

Bevin Plans West Europe Union

Confer on European Aid Program



WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—John Foster Dulles, (center), republican foreign affairs expert, talks with Chairman Arthur H. Vandenberg (left) (R-Mich.) of the senate foreign relation committee and Sen. Tom Connally (D-Tex.), ranking minority member of the group, at a committee hearing in Washington on the European aid program. In his formal testimony, Dulles said soviet leaders are trying "by every act short of new war" to destroy the weakened economies of Europe's free states. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman).

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

The power given a governor under the state constitution to pardon or commute sentences imposed by courts on persons convicted of crime is a precious grant of authority. It derives in part from the ancient right of the sovereign, who once had powers of life and death. Its purpose is to insure justice, and at times if circumstances seem to warrant, to temper justice with mercy.

In the case of Wardell Henderson whose execution for murder is set for this morning, Governor Hall has ably discharged the responsibility resting on him in his review of the case. He gave parties who had interested themselves in the case full opportunity to be heard, read the voluminous transcript of testimony himself, and then arrived at his conclusion that he should not interfere with the carrying out of the sentence made mandatory by the jury's conviction of the defendant without recommendation of life imprisonment. He has studied the case exhaustively it was warranted in closing the door to further agitation of the case.

The fact that Henderson is a negro was a lever which groups sensitive to race discrimination used to strengthen their appeal, alleging it had been a factor in swaying the jury's final verdict. But the fact of Henderson's guilt was so firmly established and the assertion of bias so fragmentary and belated that they were inadequate to warrant executive interference with the execution.

It is not the duty of the governor to retry a case. He is neither judge nor jury. His primary duty is to make sure that in the winding of the judicial process the condemned person has had a fair trial and that no new evidence has come up which if it had been presented might have altered the verdict. Governor Hall seems to have labored conscientiously and his course deserves public approval, not criticism.

33 BUSES DESTROYED

CHESTER, Pa., Jan. 22—(AP)—A general alarm fire raged through a bus company garage - office today, set off a series of 20 explosions, destroyed 33 buses and caused an estimated \$750,000 damage.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Are you asleep?"

Compromise Suggested In Administration of Aid

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—Chairman Vandenberg (R-Mich.) of the senate foreign relations committee dropped a hint today that the thorny problem of how the Marshall program should be administered may be solved by a compromise based on the atomic act of 1946.

Vandenberg suggested during a committee hearing that the administrator of the European recovery plan might be given full independence of action, unless it appeared to the secretary of state that he planned some action which would "collide" with foreign policy.

In that case, the Michigan senator said, the question could be put up to the president for final decision. This would resemble an atomic act provision which Vandenberg sponsored. Under it the president has the final word in any dispute between the atomic energy commission and military authorities.

Vandenberg's comments came after President Truman gave a cold reception to Marshall program changes proposed by Herbert Hoover. A series of prominent witnesses before senate and house committees backed the president's stand.

But congressional objectors to the European recovery program took encouragement from the former president's recommendations that this country's "commitment" be limited to 15 months, and that the estimated \$6,800,000,000 cost be cut.

Canada Plays Cupid to Salem Man, Fiancee

Lawrence M. Waltz, 31-year-old Salem resident whose courtship of an English girl has been stymied in recent weeks by British Columbia border crossing regulations, appeared to be on the road to matrimony Thursday.

From Vancouver the Canadian Press reported that Canadian immigration officials had decided to admit Waltz, so that he might claim as bride Constance Hallo, who before Christmas flew there from Sutton, Coldfield, England.

Waltz was reported seeking a salesman's post there, and Miss Hallo was quoted as saying, "Now it'll be a clear road to the altar." The girl is employed in Vancouver as a private secretary.

Waltz left Salem about a week ago, according to his father, Dr. Ray M. Waltz, 195 W. Superior st.

Habitual Accident Victims to Receive Special State Scrutiny

A new state policy aimed at Oregon-licensed motorists who become involved in three or more automobile accidents within a year was announced Thursday by Secretary of State Earl T. Newbery.

Records of such drivers will be given special attention and subsequent accidents may mean state interview and examination of the driver, Newbery said in outlining the accident repeater program. When three accidents or an excessive number of traffic convictions are noted on a driver's record within a year, his record will be transferred to a special file and the driver himself so notified, Newbery added.

Further accidents or arrests may result in a suspended license, under the program. But a completely clear slate for another year will return the driver's record to the normal file.

"Actually, the only sound rea-

Propaganda Blasts Stress Nazi-Red Pacts

By John M. Hightower
WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—Treatment of Russia by the western powers entered a new and much rougher era today—an era of blunt frankness which could either speed a final breakdown between the Soviet Union and the west or clear the way for a peaceful understanding.

