

Russia Called On To Disband Its German 'Army'



QUADRUPLETS REACH TWENTY—The Morlock sisters, Michigan's only living quadruplets, pose for a picture as they prepare to celebrate their 20th birthday. The quads make a point of not dressing alike. Seated in center foreground is Sarah C. Others from left: Edna A., Wilma B., and Helen D. Their home is in Lansing, Mich. (AP Wirephoto)

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ALL in all, it was a good election. It seems to me that the people who went to the polls (the vote WASN'T heavy) kept the public's welfare uppermost in their minds and voted accordingly. That is a good sign.

SENATOR MORSE got what amounts to a jolt. He is renominated by approximately two-to-one, but the unexpectedly heavy vote that went to the unknown Hoover can't be laughed off. I think it must be said that the Hoover vote was AGAINST Morse rather than FOR Hoover.

As one who voted for him, feeling that of the lot he is clearly the best man for Oregon and for the nation, I think that what happened will do him good. The Washington reporters discovered early that if

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GE Facing Suit Over Light Bulbs

TRENTON, N. J., May 23—(AP)—The U.S. government is seeking a court order which would force the General Electric company to get rid of half its facilities for making electric light bulbs.

Judge Phillip Forman, who was asked yesterday to approve the decree, convicted GE and eight other lamp makers in January, 1949 of violating the Sherman antitrust act by combining to help GE maintain a monopoly.

The government seeks a 50 percent cut in production facilities for making large and miniature bulbs, including Christmas tree lamps, as well as the manufacture of glass and various parts that go into a bulb.

General Electric would have to "dedicate to the public any and all existing patents and end affiliations with any other bulb makers."

Forman said he would hear further argument June 12.

Whitney N. Seymour, chief counsel for General Electric, said it was an attempt to destroy GE's lamp business.

The order would not affect GE products other than lamps.

SLAYERS CONVICTED

SEATTLE, May 23—(AP)—Two Seattle men were found guilty by a jury of first degree murder last night for the Jan. 21 slaying of a tavern operator Fred T. Long.

The convicted pair are Roy Burnett and Louis Smotherman, alias Jack Britt. The state did not ask the death penalty.

Long was killed as he stood in the doorway of his tavern.

'EVEN STALIN KNOWS IT'

Third World War Means Suicide, General Pierce Says In Talk At Forum

A small crowd, assembled Monday at Hotel Umpqua for the final spring chamber of commerce noon forum luncheon, heard Brig. Gen. J. T. Pierce, U.S.A. (Ret.) declare that another world war would actually be suicide, a fact realized by this country and "even by Joe Stalin."

"The U. S. has learned we can't win anything by winning a war, but we can sure lose everything by losing," Gen. Pierce said. "I think even Joe Stalin is realizing this: it's our job to keep reminding him to keep any future aggressor in the right path."

Highlighting a program devoted to observance of Armed Forces day (May 20-24) the general declared it was the duty of Americans to maintain a military force at minimum strength sufficient to insure this country from aggression.

He said it was also the duty of U. S. civilians to make the decisions as to how large a peace time army should be, what type of equipment would be furnished the men in uniform and how much would be spent on national defense.

Low Voting Deplored

The retired general said, however, he was struck by the apathetic manner in which U. S. citizens regarded their right to vote.

"How can we maintain the moral strength of our people and raise the morale of our armed forces when we don't vote?" he demanded. "Our behaviour at the polls indicates we are really governed by a majority of the minority."

Gen. Pierce was introduced to the group by Lt. Col. Robert L. Irving, who, in turn, was introduced by Capt. Ray Puckett. Capt. Puckett presented several other special guests and some chamber of commerce members, all of whom were reserve officers.

Pres. Harold Schmeier announced at the opening of the meeting that the forum luncheons would be resumed until the second Monday in September.

The Weather

Fair and warmer today and Wednesday.

Sunset today 8:36 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 5:40 a.m.

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Reorganizing Plans Facing Final Votes

Last Three Of 21 Items In Truman's Proposals Have Deadline Tonight

WASHINGTON, May 23—(AP)—The Senate today upheld President Truman's plan for the reorganization of the commerce department.

A vote of 43 to 29 defeated a resolution by Senator Wiley (R-Wis.) to kill the plan.

Votes were slated later in the day on two other plans, both dealing with the general services administration.

WASHINGTON, May 23—(AP)—The fate of the last three controversial plans in President Truman's reorganization program hung in balance today before an unpredictable Senate.

