

# BOTH SIDES REJECT BUFFER ZONE PROPOSALS

### WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



**GORDON STANLEY** is head of the men's wear department at J.C. Penney company, having just replaced Wilbur Osterloh, who was recently transferred. Mr. Stanley comes to Roseburg from the Toledo, Oregon, Penney store. He is married and has two children—George 3, and John, who soon will be one year old. He and his wife are looking hopefully for a place to make their home here.

## Heart Attack Faker Makes Suckers Of Many Hospitals

RENO, Nev. — (AP) — A weatherbeaten and bearded old man with a genius for faking heart attacks has made a sucker of hospitals across the breadth of the nation, the Veterans administration here reported.

## Argentina Faces Damaging Strike On Its Railways

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — (AP) — The government called in emergency crews today to run Argentina's strikebound railways, crippled earlier by a series of blasts which President Juan D. Peron's regime blamed on "alien" forces.

The anti-Peron Brotherhood of Engineers and Firemen refused for the second day to report for work. Although section gangs, heavily guarded by police, repaired Wednesday's bomb damage to four main lines, only two of them are operating. The others — main lines to the south and west — were closed tight by the refusal of engineers and firemen to work.

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## Pressure Started To Liberate Oatis From Czech Prison

### Congress Joins New Efforts Of State Dept.

#### Breaking Of Diplomatic Relations, If Necessary, Urged By Republicans

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Congress and the State department are making new efforts to obtain the release of AP correspondent William Oatis from a Czech prison.

The house foreign affairs committee Wednesday adopted a resolution vigorously condemning Czechoslovakia's action and urging the U. S. government to "take all possible action" to bring about Oatis' release.

The resolution is due for house action next week after which it will go to the Senate. If adopted by both houses, the resolution will be sent to the Czech government and to the United Nations.

Secretary of State Acheson told a news conference that the U. S. government is taking definite steps to obtain Oatis' freedom. He declined to reveal what is being done because he said a premature revelation might not be in Oatis' best interests.

Acheson said the Oatis case is one of great importance to the government and people of the United States. Czechoslovakia turned down an earlier State department protest and appeal for Oatis' release.

The 37-year-old Oatis, a native of Marion, Ind., was convicted by a Prague court last month on charges of espionage and sentenced to ten years imprisonment. The arrest and conviction has been widely denounced as a sham and a violation of basic human rights.

Relations Break Urged

There were these other developments Wednesday. The National Press club board of governors adopted a resolution calling for Oatis' immediate release and charging that the Czech regime had distorted all honest reporting "through perverted processes of justice."

The Ohio Republican house delegation urged the government to break off immediately all commercial relations with Czechoslovakia and restore those relations only if and when Oatis is freed.

President Truman Wednesday ordered the suspension of tariff concessions to Russia and her satellites, including Czechoslovakia. It was a second major blow at Czechoslovakia since Oatis' imprisonment. Earlier, the government banned the travel of U. S. citizens to Czechoslovakia.

The Ohio Republicans also demanded that the state department take steps to evacuate all U. S. nationals from Czechoslovakia if Oatis is not freed "within a reasonable time." The move would be preliminary to "severing diplomatic relations with that government."

The house foreign affairs committee resolution said that the American people condemn and deplore "the persecution by the government."

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## All Douglas Forest Fires Under Control

All Douglas forest fires are under control with mop-up operations being carried on in three areas.

Fire-fighters are falling snags around the fire line of the burn area 10 miles east of Yoncalla, where about 600 acres has been blackened by a blaze which started early in the week and flared up Tuesday, according to the Douglas Forest Protective association.

A crew of about 70 men held the blaze Wednesday and established confining fire lines.

The fire near Myrtle Creek on Letitia creek is also under control with a crew patrolling the area. The U. S. forest service reports that the Dumont creek burn area about 50 miles southeast of Roseburg in the Umpqua national forest is in "good shape." Most of the crew on the fire line will be removed this evening with the exception of a patrol, said the spokesman.

About 90 men were fighting the blaze which burned an area of approximately 150 acres.

KLAMATH FALLS — (AP) — A two-section fire on the Modoc national forest near Hackamore, Calif., 60 miles south of here, has blazed uncontrolled through some 4,000 acres of mature pine since it started yesterday afternoon.

