# Truman May Stump Nation in Defense of 'Fair Deal'

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# Detroit Dam Bids Opened; Under Army Estimate

## **Russ Send Troops** To Norway Border On Bids

HELSINKI, Finland, Feb. 24-(AP)-A well-informed Finnish source said tonight Russia has strengthened her garrisons along the Soviet-

The informant said the Soviet troops had come from the Murmansk area. While giving no estimate of the number involved, he said the troop movements were observed last week and apparently were in connection with the stand taken by Norway on the projected North Atlantic defense treaty.

reports of Russian movements in

The informant, who was not

no indication of any similar troop

Norway and Russia now have a

miles that Norway has with Rus-

sia there is another 450 miles with

(He said that the famous North

Bill Approved

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 -(AP)-

units in six years was approved

today by the senate banking com-

The multi - billion dollar mea-

vote after the committee had re-

Bricker (R-Ohio) to bar segro-

federally financed projects.

thrown open to senate debate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 -(AP)-

mittee decided today not to call

General MacArthur from his work

Senator Knowland (R-Calif.)

Japanand other far eastern areas.

as a witness.

MacArthur to

mittee.

Finnish peace treaty.

Soviet military grip.

telligence.

WPA has the administration hung out the "Come and Get it" banner with such abandon as in the bill sent up to congress this week for expansion of social security. While President Truman forwarded the bill — which had been prepared by Oscar Ewing's federal security agency - it is doubtful if he knew just how much of a Santa Claus it would make of Uncle Sam, at the expense of wage-earners and employers. The Finland, which is now in a tight bill is a leap toward the welfare state with the "life of Riley" assured the idle and impecunious.

Not all of the bill is bad, but Norway-Russian frontier - is a the "Home Relief" feature makes military pushover and that a batthe government the universal talion of Soviet troops could seize almoner. It puts the federal treas- it any time the Kremlin ordered.) ury into what we call in Oregon | The Soviet Union recently pro-"general assistance," and in a big way too. Under this feature the government would contribute \$50 way has made clear she will not month for one needy person; enter into such a treaty. Instead, another \$50 a month for an addi- Norway is prepared to cast her tional person in a home and \$20 fortunes with countries in the proa month for each additional per- posed North Atlantic treaty. son. The state contribution would to 75 per cent of the cost, the government contributing in inbe in addition, ranging from 40 verse ratio to the states, in order to equalize benefits over the coun-With that income one wonders just what would get a man off the relief rolls, once he got on.

der the social security law. Now it amounts to only \$36.75 a month where a person has earned \$200 a month. The general average under state old age assistance programs runs to about \$46 in the \$6 highest states. Oregon is pre-paring to pay \$50 a month. That goes to needy aged who have made

(Continued on editorial page)

## Fourth Month Of Price Drop

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24-(P) - Stay in Japan The labor department reported tonight a fourth straight month's drop in living costs.

The department's bureau of labor statistics consumers price index declined .3 per cent between mid-December and mid-January. in the far east. This continued a downtrend from

The new index for mid-January is 1.2 per cent above a year ago. It is 28.2 per cent over June 1946 patches. The general thereupon missioners "feel that Hammond is when major price controls were wrote Senator Tydings (D-Md.) a capable administrator, and the abandoned and 73.3 per cent above chairman of the committee, ex-

the August 1939 level. The drop from the August-Sep-

tember high is 2.1 per cent.

### **Animal Crackers** By WARREN GOODRICH



"Isn't that cute? I wish we had a camera,"

# Decision Pending

PORTLAND, Feb. 24 -(AP)- The army engineers opened bids on construction of the Detroit dam (There have been no previous on the North Santiam river today a major flood control and power project which will cost, in all, some \$65,000,000.

