

"Damn the Ships! Full Torpedo Ahead!"



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"Without or with friend or foe, we print your daily world as it goes"—Byron.

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Competition For Payrolls Strong

The Industrial Development Committee of La Grande is working to attract new industry for the city and county. Elsewhere, industry recruiters are trying all sorts of stratagems to garner new plants and payrolls.

The efforts of these recruiters have been particularly successful in the South where total manufacturing employment has increased by 28 per cent since 1947. The national average has been 17 per cent.

In North Carolina a favorable corporate tax climate and some special incentives have led to new industry being brought in. A group of that state's businessmen are now conferring in Europe with industrialists who might be interested in building plants in North Carolina.

A special inducement to these foreign leaders is a 4,000 acre industrial park between three of the state's leading colleges and universities where research facilities are paid for by the state.

Industrial parks are being planned on a large scale in the South. One of the largest projected industrial park sites is a 6,800-acre tract near Memphis. City and county governments have purchased the land along the Mississippi River and the federal government plans to build levees around the bottomlands to protect them from floods.

Another answer to industrial recruitment has been solved by a Mississippi

community. The town, with the improbable name of Yazoo City, needed industry enough to vote a bond issue of \$500,000 and subscribe to \$350,000 in stock of the company moving to town.

The county offers long-term leases to the companies interested in erecting new plants. When the bonds are paid up, the county retains title to the building and then lowers the rents.

All companies, however, are not willing to accept public help. Some argue that such help can ultimately lead to public interference in the operation of the company. And South Carolina has gone on record as not being in favor of offering inducements to new industries that it can not offer to firms that are already established in the state.

In South Carolina a group of businessmen have formed a corporation and have chipped in to lend funds out to new industries in the state that cannot get financial help elsewhere. Industry recruiters throughout the South are stepping up their efforts to attract new industry.

Industrial recruiting is not confined to the South. It is virtually nation-wide. It is important to remember that although recruiters are promoting Union County development, they are competing with others who have a lot of dollars in their pockets.

Pact With Russia Is Symbolic

Let it never be said that Russia and the United States can't get together on a peace that involves inspection. They did it Tuesday. Along with other nations they completed a pact that concerns use of a whole continent—Antarctica—for the next 30 years.

The treaty contains provision for enforcement. Each of the 12 nations party to the agreement has the right to inspect one another's installations, equipment, ships and planes in the Antarctic at any time.

This in effect, neutralizes Antarctica. If one wanted to be cynical, he could say that there was almost no other alternative because of the inaccessibility of this frozen waste land. No nation run by sane men would attempt to seize by force or to defend claims in an area of the world where just coping with the elements is a full time task for those who venture that far south.

Sen. Henry Jackson came back from a recent trip to the South Pole with an idea that may someday be followed. He suggests the use of atomic reactors for heat in an area where fuel oil costs \$10 a gallon. The heat could be used, not

only, to keep the scientists who work there warm, but to clear away and keep cleared an airfield.

What those who explore the frozen continent hope to find, of course, are mineral deposits worth working. The signatories to the 30 year treaty are gambling that there will be no mineral discoveries worth fighting over for at least three decades.

Because so little actually is at stake in Antarctica, the willingness of Russia to sign an inspection treaty can't very well be interpreted as a sign that the Reds would agree to something similar in the disarmament field. But since this is one of the few times in recent years that anything at all constructive has been worked out through negotiations with the Communists, the treaty signing must be regarded as a most encouraging development.

Barbs

Little worries don't really hurt anybody, says a doctor. Except the friends you insist on telling them to.

DREW PEARSON SAYS:

'Fragile' Italian Premier Shapes Destiny Of Country

(Editor's note—Drew Pearson is on a 20-day tour of Europe and Asia to interview the leaders of the 11 countries President Eisenhower will visit, and to report on what they will talk about.)

ROME—At a long desk facing row after row of nearly empty seats in the Italian Chamber of Deputies sat a small, thin figure of a man. He was Antonio Segni, prime minister of Italy, and he sat alone.

Opposite him in the vast amphitheatre of Italian democracy sat a sprinkling of Christian Democrats who support Segni but, as I watched the debate, not many were present to do so.

On the right facing him were empty seats of Monarchists, Fascists, and the Liberals with only one deputy present. But on the left, the seats reserved for Communists and Socialists were almost full as their speakers criticized winter "relief payments" for the unemployed in Italy.

The prime minister of Italy sat there patiently. His thin face, eagle nose, and a collar too big for his neck gave him an almost birdlike appearance. He listened, said nothing. Behind him was a great bronze mural depicting the forces of Garibaldi which first brought democracy to Italy.

