

## Today's World

### Dixie Senators Hope To Save Filibuster

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (AP)—Southern legislators opened a filibuster to save the historic right of filibuster in the senate today after President Truman himself signalled a showdown to curb such talkathons.

All senate legislative machinery came to an immediate standstill. It may remain blocked for weeks, so long as Dixie orators hold the floor.

Mr. Truman told senate democratic leaders to meet the issue "Head-on" and Southern democrats quickly accept the challenge. Their first-day drive was short lived, however, as the senate adjourned at 5:14 p. m. until tomorrow. Then it will start again.

### Clay Seeks to Retire; Berlin Shake-up Due

BERLIN, Feb. 28 (AP)—Gen. Lucius D. Clay said tonight he has asked informally to be retired from his duties as United States military governor of Germany.

It appears likely there may be a complete change in American administration here by early summer. Clay's retirement would certainly be followed by wholesale resignations among the top advisors in the military government.

Three generals have been mentioned as possible successors. They are: Gen. Mark Clark, former military governor of Austria; Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, who has asked to be relieved of his post as ambassador to Moscow, and Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer.

### Bulgarian Churchman Admit Guilt in Pleas

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Feb. 28 (AP)—Proceedings speeded up in Bulgaria's spy trial today as five more protestant churchmen pleaded guilty and asked for a chance to work for the Communist-controlled government.

Their confessions were entered at the rate of one every 45 minutes.

Eight defendants in all have entered pleas of guilty of charges of spying for the United States and Britain, treason and black market money dealings since the trial began Friday. Seven others still must plead.

### French Army Men Arrested as Spies

PARIS, Feb. 28 (AP)—Two French army officers have been arrested as communist spies and one of them has confessed, the interior ministry said today.

Maj. Louis-Georges Teulrey, 37, has admitted he delivered military secrets to a foreign power, police said. The foreign government was not named, but the semi-official French news agency said it was "one of the popular democracies." Those are the words with which communists describe countries they control.

### Labor Bill Amendment Under Thomas Fire

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (AP)—The question of whether the Truman labor bill ought to be amended "strategically" to win votes in congress was discussed today by secretary of labor Tobin and senator Elbert Thomas (D-Utah).

Thomas, chairman of the senate labor committee, arranged the conference with Tobin after the committee democrats talked over what to do about amendments.

After the session with Tobin, Thomas told a reporter he still is against offering any amendments to the bill. Thomas declined to discuss the reaction of the senate.

## War Trials Linguist Visits at Kline Home

By Bob Funk

Currently visiting in Eugene is George Koontz, linguist, who viewed the prosecution of Tojo and other major Japanese war criminals from a ringside seat.

Now staying at the home of Assistant Registrar J. D. Kline, Koontz served during the months of the war trials as an administrative officer in languages division, chief of translators, and chief of the document division.

In June, 1948, after service as chief of translators, Koontz became chief of the documents division.

Koontz points out that the chief obstacles in the prosecution of the criminals were the almost insurmountable barrier of languages and the difficulties in assembling sufficient evidence against the accused. Many of the witnesses who appeared during the trials spoke neither English nor Japanese.

General attitude of the Japanese people, Koontz noted, was "that they had been misled by the militarists."

"The Japanese showed a great deal of interest in the trial. They seemed surprised when it was revealed to what extent atrocities had been committed," Koontz said.

Commenting on the behavior of the criminals during the trials, Koontz said that in court, some of the defendants showed great interest, taking copious notes, especially Tojo. Others would doze off during proceedings.

"Some of the Japanese people showed surprise at the way in which the trial was conducted," Koontz said. "They had assumed that the victors would do as they pleased. The trial showed them that our way of doing things gave the defendants every opportunity to prove their innocence."

Koontz questioned a number of suspects and witnesses, and found them generally straightforward in their answers.

## Sociology Students Start Poll of Eugene District

Preliminary work on a three-week poll of the fringe area of Eugene was started last week by approximately 80 University sociology students, Walter T. Martin, instructor in sociology and director of the poll, said Monday. Preliminary returns are now coming in.

Areas to be covered extend to the edge of Fern Ridge reservoir to the west, nearly to Spencer's butte and Goshen to the south, beyond Santa Cara to the north, and east of Springfield beyond Thurston. The population covered by the poll will include all family groups in the urban areas of Eugene and Springfield.

America's sociologists have discovered that suburban areas just outside the city limits are fastest growing residential districts in the United States. This survey is being made because Eugene and Springfield are reflective of this general trend, Martin said.

Increasingly important in view of

mates, the Eugene-Springfield area recent U.S. census bureau estimate is reflective of Oregon itself, which has had a 49.3 per cent population increase since 1940, and is the fastest growing state in the union.

Completely objective and scientific in purpose, the survey is non-commercial in nature. Information releases on the survey will contain no individual names or addresses. Instead, findings released to the public or other agencies will deal only with the suburban population in general.

### Student Gives Sonata Recital

A program of sonatas written by Scarlatti, Beethoven, and Hindemith will be performed on the piano by Maryen Roberts, sophomore in music, in a student recital tonight, at 8 o'clock at the school of music auditorium.

Included in the pianist's program will be Three Sonatas by Scarlatti; Sonata, Op. III, in C minor by Beethoven; and the Third Sonata by Hindemith.

Miss Roberts is a member of the campus chapter of Phi Beta, women's national professional speech and music fraternity.

### Services to be Held in Gerlinger Hall

Episcopal students will have a special celebration of the Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday, March 2, at 7 a.m. in Gerlinger hall. Students will use the University street entrance.

### Trial Official



George Koontz, former head of the document division at the Japanese war crimes trials, now visiting in Eugene.

## 'Y' Festival Speaker for Atonement

Both serious and a light-hearted mood pervaded last Saturday's Y-WCA sponsored International Festival activities.

Speaking on "Harvest and New Seed" at the festival luncheon held at the Eugene hotel, G. Bernhard Fedde stated, "The seed which you sow determines the kind of harvest you will be bound to reap."

He emphasized the theory that we can never be friends with the other countries of the world unless we use "reconciliation and love" instead of hatred and revenge in our relations with them. "You don't fight ideas with weapons, you fight ideas with ideas," said Fedde.

Slides taken by Fedde during his work with the American Friends Service in Germany were shown during his talk. He used these slides to illustrate some of the "good seed" that is being sown in Europe today by various relief organizations working there.

Songs and dances performed by brightly costumed members of freshmen YWCA commissions were presented at a silver tea in Gerlinger's Alumni hall following the luncheon.

Included in the tea program were Mexican, Norwegian, Russian, and Philippine island numbers.

### Business Men Advised Not to Cut Wages

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (AP)—One of President Truman's top economic advisers said today businessmen should "squeeze" margins of profit rather than cut wages or throw workers out of jobs.



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