

IT SEEMS TOMORROW

By Charles A. Snyape

Senate committees are dutifully listening to statements of cabinet members appearing in behalf of the program of economic controls outlined by President Truman as a means of checking inflation. They are listening, but offstage republicans are in a deep study to prepare an alternative program which they hope will halt the rising tide of prices. The republican senate policy committee last week decided to attempt something affirmative and not be content merely with knitting most of the president's recommendations. It seems to have dawdled on some of the majority that they have a responsibility they can't shake off. Leader in this group is Senator Flanders of Vermont, an able industrialist himself. He has been holding hearings over the country starting the congressional recess and listened to housewives' complaints of high prices, so he came back prepared to do something. Others are beginning to understand that the prime issue in 1948 may easily be the "high cost of living," old HCL of 1919-1920.

The antagonists in this duel over domestic economy are Truman and Taft. The president delights to shoot verbal spears at Taft and the Ohio senator is prompt in rebuttal. But a considerable group of (Continued on Editorial Page)

Youth Enters Guilty Plea to Manslaughter

DALLAS, Nov. 28 — John Peoples, 16 years and 10 months old, pleaded guilty in circuit court here this afternoon to a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Robert J. Armstrong, 78, last September 8.

The youth was represented in court by Philip Hayter, Dallas attorney. Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker accepted the guilty plea and said he would ask for a presentence recommendation of the state parole board.

An indictment charging manslaughter was returned at 1 o'clock by the Polk county grand jury. Peoples has been held in the Polk county jail since his arrest November 13 at St. Helens, where he was working in a dairy. Armstrong's body was found in the ashes of his home north of Dallas and it was at first believed he had burned to death in an accident. Later learned a youth had been seen about the place and search was started.

The grand jury was given the story of Armstrong's death and the firing of his home which Sheriff T. B. Hooker said was told to him by the youth, who will be 17 in February.

Maximum penalty which may be given the youth is 15 years, and it is expected it will be two weeks before the pre-sentence investigation is received by the court and before sentence is passed.

Mrs. Gerlinger Lashes at Aiken

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 28 — (AP) — Oregon's republican national committeewoman today lashed at a leading critic of party chairman Carroll Reece, asserting that Sen. Aiken (R-Vt) is "stupid" and "out of step" with what the party is trying to do.

Aiken, who has called for a housecleaning of the national committee, "is just plain stupid and I don't mind being quoted on that," said Mrs. Gerlinger. He has criticized every chairman from John D. M. Hamilton on down to Mr. Reece.

MOVIE WRITER FIRED HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 28 — (AP) — Writer Ring Lardner, Jr., one of 10 film figures cited by the Thomas un-American activities committee for contempt in refusing to testify whether he is a member of the communist party, was dismissed today by 20th Century-Fox.

And Now It's . . .

Rip Kirby Starting Tomorrow

Rip Kirby, one of the nation's outstanding detective comics, has been obtained by The Oregon Statesman and will become a daily feature of this newspaper starting tomorrow. Noted for its excellent art work as well as its fascinating plot, Rip Kirby is from the pen of Alex Raymond and is being made available to The Statesman by King Features, Inc., of New York City.

So that the sequence will be readily understandable and the groundwork laid for future events, there is published on the comic page of YOUR HOME NEWSPAPER today a synopsis of happenings thus far. You can "catch up" quickly and be all set for the fast-moving picture-story of Rip Kirby, a genteel sleuth with many beautiful girl friends and an ex-convict butler. Starting tomorrow in

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French Premier Asks Added Powers as Violence Mounts

To Take Plans to Assembly

PARIS, Saturday, Nov. 29 — (AP) — Premier Robert Schuman's cabinet called parliament today to act upon its demands for wide powers to cope with widespread strikes, after government forces ousted strikers from strongholds they had seized.

In St. Etienne, national guardsmen drove strikers from the railroad station into the locomotive roundhouse, where they held out. In Brives, national police cleared the station of strikers and re-established rail traffic on the Paris-Toulouse line.

The cabinet, in a three-hour emergency meeting last night, summoned the national assembly to meet at 10:30 a.m. (4:30 a.m., eastern standard time) today to consider its demands for broader authority.

The demands the cabinet agreed upon were not disclosed officially, but they were understood to include authorization to (1) mobilize certain public service workers; (2) take stern measures against sabotage, particularly of railroads, post offices, communications and electric light plants; and (3) deal strictly with civil servants and employees of the nationalized railroads judged guilty of breaking discipline.

There was a possibility also, a parliamentary source said, that the national assembly might be asked to limit the right to strike.

