



## FROM OUT OF THE DEPTHS

Frogman Rick McCansie climbs from the depths of the Veterans Memorial Pool yesterday afternoon. He does not portray a part in the latest science fiction thriller released from Hollywood. Goggles, snorkel tubes and swim fins are part of the apparatus seen at the pool. (Observer Photo)

## West Demands End To Soviet Threats Of War Over Berlin

GENEVA (UPI) — The West launched a new round of secret Big Four talks today with a demand that Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev withdraw the war threat from Berlin at once if he really means his latest pledge of peace.

The Soviet Premier's declaration in Poland Thursday that Russia will "never, never, never" start a war gave the West an immediate opening to challenge Soviet threats against Berlin and

Russian rebuffs of western efforts to keep the peace in the divided city. The ministers met for nearly three hours but western sources said "no progress was made" toward breaking the deadlock on a Berlin truce agreement.

Another secret meeting was scheduled for Monday at the villa of the British foreign minister. At the Karmel Korn shop it was even cooler and the thermometer read a cooling 72 degrees.

## FINDING COOLEST PLACE KEEPS REPORTER MOVING

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Hot and cold running thermometers. July weather has been keeping temperatures jumping into the eighties and nineties. Kids have taken to the sprinklers, swimming pools, and lakes and their parents haven't been far behind them in an effort to "beat the heat."

The downtown area of a city is usually accredited with the warmest temperatures in the vicinity. It's not at all unusual to find the downtown streets literally steaming. Pedestrians often claim that the radiated heat from the sidewalks penetrates the

toughest shoe leather making them feel as though they were walking inside a 375 degree oven.

When men begin to loosen their ties and women decide "no nylons today" then everyone is aware that temperatures are climbing.

Stopping to wipe their brows, downtown shoppers curiously glance at the thermometers sprinkled throughout the downtown area.

At nine o'clock this morning it was 84 degrees outside Hohenleitner's bakery. It was a little hotter at La Grande Paint and Glass as the mercury crept to 86 degrees.

Curiously enough the temperature took a sudden drop at Coy's where it read 76 degrees.

At the Karmel Korn shop it was even cooler and the thermometer read a cooling 72 degrees.

All these readings were taken over a period of 15 minutes. Could it be that the thermometers at all... maybe it's the heat!

### Firemen Answer Call

The La Grande fire department was called to put out a grass fire at Gansloff park on Highway 30 west of town this morning.

The call came at approximately 10:10. Approximately three-quarters of an acre was burned before firemen could put the fire out. The city fire department turned mop-up operations over to Forest Service fire fighters.

## Centennial Art Display Picketed

PORTLAND (UPI) — A group called Art for Oregonians set up a picket line at the Oregon Centennial Exposition in Portland today and said pickets also would be there Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

Mrs. C. G. Murphy of Oswego, chairman of the group, said the pickets would not be to keep people out of the Centennial, but rather to call attention to the fact that Oregon taxpayers' money was used to promote abstract art. She said abstract art was a type of art "which the public neither likes nor wants, according to surveys that have been taken."

## Health Chief Urges Vaccinations As Crippling Polio Toll Mounts

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Surgeon General Leroy E. Burney warned today that crippling polio is on the upward march this summer—particularly among the unvaccinated.

The nation's health chief said that about nine out of 10 of the cases have been reported among persons who have not had anti-polio shots.

Burney also told United Press International the number of cases

of paralytic polio this year is more than double the toll at this time last year.

The Public Health Service said there were 681 cases of paralytic polio reported through the first 26 weeks of 1959. This compares with 329 victims during the same period last year and "reflects the consistently upward trend of polio cases since April."

Dr. Burney said preliminary figures to be made public later

today show the polio rate rise continued this week.

Kansas City, Kan., Des Moines, Iowa, Little Rock, Ark. and Oklahoma City, Okla. were the hardest hit areas which have reported a "substantially greater" number of cases this year.

"I cannot urge too strongly," Burney said, "the need for pushing ahead with the drive to vaccinate the unvaccinated. It is not too late either to start or complete the Salk shot series."

## STUDENTS DON'T LIKE 'EGGHEAD'

CHICAGO (UPI) — Scholastic Magazine said a poll of 5,000 high school students showed that it made one-third of them mad to be called "egghead." Second worst word is "spendthrift," the magazine said, but that only gets up the dander of 11 per cent.

## Gov. Long Is Angered At Aides

EL PASO, Tex. (UPI) — Gov. Earl Long of Louisiana, fighting mad because his aides went to sleep while he toured Juarez night spots, stormed into the Hilton Hotel early today and tried to kick down a door.

Capt. Douglas Durrett of the Louisiana State Police tried to restrain the enraged governor but Long cursed and kicked at the door of his room until a bellboy rushed down for a key.

Long stopped kicking and beating at the door when a bellboy produced a key. Then he rushed into the room, woke his associates and rebuked them profanely for not being up to let him in.

Durrett tried again to calm him down. Long rejected his efforts so violently that Durrett, one of the most experienced officers in the state police, came out crying.