When I asked Segni about the fact he had given up his own land in Sardinia to be divided among the landless, he replied "there was nothing unusual about it. An organization exists in Sardinia for distributing land, and it handled the matter. Already in southern Italy divided land has become three times more productive under new individual owners. This is a long-range program and it will become even more productive."

"Does your government have the system of interpolation on the floor of your Congress?" he asked, explaining that, as minister of the interior, he had to answer questions in parliamentary debate.

"No," I replied. "You are lucky," he sighed and went back to the job of sitting all alone opposite the Socialist-Communist opposition—back to the job of making democracy work in Italy.

Italy's Problem

Eventually Segni left the chamber debate to step outside and talk with me regarding the problems of Italy and the United States, some of which he'll discuss with President Eisenhower. He was guarded in his comments but, a few days earlier, he and Greek Premier Constantine Karamanlis had agreed their chief problem was relaxation—and they didn't refer to relaxation on the beach of the Riviera. They referred to the growing, gnawing fear on the part of European leaders that President Eisenhower is going to ask them to reverse the policy which the United States sold them, but now wants to un-sell them—the relaxation of the "cold war" with Russia.

For something more than 10 years the United States has pounded home the idea that Communism would ruin the world, that the Italian Communist party must be defeated, that Europe must contribute arms to the NATO alliance to combat the Communist military threat. Now, suddenly, the leaders who bought this policy see the United States un-selling it.

REMEMBER WHEN

... 25 years ago, the La Grande city commission was defendant in an Oregon Supreme Court action initiated by unpaid bondholders on the defaulted Bancroft bond issue.

They charged that the city should levy additional taxes on all taxable property, in their writ of mandamus before the high court, so that payment of interest on the bonds could be made. Commissioners charged were Melville, Condit and Lottes.

Mrs. Ruth Spencer was again elected president of the Women's Relief Corps No. 37 at the Odd Fellows Hall. Other officers were Mrs. Alice Turner, senior vice president; Mrs. Marietta Yeck, junior vice president; Mrs. Laura Davis, chaplain; Mrs. Eleanor Carr, treasurer; Mrs. Adelaide Kitchen, conductor, and Mrs. Frances Plank, guard.

... 25 years ago, Medford upset the La Grande High School Tigers in the big state prep championship football finals at Portland, winning 14-0 on a damp field. The aerial attack that helped give the Tigers an unbeaten season and a semi-final victory, backed this day.

Two local servicemen were in the news, First Lt. Donald R. Hunter, a D-Day invasion veteran with the infantry, was listed as missing in action at Metz. He had received the Purple Heart with cluster for wounds. Formerly an EOC student, he was married to the former Marian Boyles and had a 14-month-old baby.

Also, Pfc. Joseph Smith, serving with the infantry in France, had been wounded. His wife, a resident of 1006 13th St., was notified by the War Department.

QUOTES IN THE NEWS

United Press International

MIAMI — Mrs. Austin Frank Young, describing the anxiousness of waiting for a Cuban military tribunal's decision on whether to sentence her husband to death: "My whole life is being decided down there in Cuba."

NEW ORLEANS — Kevin B. Sweeney, president of the Radio Advertising Bureau, asserting that the radio industry would welcome a congressional investigation of "payola": "It will prove that of the more than 10,000 bright young men who introduce records for the nation's 3,400 radio stations, only a handful were in on the take."

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. Va. — New York Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller, disclosing that he is expanding a Midwestern tour this month to include Oklahoma, Texas and Florida: "I figured if I was going to get to them, I'd better get moving."

DES MOINES, Iowa — Walter B. Cooper, head of the National Auto Dealers' Advertising Ethics Committee, describing one ad that "stretched the truth" a bit when it mentioned that a car did not have power equipment: "It turned out that this meant the car didn't have a motor."

Nationalist China Fears Red Invasion

TAIPEI, Formosa (UPI) — Nationalist Chinese commanders on Matsu believe the Chinese Communists may launch a major offensive against the off-shore islands "at any moment," the official Central News Agency reported today.

The report coincided with the departure today from the United States by President Eisenhower on a goodwill tour of Asia, Africa and Europe.

The Central News Agency reported in a dispatch from Matsu that the Chinese Reds are stepping up military construction on the mainland and increasing reconnaissance of the Nationalist-held island chain. Quemoy is the southern outpost.

