

Zapotocky Elected President of Czechoslovakia

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Morse Accuses Ike Of Using 'Lie Technique'

Accusation Refers To Campaign

Party Bolter Also Criticizes Proposed Power Projects' Sale

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Wayne Morse of Oregon Friday accused President Eisenhower of using "the big lie technique" and also criticized what he said was a proposal calling for the government to sell its federal power projects.

The "big lie" accusation was made in reference to a 1952 campaign speech in which Eisenhower, then a candidate for President, criticized the withdrawal in 1949 of the U. S. troops which were sent to Korea immediately after the surrender of Japan.

Morse said that Eisenhower, as chief of staff, had in fact joined in the recommendation for the troops' withdrawal.

This charge was first aired during the campaign by Morse who booted the Republican party to support the Democratic nominee, Adlai Stevenson.

Sen. Capohart (R-Ind) told the Senate that he didn't know what was meant by the big lie, "but if it means what I think, the senator from Oregon should apologize to the President of the United States."

Morse replied: "I recognize the big lie technique when I see it and I recognized it throughout the campaign."

He did not apologize. Later he criticized a plan proposed some time ago by Charles E. Wilson—former president of General Electric—which Morse said called for sale of federal power projects to private utilities.

Morse told the Senate Friday backers of such a plan had induced Wilson — the one-time defense secretary — to support the plan.

Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis) said — and a Maritime Administration spokesman confirmed — that they have been inspected and are being kept in good condition.

They are vessels sold, under mortgages, by the government. The terms of the mortgages place no restrictions on trading by the ships, the spokesman said, but they do require that certificates be filed annually to show the ships have been inspected and are being kept in good condition.

Sheriff Baird Welcomes Probe By Grand Jury

Sheriff Calvin Baird, controversial center of a Feb. 1 gun battle in which Claire D. Burgoyne was killed, added his hopes to an early session for an investigation by the Douglas County grand jury.

In his strongest statement to the News-Review yet, Baird said: "It is my hope that the Burgoyne matter will be submitted to the grand jury at the earliest possible time. During the Attorney General's investigation this office made available to him all the information and evidence in our possession, and when the grand jury needs, my deputies and I will be able to furnish all the facts so they can assist them in every way in their investigation. My only regret is that the law does not permit the grand jury's proceedings to be open to the public."

"We desire to have the facts of this case brought to the public's attention without delay. There has been much irresponsible talk going on based on hearsay, gossip, speculation and the intentional spread of misinformation. This can only be stopped when the people know the truth."

Anti-Communists Chiefs Meet To Discuss Problem

CUCUTA, Colombia (AP) — The anti-Communist government chiefs of Venezuela and Colombia gathered with their advisers today at an international bridge between their countries to discuss political solidarity and talk about increasing trade and combating smuggling.

Festivities which began yesterday on each side of the Andes border heralded a cordial get-together for the two leaders — acting Colombia President Dr. Robert Urdaneta Arboleda, 64 and Venezuela President Col. Marcos Perez Jimenez, 59.

There has been no official disclosure of what will be discussed, but observers expected some consideration would be given to the forging of an anti-Red front across the top of South America.

Authoritative sources said one major point would be how to deal with large-scale smuggling along the rugged frontier. Arms and food for guerrillas fighting Urdaneta's conservative government in Colombia reportedly has been flowing across the border in exchange for coffee.

Another meeting for board members of the Umpqua Basin United Fund, set for March 24 at 8 p.m. in the council chambers of the City Hall, has been announced by temporary chairman Harry Brubaker.

Letters have been sent to all board members reminding them of the meeting being held because of lack of attendance at the last meeting by directors outside of Roseburg. The forming of committees, office staff and compiling of records depends upon the election of officers, and resolutions pertaining to legal functions must be set in order, Brubaker says.

He urges that all board members attend this meeting.

May 4 Date For Liquor By The Drink

Warehouse Would Be Located At Roseburg For Distribution Work

PORTLAND (AP) — Liquor by the drink will be available in Oregon by May 4 if Gov. Paul Patterson signs the bill which has been approved by the Legislature. He has said he will sign.

That was the report Friday of the State Liquor Commission which met here to discuss enforcement and administration policies.