The forest service station in Alturas, Calif., said early this morning, forest service men from as far away as Los Angeles were being flown in by chartered planes.

Two fires, about a mile apart, started near the Southern Pacific railway tracks. The fires slowly merged during the night, leaving a gap of only a few hundred yards.

During the night, 150 men with 10 bulldozers tried unsuccessfully to trail the fire area.



**NEW 4-H AGENT**—Miss Loma L. Owens arrived in Roseburg Wednesday to handle the home economics detail of the 4-H club work. A June graduate of Oregon State college, she has been studying 4-H extension service work in various counties throughout the state the last month. (Dan Mindolovich photo)

## Report Denounces Federal Property 'Lease' Swindler

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A senate subcommittee today denounced pudgy Sam Mason as "a complete fraud" who worked a confidence racket "to swindle approximately a quarter million dollars from his victims," on promises to obtain cheap leases of government property.

Chairman Hoy of the senate's subcommittee on investigations announced a federal grand jury is starting an inquiry into Mason's activities. Witnesses told the subcommittee Mason said the government, in fear of atomic attack, was planning a vast underground construction program and many buildings would become "surplus."

Hoy said he was filing a formal report covering the "fantastic machinations" of Mason, a New Yorker who has said his real name is Samuel D. Mussman. He lost a leg in World War I and draws \$188 monthly in government compensation.

Testifying before the Hoy group, Mason said he has paid no income tax since 1929. He said he had a scheme to bribe public officials, and asked the senators: "What's wrong with that?" Mason acknowledged collecting around \$100,000 from five witnesses against him, but said he turned it all over to a mysterious Vince Eunkart, in Washington. He said Eunkart was to use the money to obtain leases, but has gone to Australia.

## Cordon's Funds Swap Plan For Roads Rejected

EUGENE — (AP) — Oregon's 18 O.C. timber counties would receive a 25 percent boost in forest sales shares plus \$700,000 for access roads under provisions of a U. S. Interior department appropriations bill amended Tuesday by house-senate conferees.

The bill still has to win house and senate approval. Under O.C. terms, the counties were to start receiving 75 percent of timber sales this year instead of 50 percent. Sen. Guy Cordon (R-Ore.) had proposed swapping the additional 25 percent of the funds forever in return for a one-year access roads appropriation of \$995,000.

Lane County Judge Day T. Bayly protested the Cordon proposal, which was submitted as an amendment to the appropriations bill.

Conference members Tuesday rejected the amendment but at the same time agreed to allow funds for the forest access roads, the Eugene Register-Guard learned.

## Fire Fighter Injured When Struck By Rock

A member of the Dumont creek fire suppression crew suffered an injured back Tuesday when a rock tumbled down a hill and struck him.

The forest service said the man, Robert Cole, Glide, was taken to Mercy hospital where his injuries are reported not critical.

The rock, about 12 by 8 inches, rolled down a steep hill and hit Cole in the small of the back.

## Adm. W. Fechteler Succeeds Sherman As Chief Of Navy

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Adm. William Fechteler, who steered clear of the "admirals' revolt" against administration policy, is President Truman's choice for the top navy command.

The President sent to the senate Wednesday the nomination of Fechteler, now commander of the Atlantic fleet, to be chief of naval operations, succeeding the late Adm. Forrest P. Sherman.

Fechteler, 55 years old and with 35 years of navy service, has had wide experience in virtually every type of warship—except submarines and aircraft carriers.

That appeared to be one of the reasons why Mr. Truman chose him because he was not an airman and thus not touched by the zeal with which navy airmen plunged into the controversy with the Defense department and the air force three years ago. There have been strong indications in recent weeks that the feud between the air force and navy—long-range land-based bombers vs. carrier-borne air power—might boil to the surface again.

To fill the vacancies which will be created by the expected senate confirmation of Fechteler's nomination, Mr. Truman nominated Adm. Lynde D. McCormick, now the acting chief of naval operations, to be commander of the Atlantic fleet. McCormick was a submariner before he became vice chief of naval operations. Vice Adm. Donald P. Duncan, deputy chief of operations, was proposed by the President for promotion to vice chief.

British Peace Remains

If the nominations settled the navy question at home, it left unsettled an international naval perplexity.