The agency report followed a warning from Adm. Ni Yue-si, Nationalist navy commander, that the Chinese may trigger a major attack in the Formosa Strait during the Eisenhower tour.

Central News quoted a commander on Matsu as saying "there are mounting indications on the battle front that the Chinese Communists may launch a full-scale attack at any moment."

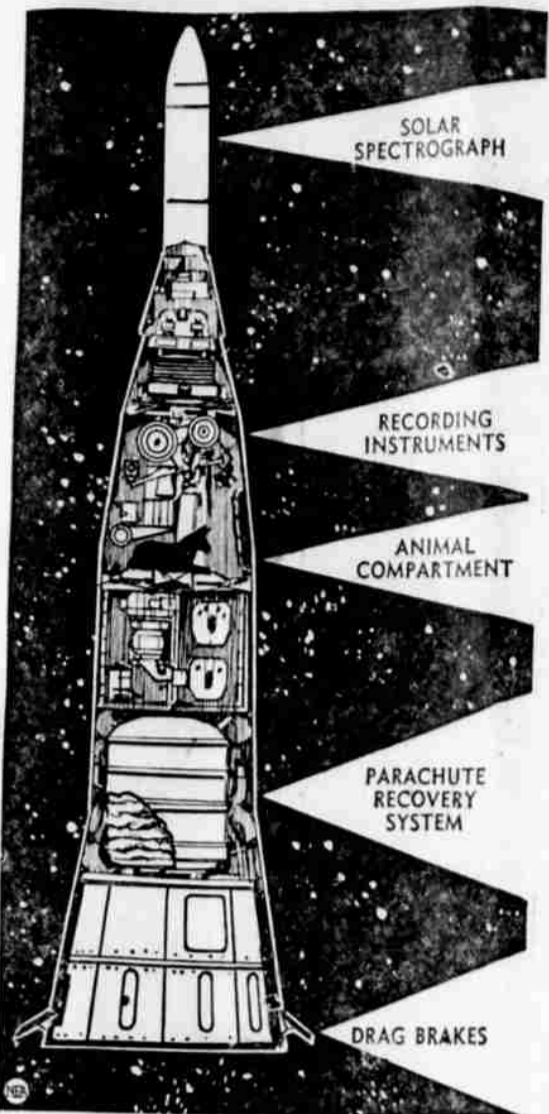
The commander's name was withheld in accordance with Chinese press regulations.

Ike Takes Spare Along

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Just in case President Eisenhower's Air Force jet transport has any difficulties, the pilot can look to the rear for help. A sister Air Force jet is following the President's plane during his tour for use as a spare.

JET SETS RECORD

NEW YORK (UPI)—An American Airlines jet Wednesday night set a commercial speed record of four hours, 22 minutes for a non-stop flight from San Francisco to New York, the airline said.



DOG GONE HIGH—Russia claims to have fired dog carrying rockets as high as 280 miles and recovered the animals alive. Cutaway drawing above shows one of the rockets the Russians have been using in their biomedical researches and is based on details published in Aviation Week magazine. This one, designated the "A-2," is a one-stage vehicle with an altitude range of about 130 miles. Solar spectrograph (for photographing the sun) is at top. Sealed and pressurized dog compartment is surrounded by instruments. Recovery is by parachute.

Morocco Old Familiar Scene For Ex-Army Commander Ike

Travelling With Ike — Morocco By United Press International — Morocco, last stop of President Eisenhower's Asian-European tour was the first stop Gen. Eisenhower's conquest of Europe.

Eisenhower's Allied forces invaded Vichy French-controlled Morocco in November, 1942, to begin the end of Adolf Hitler's dreams of glory. Morocco has since shaken off its French control to become a self-styled link between East and West.

Morocco's ruler is King Mohammed V, a 49-year-old absolute monarch who enjoys bowling with his French cook. He has nearly 10 million contented citizens in a land the size of Utah and Nevada combined. Best known Moroccan city is the port of Casablanca where Winston Churchill and Franklin D. Roosevelt conferred in wartime.