Two developments spotlighted this turn of affairs with dramatic sharpness.

1. In London, British Foreign Minister Bevin announced "the time is ripe for the consolidation of western Europe" to face a "ruthless" drive by Russia to control Europe. He said one-power domination of the continent "will inevitably lead again to another world war." French officials in Paris said Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg had been asked to join Britain and France in political, military and economic alliances.

2. In Washington the propaganda resources of the United States government were thrown into the task of getting the fullest possible publicity throughout the world, but especially in Europe, for the official disclosures of the 1939-41 relations between the discredited rulers of Nazi Germany and the men who now rule Russia.

The "Voice of America" broadcast was carrying in all languages these disclosures, including reports of the official German records published last night by the state department on the subject of Nazi-Soviet relations.

Some officials here saw a curious, perhaps prophetic relationship between Bevin's speech and the information brought out with the disclosure of the long secret Nazi records.

Bevin contended that Russia was to dominate Europe, by contrast with the partnership deals the Kremlin was willing to make with Hitler in 1939 and 1941.

Purse-Nabber Grabs Wallet, Man's Memory

PORTLAND, Jan. 22—(AP)—A purse-snatcher grabbed Euell Scott's wallet here and his memory right along with it.

This came out tonight after a physician fixed a dislocation in Scott's spine, which—following a four-hour sleep—restored Scott's memory.

Scott, 26, from St. Joseph, Mo., said he started to chase the wallet-grabber and as he ran around a corner, "the lights went out. I don't remember from there until noon."

Police said he turned up at headquarters Wednesday morning, asking "Who am I?" It was not until tonight that the spine dislocation was noticed.

Scott said he came to the west coast to ship out to Alaska, but failed to get hired at Seattle. He was hitch-hiking home when his wallet was stolen here.

A veteran of the battle of the Bulge, Scott is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Scott, 215 East Missouri ave., St. Joseph, Mo.

'Drought' in Twelfth Day

Salem entered its 12th straight rainless day since January 11 today, but rain clouds are just around the corner, the U. S. weather bureau at McNary field predicted early this morning.

Cloudiness today and tonight which could develop into rain over the weekend, was forecast by the weatherman. Temperatures in the Salem area warmed a little Thursday with a low of 35 degrees reported and a minimum of three degrees higher on tap for tonight.

Meanwhile higher temperatures in virtually all sections of the state, with a continuance of packed snow and ice on sections of eastern and central Oregon highways, were reported by the state highway engineer, R. H. Baldock, although most roads were in normal travel condition today.

'Extensive Alterations' Due on Carrier Midway

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—The 45,000-ton carrier Midway is being withdrawn from the Mediterranean for "extensive alterations," the navy said today, but another carrier will be dispatched to take her place.

Vice Admiral Earle W. Mills, chief of the navy's bureau of ships, told the house armed services committee that a million dollars worth of alterations are planned on the big vessel, including reinforcing the flight deck to handle heavier aircraft.

Last Hope Of Killer Crushed

Wardell H. Henderson, 27, Portland negro murderer, is scheduled to die in the state prison here this morning at 8:30 o'clock, after the state supreme court last Thursday unanimously refused to postpone his execution.

Henderson received his last meal consisting of two link sausages, scrambled eggs and two bottles of pop late last night. He is slated to be executed in the lethal gas chamber.

The doomed man was convicted of first degree murder in connection with the slaying of Walter Poole, Vanport butcher, on Christmas eve two years ago.

All hope of an execution stay vanished Thursday when the supreme court and Marion County Circuit Judge E. M. Page denied separate applications for a writ of habeas corpus.

Judge Page heard the petition for the writ, but refused to sign it. He declared that he didn't feel he should take jurisdiction since a Multnomah county circuit court had made the decision, which had been upheld by the supreme court. The supreme court, in turn, refused to assume jurisdiction in the proceeding.

The CIO board resolution asserted that "we believe that our support of a third party would weaken the possibility of electing a progressive congress."

Murray said emphatically that there had been no threats from any union leaders to withdraw from the CIO as a result of differences over the political stand.

The AFL has not yet taken a position on the Wallace third party movement, but AFL President William Green personally has said organized labor would oppose Wallace and that he thought the third party was a "political mistake."

Fire Destroys Hitchman Mill At Fox Valley

LYONS, Jan. 22—Flames, which broke out about 5:30 p.m. today completely destroyed the sawmill of the Hitchman Lumber company, located at Fox Valley about three miles east of here, but spared the adjacent re-manufacturing plant.