Low bid on the dam itself was quotable by name, said there was \$28,230,509, submitted by Consolidated Builders, Inc., Portland. It 000,000 school support fund. movements against the Finnish was well below the government estimate. Three other firms entered bids, and all were referred final setback of the session. short common frontier in the far engineer for study. north. The frontier was establish-

ed when the Petsamo region of The job covers a concrete grav-Finland was ceded to the Soviet ity dam with outlet gates and Union under terms of the Russo- valves, penstocks, trash racks, stilling basin, control house, and (Associated Press correspondent other structures. The dam lies 12 Daniel De Luce, who is now tour- miles east of Mill City.

ing Norway, said in a recent dis-The successful bidder will be patch that her defenses in the gin work 10 days after notice to north are weak and presumably an proceed, and must complete the open book to Soviet military in- dam in slightly more than 31/2 years. The project is scheduled to delivering power before (He pointed out that in addition 1955.

to the common frontier of 122 \$31,541,856 for the job. Other bidders were Guy F. Atkinson Co., a joint venture of six firms, \$32,-722,282; Santiam Constructors, a group of Los Angeles firms, \$34,-798,775; Morrison-Knudsen Co., Cape—the region adjacent to the

## Yugoslavs Ask **South Austrian** Slovene State

LONDON, Feb. 23 -(AP)- Yugoslavia asked the Big Four today to set up a self-governing Slovene province in southern Austria as a compromise move to break the Austrian treaty deadlock.

A Yugoslav spokesman hinted One provision in the proposed A vast new home building pro-legislation has merit, that is to gram calling for construction of ernment would cut its territorial that Premier Marshal Tito's govincrease the annuity paid out un- \$10,000 low rent public housing and reparations demands on Austria if some 80,000 Austrian slovenes are granted autonomy.

The compromise proposal was presented by Yugoslav deputy forsure was endorsed by a 9 to 3 eign Minister Ales Bebler to deputy foreign ministers of the United jected an amendment by Senator States, Britain, France and Russia, who have been deadlocked gation or discrimination in the more than two years in trying to write an Austrian independence

Although this civil rights dis-The long-standing Yugoslav pute was settled momentarily it claim for 800 square miles of souprobably will be revived tomorthern Austria and \$150,000,000 in row when the housing bill is reparations has been the main stumbling block to East - West

#### Hammond to Keep **Liquor Control** Administrator Post The senate armed services com-

PORTLAND, Feb. 24-(AP)-Wilin Japan to testify on conditions liam H. Hammond, who resigned as liquor control administrator when the new liquor commission the August-September alltime had asked that he be summoned took office, was reappointed to-MacArthur noted the report of

Carl W. Hogg, Salem, commis-Knowland's request in press dis- sion chairman, said the new com- women to the county chairman and chairman of the committee, ex- best interests of the commission pressing the hope it would not call and the state will be served in

him to testify on conditions in asking him to remain." The commission had tentatively He said his work in Japan was accepted Hammond's resignation at pressing, nd he was unable to first. Hogg said the decision was

## **More FHA Loans for Farmers Asked by State Farmers Union**

AURORA, Ore., Feb. 24-(AP)- ges in the 1949 program, and ad-More FHA loans for farmers were opted the following resolutions: asked today by the Oregon Farmers union at the close of its 39th

Delegates to the three-day con- state withholding tax. vention also called for elimination of the credit restrictions which re- and referendum laws. quire a large down payment on automobiles and farm machinery on ballot measures. The convention reelected Ronald E. Jones, Brooks, as president, and J. G. Matzke, Clackamas rather than in November. county, as vice-president. Frank 7 Asked Governor Down was elected a director. Two other directors - - Eldon Emerson, Was- Oregon State college.

co county, and William Jensen, Linn county - - were reelected. mittee recommendations for chan- routes.

 Opposed daylight saving. 2. Opposed increases in fishing

or hunting license fees. 3. Recommended repeal of the Opposed changes in initiative

Called for plainer language 6. Asked that precinct commit-

teemen again be elected in May, 7. Asked Governor Douglas Mc-Schulmerich, Washington county, Kay to investigate the management and costs of dormitories at

8. Urged logging concerns to build their own roads where pos-The convention approved com- sible to prevent damage to public

# Sunny Skies Lift Temperature to 62 State Civilian Defense Agency Urged

Thursday, so he strapped it to

the front of his mailbag, adding

(Statesman photo.)

off again today.

uary cold.

ion rules.

down the demands.