The plan to reorganize the Commerce department will provide the first voting test. Two relatively minor plans, with debate limited to one hour on each, were slated for votes later in the day.

The Senate is up against a mid-night deadline for action on the 21 plans that President Truman sent to capitol hill last March 31.

Mr. Truman submitted the 21 plans in the aftermath of a long study by a bipartisan commission headed by former president Hoover. Opponents of some of the Truman plans said they went beyond the Hoover recommendations. A citizens committee backing the Hoover reorganization ideas endorsed 20 of the 21, taking no stand on one to reorganize the National Labor Relations board. This plan has been rejected.

One Decision Reversed

The first five plans to come before the Senate were killed off in the space of two weeks. Then, in an about face, senators last Friday endorsed the plan to abolish the independent Maritime commission.

They followed the new trend yesterday by endorsing, in effect, plans for the Federal Trade and Power commissions.

The House has rejected none of the 21 plans.

Regardless of the outcome of today's voting, 10 plans will automatically become effective tomorrow together with those for the maritime, trade and power commissions.

Reorganizing the justice, interior and labor departments; the civil aeronautics board; the securities and exchange commission; vest labor standards enforcement in the labor department; shift public works in Alaska to the interior department; transfer school aids to the federal security agency; shift the bureau of employment compensation to the labor department; and shift record-keeping to GSA.

The five plans killed by the Senate have abolished the office of general counsel for the national labor relations board and reorganized the treasury and agriculture departments and the interstate commerce and federal communications commissions.

D. P. Keohane Returns To Practice Of Law Here

Daniel P. Keohane is returning to Roseburg to practice law. He was in partnership with Guy Gordon, now U.S. senator, in Roseburg from 1937 to 1943, after which he moved to Los Angeles. He recently has been investigating the matter of returning to Roseburg, being dissatisfied with overcrowding in the Los Angeles community, and now reports he has determined to relocate here and has opened offices in the Pacific building.

With his wife and son, he is occupying a residence on the Umpqua river near Glide for the summer months, but plans to construct a home nearer the city.

A graduate of the University of North Dakota school of law, Keohane was admitted to the Oregon bar in 1938.

Golfer's Drive Deals Death To Young Boy

MANCHESTER, N. H., May 23—(AP)—Authorities sought today the identity of a golfer whose bullet line drive was responsible for the death of a 10-year-old boy.

William McGuire died yesterday of a brain laceration and skull fracture.

The boy was hit by a golf ball at the Derryfield country club Sunday.

He leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward McGuire, and five brothers and four sisters.

Albany Youth Drowns During Swim In Lake

ALBANY, Ore., May 23—(AP)—Othello Ray Burrier, 19, Albany, drowned last night in Waverly lake while swimming with two companions after work.

The body was recovered by firemen four hours after he had called for help and struggled with Earl Kessler. Kessler said he attempted to rescue Burrier but was pulled under by the drowning man.

Kenneth Brown was the other swimmer.

Sultry Parisian Gives Advice To U. S. Husbands

LOS ANGELES, May 23—(AP)—Brownbeaten American husbands, arise!

Mlle. Stella Danfray speaks: "Do not be slaves any longer. If it is necessary, do not be afraid to slap your wives when they need it. No woman minds one little slap, eh?"

Mlle. Danfray, 24, recently voted "the most sultry Parisian," delivered this homily yesterday as she arrived on a goodwill mission for French fashion and perfume industries. She softened it a bit with:

"Of course, the American men make very good husbands, that is true. But the French men make better lovers."

Which do French women prefer?

"Well, I think maybe the husband," she said, hesitating. "But it is much better if the husband is also a lover."

Red Composer Is Given Fresh Jolt

MOSCOW, May 23—(AP)—Dmitri Shostakovich was spanked in public again today.

Shostakovich, considered one of the greats of modern Russian composers, was criticized for not working hard enough to finish his new opera, "October" (which apparently deals with the Russian revolution).

The criticism was contained in a report of a meeting of the board of the Soviet Composers union, carried by Pravda, the Communist party newspaper. It was the second time around for Shostakovich. About two years ago he was criticized by the Congress of Soviet Composers for writing "decadent, bourgeois music," a fault he confessed publicly and promised to correct.

This time Shostakovich was one of a number of Soviet composers criticized for not giving enough attention to opera in their work. Pravda added a charge against the board meeting itself, complaining that it was marked by "complicity."