Alaska Crash Probe Ordered

JUNEAU, Alaska, Nov. 28 — (AP) — The early Thanksgiving morning plane crash which took the lives of 13 persons at Yakutat was ordered investigated by the civil aeronautics authority today as arrangements were made to fly the bodies south.

A check by the Columbia Air Cargo Co., Portland, operators of the DC-3, made one change in the casualty list. The crash occurred as the plane came in for an instrument landing in the fog and drizzle, on an Anchorage-Seattle flight.

The name of Lawrence W. Sellers, Milwaukee, Ore., was added to the list, replacing that of J. T. Jenkins, also Milwaukee.

Mineral Deposits Located in Canada

QUEBEC, Nov. 28 — (AP) — Premier Maurice Duplessis announced today mineral deposits of "unsuspected quality" had been located in Quebec territory in the Labrador peninsula and potentialities of the area were "fantastic."

The premier told his weekly news conference mining experts who had explored the territory had definitely located deposits of 200,000 tons of high quality minerals in a 1,500-square-mile section of the "immense territory" of 300,000 square miles.

Sen. Taft 'Doubts Good Faith' of Limited Controls Plan

Palestine Plan Showdown Delayed

Soviet Warned Independent Action Near

LONDON, Nov. 28 — (AP) — British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin warned Russia tonight that the western powers possibly would act on their own to save Germany and Europe from "chaos" if the big four failed to agree on Germany's future.

The warning came during a session of the foreign ministers conference marked mainly by confusion and disagreements, informants said. Bevin, the sources added, looked straight at impassive Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov and asked:

"Are we going to leave Europe in chaos? Is chaos our objective? Is a settlement to be blocked every time we try? I say we cannot go on forever with chaos in Europe as it is now."

Bevin asked the question after Molotov blocked agreement on setting up a border commission to examine territorial claims on Germany.

Mundt Reveals Civil Service Exam Grades

Names of 17 men who passed recent civil service examinations for 15 vacancies in Salem police and fire departments were announced Friday afternoon by City Recorder Al Mundt, following a session of the city civil service board.

The names will be certified to the fire and police chiefs today, Mundt said. The scores, a composite of written, oral and physical test results, do not yet include the 10 per cent addition allowed veterans. Since most of the applicants are veterans, this will change their order in only a few cases.

Scores of applicants for the five police department openings were Edward Lewis Pease 90.8, Robert T. Keefer 82.1, Glenn Lee Foster 81.5, Everett L. Odle 77.8 and Lewis H. Wells 72.3. All but Keefer are now serving on a temporary basis.

For the fire department's 10 openings, applicants' scores were Bill E. Bishop 92.94, Robert E. Erikson 90.60, LaMar E. Shepherd 90.22, Donald L. Hill 89.44, G. A. Noffsinger 89.21, Frank Hills 88.32, G. H. Hall 84.60, C. C. Nelson 83.10, Charles M. Bower 82.19, Allen C. Snyder 78.95, Theodore T. Cupp 74.93 and Eugene H. Carver 72.10. All but Cupp, Snyder, Bower, Carver and Noffsinger have temporary appointments.

A. A. Gueffroy and Lyle J. Page attended the board meeting, but Chairman Arthur H. Moore is convalescing at Salem General hospital from a lengthy illness.

HUKBALAHAPS KILLED

MANILA, Saturday, Nov. 29 — (AP) — Fifty hukbalahaps (armed, anti-administration peasants) and one Filipino military policeman were reported today to have been killed in a two-hour clash 53 miles south of Manila. The Manila Chronicle said an undisclosed number of women was among the victims.

Purchasing Officers to Face Boards of Inquiry

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 — (AP) — Several more wartime purchasing officers of the armed forces will be called upon to explain their relations with contractors who made large profits, members of a house committee indicated today after a long hunt for war frauds.

Chairman Bender (R-Ohio) of the house expenditures subcommittee, which has been digging

Re-Trial Set as Jury 'Hung' in Pinball Case

A Marion county district court jury, which could not agree on a verdict for Ethan B. Reed, Hubbard, charged with possessing and operating a slot machine, was dismissed Friday and the case will be set for re-trial, according to District Judge Joseph Felton.

The trial began Wednesday, was postponed Thursday and was taken up again Friday morning when final arguments of attorneys were presented and instructions given the six jurors.

After deliberating for more than two hours, the "hung" jury declared itself in disagreement and was dismissed. To reach a verdict in district court all jurors must agree, Judge Felton said.