Robins Head

For Northwest

SANTA MONICA, Calif., Feb.

southern California, but with their

unerring instinct headed for Mex-

ico this season - in advance of

this section's record-breaking Jan-

Union Trouble

PENDLETON, Feb. 24 -(AP)-

The cowboys and the rodeo own-

ers were wrestling today over un-

The International Rodeo asso-

ciation declared that the Rodeo

ing demands which "violated op-

en-show agreements." It turned

that only contestants holding RCA

cards be allowed to compete, and

that RCA members who halt pay-

ing dues be blacklisted. The cow-

boys also asked that arena man-

agement secretaries collect fines

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24-(AP)-

Senator Morse (R-Dre) said today

he will introduce a substitute for

if senate labor committee demo-

crats block revision of the admin-

In that event, Morse said, he is

hopeful that Senator Ives (R-NY)

and Senator Taft (R-Ohio) will

join him. He made the announce-

ment after a long conference with

"I am sure," said Morse, "that

Also, he said, any labor bill they

If the democrats refuse to modi-

fy the administration bill, he will

any bill backed by Ives, Taft and

jointly oppose will be defeated.

Morse will pass the senate."

istration measure.

Ives.

**Morse May Write** 

The cowboy group had asked

near the Canadian border.

Rodeo Faces

### **School Fund Hike** Wins House Vote

By Wendell Webb

Managing Editor, The Statesman A demand for a \$100,000 civilian defense agency to combat atomic war vied for top legislative billing Thursday with a narrow and And repeal of the milk control

act got its second and probably It was a busy legislative day. The school support fund was

kept alive when the house voted A public hearing on the bill to prohibit erection of signs along highways and county roads will be conducted by the senate roads

and highways committee today

at 1 o'clock in room 309 at the

state capitol.

33 to 27 against accepting a minority report of its education committee recommending that the bill be killed. The favorable majority report was accepted instead, and unless opponents can muster another three votes the measure probably will be passed and sent to the senate sometime today.

Milk control survived when the senate voted 22 to 8 against a bill to repeal the act. A similar bill was killed in the house Tuesday. Would Create Council

The proposal for a civilian defense setup came from the house military affairs committee. It would create a new state department under a council of five persons to be named by the governor, with a \$3,600-a-year director, and includes provisions for "metropolitan area directors" and "mobile reserve battalions" whose members would get \$5 a day while on duty and would swear they were not communists.

The measure mentioned "the existing and increasing possibility of the occurence of a disaster of unprecedented size and destructiveness resulting from enemy attack, sabotage or other hostile action." A companion bill calls for a na-

tional guard reserve. Double Mileage Allotment

The house Thursday passed and sent to the senate bills to allow union high school districts to operate junior highs; extend for two years permission to use recreational parks for temporary housing, and double the mileage allotments in sparsely-populated school dis-

The senate passed and sent to the governor the house-approved bill allowing blind persons to choose their own assistant in marking ballots, instead of relying on the polling clerks.

In addition to bills for civilian defense, new introductions in the house included measures to increase salaries of Linn county officers; bar sale of fireworks except between June 20 and July 5, and make party national committeemen elective by state committees rather than by the state at large. **Enlarge Committees** 

The latter bill, introduced by Reps. Francis Ziegler and Giles French, also would add state committeemen and state committeevice chairmen who now make up the state committees.

Seventeen measures will be up for final action in the senate today, including those to repeal the community property law, let high schools offer university extension courses, and increases industrial accident benefits.

Fourteen measures will be up for final passage in the house, including the basic school support bill, another allowing teachers to Own Substitute for

(Additional details pages 6 and 7.)

## THE WEATHER

ing the morning hours, becoming creasingly cloudy in afternoon night. High today near 60. Low tonight

SALEM PRECIPITATION

### Sheds Coat Flood Stage Here

Spring weather came to Salem again in the late afternoon.

The sharp rise of temperature accompanied by bright sunshine ley's flood situation. The Willamette was climbing near flood stage Thursday night before the valstage Thursday night but was not expected to go above the mark at Salem. The river reading was 18.1 Mudslinging feet at midnight Thursday.

Springlike weather blessed the whole state Thursday with Medford copping the high mercury reading of 66 degrees. Eugene and Portland joined Salem in a warm 62, Roseburg had 61, Redmond 59, Brookings 58, Klamath Falls 56 and La Grande 51.