Joe Anselmo, another state police captain, went up to comfort Durrett, who begged: "Don't leave me. Don't leave me."

He meant he didn't want to be left alone with Long.

Long, hatless, tieless, and ruffled, turned up at the hotel at about 7 a.m. today after making the rounds in Juarez, Mexico, all night. His associates, apparently unable to match the governor's festive pace, dropped out and returned to El Paso.

## Official Admits Bad Contracts

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A Navy official admitted to congressional investigators today that the Navy did a "bad" job negotiating 14 defense contracts on which the government was overcharged more than 12 million dollars.

"It was bad—we admit it," Assistant Navy Secretary Cecil P. Milne told a House armed services subcommittee.

Milne said the Navy had taken steps to prevent such a thing from happening again, but he could not "guarantee" that it wouldn't.

Milne took issue, however, with a charge voiced in hearings earlier this week that Navy negotiators were "incompetent or deliberately careless."

"Navy negotiators are an able group, dedicated to the best interests of the government," he said. "With few exceptions, I feel reasonably certain that they measure up well with industry."

Even so, Milne said, "It is inevitable that occasional mistakes and oversights will occur."

The subcommittee ran into a stone wall in its efforts to get the Navy to do an about-face in its refusal to turn over certain records and reports to the General Accounting Office. The GAO acts as Congress' "watchdog" on government spending.

Other congressional news: Farm: Rep. L. H. Fountain (D-N.C.) charged that there has been waste and poor management in the government's big export program for farm products. And he said the Agriculture Department has tried to hide the facts.

Foreign aid: Senate-House conferees continued efforts to reach a compromise figure on authorization of foreign aid funds.

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# Cuba's Castro Resigns Post; President Refuses To Accept



YUM-YUMMY — Yogi, a real avid eater, enjoys his snack. The clown holding Yogi's dinner is Les Case who along with Donk Thompson will be a featured comic attraction at the Elgin Stampede, July 25-26. The clowns are bull fighters too. (Observer Photo)

## UPROAR SPREADS ACROSS ISLAND FOLLOWING NEWS

HAVANA (UPI) — Revolutionary leader Fidel Castro resigned today as Prime Minister of Cuba.

But President Manuel Urrutia, speaking to thousands of Cubans massed before the Presidential Palace here, said the government would not accept the resignation.

"This revolution cannot be directed by anyone other than Fidel Castro," he said. "You can be sure that the resignation presented by him will not be accepted by the government."

Urrutia met in urgent session with the members of the Council of Ministers (cabinet) in the palace to discuss Castro's surprise action. Following a morning-long meeting, the cabinet went to Cuban armed forces headquarters at Camp Liberty to formally request Castro to reconsider.

### Will Make Broadcast

There was no reason given immediately for Castro's decision to step down from the post he had held for five months and one day.

The official rebel radio said Castro would report to the people on a nationwide radio and television hookup at 4 p.m. p.d.t. today.

The news of his resignation touched off an uproar in Havana and spread like wildfire across the island. Havana's police chief said special precautionary measures were taken to avoid any street disorders in support of Castro. However, he expressed confidence that public order would be maintained.

Immediately following the news of Castro's resignation, the Communist party demanded the formation of a "truly representative government," including Communist representation.

Thousands of Castro supporters turned out into the streets of Havana and marched on the palace to demand Castro change his mind.

### No Disorders Reported

Government, labor and civic organizations called on the populace to remain calm and stay on the job. But there were reports of demonstrations and flash strikes.

There was no report, however, of any disorders.

Raul Castro, Fidel's brother and chief of the Cuban armed forces, said that Fidel would explain his reasons for stepping down from the post he has held since Feb. 16 in a nationwide radio and television broadcast tonight.

## Police Report Two Auto Wrecks

Two automobile accidents involving La Grande residents were reported by the police Tuesday.

A car driven by Don Le Roy Roe, 802 J Ave., was involved in a minor accident when Mrs. Josephine M. Adey, Rt. 1, Box 3A, backed her car from the driveway into the street police reported.

Two cars also collided early in the afternoon at the intersection of First and Adams.

A car operated by Steve Livermore, 3008 N. Walnut St. had stopped for the sign on First. A car driven by Earl L. Woods, Rt. 1, Box 426, Orchard, Wash., was proceeding east on Adams and approaching First.

Livermore pulled into the intersection and attempted to turn east from First onto Adams when the accident occurred.

Mrs. Joan Woods received minor injuries.

## State Department Job With Ike's Approval Predicted For Bohlen

WASHINGTON (UPI) — High administration officials said today that Bohlen was too closely identified with previous Democratic administrations as an adviser at Yalta and Teheran. Bohlen has defended these long-disputed agreements with Russia and contended the only trouble was that Russia failed to live up to them.

They said the President believes Bohlen would be a very valuable aide to Secretary of State Christian A. Herter at this critical stage in Soviet-American relations.

Bohlen now is ambassador to the Philippines.