The capital is Rabat on the Atlantic where Eisenhower will enjoy a Florida-like winter climate. Mohammed became the national hero as well as ruler when he led the fight for independence from France. Morocco relies heavily on continued French goodwill and on the friendliness of fellow Arab nations. Mohammed is

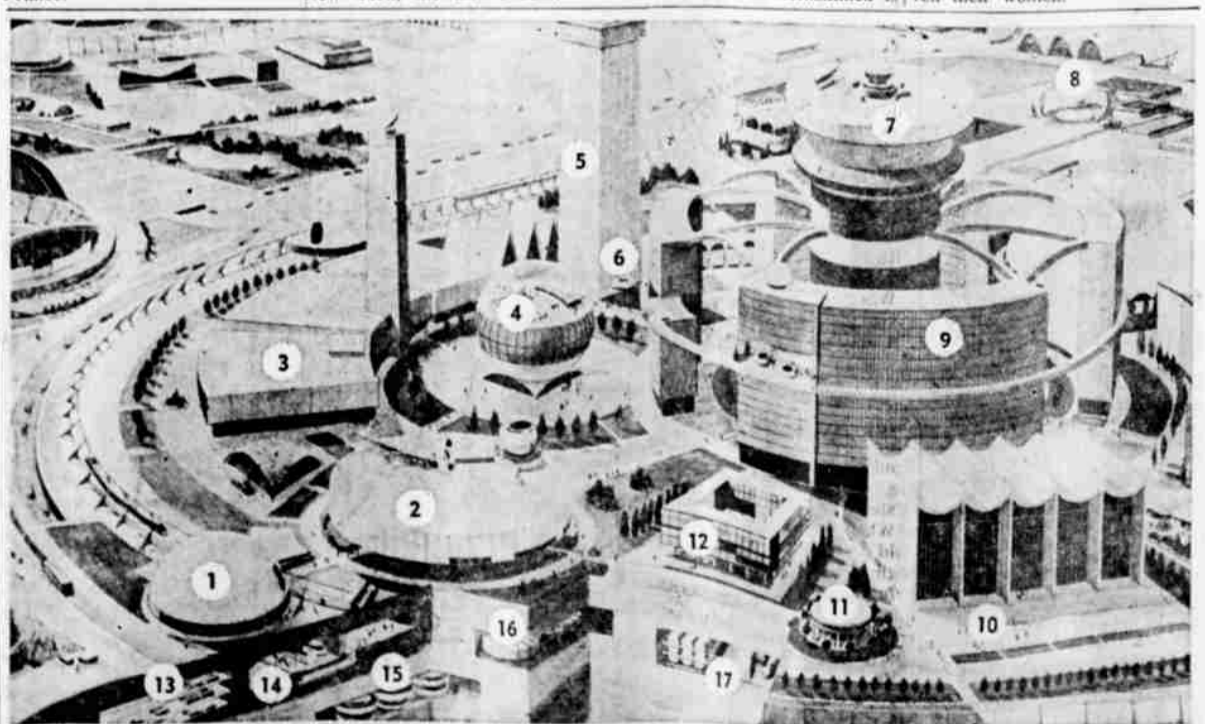
doing everything possible to promote a cease-fire in the civil war in French Algeria.

As French financial aid decreases, economic help from Uncle Sam has increased. But Mohammed's most recent victory was American agreement to withdraw its five air bases, an embarrassment to so young a nation.

Morocco has been Moslem for 1,200 years since invading Arabs chased the lighter-skinned Berbers into the hills. The Berbers still live in the hills.

Mohammed dresses in traditional Arab robes. His daughters have shocked some Arabs by appearing in bathing suits in public pools. Mohammed tirelessly travels his country to promote economic progress. He dislikes shaving and lets a stubble grow when he spends a day paddling about his palace.

Phosphate and manganese mining are big in Morocco. Much of the world's money travels in wallets stamped Moroccan leather. Along the coast in the larger towns, Western style dress is in fashion. Moroccan hill folk still veil their women.



THE CITY OF 2000 A.D.—The City of the Year 2000 is no mere science-fiction. New discoveries in science and technology make most of its features possible today—and the demands of an ever-expanding population will make such cities inevitable and necessary within the 40 years remaining in the 20th century. This possible version of the City of Tomorrow was envisioned by This

1. Concrete bubble monorail station.
2. Municipal heliport.
3. Communications center, including radio and TV stations.
4. Ball-shaped recreation center, with glass-enclosed swimming pool.
5. Tower of Peace (being built).
6. Flying platform.
7. Government center heliport.
8. Solar power plant.
9. Government center wing.
10. Theater.
11. Restaurant.
12. Art museum.
13. Parking garage (underground).
14. Train station (underground).
15. Nuclear power plant (underground).
16. Water purification and recirculation plant (underground).
17. Sewage disposal plant (underground).

Earth, official publication of Permanente Cement Co. Its mass of glass, concrete and metal is beautifully functional and is designed around expected advances in construction, transportation, communication and, above all, man's growing awareness of the people around him. In this latter sense, the City of Tomorrow is being built today by us all.