Gold Find Stirs Port Angeles Area

PORT ANGELES, May 23—(AP)—Tip-of-the-nation residents were bitten by the gold bug today. An assayer's report that rock found a few miles to the south assayed at more than \$120 a ton didn't help to cure their gold fever.

The rock was taken from a ledge on the farm of Mrs. Grace Melick, who lives at the foot of Mt. Angeles. Despite her efforts at secrecy—she had it assayed in the name of a neighbor—31 persons quickly applied to the state land commissioner's office at Olympia for rights to search state land in the area.

People here also fearfully expect more to follow.

Robert Lambert of the assay firm of Lambert and Dent, Seattle, said the tested sample measured out at \$124.32 worth of gold and silver to the ton of ore. "There was only about a dollar's worth of silver."

No one would say whether there might be more.

Car Owner Accused In Boy's Driving Tragedy

EUGENE, May 23—(AP)—The owner of a car that killed a young girl and injured her sister, was arrested yesterday on charges of contributing to the delinquency of the 15-year-old car driver.

State police accused Lewis Hempel, 24, Eugene, of giving the boy liquor prior to the accident.

Hempel's bail was set at \$2,800. The boy, Texlee Handricks, Springfield, is charged with negligent homicide. His bail is \$1,000.

A coroner's inquest is scheduled for tomorrow in the Saturday death of Barbara Joan Paul, 9. Her sister, Jeanette, 11, received leg and arm fractures. The car plunged off a street and across a lawn where the sisters lay sunning themselves.

Missing Skier Search Enters Third Day

LONGVIEW, May 23—(AP)—The hunt for Joe Carter, missing 32-year-old Seattle aircraft company employee, went into its third day this morning on the east slopes of Mt. St. Helens.

Carter disappeared Sunday afternoon. He is described as an experienced skier, being a member of the national ski patrol.

No word of any success in the search had been obtained last night from a three-man search group which was in the Ape canyon area, near where Carter disappeared. This group is equipped with walkie talkies.

CHARGED WITH DESERTION

Frederick Henry Haskin of Kent, Wash., who was traveling with the Douglas Greater Shows, was arrested Saturday night by city police and held for army authorities, Chief of Police Calvin Baird reported. Haskin was charged with being an army deserter, wanted by the FBI.

Extra Taxes To Meet Veto Threat Sought

Congressional Writers Of Proposed Measure Need \$760 Million More

WASHINGTON, May 23—(AP)—Congressional tax law writers looked wearily today at estimates that they must still assess \$760,000,000 extra on some taxpayers, or risk a presidential veto of their tax bill. As it stands, it would cut excise taxes by about \$1,080,000,000.

A speed-up in corporation tax payments, and possibly an increase in the corporate tax rate, appeared to be about the only big sources left in the hunt for bigger revenue collections.

The revenue hunters may take a look at co-op taxes, too.

The House ways and means committee, now writing the tax measure, got a jolt as the Treasury department estimated that the regions of the capital gains tax, as tentatively approved by the committee, would reduce revenues by about \$175,000,000 a year.

Sponsors of the lower capital gains taxes, reducing the rate from 25 percent to 16 percent, had contended this would stimulate investment transactions and actual production about \$100,000,000 a year extra revenue.

President Truman has promised to veto any tax bill that cuts excise levies—on such things as furs, jewelry, hand bags, movies and travel tickets—and fails to make up the lost revenue by higher collections elsewhere.

The Treasury informed the ways and means committee that on the basis of its actions thus far it is \$760,000,000 short of finding enough new revenue to cover the losses from excise and other tax cuts it has approved.

Truman Proposals Rejected

Mr. Truman suggested three sources for new revenue, to make up for excise cuts—higher levies on corporations, on inheritances and big gifts, and plugging of tax law loopholes.

The committee already has rejected his proposals for \$400,000,000 in new levies on estates and gifts, and likewise turned down his suggestion for \$200,000,000 additional taxes on oil, gas, sulphur and non-metallic minerals operations.

The committee is yet to act on Mr. Truman's proposal for \$650,000,000 additional taxes annually from corporations. He suggested that the corporate rate be raised from 38 percent to 42 percent.

Former GI Saved From Suicide By Drowning

CHICAGO, May 23—(AP)—Hundreds of homeless bound workers looked on yesterday as a 27-year-old man leaped from the Michigan avenue bridge into the Chicago river and was pulled out by policemen.

Two bridge tenders spotted Vito Strazdas, a former GI, floundering in the water below the bridge. They summoned two park policemen, who cast a life preserver to Strazdas six times before he finally grasped it and was hauled out.