Salem's 62 was the highest reading recorded here since last President Truman's fishing com-October 19 when the mercury rose to 64. It brought hibernating put me in bed with my enemies." residents from the long winter cold to scan flower beds and gar-

layers of silt from mud-marooned top-level defense job. Helix. County officers surveyed several bridge washouts and some of Wallgren after chairman Tyd-Mailman Clifford Stephens, 1368 farmers gazed at wheat fields ings (D-Md) demanded more N. 4th st., found Salem's wea- where floods had left as much as "facts" and "a little less innuendo"

## another note of spring to Salem's warmest day of the year. Long List of

24 -(A)- Take heart, you chill-bitten northerners: If the robins The Bulgarian justice ministry are right, your winter's about made public tonight voluminous Thousands of them, migrating pleas of guilt and repentance by tic official that political plums northward, spent a noisy night in 15 Protestant churchmen going on Santa Monica canyon, and took trial tomorrow on charges of spy-

Many robins usually winter in Britain. Through the 2,266 pages ran such phrases as:

beg clemency. Dr. W. E. Martin of USC said the feathered flight probably is chance to work for the motherbound for its normal summering land."

> Ilia Timev, deputy minister of justice, produced 144 pages which he said were in the handwriting of the Rev. Vassil Georgiev Ziapkov, 48, head of the Congregational church in Bulgaria and re- The flood-swollen Umpqua river igious representative of the Unit- was dragged today for the bodies ed Evangelical churches - Con- of three men, thrown out by a gregational, Baptist, Methodist capsized tug boat yesterday.

main figure in plots to send Amermation about the Bulgarian army.

Deputies in the Marion county sheriff's office donned new tan and tightened, and pulled the tug tomobiles stranded in high water. brown uniforms Thursday replacing the old green garb. The new uniforms include brown shirt with could get a boat to the scene, the tan trousers, jacket, hat and tie. three men had vanished.

of the term "S. O. B." in a speech

impromptu speech by the presi-

Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan.

A reporter asked what reaction

Vaughan has been under attack

Laughingly, he answered re- tioner they certainly weren't nom-

porters' questions about his use of inated by U. S. government, and

the derogatory initials. The inci- he added probably they were nom-

dent defending his military aide, got official attention in the house

by Radio Commentator Drew his colleagues he believes that "a

Pearson for accepting a decora- man who feels impelled to resort

In his speech at the Army-Navy President Truman is not the kind

dent occurred in the course of an inated by themselves.

conference so today.

tion from Argentina.

whom to hire or fire.

# Willamette Near

Thursday with the mercury climbing to a heart and soul warming 62 degrees. And the weatherman forecast more of same for today. though skies will become cloudy

# **Bulgars Reveal** 'Confessions'

documents represented as mass veiled hints by a former democraing for the United States and gime as governor.

admit my guilt. "I repent.

#### Marion County Sheriff Cowboys association were mak-Deputies Don New Garb

Wallgren, President Truman's nominee for chairman of the National Security Resources board, shakes his glasses today as he denies before the senate armed services committee that he was "soft with communists" while governor of Washington state. (AP Wirephoto to the

# Wallgren Tells

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 - (AP) -Mon C. Wallgren confronted Senator Cain (D-Wash) in a spirited face - to - face session today and heatedly denied that he was ever

Testifying before the senate armed service committee, the for- da of those who cry "superstate." mer Washington state governor and panion, charged Cain is "trying to Cain has been Wallgren's chief

opponent in senate hearings on Mr. Truman's nomination of Wall-Umatilla county meanwhile gren as \$14,000-a-year chairman struggled with problems left by of the national security resources Monday's floods. Trucks and scra- board. Cain has accused the expers were trying to clear deep governor of being unfit to hold the Cain took over the examination

n the testimony against Wallgren. Cain retorted that such testimony would be forthcoming "in due time." During the noon recess, he

told reporters: "This thing is just Earlier, Sen. Knowland (R-Calif) drew an acknowledgement from Wallgren that he had supported former Rep. Hugh de Dacy (D-Wash) for congress in 1944. Knowland said de Lacy had been identified as a member of the communist party in testimony before the Washington state un-American

activities committee last year. Knowland then turned to thinly-

Wallgren said he had nothing to do with such favors and said he had the official fired from his post.

SCOTTSBURG, Feb. 24 - (AP)

The three victims were Alden Ziapkov is accused of being the Leach, 51, pilot, Reedsport; Clarence Andruss, 40, Reedsport; and ican and British observers infor- Vernon Thornton, 25, Scottsburg. All three were seen swimming through the swift current, but apparently failed to make shore.

A boom operator who saw the accident said the tug Adel was pulling a log raft when one log caught on piling. The tow line been damaged and nearly 500 austern under water.

By the time the boom operator

The case of the naughty initials

Rep. Hoffman (R-Mich) told

to such language as that used by

ident's feelings toward Pearson.

praise "the unmistakable candor"

of representatives.

