

President Asks Special Law To Permit Gen. Marshall To Become Defense Chief

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Replacement Of Johnson Brings Need

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman formally asked Congress today to pass a law to let Gen. George C. Marshall become an exception in placing a military man at the head of the defense establishment.

The senate armed services committee immediately went into a closed session to consider the request.

Chairman Tydings (D-Md) told reporters that what Mr. Truman clearly wants is that the exception be made to apply to no other person than Marshall, no other circumstance and at no other time.

An amendment to the present law is necessary if Marshall is to succeed the resigned Louis Johnson as secretary of defense.

Mr. Truman wrote Tydings and Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) of the corresponding house committee, asking for the necessary legislation and enclosing a draft.

"I am a firm believer," the chief executive said, "in the general principle that our defense establishment should be headed by a civilian. However, in view of

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman asked Congress today to make an exception and let Gen. George C. Marshall serve as secretary of defense even though he is a military man. The senate armed services committee immediately approved the necessary legislation.

The vote was 10 to 2.

The senate group acted even before a bill was introduced formally. The house armed services committee postponed action until Friday.

the present critical circumstances and Gen. Marshall's unusual qualifications, I believe that the national interest will be served best by making an exception in this case."

There was some Republican opposition, however, to an interruption in traditional civilian control over the military. A few Republicans said, too, that the wrong cabinet officer had been dropped—that it should have been Secretary of State Acheson.

Johnson, a target of mounting criticism since the outbreak of the Korean war, told President Truman in a resignation letter yesterday it was inevitable that in the "conscientious performance" of his job "I would make more enemies than friends."

Mr. Truman replied with a salute to Johnson's motives of "highest patriotism." But he accepted the resignation and then called his old friend, General Marshall, to take over Johnson's job. Mr. Truman once before had put Marshall in his cabinet as secretary of state.

Marshall, a good soldier, told the President he would take the job but reminded Mr. Truman that it would take a special act of Congress to let him become secretary of defense.

Statutes Have Limits

The statutes now provide that no person who has served actively as a commissioned officer in the armed forces in the previous 10 years can be named secretary of defense. If the law is changed, as seems probable, the Senate could be expected to follow that action by speedy confirmation of the appointment.

There remained little doubt that President Truman had made a political ten-strike by his move to recall to the cabinet the man who was chief of staff in World War II. Johnson has been under heavy attack by many Republicans and a few Democrats, along with Secretary Acheson.

Stephen Early Also Resigns

WASHINGTON — (AP) — George Catlett Marshall, soldier by profession and diplomat by experience, is headed back to the Pentagon to become secretary of defense.

President Truman turned to the 69-year-old, five-star general and former secretary of state to replace Louis Johnson.

Johnson, bowing to presidential will and the "enemies I have acquired during the eighteen months I have served as a member of your cabinet," submitted his resignation yesterday. Mr. Truman accepted it with official regret—but with alacrity.

Suddenly, in a single day, there were vacancies pending in the two top civilian posts of the huge and complex national military establishment.

For what appeared to be entirely personal reasons, Stephen Early resigned as deputy secretary. He had remained well past the year's leave granted him by the Pullman Standard Car Manufacturing Co., so that he could return to government work. None of the criticism that had welled up around Johnson had touched Early.

The Weather

Partly cloudy today and Thursday. Slightly cooler with occasional rain.

Highest temp. for any Sept. — 104
Lowest temp. for any Sept. — 29
Highest temp. yesterday — 84
Lowest temp. yesterday — 52
Precipitation last 24 hours. — .06
Precipitation from Sept. 1 — .46
Deficiency from Sept. 1 — .46
Sunset today, 7:27 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 6:51 a.m.

Fall Opening Scheduled Thursday At 7:30 P.M.

TOO TOUGH Young Killer Gives Self Up After Escape

SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — A young killer who reached manhood in San Quentin prison escaped to see if he was capable of taking care of himself in society.

Only nine hours and 15 miles later, Guenter Brandt, 26, walked into a San Francisco police station and surrendered. He said the answer for him is "No!"

Brandt had served seven years of a life sentence for killing a 32-year-old Los Angeles woman in a burglary. He has been studying Philosophy and German in a University of California extension course.