Police Sgt. Joseph Summers said Strazdas' wife, Harriet, told him her husband had suffered fits of depression since he was discharged from the army. Strazdas was taken to the psychopathic hospital.

DRUNKEN DRIVER RAPPED

Jack Joseph Spencer, 37, Portland, was sentenced by Justice of the Peace A. J. Geddes to serve 30 days in the county jail and fined \$250 on a drunken driving charge.

CAMPAIGNS COME FIRST

WASHINGTON, May 23—(AP)—Administration leaders today put off until next week a decision on when to seek an adjournment of Congress.

Senate majority leader Lucas told reporters after a White House conference that President Truman will discuss administration legislative goals with his congressional leaders next week.

The question of how soon Congress might quit to give its members an early start on re-election campaigns had been slated for discussion today when Lucas, Vice President Barkley and House majority leader McCormack called at the White House.

They had planned to talk over with Mr. Truman how much of his "deal" program he is willing to delay until the 82nd Congress.

"We didn't get to talk much about adjournment," Lucas said. Strong pressure was building up among senators and representatives who have re-election campaigns to cut short the working schedule and get Congress out of town by August 1.

Senator Lucas, of Illinois, has a hot campaign on his hands. He plans to take five days off beginning Thursday for a series of speeches in Illinois, where he is opposed by former Rep. Everett Dirksen, Republican.

Senator Taft of Ohio, chairman of the GOP policy committee, said he doesn't see any reason why Congress couldn't shoot for a July 15 adjournment. Taft also has a tough campaign ahead.

Senator Wherry of Nebraska, the GOP floor leader, said that Congress ought to pass finally on social security expansion, tax reduction, the one-package appropriation bill and possibly the foreign arms program—and then fold up.

Wherry said he doesn't think there is any need for action on an extension of rent controls, a subject on which Mr. Truman has been pressing for a vote.

Union-Management Parley Starts In Federal Effort To Avert Strike Of Switchmen

WASHINGTON, May 23—(AP)—The government began union-management conference today seeking to avert a strike due June 1 on 10 western railroads.

The switchmen's Union of North America has threatened a walkout of 6,000 members in vital yard service on the lines, operating west of Chicago.

Tracts Acted On By City Planners

Consideration of tracts took up most of the planning commission's time last night.

The commission gave tentative approval to Boggs Orchards tract, owned by Marion E. Fortune, subject to a change that would provide an access road to the highway and subject to certain road width changes. The tract is just off Highway 99 in the Green vicinity.

Tentative approval was given River Overlook Homestead tract, owned by George C. and Donna B. Black. The tract is located on Fisher road.

Tentative approval was also given the proposed subdivision of a part of lot 7, Wiles Fruit tract, subject to securing sufficient width along the north from adjoining property to provide for an extension of Broccoli lane 60 feet in width. J. B. Henslee is the owner.

The commission discussed the possibility of providing multiple units in a class 1 residential district, but referred the matter back to the committee for further study.

The commission recommended to the city council that the city manager check new industries to provide that they have proper sewage stacks, and also to check littered paper from stores and uncovered garbage trucks.

Grand Jury Files Five Indictments

The Douglas county grand jury completed hearings for the May term Monday by filing five indictments and recommending further investigation of apparent violations of law in obtaining benefits from the state industrial accident commission and the unemployment compensation commission.

The grand jury reported that it had found several cases of apparent violation of law in obtaining benefits from the state. District Attorney Robert G. Davis was instructed by the jury in its recommendation to prosecute the persons drawing benefits illegally.

Five indictments filed by the grand jury were: James O'Donnell and Roy D. Van Dusen, both charged with burglary in a dwelling at night; William Dobbs, alleged to have obtained money under false pretenses; Ray Bagby, charged with burglary on a dwelling; and Paul Colopy charged with non-support of his wife.

The grand jury returned three not true bills for Charles E. Porter, George Altman and William H. Berry.

Enlistment Slump May Start Draft Inductions

INDIANAPOLIS, May 23—(AP)—Draft inductions may be necessary soon, says the nation's selective service director, because military enlistments have been slumping.

Major Lewis B. Hershey said here yesterday that manpower experts in Washington are worrying about the recruiting slump.

However, Gen. Hershey said no inductions will be ordered until after Congress has taken action on extending the peacetime draft law beyond June 24.

U. of O. Students Put On Probation In 'Frat' Ban

EUGENE, May 23—(AP)—Twenty-five University of Oregon students are on probation for their membership in a banned secret fraternity.