Also saved in the two-hour blaze were the yard's lumber docks used for storage. E. R. Hitchman of Salem, owner of the mill, said Thursday night that the plant would be re-built as soon as possible.

He could give no immediate estimate of the loss but said that the plant was of "medium" size and turned out about 30,000 board feet of lumber a day. He said the loss was only partially covered by insurance.

The plant employed about 35 men. Only about 10 employees would continue work in the re-manufacturing mill pending reconstruction of the plant.

Fire equipment from Aumsville and Stayton arrived at the scene shortly after the outbreak of the fire was noted by three men still at work. Cause of the fire was not immediately determined but it was indicated that operation of welding equipment might be responsible.

Burns Prove Fatal To Canby Woman

CANBY, Ore., Jan. 22—(AP)—The fatal burning of Mrs. Edith Cullter, 60, of Canby, was reported here today.

Neighbors said she attempted to light an oil stove yesterday but a paper corner set her clothing afire. She died several hours later in an Oregon City hospital.

Visit Recalls Hall Prophecy

Statehouse visitors are seldom news, but Thursday a group of Lewis and Clark college students led by their instructor, Dr. U. G. Dubach, called upon Gov. John Hall and it was news.

It was just 25 years ago that a group of Oregon State seniors piloted by Dr. Dubach came from Corvallis to meet then Gov. Ben Olcott. One of them was young John Hall, who, as he left the senate, pointed to a seat and remarked: "Someday that will be my chair," afterward admitting he decided to enter politics on that trip.

Weather

Station	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	51	35	0.00
Portland	61	41	0.00
San Francisco	61	41	0.00
Chicago	15	-1	0.00
New York	28	23	0.00

Willamette river 2.5 feet.
FORECAST from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem:
Cloudy today and tonight. Highest temperature today, 50 degrees, lowest tonight, 38 degrees.

SALEM PRECIPITATION (Since Sept. 1)	This Year	Last Year	Average
	24.29	24.29	24.29

AFL Chief Offers 45-Hour Week if Inflation Curbed; CIO to Spur Third Party

Bridges Defies Vote of CIO's Ruling Board

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—The CIO executive board, by a vote of 23 to 11, tonight opposed any third party in 1948 as "politically unwise."

Harry Bridges, president of the International Longshoremen's union on the west coast, promptly announced that the longshoremen wouldn't be bound.

Bridges said he is still for the third party candidacy of Henry A. Wallace, that the democrats don't stand "the chance of a snowball in hell" of electing President Truman this fall.

CIO President Philip Murray announced the vote adopting the anti-third party resolution, after an eight-hour board session. The resolution does not mention Wallace by name.

The nine vice presidents, who discussed the resolution yesterday, voted 8 to 1 in favor of it. Murray told a news conference. The lone dissenter was Albert J. Fitzgerald, president of the CIO United Electrical workers.

The CIO board resolution asserted that "we believe that our support of a third party would weaken the possibility of electing a progressive congress."

Hamburger Given Away in St. Helens Meat Price War

ST. HELENS, Jan. 22—(AP)—A price war among meat markets here brought the price of hamburger down to zero today.

A new market started the battle by selling hamburger at 35 cents, a 10-cent price cut. Another establishment retaliated with 29 cents.

Then a third deal that was apparently the final thrust by distributing hamburger free, a pound to a customer.

Delighted housewives, also profiting with price-war hams at 45 cents a pound and beef at 39, are now waiting to see what the next day brings. Maybe they'll be paid to take the hamburger away.

Overtime Pay Part of Offer To Congress

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—Two proposals for lengthening the work week as a means of curbing the cost of living drew capital attention today and prompted President Truman to remark that one proposal was living in 1890.

Both suggestions hinge on a 45-hour work week designed to increase production to meet increased demand and thereby halt spiraling prices.

AFL President William F. Green told the senate banking committee that labor would consider adding five hours to its 40-hour schedule—at time and a half rates—if congress in turn would approve effective methods of combatting inflation.

Cherry, Hop, Nut Growers Plead for Tariff

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—(AP)—West coast congressmen heard pleas today from citrus, cherry, hop and nut producers of that area against renewal of the reciprocal trade agreements law unless changes are made to protect agricultural interests from what they termed disastrous tariff cuts.

"Our west coast believes the agriculture interests do not get a fair, if any, hearing on trade agreement proposals," Robert Kerr, representing the cherry foundation, told the Oregon, Washington and California congressmen.

"Our testimony apparently is not given any weight by the state department."

He asked that before congressional action is taken on extending the act that the industries be permitted to show what sacrifices they are required to make because of the trade agreements and that the law give them full consideration.