Deputy District Attorney Reginald Williams, representing the state, called Deputy Sheriff Louis Bonney to the stand again briefly Friday. Bonney testified again that he purchased a package of cigars from Reed, owner of the Playmore Park tavern, with three pinball machine tokens.

Reed previously testified that at the moment of the exchange he was busy serving customers and in his haste thought the coins laid on the counter by the deputy were nickels.

Police Release Lifer in Case of Mistaken Identity

OKLAHOMA CITY, Nov. 28 — (AP) — By answering to another prisoner's name, James Albert Landers, alias James Albert Lile, who police said was a life-term prisoner from Louisville, Ky., walked out of the city jail tonight. The escape occurred when Bill Shirley, jailer, received a bond receipt for the release of a prisoner and called for him by name at the door of the cell block. Only one answer was heard and the man was released. Later the man who was supposed to have been released learned of the order and demanded to be let out. The escape of Landers was then learned.

20 BOATS SINK IN STORM

MIAMI, Fla., Nov. 28 — (AP) — A freakish storm born in a squall wave sank about 20 small boats, damaged several others and uprooted trees in Key West today and caused northeast storm warnings to be hoisted from Palm Beach to Key West.

REDS OFF METALS LIST

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 — (AP) — Russia was omitted tonight from a list of countries eligible to get quotas of steel and iron materials from this country during the final quarter of 1947.

Meat Market Strike Near In Portland

PORTLAND, Nov. 28 — (AP) — Employers and meat cutters will confer tomorrow in an attempt to avert a strike which would close most of Portland's butcher shops. The Food Employers, Inc. and the Independent Retail Meat Dealers' association have negotiated for three months with the AFL Meat Cutters union without reaching a wage agreement. Workers have authorized a strike if no settlement is reached.

Bullet Moves Stubborn Mule

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 28 — (AP) — An old gray mule stood resolutely in the middle of the Huey Long bridge across the Mississippi river for four hours today while train after train lined up on the lengthy approaches.

Slightly injured by a passing train earlier in the day, the saddled, long-eared animal just gazed reproachfully at train crews and officers and refused to budge despite ear tweaking and tail twisting.

Finally, the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals dispatched the mule with a bullet.

Water Control District Hearing Set January 2

Hearing on the proposed Pudding river water control district is set for January 2, 1948, in Marion county courthouse, the Marion county court decided Friday.

The first hearing will be to permit objections against the proposed district to be filed. It will also fix the boundaries of the district, which has for its object the clearing and care of the Pudding river in this area.

Vote Set Today; Proponents of Plan Optimistic

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 — (AP) — A surprise compromise move by France today put off for at least 24 hours a final showdown vote in the United Nations assembly on the so-called Soviet-American plan to partition Palestine into Jewish and Arab countries.

The assembly voted 25 to 15 on the simple question of adjourning for 24 hours.

The change in the situation came after several delegates, including the assembly president, predicted off the floor that the partition plan would be approved with one or two votes to spare.

Chief U. S. Delegate Warren R. Austin, who had voted against the 24-hour delay, commented: "It will not diminish the prospect of the majority report (the partition plan) being accepted."

One highly-placed U. N. official, however, said that the adjournment made postponement of the whole problem until next year more likely.

The Soviet Union sided with the U. S. in voting against adjournment. The vote was taken on a show of hands.

A motion for adjournment takes precedence over all other business, must be voted on promptly, and requires only a simple majority for adoption.

Two-thirds vote of those present and voting is required to adopt the plan.

Hunter Shoots Garage Door

Hunting season is over and Salem a restricted area but city police Friday were looking for a game violator who fired two bullets through the garage door of Mrs. Thomas Downs, 760 N. 21st st., early Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Downs summoned city police Wednesday morning when she discovered the shells had pierced the door and smashed through the windshield of her car parked inside. Police said they believed the shots were fired by someone who has been reported hunting pheasants in the area recently.

Boys Drown As Ice Breaks

CANYON CITY, Nov. 28 — (AP) — A thin cap of ice over the Silver river broke under the weight of skaters yesterday and the two small sons of a logger went to their death in the stream below.

Eugene Ashcraft, 7, crashed through the ice. His 10-year-old brother, Herbert, skated over to help him and also plunged through the break.

They were skating at Seneca, where their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ashcraft, live. The bodies were recovered.

Salem Man Leaves \$398,386 Estate

John W. Crane, Salem business man who died here recently, left an estate totalling over one-third of a million dollars, according to an appraisal of the estate filed with the Marion county clerk Friday.

The \$398,386 estate consisted of \$186,866 cash, more than \$68,000 in stocks and bonds and the rest rest in real estate, personal property, and sole proprietorship of Valley Oil Co., appraised at \$52,500.

