assessor, and R. D. Williams, candidate for county commissioner.

The local Democrats and candidates will go to Reedsport Saturday for a rally at the old high school building at 8 p.m. A seafood dinner will be held at 6 p.m. that day at the grade school cafeteria.

Benefit Boost Asked By Accident Victim

Jacob Stoltz filed suit in circuit court Thursday demanding judgment that the Oregon State Industrial Accident commission alter its settlement with Stoltz on an industrial accident disability claim.

Stoltz' complaint alleges he was injured in a mill accident on or about July 14, 1949, and received benefits to Dec. 29, 1949. On Feb. 2, 1950, Stoltz states the commission awarded him disability benefits equal to 55 percent loss of an arm.

Stoltz demands judgment equal to 100 percent loss of an arm disability claim.

## U. S. Health Insurance Plan Labeled Socialism

Federal compulsory health insurance was the subject of a talk given by Allen Clute of Roseburg at a meeting of the Fair Oaks Grange at Sutherlin Tuesday night.

Taking the opposing side of the issue, Clute pointed out the "socialistic" trend of such a proposal. He traced the history of socialized medicine in other countries and discussed the movement for compulsory health insurance in this country.

## Eugene Votes Big Sum For School Purposes

EUGENE, April 21.—(AP)—Voters of school district No. 4 Thursday approved the measure to exceed the six percent limitation for the 1950-51 budget by \$908,884.43 and authorized the furnishing of transportation to senior high school students living in outlying areas.

## 'MARRIAGES' DIVORCED

PORTLAND, April 21.—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Marriage, who had been married 21 years, went to court here yesterday and became the divorced Marriages.

## Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Governor Douglas McKay's pronouncement against cussing indicates that he never hooked a big chinook salmon, lost it just as he started hauling it into the boat.