Donald M. Dushane, director of student affairs, reported last night that the students had signed affidavits of membership in Theta Nu Epsilon, a fraternity long banned on most campuses for its political and other activities.

The probation period continues through the campus careers of all 25 men. Dushane said expulsion might have been ordered, but the students had cooperated in disbanding the organization.

Charges that TNE was responsible for a campus political rally turning into a riot were aired here last week. The disturbance was quelled when firemen turned water hoses on the students.

Bad Check Passing In Eleven States Ended

SEATTLE, May 23—(AP)—A man carrying 80 checkbooks on banks in 11 states was arrested at the YMCA here yesterday by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

J. B. Wilcox, special agent in charge of the FBI here, said Merle Francis Smith, 31, confessed to passing bad checks in the 11 states and was being held on a charge filed in Louisville, Ky.

The arrest followed his identification by a former employee of a Colorado hotel where a bad check had been passed, Wilcox said.

'Police Force' Label Scored By Big Three

Peace Protestations Of Soviet Contradicted, U.S., Britain, France State

WASHINGTON, May 23—(AP)—The United States, Britain and France accused Russia today of creating a 50,000-man German military force and called on the Soviets to disband it.

The three western powers sent separate protests to Moscow saying Russia had broken its postwar pledges by establishing a police force in eastern Germany with—as the American note phrased it—"the character of an army."

The United States note called on Russia to prove its "pacific intentions" by dissolving the "militarized units" immediately.

Expressing "grave concern" at Russia's action, the American note said the Soviets have "destroyed world confidence in the sincerity" of their repeated protestations of peaceful intentions.

The three-power decision to send protests to Moscow was reached at the London conference of the Big Three foreign ministers—Secretary of State Acheson, British Foreign Minister Bevin and French Foreign Minister Schuman.

Phony As Police Force

The United States note said of the German force:

"It is not an ordinary police force, and it does not have ordinary police duties."

"It receives basic infantry, artillery, and armored training, and is equipped with military weapons including machine guns, howitzers, anti-aircraft cannon, mortars and tanks."

"It must be regarded, therefore, as a military force."

The American note also said that by creating the force Russia has "destroyed world confidence in the sincerity of its promises" and aroused world-wide doubt as to its "pacific intentions."

The note went on to say that if Russia wants to restore some measure of confidence in its assertions of peaceful intentions, "it cannot fail to dissolve immediately the militarized units which it has set up in eastern Germany."

In releasing the note, the state department made available additional data on the east German police units.

It said this "military force" was made up of 39 bereitschaften (alert units) to train enlisted personnel and at least 11 officer training schools.

"The force is armed with standard German infantry weapons, but its military capabilities are at present negligible," the memorandum said.

"However, in the future it could form the nucleus of a new German army or an internal security force to maintain Communist control."

These statements also were made:

There is "a generally low state of morale" in the Russian-backed force because of poor housing and training facilities, severe restrictions on personal freedom and lack of enthusiasm on the part of enlisted personnel, "many of whom were coerced into enlisting."

The morale of the German officers appears to be as low; "undoubtedly a high degree of 'untrustworthiness' is expected."

All-Negro Court Starts Operation In Florida

MIAMI, Fla., May 23—(AP)—Florida's first all-Negro court since reconstruction days has opened for business with the swearing in of Judge Lawson E. Thomas.

Thomas, 52-year-old Negro attorney who has been practicing in Miami since 1935, was administered the oath of office yesterday.

He worked his way through Florida A. & M. college at Tallahassee and then went through the University of Michigan law school. He was a member of the floor in a Detroit hotel when word came he had passed the Michigan bar examination.

In his first case as a magistrate, Judge Thomas fined John Rivers a Negro, for disturbing the peace.

Only cases involving Negroes will be tried in the court.

KILLED BY PLANE BLOW

STRAKLOTUS, Wash., May 23—(AP)—Struck on the head by the wheel of a low flying crop dusting plane, Glen Peot, 36, prominent southwest Washington wheat rancher, died yesterday in a Pasco hospital without regaining consciousness.

Police said Peot was in the field guiding three planes from a Yakima crop dusting flight service by hand signals. His attention was apparently diverted and he was hit before being aware of his danger.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Nationalist China's ambassador Koo says \$10 million monthly military and economic aid from the United States would save Formosa from the Communists. That sounds cue-Koo. As in the past, the military equipment would soon fall into the hands of the Communists and very little of the economic aid would go to those most in need of it.