Eisenhower has not been influenced against him by the opposition of Republican Senators Styles Bridges of New Hampshire and Everett Dirksen of Illinois, these unimpeachable sources claimed.

## FBI Apprehends Georgia Escapee

PORTLAND (UPI) — Thomas Franklin Spalinger, 26-year-old escapee from the Georgia State prison, was apprehended here Thursday by agents of the FBI, according to James Milnes, special agent in charge of the Portland office.

Milnes said Spalinger was apprehended at a new car agency here where he had been working as a salesman.

He is wanted by Georgia authorities for unlawful flight to avoid confinement for the crime of burglary.

## Chimney Fire Put Out

The fire department was called to 1707 Oak St. yesterday to put out a chimney fire at approximately 12:45.

Arnold Gerber was backing out of the driveway of his home when he glanced at the roof and saw flames coming from the chimney. He immediately called the fire department.

The fire originated when Mrs. Gerber burned some papers in the fireplace according to the fire department.

## Inland Machinery Sues

Inland Machinery Company is suing Marion Stitzel for judgment in payment of \$875 together with interest from May 15 until paid.

The company is also suing Bill Flansberg for judgment of \$450 together with interest from October 23 until paid.

The Senate Republicans' complaint is that Bohlen was too closely identified with previous Democratic administrations as an adviser at Yalta and Teheran. Bohlen has defended these long-disputed agreements with Russia and contended the only trouble was that Russia failed to live up to them.

Administration officials said the President's remarks on Bohlen at his Wednesday news conference were misinterpreted as meaning that there was no idea of bringing Bohlen into the State Department in a highly responsible post.

Actually, these sources said, the administration still hopes to persuade Bohlen to take a \$19,250 spot on the State Department's policy planning staff if he can be persuaded to postpone his retirement.

A major portion of this staff's work involves relations with the Soviet Union.

Administration officials said a final decision on bringing Bohlen into the State Department would be made as soon as Herter returns from the Geneva foreign ministers conference.

The President said Wednesday that he had a "completely negative" report from Herter on Bohlen's prospects. But high sources said today he meant only that the secretary told him no progress was being made on the matter at that time.

## LIFE BECOMES PRETTY MISERABLE

BRADDOCK, Pa. (UPI) — When a strike settles over a steel town like this one, life becomes pretty miserable. James Roy, an automobile dealer, is one man who remembers only too well what a steel strike can do.

"The last one nearly wiped me out," he said. "If this one goes on long, it could finish the job on me."

The men who run the local saloons and taverns aren't too worried right now. They say they get some business during a walk-out "cause the guys have no much time on their hands and have nothing else to do."

But the tavernkeeper's headache comes later, when the strike is over. "That's when the men stay away in order to save money to pay off their debts," said Pete Tampus, one of the barkeepers. Mike Janosko, a maintenance worker in one of the big mills for nearly 30 years, gave the strikers' side of the story. "Sure we hate to see the business people suffer. They're our friends, our neighbors," he admitted. "I'm going to suffer, too, and so are my wife and kids. Strikes aren't pleasant. I've been through them before. We'll just make the best of things until we win this one."

## Strike Cuts Into Other Industries

PITTSBURGH (UPI) — The strike against the nation's basic steel industry cut deeper into employment in related fields today. With no further peace talks scheduled until Monday at the earliest, United Steelworkers President David J. McDonald and his top lieutenants carried their fight for a better contract to the picket lines.

In addition to the half-million USW members who struck at mills from coast-to-coast at one minute after midnight last Tuesday, it was estimated that more than 25,000 railroaders, truckdrivers, miners and seamen were idle because of the steel strike. More layoffs in those lines were expected to raise the total to 75,000 in another week or two.

The possibility of a second metals industry strike grew when the USW presented virtual carbon copies of its major steel demands to the nation's three major aluminum producers, Alcoa, Reynolds and Kaiser. About 31,500 workers in the three companies come under contracts that run out July 31.

McDonald addressed workers to the men in the mill Thurnhem Steel Co. plant in Bethlehem, Pa., where he addressed an estimated 2,500 workers.

He bitterly assailed the industry's negotiating team as a pack of "messenger boys" who had "absolutely no authority to negotiate."

McDonald said, "steel does not want a new contract... their talks were as phony as a seven-dollar bill."

"I guarantee you some day we will have an agreement, and it will not be for pigs, it will be for men of steel and men of dignity," he told the gathering.

His visit with the Bethlehem pickets was the first in a series to steel centers around the country.

## New Stud Mill Due Reedsport

REEDSPORT (UPI) — Cascades Plywood Corporation will build a new \$300,000 stud mill here it was announced Thursday. B. V. Hancock, executive vice president made the announcement.

Water Machine Works, Incorporated of Corvallis received the contract for construction, engineering and equipment for the 20 million board foot, 8-foot stud mill.

Latest methods in automation will be included in the mill which is slated to open by Dec. 1 of this year.

A \$400,000 green veneer plant was built by Cascades earlier this year and is now in operation.

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