Establishment of three additional liquor commission warehouses — at Roseburg, Grants Pass and Medford.

Licensing as many as possible of the state's planned 800 liquor-by-the-drink outlets to open for business at the same time.

Establishing the policy that density of licensed premises — which cannot exceed one per 2,000 population — will be determined on a state-wide basis. Some areas will have more outlets than their population would allow and others fewer.

Decided that use of liquor bought outside the state or use of illegally distilled liquor will be punished by confiscation of equipment and revocation of licenses.

Announced that applications for licenses may be obtained Monday from the commission or from its inspectors.

Scheduled further meetings for April 9-10 and April 23-24 for further discussion of liquor regulations.

President Tito Leaves For Home

LONDON (AP) — President Tito of Yugoslavia wound up a historic visit to Britain Saturday with the declaration: "All that we have hoped for has been attained. We have reached full agreement."

35 Air Force Personnel Die In Crash

Tragedy Occurs Near Oakland For Far-East Bound Air Transport

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — An investigation was launched today into the flaming crash last night of a four-engine plane which carried 35 passengers and crewmen to their deaths. The 30 passengers were Air Force personnel from a Roswell, N. M., base bound for the Far East.

The crew included the company's chief pilot, Harvey Rodgers, 41, of Lafayette, Calif. He is survived by his wife and three children.

The plane, a Transocean Air Lines DC4, struck a hill near Decoto just a few minutes after it cleared for a landing with the Oakland Airport. Decoto is the area of California's worst air disaster — 50 killed in the crash of a United Air Lines plane under similar circumstances Aug. 24, 1951.

That plane, too, was about to land.

Alameda County Sheriff's Capt. Richard E. Condon at the scene of the Transocean crash said there were no survivors.

Eyewitnesses said the aircraft, (Continued on Page Two)

Water Is Topic Of Forum Meet

"Water, Douglas County's Most Valuable Resource" will be the topic of a Chamber of Commerce forum luncheon speech Monday noon by a Portland engineer.

The speaker is Kenneth N. Phillips, district engineer, surface water branch, geological survey, U.S. Department of the Interior. The luncheon will be held in the Umpqua Hotel.

In his discussion, Phillips will reveal what his office has done to help solve the problem of water conservation and flood control in this area and what it can do in the future, according to Gordon Stewart, chairman of the forum committee.

Malenkov Gives Secretariat To Khrushchev

MOSCOW (AP) — Prime Minister Georgi M. Malenkov, now chief of the Soviet government, has resigned his post as secretary of the Russian Communist party's powerful Central Committee.

A five-man Secretariat, headed by former Ukrainian party boss Nikita S. Khrushchev, takes over.

The change was announced today by Pravda, the party's newspaper. It said a plenary session of the Central Committee accepted Malenkov's resignation March 14.

The announcement made it clear that the 58-year-old Khrushchev, who gained a reputation for firm policies in the Ukraine, will devote his full time to the task of administering the party. He will operate under the leadership of the committee's 10-member Presidium, which is still headed by Malenkov.

The new set-up will allow Malenkov to concentrate full attention on his post as prime minister.

Mother Is Held For Murder Of Two Children

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — A mother who said she drowned two of her children to save them from privation was arraigned on a first-degree murder charge here Friday.

Police Chief Bernie Halk said the woman, Mrs. Betty Ritter, 31, signed a confession she wheeled the children to the waterfront in a baby carriage and tossed them off a dock.

The victims were Beverly Ann, 18 months, and Earl, one month old. Two older children were not harmed.

Hulk said Mrs. Ritter told him "all right, it's done; now you can kill me," when she was arrested.

The police chief said she told of planning to kill the children because "there never was enough money, never enough food," and added: "I've known for some time I would do something like this, but didn't make up my mind until this morning."

High Position Given Nazi Camp Trusty

Rubber Stamp Voting Gives OK To Choice To Succeed Gottwald



ANTONIN ZAPOTOCKY

By RICHARD O'REGAN
VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Antonin Zapotocky, 68-year-old former Nazi concentration camp trusty wanted by the Dutch on war crimes charges, was elected Communist President of Czechoslovakia Saturday.