The slender, 5 feet-four inch prisoner told police:

"Suppose you had been for seven years in an institution which was the only place where you reached maturity. Suppose during that time you every need, every desire was given to you and your entire life was regimented day after day. You would get to a point where you had serious doubts about whether or not you were capable of existing in society under your own power."

Brandt just walked away from his tractor at San Quentin yesterday afternoon and hiked into nearby San Rafael. He came here by bus, bought a jacket and walked around until he got cold. Then he surrendered.

"I thought of knocking somebody over the head," Brandt told police, "but now I have principles. I couldn't do a thing like that any more."

DISPLAYS READY FOR FETE

By WARREN A. MACK
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A variety of special events, sights and scenes an especially-decorated windows and displays are being ready today for Roseburg's annual Fall Opening Thursday.

Beginning officially at 7:30 p.m. with unveiling of store windows, the festival will feature such attractions as the popular treasure hunt, a "grab bag sale" added to this year's affair, three style shows, displays and demonstrations of farm implements, heavy equipment and new cars and competition between participating merchants for "best dressed" store window honors.

"Biggest and Best"

Members of the Roseburg Retail Trades association, with the cooperation of other groups, have planned what they claim to be this city's "biggest and best" in Fall Openings. Cash and merchandise prizes will be awarded visitors of Roseburg's business section. The Roseburg high school band will help usher in the fall season by performing on city streets.

Merchants were casting apprehensive glances at the cloudy skies today, but RTA committee chairman Bill Gray said the events would be held "rain or shine," although fall clothing styles may give way to raincoats.

Bleachers To Be Provided

Bleachers will be provided for spectators gathered for the Mabel Lewis style review, with the first of several showings to begin at 2:30 p.m. Joe Richards' models will fashion the latest in men's fall clothing at 8 p.m. A cooperative effort on the part of Ashcraft Jewelers, the Fashion Center and Ott-Ricketts Music store will unveil fall styles in women's apparel and jewelry, with a two piano-organ trio finishing incidental music.

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Big Picnic Set Sunday, Sept. 17, At Umpqua Park

The entire community and neighboring areas are cooperating in what is scheduled as one of the biggest picnics ever held in this area.

The Douglas Community hospital picnic will be held Sunday, Sept. 17, starting at 2 p.m. at Umpqua park. The general Committee, headed by Arlo Jacklin, met last night to complete plans.

A large crowd is anticipated and a bounteous dinner is planned. Arrangements have been made to have 35 to 40 turkeys, 40 watermelons, 1,000 bottles of pop and all the coffee and ice cream those attending could ask for.

All this food, together with bakery goods, are being donated by local merchants and concerns. Turkey growers are donating the turkeys.

The picnic will be held rain or shine, said Jacklin. In case of rain the affair will be held in the fairgrounds exhibit building, which will accommodate 1,500 persons.

C. A. Ricketts is arranging a special program, which is announced as follows: Bob McCall will be master of ceremonies; Mrs. Jack Smith's accordion band will play; Mrs. Lynn Beckley will play the Hammond electric organ. R. Cloy Riffe will lead a community singing; the Northwest Christian trio, which has been singing nightly at the Christian church for special services, will sing; the barbershop quartet, consisting of Ernie Lentz, Lawrence Rand, Jack Gorthy and Jim Wolford, will entertain; and at least one and possibly two barbershop groups from Eugene will be here.

Families should bring a covered dish and table ware. All other food will be free.



HOSPITAL WORKERS—Mrs. Paul Barcus and Mrs. V. V. Harpham, who have both given over 600 hours of service to the patients at the Veterans hospital, are shown ready to start on a tour of the hospital wards. Mrs. Barcus, equipped with clipboard and stationery, will write letters for veterans unable to communicate with their families themselves. Mrs. Harpham is shown with the Red Cross "basket" which, filled with cigarettes, candy and chewing gum, accompanies the Gray Ladies on their ward visits. The Red Cross is holding a recruiting program to interest more Douglas county residents to volunteer their services at the hospital.

ELECTION ROUNDUP Tobey Wins Close Test In New Hampshire Vote

By The Associated Press

Senator Charles W. Tobey, self-styled liberal, fighting one of the toughest battles of his political career, won nomination to a third term in New Hampshire's rough and tumble Republican primary Tuesday.

The 70-year-old lawmaker squeezed by with a 1,127 vote margin over 34-year-old Wesley Powell, World War II veteran and former secretary to Senator Styles Bridges (R-NH).