Series of Shocks Ends with Death

OREGON CITY, Ore., Nov. 28 — (AP) — Mrs. Emma B. Heller, 53, of Damascus, died of a heart attack today after a series of shocks.

Her house caught fire, and she suffered a heart attack. She was rushed to the hospital, and the ambulance plunged off the road into a telephone pole.



PARIS, Nov. 28 — Gen. Leclerc, French army hero of World War II, who the air ministry announced today, was killed in an airplane crash in Africa.

Gen. Leclerc, French Desert Fighter, Killed

PARIS, Nov. 28 — (AP) — Gen. Leclerc, the hero of the march from Lake Chad and the man who led French troops back into Paris, has been killed in an airplane crash in Africa, the air ministry announced tonight.

The 46-year-old expert in armored warfare died in the Sahara desert where he first gained fame in World War II. Air Secretary Andre Marsolleil said the accident occurred 20 miles from Colombegard near the Algeria-Morocco border. It was understood that all the 12 persons aboard the plane were burned to death. Just when the crash occurred was not announced.

Leclerc was one of France's greatest heroes.

The slight, fair-haired Leclerc firmly established his military reputation when he led a Free French force on an epic march of almost 2,000 miles from Fort Lamy in the Lake Chad region of French Equatorial Africa to Tripoli and a junction on Jan. 22, 1943, with the Marshal Lord Montgomery's British eighth army.

3 Tons of Clothes Found Amid Rags

HEALDSBURG, Calif., Nov. 28 — (AP) — The American Red Cross tonight disclaimed ownership of 6,000 pounds of clothing found in a consignments of old rags on a railroad siding here.

R. S. Eaton, Pacific area manager of the Red Cross, announced after an all-day investigation that the clothing was not part of a Red Cross shipment intended for Europe's needy.

Shipping tags indicating the Fresno county chapter of the Red Cross had sent some of the clothing to the Pacific area office, Eaton said, came from discarded Red Cross cartons which were used as inside wrappings in the bales.

Report Delayed on New State Building

Secretary Roy Mills of the state board of control indicated Friday that it probably would be several weeks before he will complete a preliminary report in connection with the proposal to erect a \$2,500,000 state office building in Portland.

The board of control ordered such a report at its last meeting Tuesday. Outstanding problem, Mills said, will be that of selecting a site where adequate parking space will be available.

RED OUSTER IN HAWAII

HONOLULU, Nov. 28 — (AP) — Governor Ingram M. Stainback said today he has asked department heads to oust every known communist in public service in the Territory of Hawaii, so that by example the CIO Longshoremen also will be forced "to clean house."

Weather table with columns for Max., Min., Precip. and locations: Salem, Portland, San Francisco, Chicago, New York.

FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Cloudy today and tonight. High temperature today 60, low tonight 28.

Officials Disagree On Curbs

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 — (AP) — Sen. Taft (R-Ohio) today challenged the administration's "good faith" in asking "limited" economic controls powers, while two high administration officials disagreed on the best way to curb inflationary bank loans.

Taft took issue with Secretary of Commerce Harriman's testimony before the senate - house economic committee that only "limited" authority was being sought by President Truman to control and allocate scarce goods and commodities in the view to halting the rising cost of living.

The Ohio senator contended that what was really being sought was blanket "100 per cent authority."

"I don't think your proposals are in good faith," he said. Harriman replied that there is a difference between the Truman plan for "standby" power and the 100 per cent authority Taft mentioned.

Harriman told the committee the overall aim was to channel scarce supplies into the most essential uses. He mentioned meats, steel and lumber as major fields wherein he "hoped" lower prices would result.

Secretary of Treasury Snyder told the committee he disagreed with the proposal of Federal Reserve Board Chairman Marriner Eccles that banks be required to set aside special reserves. Eccles, in making the proposal last week, asserted the special reserves would cut down the amount of money banks can lend and thus be anti-inflationary.

Snyder said he believes the best way to reduce the banks' lending ability is to keep banking revenues higher than government spending and use the surplus to pay off government securities owned by banks.

Winchell Girl Search Widens

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 — (AP) — Police of 13 states along the eastern seaboard searched today for Wildlife E. Winchell, a 20-year-old actress-daughter of Columbus Walter Winchell, but no clues were reported.

Miss Winchell's mother reported her absence to police yesterday, saying her daughter had been missing from her Fifth Avenue hotel since Wednesday afternoon. A 13-state alarm was sounded today.