Prague radio announced the rubber-stamp Czech Parliament voted unanimously, 571 to 0, to put the one-time trade union leader in the seat vacated just a week ago by the death of President Klement Gottwald.

Gottwald, 56, caught a fatal cold at the funeral of Joseph Stalin in Moscow, according to Communist announcements.

The deputies, summoned Friday to a session to elect a President, learned only after they got into the hall who was to be the nominee.

Then it was announced the Central Committee of the Communist Party and the Communist-dominated national front proposed Zapotocky, a life-long revolutionary and union boss who got only an elementary education in his youth.

Prime Minister Vilem Strosky was greeted by loud cheers, and Zapotocky was sworn in within 15 minutes.

The Czech Central Committee also proposed to the new parliament that Zapotocky be named Antonin Novotny to head the party secretariat, another job formerly held by Gottwald. Novotny was made a member of the eight-man (Continued on Page Two)

Allied Sabre Jets Down Five MIGs, Damage 7 More

SEOUL (AP) — Allied Sabre jets today shot down five Communist MIGs and damaged seven others in the skies over North Korea.

Two American pilots downed their 16th MIGs and became double aces during the furious air battles.

Capt. Manuel Fernandez Jr. of Miami, Fla., and Capt. Harold E. Fischer Jr. of Suez City, Iowa, each raised his MIG destruction score to 10, the Fifth Air Force said.

Fernandez shot down two MIGs this afternoon while Fischer shot down one.

On the ground, there were only sporadic clashes between muddied soldiers as steady rain soaked the 155-mile battlefield until near dawn.

Allied fighter bombers sliced through clearing skies to strafe and bomb the Communist front and just behind the Red lines.

Twenty American Superforts blasted Red troops and supply centers in North Korea during darkness.

Vehicle Leaves Road; Driver Hospitalized

Errol Allen Bryan, McMinnville, was admitted to Douglas Community Hospital at midnight Friday for treatment of shock and bruises after his car left the highway about 14 miles south of Roseburg.

Bryan told state police that headlights of an oncoming truck blinded him.

POWER OUTAGE REPORTED

Douglas Electric Cooperative workmen were plagued with only one small outage in lines as a result of Thursday night's bad weather, according to Manager Harold Backen Jr. The outage occurred east of Sutherlin.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reisenstein

Extension of federal price support for the dairy industry spells contented dairymen as well as cows.



CANDY "SMOKES" OUTLAWED — Micheal Miller, 5, of Fargo, N. D., "puffs" on one of his last candy cigarettes. The North Dakota governor signed a bill passed by the recent legislature forbidding sale or possession of candy packaged to resemble cigarettes. The law goes into effect July 1. Violation is punishable by a fine up to \$1,000 and jail sentence up to 90 days. Bill sponsors contended the candy fags inspired use of tobacco by youngsters. (AP Wirephoto)

U.S. Seeks Ships Trading With Communist Countries

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U. S. government has gone after 15 ships it says were trading with Communist countries and has announced it is pointing its legal weapons at many more.

Two separate actions were taken yesterday:

Hospital Open House Tuesday

Roseburg Community Hospital will hold open house for its new addition Tuesday afternoon and evening, Manager J. W. McAlvin announced today.

Open house in the wing will be from 2 to 4 p.m. and from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

The 23-bed addition brings the hospital's capacity to 67 beds, a real boon to facilities and to the community, McAlvin said.

Total cost of the project and equipment was a little more than \$103,000. Construction began last October. Roald, Schmeier and Harrington of Portland was the architectural firm and the Wiley Company of Ashland the general contractor.

Tuesday The News-Review will print a special salute to the hospital and its progress.

Walter Allen Elected Head Of Elks Lodge

Walter Allen was elected exalted ruler of the Roseburg Elks Lodge at the regular meeting Thursday night, succeeding Dr. Alton Dalros, who has served during the past year.

Other officers named at Thursday's election are Arlo Jacklin, esteemed leading knight; Gordon Carlson, esteemed loyal knight; John Trozelle, esteemed lecturing knight; O. E. Fosback, secretary; Ivan Pickens, treasurer; Arne Coppel, clerk; Franklyn Vot, trustee; Adrian Fisher, alternate representative.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

This is the BIG question that troubles all of us: Is shooting war NEARER because of Stalin's death, or is it farther off?