Powell campaigned on the theme that Tobey was a "Truman Republican" and "too liberal." He said he would ask for a recount. The unofficial tally was: Tobey 39,063; Powell 37,876.

States voting, besides New Hampshire, were Arizona, Colorado, Michigan, Minnesota, Vermont and Washington. Involved were four other senate seats, 41 house memberships and six governorships.

Here's a summary of top races in those states:

ARIZONA — Senator Carl Hayden and other members of the Democratic congressional delegation were renominated. Their Republican foes in the general election had no primary opposition. A woman, former state auditor, Ana Frohmlinger, appeared to have won the Democratic nomination for Governor. The Republican candidate was unopposed.

MINNESOTA — Senator Eugene D. Millikin was renominated by Republicans without a contest. The Democratic nominee is Rep. John A. Carroll, also chosen without opposition. Former Gov. Ralph L. Carr was picked by Republicans as their gubernatorial candidate to oppose Gov. Walter W. Johnson, Democrat, in November.

VERMONT — Winston L. Prouty, 44-year-old lumber dealer making his first bid for a statewide office, won the Republican nomination to the state's only seat in the U. S. House of Representatives. In traditionally Republican Vermont, he is virtually assured of taking the place of Rep. Charles A. Plumley, Republican, who is retiring. Senator George D. Aiken, Republican, was unopposed for renomination.

Former Governor Picked

MICHIGAN — Republicans picked former Gov. Harry F. Kelley as their candidate to oppose Democratic Gov. G. Mennen Williams in the November election. Kelley led his closest opponent in the five-way GOP primary by almost 50,000 votes in incomplete returns.

WASHINGTON — W. Walter Williams, 49-year-old Seattle businessman, led two other candidates for the Republican nomination to the Senate. Democratic Senator Warren G. Magnuson was unopposed.



NEW BISHOP—The Most Rev. Francis P. Leipzig, bishop of Baker City, was consecrated in services at St. Mary's cathedral, Portland, on Tuesday. This portrait study, by Les T. Ordman, Oregon Journal photographer, is the first taken of the new bishop in vestments of a bishop. Shown are the episcopal ring and pectoral (bishop's) cross, insignia of his office. (AP Photo.)

U.N. Troops Told Allied Offensive Will Start Soon

By LEIF ERICKSON

TOKYO, (AP) — Allied troops got word today that they will kick off on the offensive soon against the big Red Korean war machine they have battled to a standstill for a month.

Lt. Gen. Walton H. Walker, allied ground commander in Korea, said in a fighting talk to his frontline troops:

"Soon we are going to give up the attitude of defense... as soon as we start forward and break the crust in front of us, the enemy will fold."

"We can feel a weakening of the enemy now... in some positions they actually are pulling out."

The U. S. eighth army commander described the long weeks of delaying action as necessary "agony and suffering."

Only through such an ordeal, he said, could the allies build up power for an offensive.

Walker's fighting talk came as allied troops flattened the Red Korean bulge on the northeast front in a triple-threat power drive.

The United Nations gains in a three-day offensive were the greatest in nearly a month. They sealed much of the gap torn last week by Communists in their

massive breakthrough south from Kigye near the east coast.

Resurgent South Korean troops, driving east from Yongchon and northwest from Kyongju, rolled back the Communists.

To the east, a mixed force of South Korean and American troops rammed shut the southern gate of a mountain corridor, trapping 3,000 Red Koreans.

This task force was led by 47-year-old Brig. Gen. Gar Davidson, former West Point football coach and right end. It was a brilliant end sweep west from the Pohang area by "Task Force Davidson" that trapped the Reds.

Davidson's speedy end run across what he called "Billygoat terrain" or worse — sealed the southern gate of a mountain corridor northwest of Kyongju. It lifted a major Communist threat to important Pohang airfield on the Korean east coast.

It was the highlight of the day's action on the whole 125-mile war-front, which was whipped by the fringes of a typhoon.

Rangelands, Pastures Of State Need Rain

PORTLAND — (AP) — Oregon pastures and rangelands need rain — and so do fall sown crops.

The federal crop reporting service's weekly bulletin said continued warm dry weather was speeding the maturity of late crops. Snap beans are about all harvested. Sweet corn, dill, mint, pear and hop harvests are progressing rapidly.