Mrs. Winchell told police her daughter was ill. Winchell, in Hollywood, said several doctors had pronounced her "very, very ill" and in need of immediate hospitalization. The nature of her illness was not disclosed, however.

Local Chamber to Hear Palestine Expert Monday

Dr. Theodore Jackman, noted world traveler and executive director of the Palestine Research Institute, will discuss his recent experiences in Palestine in a speech before the Salem Chamber of Commerce Monday noon in the chamber dining room.

Jackman is the near east representative of the World Christian Fundamentals association and a fellow of the Royal Geographical society of London, England. He also will show color movies taken during six years he spent in the Holy Land area. He is known as one of the world's outstanding authorities on the Palestine situation.

BOXCAR LOST

A several sacks of potatoes were stolen from a boxcar parked on a siding in front of the Pacific Fruit and Produce company, 531 Trade st., Thursday night, city police reported Friday. The seal on the car's door was broken and the door forced to gain entry, police said.

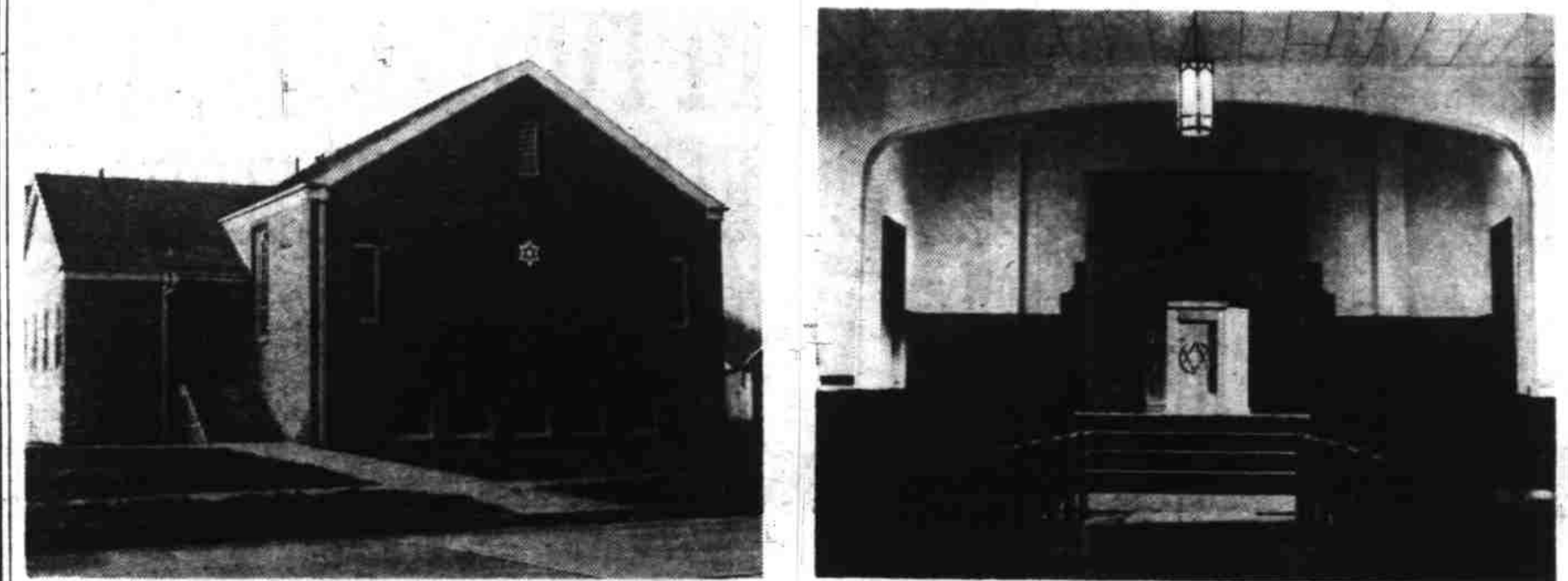
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22 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT. BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

Jewish Congregation to Dedicate Temple Beth Shalom Here



Dedication of Temple Beth Shalom, just completed by Salem's Jewish congregation as their first temple, is planned for Sunday at 2:30 p.m., with services in which local and Portland leaders, including Rabbi Henry Berkowitz, will participate, according to Dr. Harry Brown, in charge of the program. Invitations have been issued, and the public is invited to an open house from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Sunday. Picture at left shows the brick-faced exterior of the structure at Madison and Broadway streets. Photo at right depicts the interior of the modern synagogue. Rooms in the basement provide for E'nal Brith lodge meetings, social activities and Sunday school classes. (Photos by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer.)

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