# Controversial Opposes Special Interests'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 -(P)-President Truman said tonight he may tour the country in a nationwide fight against "pressure groups" and "die-hard reactionaries" who, he said, are trying to kill his legislative program.

Mr. Truman lashed out against "special interests" in a stronglyworded address prepared for deivery before a packed Jefferson-Jackson day dinner, the democratic party's annual fund-raising

Opponents Active

He said these opponents are using lobbies, advertising space, editorial pages and columnists and commentators whom "they control" to "twist and misrepresen the measures the people voted

"Special interests," he said "are again trying to frighten the people with the old, worn-out bugaboo that socialism is taking over in Washington."

But Mr. Truman said he found out in his campaign travels last year that the people are vitally interested in what their government is doing.

Concern Is Fine Thing "This concern on the part of the people is a fine thing for the growth of democracy and responsible government," Mr. Truman said, adding:

"I propose to do all I can to help it along. In fact, I may even get out and tell the people how their government is getting on." "If we keep the people fully in-formed," he said, "I am confident that they will support the congress and the president in our fight against the special interests."
He said his administration will not be deceived by the propagan-

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 -(AP)-President Truman today reaffirmed his stand that America should stick by the Marshall plan until European recovery is won. But, taking note of British optimism. he said the task might not take four years, as originally contem-

Disclaims Suggestion Mr. Truman gave no support to suggestions, arising on Capitol Hill and elsewhere, that recovery aid might be throttled down now in view of optimistic reports on

If it takes four years, that's all right, the president said. Perhaps it will take less if the British reports are correct, he said, but the plan should be continued until recovery is assured.

# Redondo Beach,

REDONDO BEACH, Calif., Feb. 24-(P)-Forty-foot ground swells ripped homes on the Strand betweed Redondo and Hermosa Beaches today, causing the evacu-ation of several families and \$100,-

000 property damage.

Boulders from the huge seawall were tossed like marbles by the storm. Foundations were under-mined, sections of sidewalk destroyed, paving caved in, and streets were flooded.

Electricity was cut off as the storm knocked down power poles. The coast highway was blocked by boulders and debris swept in by the angry waves.
At full tide some persons had to

be taken from second story win-dows. Water was rushing four feet deep along the Strand. Nearly all barricades erected on

private property fronting the ocean were battered down. The granite seawall which tects an area eight blocks long sank from one to four feet. Six-foot tides are scheduled early tomorrow,

After waves receded, authorities reported some 25 homes had In some places, officers said, 30pound stones had been hurled over beach-front buildings by the rampaging surf.

## Truman 'Well Satisfied' Israel Makes With Reaction to Cussin' New U.N. Bid

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 - (AP) - | conference, the president suggest-President Truman is very well ed that Pearson and Argentina's LAKE SUCCESS, Feb. 24-(AP)satisfied at the reaction to his use President Juan Peron may have Israel made a new bid tonight for membership in the United Na-Tuesday night. He told a news nominated themselves for the Nobel peace prize. He told a ques-

Israeli spokesmen said their country expected to be admitted soon since Israel has been recognized now by 39 members, or more than a two-thirds majority of the 58 united nations.

Israel's previous bid for U.N. membership failed in the security council last December 17.

NEW RIOTS AT DURBAN FRETORIA, South Africa, Feb. Country club, Mr. Truman said of a man who should hold the of- 24-(AP)-Two hundred police are no "S. O. B." was going to tell him fice honored by Washington and being sent today to Durban where renewed rioting between Indians Lincoln." Hoffman said, however, that he sympathized with the pres- and Zulus is threatened. Scores of persons, mainly Indians, were Rep. Cox (D-Ga) jumped up to killed in riots several weeks ago at Durban and there was another

#### earn increased pensions, and a memorial urging maintenance of Truman Labor Bill airports constructed by the federal government during World War Both the senate and house will resume at 10 a.m. the Truman labor bill next week

Chicago New York Willamette river 18.1 feet. FORECAST (from U.S. weather bu-eau, McNary field, Salem): Fair dur-

introduce a susbtitute next Wed- he had received to the remark. nesday, he said, along with Ives Mr. Truman said the reaction was and Taft if they can get together | very satisfactory to him. on terms, but alone if they can't. And, at another point in the of the president's remarks.