Kerr presented resolutions adopted by the cherry growers and industries foundation and the national red cherry institute, which among other proposals requested: That trade agreements be subject to review and approval "in a practical manner" by an agency beyond control of the president.

And, that there be no reduction in agricultural tariffs until after a finding by a government agency, such as the tariff commission, that United States production is not equal to domestic demand.

Man Admits Choking Wife, Reveals Body

SEATTLE, Jan. 22—(AP)—Sheriff's officers accompanying Roscoe Lee Hayton, 63-year-old retired merchant, reported today they had found the body of his third wife, Ellen Buckingham Coyle Hayton, in an isolated area north of here. He had confessed earlier today that he strangled her to death here January 8.

Hayton's confession made his signed confession at Milton, Ore., after midnight today, got out of a sheriff's car about 100 yards from the site and walked directly to where the body was hidden under leaves and dirt, county detective Adam Lykoski reported. Law enforcement officials of nearby Bremerton announced an investigation of what happened to his second wife.

Lykoski quoted Hayton as saying "I killed my third wife because she resisted my third wife, "was squandering my money" and "corresponding with other men."

The statement containing his confession was announced from Milton, where officers took Hayton yesterday in quest of a nonexistent cash of \$17,000, which he said he had given his wife an "I.O.U." At the same time he gave her \$3,000 in a property settlement January 8. They had planned to separate, he said.

General Strike In Bavaria

MUNICH, Germany, Friday, Jan. 23—(AP)—Germany's biggest strike since the pre-Hitler era began at midnight as the first possible 1,000,000 Bavarian workers left their jobs in protest against food shortages.

The strike, called by the Bavarian Trade Union Federation and warmly supported by the communists, was scheduled to end in 24 hours.

The exodus was begun by employees of street car lines and German railways. Trains operated for United States military forces continued to function, however.

Munich streets were virtually deserted at the strike hour.

Such large cities as Munich, Augsburg, Regensburg, Wuerzburg and Coburg will be affected, as well as Nuernberg where 100,000 workers ended a 24-hour strike only this morning.

New Campaign For Camp White Acquisition Starts

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 22—(AP)—A citizens' committee decided today to campaign for state acquisition of the Camp White hospital near Medford, for use as a mental hospital.

The committee, organized last year by legislators, mayors and public leaders throughout the state, recommended immediate steps to keep the federal government from disposing of Camp White until the matter can be voted on by Oregonians at the November general election.

The committee's report, made by Dr. Peter Odtegard, president of Reed college and vice-chairman of the committee, asserted that an investigating committee appointed by the state board of control was made up of state employees who would be affected by any move of the hospital from Salem to Medford.

New Hop Marketing Agreement Like 1947 Version, Rowell Says

By Lillie L. Madsen
Farm Editor, The Statesman

In the first of a series of 11 district meetings called by the U. S. Hop Growers association, Paul T. Rowell, associate manager in charge of the Salem office, Thursday at the Salem Chamber of Commerce, explained the tentative proposal for a new hop marketing agreement.

This agreement, if established, will not differ radically from the previous one which expired in 1947. Mr. Rowell explained that most growers desired it amended to formulate an agreement on plans which had been found workable in the past, and then amend it as occasion arises. The new agreement, should it become effective, will not be set for termination at any definite time, but may be repealed or amended at any time by request of two-thirds of the growers. A surplus control amendment will probably be attached, to be used when and if needed.

After the final in the series of meetings a program likely will be drawn up which will be submitted to the secretary of agriculture who will call hearings up on it.

Mr. Rowell also stated that proposals for more nicotine for the control of aphids in the hop yards are a little better this year than a year ago.

G. R. Horner, extension specialist in hop production at the state college, was introduced. He outlined his work on the hop research program, which started at the college in a small way 18 years ago, but which has increased greatly in recent years. The program recently has been centered around help control of downy mildew and the development of new varieties of greater production and more disease resistant hops. The appointment of a fulltime plant breeder is expected at the college momentarily. Mr. Horner added.

Romey Goulet, was re-elected chairman of the district hop growers association and Frank Needham was made secretary. Homer Goulet, Jr., was elected to the advisory committee to represent this district.

Announcement was made that the second hop growers' convention of the coast states will be held in San Francisco, February 19-21. The first convention was held at Portland last March.

Mr. Rowell was at Mt. Angel Thursday night and explained the proposed agreement there. He will speak Friday at Albany, 1:30 p. m., and at Silverton, 7:30 p. m. Monday he will go to Eugene.



"The Statesman Want Ad said this hair brush would help curb juvenile delinquency."