Fechteler had been picked as the American admiral who would be named supreme commander of Allied forces in the North Atlantic ocean region under the NATO setup. That choice reportedly was made early last winter when it

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## Senator Denies Alleged 'Welsh' On \$5500 Wager

COLUMBUS, O. — (AP) — Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wis.) has denied testimony at a bankruptcy hearing here that he dropped \$5500 to a Columbus man in a crap game two years ago, and failed to pay up.

"I don't recall when I have ever played crap, and I wouldn't have had that much money anyway," McCarthy said, when reached by telephone at his Washington residence.

Bob Byers Sr., an Ohio real estate operator and builder, testified at his \$500,000 bankruptcy hearing that the Wisconsin senator lost \$5,500 to his son, Bob Byers Jr., at a game during a party in a Columbus hotel (Seneca).

"He (McCarthy) never paid it," the elder Byers testified. "I think my son is still waiting for his money."

Bob Byers Jr. was not available for comment. McCarthy was engaged as a speaker for a party staged for business representatives at the Byers Real Estate and Building Enterprises, the elder Byers testified.

McCarthy said he paid the senator a "standard fee" of \$500 on two occasions. Then Byers Sr. added: "But my son took \$5500 away from him in a crap game, and that put it ahead."

McCarthy said there was "absolutely nothing at all" to Byers' testimony.

"Bob, Jr. and I have never played crap," McCarthy declared. The nature of the service McCarthy performed to earn him two \$500 fees was not made clear at the hearing.

## Roseburg Firemen Take Part In Defense Test

PORTLAND — (AP) — The heart of Portland went up in theoretical flames last night from a mock A-bomb attack. Firemen from seven nearby counties came to the rescue.

It was a test of the state's fire defenses. Emergency calls went to 61 fire departments. Theoretically they rushed here in fire trucks. Actually, a representative from each came here in passenger cars. Once here, they attended a critique.

Firemen as far away as Stayton, 69 miles, and Clatskanie, 65 miles, participated. As these fire companies came in, others moved up to take their place. For example, Roseburg firemen theoretically moved in to protect Salem. That also brought the Roseburg firemen closer to Portland in case they were needed there.



**ADM. WM. FECHTELER**  
Non-wrangler Promoted



**ADM. L. MCCORMICK**  
Fleet's New Commander

## County Planning Park At Winston

Members of the county parks board are scheduled to meet with the Winston community club tonight to make arrangements for the purchase of a 5 1/2-acre tract about three miles east of Winston.

The community club has offered the plot for sale for \$3,000 according to Charles Collins, parks supervisor. Contractual arrangements whereby the club will maintain and supervise the park will also be discussed, Collins said.

Improvements are being made on Zolowski beach park near Winchester Bay. About 600 yards of dirt has been hauled in to make a larger parking area. Latrines will be constructed there within the next two weeks.

Work is under way on the prospective Baker park on the North Umpqua about three miles above Rock creek. The new park, of about 10 acres, will be named the Baker park, in memory of the late County Commissioner R. G. Baker. A memorial monument will be constructed at the park through funds donated by Douglas county employes. Nature of the monument has not been decided yet, Collins said.

## N. Umpqua Views Shown In Exhibit Of Paintings

Continuing on display this afternoon and evening in the Methodist church are the water color paintings of Col. William A. Roberg of Laredo, Tex., who, with his wife, is vacationing on the North Umpqua.

Included in the display are five paintings which the colonel has completed of the North Umpqua region. One is of the Douglas County Lumber company sawmill up Rock creek. Two others are paintings of Rock creek scenes, one of the North Umpqua river and another of a general woods scene and cabin.

Col. Roberg is also exhibiting pictures he has painted of the southwest, including old Mexico. He has about 90 water colors in all.

The exhibit attracted a considerable number of townspeople Wednesday. The display will continue until 9 o'clock tonight.

## Neither Hints At Probable Compromise

### Red Group Evidences Stalling Until Kremlin Can Send Instructions

U. N. ADVANCE HEADQUARTERS, Korea. — (AP) — United Nations and Communist spokesmen reported that opposing cease-fire teams at Kaesong today rejected the armistice buffer zones proposed by each other.

Vic Adm. C. Turner Joy, chief U. N. delegate, told the Reds the Allies must hold a defensible line across Korea, such as the Allies propose, during a truce because of the possibility "of an armistice violation by the other side."