Because West Germany is looking practically into the muzzles of Russian guns, let's see what the Germans think about it. Chancellor Adenauer, addressing the lower house of the West German parliament, says West Germany must HURRY-AND REARM because the death of Joseph Stalin has increased the danger of war.

He adds: "We Germans and the rest of the world are in great danger. And (Continued on page Four)

The Weather

Partly cloudy with scattered showers tonight. Sunday, cloudy with rain late in the day.

Highest temp. last 24 hours — 45

Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 29

Highest temp. for any March 85

Lowest temp. for any March 18

Precip. last 24 hours — 30

Precip. from March 1 — 2.46

Precip. from Sept. 1 — 29.30

Excess from Sept. 1 — 5.37

Sunset today, 6:26 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6:13 a.m.

Soviet's Conciliatory Moves Sifted By West Observers

LONDON (AP) — Western observers sifting recent Soviet moves today reported encouraging signs of a conciliatory Russian attitude toward the West. The feeling was heightened by a Kremlin promise of immediate action toward freeing British civilian prisoners in North Korea.

The promise was made by Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov and announced last night by the British Foreign Office. Although the Foreign Office warned against premature optimism, the Soviet move followed two other developments that foreign diplomats in Moscow said could have a profound impact on world peace.

These were:

1. The proposal by Gen. Vassily Choukov, Soviet commander in Germany, for British-Russian talks to avoid future East-West air incidents. The Russian general surprised the West by expressing regret over the death of seven British airmen in a Lincoln bomber shot down by Soviet MIGs over the Iron Curtain.

2. President Eisenhower's statement last Thursday that the U. S. always would go half way toward any Soviet attempt to settle world issues.

Allied quarters in Red-encircled West Berlin also wondered if Soviet Prime Minister Georgi Malenkov has sent orders to the Soviet satellite states, including East Germany, that all air of crisis should be forgotten for the present.

Despite Eastern zone threats of dire consequences for Berlin of the West German Parliament ratified the Allied-Bonn Peace contract and European Army Treaty, there was little strong Communist reaction to Thursday's lower house vote of approval.

The Soviet promise of action in the case of nine British civilians and one Irish missionary held in North Korea seemed of special significance. Previous British appeals on behalf of the group were ignored by the late Prime Minister Stalin's Kremlin regime.

RC Chairmen Named

Mrs. Lorraine Cattancher has been appointed Red Cross committee chairman at Glendale for the current fund drive, and Mrs. Mary Allen has been named at Astoria, according to Kenneth Barneburg, county chairman for the outlying districts.

Hubcaps Stolen

Don Abbott, Box 225, Roseburg Saturday reported theft of hubcaps from his automobile sometime Friday night.

Loses Finger

Jack B. Stroop of 1450 Walnut St. was taken to Community Hospital early today after an accident at the Roseburg Lumber Co. Dillard mill.

Stroop caught his left ring finger in an edger saw and it was partially amputated. The finger had to be removed at the hospital.

Administration Turns Down Military Spending Increase

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Eisenhower administration apparently has turned thumbs down on proposals for a sizeable increase in former President Truman's \$46,286,000,000 military spending program.

Informed members of Congress interpreted Secretary of Defense Wilson's statement yesterday that there will be no boost in the Truman defense budget — as ruling out recommendations left on President Eisenhower's desk when Truman quit the White House.

As described by the legislators, these recommendations involved a several billion dollar boost in defense spending in the two years beginning July 1. Their disclosure recently to a group of congressmen at White House visitors caused some leaders to comment publicly at the time that the military picture was "grim."

The National Security Council is reported to have approved the proposed additions, but Truman was said to have taken no action on them in his final days in office, leaving the decision to Eisenhower.

Lawmakers said it was their understanding the added money would be used to rescind stretch-out orders in particularly critical items, such as the new B52 jet bombers.

Wilson did not discuss these recommendations at his news conference yesterday nor did he view the military picture as particularly grim.

He said he wishes the country were better prepared than it is, but he commented: "I don't think any of us should lay awake nights for fear we are going to be blasted into eternity tomorrow morning."



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