

**Truman Handicapped By Dual Personality Life**

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A group of White House callers quoted President Truman as saying he is under the handicap "of living the lives of two men — that of President and of a human being."

Justin Miller said Mr. Truman made this observation on the broadcast advisory council of the National Association of Broadcasters. Miller is president of the association and chairman of the council.

One of Miller's associates remarked that Mr. Truman added that sometimes he had to "work awfully hard on the human being."

A reporter asked if Miller thought this had any reference to the President's letter writing.

Miller didn't attempt to say but said "a sort of smile went around the group" in Mr. Truman's office.

The 19-member advisory group, made up of radio and television executives, was formed at the request of John R. Steelman, assistant to the President.

**No Plan For Evacuation, Army Says In Germany**

FRANKFURT, Germany — (AP) — The U. S. army has issued a statement denying a news agency report that plans are being made for evacuation of American women and children from Germany.

Army headquarters in Heidelberg said there has been no "change in the current policy as regards dependents."

It is generally known that military plans to provide for evacuation of American families in the event of war's outbreak have been in existence for several years.

Army officials call this "routine planning."



**AMONG GIANTS** — Gene Brown has four six-foot, six-inch freshmen escorts on Stanford's campus, Palo Alto, Cal., where forty percent of freshmen males are over six feet tall. Boys are Dave Epperson, Jack Champion, Bill Allen and Leland Kruegel.

**Safety Bond Offered By Union In Ship Dispute**

COOS BAY — (AP) — Longshoremen have offered to post a bond guaranteeing safe conduct to sailors on legitimate duty in Coos Bay.

That was their answer to the "freeze" of southern Oregon ports by the AFL Sailors Union of the Pacific. The SUP had said that pickets of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union made the ports unsafe. They said that as a result no ships would be brought in or out of the ports.

The bond offer was made when acting local President Harold Lahrty of the ILWU and other union members met with Frank Shaw, head of the Independent Stevedoring company.

The ILWU pickets have been placed on the lumber schooner C-Trader, manned by SUP members. The dispute, the ILWU says, is with the vessel's owner, not with the SUP, over loading of the ship which now is at Reedsport.

Wednesday the freighter Eileen sailed from here suddenly without completing loading. The reason was not clear at that time. Then, Shaw said, it was because John Mitrou of New York, representing the Eileen's owners, had been told by Ray Oates, Seattle, representing the AFL Seafarers International union, that the port freeze would tie up the ship.

The Eileen's crew was due to be paid off at 5 p. m., and recognition of the SUP's port freeze would have meant that a new crew would not have signed on. So, Shaw said, the Eileen left with its crew before the pay-off deadline.

**Explosion In Canadian Atom Project Reported**

CHALK RIVER, Ont. — (AP) — The first explosion in the Canadian government's six-year-old atomic energy project here killed one man Wednesday, Dr. D. A. Keys, director of the establishment, said sabotage definitely was not involved in the blast.

The explosion occurred in a small pilot plant in the chemical storage section at the banks of the Ottawa river, while a liquid was being evaporated.

An official statement said the atomic pile, some distance away, was not damaged.

Stephen Whelan, 24, of Pembroke, Ont., was fatally injured. The Chalk River plant is about 120 miles northwest of Ottawa and employs 1,200 persons.

**TRIAL SEPARATION**  
NEW YORK — (AP) — Tenor Jan Kiepura has confirmed reports that he and his singer wife, the former Martha Eggerth, had separated, but he said he still hoped for a reconciliation.

Kiepura, arrived aboard a liner after spending two years in France.

Kiepura said that he and his wife had decided on a trial separation period. They have been married 13 years and have two sons, Jan, 6 and Victor, 19 days old.

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**School Children Enjoy Show Of Elks' Minstrels**

By **CHUCK McDONALD**  
News-Review Staff Writer

Everything from the old fashioned melodrama to colorful song and dance numbers is included in the 1950 edition of the Elks' Minstrel show.

The 150 thespians of the minstrel show open the annual extravaganza with a special performance for school children at the junior high school auditorium Wednesday night. The first regular performance was staged Thursday night before a near capacity house. The minstrel shows, starting at 8 p.m., will continue Friday and Saturday evenings at the junior high.

The show consists of a four-act melodrama with the song and dance acts performed between each of the acts of the drama. Naturally, justice wins over evil in the play. The hero wins the hand of the lovely heroine and everybody lives happily ever after.

The French Maidens chorus number was excellently performed by seven lovely lassies, Shirley Erickson, Valerie Sparks, Peggy Knight, Joyce Johnson, Celeste Sory, Joanne Gross and Willa Wilshire. A special surprise feature in which the audience participates tops off the French theme song-and-dance act.

During the melodrama, master of ceremonies Bob McCarl encourages the audience to boo and cheer at appropriate moments. Especially loud were the boos and catcalls which greeted the villains.

The staging of the minstrel numbers was exceptionally good. The scenery and costumes added a professional touch to the show.

The minstrel is well worth the price of admission and the proceeds from the show will go to a worthwhile cause — Elks' charity work.

**Wage Adjustment Dispute Idles 200 Lumber Workers**

EUGENE — (AP) — Approximately 200 mill and woods crew union workers are idle at the Fall Creek Lumber Co., 12 miles southeast of Eugene, in a dispute over wage adjustments.

The workers, members of the International Woodworkers of America (CIO) with headquarters in Springfield, refused to report for work Wednesday morning.

Stan Anderson, manager of the mill, reported that day-long sessions between union officials and management Wednesday brought no conclusion to the dispute. He said the talks over wage adjustments have been going on for several weeks.

Max Gardner, business agent for the local union, indicated that pickets may be placed at the plant. He said wage adjustments for workers in about 75 classifications are under dispute.

**Town Escapes Damage In Blast Of Gasoline**

MANSFIELD, Wash. — (AP) — A powder blast ripped off the first layer of rock over two pools of gasoline under the main street here yesterday.

"Nothing happened," reported city officials, relaxing.

The potentially dangerous accumulation had been flooded with water prior to the blast to alleviate the danger of fire.

Flood operations on a second pool, five feet below the first were continuing pending further blasts.

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VIENNA — (AP) — Know why the U. S. elections were so close a few weeks ago? Wall Street wanted the two major parties to have almost equal forces so they could be easily handled. That's the story told behind the Iron Curtain.

Communist newspapers in Hungary and Romania are explaining to their readers that the election results don't really matter anyway, since "it is well known that there are no essential differences between the two parties, both being at the service of Wall Street's war interest."

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