The Red Peiping radio reported the chief Communist delegate, Lt. Gen. Nam Il, "repudiated the buffer zone" proposed by Joy "deep across the 38th parallel."

There was no indication of what the next move would be in the face of apparent flat rejections by both sides. Neither has hinted at compromise.

It was the seventh successive session in which negotiators remained deadlocked on where to draw the armistice line.

They will try again tomorrow despite unswerving positions expressed in Washington and Pyongyang, the North Korean capital.

Brig. Gen. William P. Nichols, U. N. spokesman, quoted Admiral Joy as telling Red negotiators at Kaesong:

"The United Nations command has no intention of violating the military armistice agreed upon but neither will the U. N. command place itself in an indefensible position in the event of an armistice violation by the other side."

Nichols said Joy read this prepared statement in response to "a final question" by North Korean Lt. Gen. Nam Il, head of the Red delegation.

Reds Evade Direct Reply

Nichols did not disclose the nature of this final question. But it was presumed here that the North Korean had asked something like the following question:

"If you sincerely desire peace, and intend to observe the armistice, why are you talking about defensible positions?"

Nichols said the question had been anticipated, and the answer prepared in advance.

After making his statement Joy asked: "Do you or do you not agree that the security of his forces is a responsibility of each commander during a military armistice?"

Nam Il evaded a direct answer. Joy repeated his question a second and then a third time. Each time General Nam avoided a direct answer.

When Joy put the question for the third time, Nichols said, it caused a flurry on the Communist side. The two Chinese in the five-

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## 'Passion' Slayer Convicted By Jury

NEW YORK — (AP) — Rolando Scioli, 43-year-old opera fan convicted of first-degree manslaughter for the knife slaying of a girl friend told the jury which had convicted him of the crime.

"Mine was a crime of love and passion," the all-male jury deliberated three hours before reaching its verdict in the slaying last January of 24-year-old Virginia Wilson, an airlines employee. She formerly lived in Rumson, N. J.

The jury had been empowered to return a death penalty conviction. Its lesser verdict can bring a 10 to 20 year prison term.

Both lovers of music, Scioli and Miss Wilson became acquainted while waiting in line to buy tickets to the Metropolitan opera. Scioli said he fell in love with the young woman, that she was friendly but repeatedly refused to marry him.

A quarrel in a Brooklyn factory, where Scioli was employed as a radio mechanic, led to the kitchen-knife slaying.

## Liquor Charge Jails Two Roseburg Youths

Two Roseburg youths, arrested by city police Tuesday, were each sentenced to 30 days in the county jail and fined \$50 Wednesday on an illegal possession of liquor charge.

District Judge A. J. Geddes identified them as Leslie Leverne Meskell, 18, of 1077 S. Mill street, and Lyle Vernon Davis, 20, of route 4.

## JUDGMENT AWARDED

A circuit court judgment by default Wednesday awarded A. L. McAdams repossession of a house trailer and \$150 attorney's fees in an action brought against Frank W. Jordan.

Frank W. and Agnes J. Johnson filed action Wednesday against Wylie D. and Edyth P. Roberts to recover \$3,250 and interest allegedly owed the plaintiffs on the sale of real property.

## Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Having sent President Truman an elephant, the King of Cambodia should balance the incongruity by sending the GOP national chairman a mule.

## The Weather

Clear and warm today and Friday.

Highest temp. for any Aug.	106
Lowest temp. for any Aug.	39
Highest temp. yesterday	86
Lowest temp. last 24 hours	55
Precip. last 24 hours	0
Precip. from Aug. 1	0
Precip. from Sept. 1	40.68
Excess from Sept. 1	8.11

Sunrise tomorrow, 6:04 a.m.  
Sunset tomorrow, 8:34 p.m.



**JAIL TERMS FOR COMMUNIST**—Courts and probing questions piled additional trouble on this quartet, seen leaving New York City's federal court. Left to right are: W. Alpheus Hutton, Dashiell Hammett, Frederick Vanderbilt Field and Abner Green—all trustees of the Civil Rights congress bail fund, a source courts have rejected as bail for accused Communists. Field and Green were sentenced to six months each for contempt of a U.S. grand jury. Both now are serving contempt terms. Hutton and Hammett were questioned by the state banking department to determine if the bail fund violated banking laws. They also are serving jail terms. (AP Wirephoto)