New Earthquake Hits Asia Area

BOMBAY, India — (AP) — A new earthquake was reported today in northern Assam possibly more violent than the one which took a toll of 5,000 lives in the same area a month ago. No details were available.

The shock hit at 4:45 p. m. (2:15 a. m. PST), reports received here said.

(There have been no reports thus far from seismographs elsewhere. When the Aug. 15 quake struck, seismologists around the world reported it so sharp that it made some of their seismographs react crazily.)

Officials fears were expressed here that loss of life and property from the new tremors, which lasted 90 minutes, would be much more extensive than that caused by the severe quake of Aug. 15.

Dibrugarh, a town of 80,000, apparently was near the center of the new shock. This town has suffered severe damage in the last earthquake.

Violent floods had been reported in the wake of the Aug. 15 quake which the government radio said had left nearly 5,000,000 homeless. Seismologists said last month's earthquake was the world's fifth most severe shock.

Brockway Army Sergeant Wounded In Korea Action

Word has been received by Mrs. Flora Bunnell of Brockway that her son, M Sgt. Albert F. Roberts, was wounded in action in Korea, Aug. 17. He is a member of the Indianhead Second division that landed in Korea, July 31, from Fort Lewis, Wash.

Sgt. Roberts enlisted in the army at Los Angeles, November, 1942. He served in active combat in Germany during the European campaign, returning to the states in June 1945. He re-enlisted and returned to Germany in March 1946 and served three years in the Constabulary forces in occupied Germany, returning to the United States in 1949.

It received an overwhelming 70 to 7 vote of approval in the Senate late yesterday after a hectic and often confused maneuvering that eventually welded two opposing measures into one.

Briefly the bill provides for:

1. The internment of dangerous Reds in time of war, invasion or insurrection.
2. Registration of Communist and Communist front organizations.
3. Barring Reds from government jobs and obtaining passports.
4. New legal curbs on sabotage and espionage.
5. New weapons to be used to exclude and export aliens considered to be subversive.
6. Outlawing conspiracies to set up a "totalitarian dictatorship" in the United States.

Substitute Defeated

Senator Kilgore (D-WVa) had introduced the internment plan as a substitute for the sweep-up catch-all bill sponsored by Chairman McCarran (D-Nev) of the senate judiciary committee. As a substitute it was defeated 50 to 23.

Meanwhile Senate Democratic

Central Agency For Foreign Aid Studied By Group

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A plan to channel all foreign aid through a military and economic — through a single government agency reportedly is being drawn up by President Truman's consideration.

Informed officials said today the plan is part of a report now being prepared by Gordon Gray, former army secretary and new president of the University of North Carolina.

Gray and a staff of government and private financial experts have been studying world economic conditions for the past six months at the request of President Truman.

Tentative conclusions being put into final form, officials said, call for unified administration of all foreign aid programs which involve grants by the American government. These grants total billions of dollars annually.

First step in the unification proposal, it is reported, would be the merger of the Economic Cooperation (ECA), which is directing economic aid to 16 western European countries plus Korea and China, with the military assistance program now funneling American billions to nearly a score of nations.

Part of the reasoning behind Gray's current thinking, officials say, is that a tighter check is needed on the money the United States is now distributing to overseas allies.

Other powers suggested for the proposed new agency, it was learned, is that it have a major voice in determining the policies of the export-import bank, and direct the activities of the American representative of the multi-billion dollar world bank. The export-import bank is this government's principal agency for making foreign loans.

Leader Lucas of Illinois grabbed the bill. When the voting was finally over, he had succeeded in nailing a somewhat modified version of the Kilgore plan onto the McCarran bill.

It was done by voice vote after the Senate had (A) batted down 45 to 29, Lucas' move to substitute the plan for the Communist registration section, and (B) rejected, 37 to 35, his first attempt to write the plan into the bill. This vote was later reconsidered and acceptance followed.

Two Other Changes Noted

There were only two other major changes in the McCarran bill. One stripped from it a provision

to set up a semi-independent office of passports and visas. This amendment, by Senator Connally (D-Tex), was adopted 39 to 33.

The other, an amendment by Senator Ellender (D-La.), added a provision making it illegal to picket federal courts. It was adopted on a voice vote.

A top administration lieutenant, who asked that he not be identified by name, told reporters the White House already has the measure under study, but he did not know when a decision would be made.

He said, however, that the President would make a forthright stand one way or another.