

# War Powers Act Receives Lower Priority

WASHINGTON, June 12—(AP)—The administration is sharply revising its peacetime planning for possible future war and has decided against pressing congress for early enactment of stand-by war powers.

These decisions were reported today by responsible officials. They coincide with what one top official called a "quiet, de-militarization" of the national security resources board, under orders from the White House.

The blunting of NSRB's teeth was accompanied by the departure of perhaps 100 officials from the 400-man agency, one high government source reported privately.

NSRB is charge with planning the industrial and civilian mobilization of the country for any future war emergency. It is made up of seven cabinet-rank officials plus a chairman — temporarily, John R. Steelman — who runs the staff.

Mobilization Act The war powers bill, one of NSRB's major responsibilities, was conceived as a detailed mobilization act to become effective automatically on the declaration of a war emergency by congress.

A tentative, 20-point draft was ready in December. It would have provided a full array of priority and seizure powers, along with controls over prices, manpower, production and transportation.

The bill never got to congress, and officials today told why: Mr. Truman has decided it would be inappropriate, and perhaps impossible, to attempt passage of such legislation in peacetime.

Keeping it in Readiness Instead, NSRB now is devoting itself to perfecting the bill and keeping it up to date in readiness to be rushed to Capitol Hill. The administration feels there need be no fears over prompt action by congress if and when a war crisis comes.

Mr. Truman wants NSRB to operate as a planning and advisory agency, not an operating one, it was explained. Under present policy, it will continue to analyze the country's resources, attempt to spot bottlenecks, and lay plans for swift and effective mobilization — but it won't verge into the operating field, even on a mock-war-fair basis.

# Man Admits Stealing Car

A car missing from Portland since last August was recovered early Sunday by city police. Arrested, charged with larceny of the auto was Raymond Frank Whaley, 37, alias Patrick J. Malone, of Portland. He was lodged in the city jail; bail was not set.

A patrolman apprehended Whaley on finding him asleep in the car which was parked on a lot at 4060 Portland rd. In a signed statement he admitted taking the car from Portland Aug. 11, 1948 and registering it in the name of Patrick J. Malone by using a registration slip from a similar auto.

# Salary Issue To Top Council Budget Session

Questions on salaries of city department heads and on what effect different pension plans should have on city police and fire department salaries are expected to highlight tonight's consideration of the 1949-50 city budget by city council and budget committee.

The two groups will meet in city hall at 7:30 p. m. in an attempt to take final action on a proposed \$1,658,000 budget which as drafted is within the 6 per cent increase limitation. Presented by city manager J. L. Franzen in the new budget and endorsed by Mayor R. L. Elfrstrom is a \$20 monthly salary increase for city police officers. Biggest storm at the recent initial budget hearing was the omission of an increase in firemen's salaries which generally have been on a par with policemen's.

Planned Recommendations Alderman Albert H. Gille, chairman of a special subcommittee, said last night his committee will bring in several salary recommendations at variance with those in the proposed budget, but that overall budget totals would be about the same as already on paper.

He declined to elaborate on the committee report before it reaches the budget session. Other members are Alderman Daniel J. Fry and J. W. Simeral. Interest in Salaries Appointment of the subcommittee was prompted by budget committee questions on the wide spread in city department head salaries. Here are the monthly salaries in the proposed budget: City manager, \$750; city water manager, \$518; city engineer, \$415; city treasurer, \$325; city recorder, \$335; city attorney, \$440; city librarian, \$330; police chief, 400; fire chief, \$380.

Increases over last year in the department head salaries as now proposed are: City attorney, \$75; fire chief, \$25; police chief, \$45. Other top salaries remain unchanged except the water manager whose salary is \$8 less per month because the water department salaries are geared to a cost-of-living scale.

A regular city council session will follow the budget meeting. Joint Funeral for 5 After Fire Leaves Only One to Mourn SOMERSET, Pa., June 12—(AP)—Charles Faidley, 34, was alone in his grief tonight.

Early Thursday morning fire swept the Faidley's farm home near here. He and his 24-year-old pregnant wife, Alice, tried to rescue their four children. But all four—Mary Ann, one; Charles, two; Barbara, four; and Gilbert, six—burned to death.

# Truman Sends Farm Program To Corn Belt

WASHINGTON, June 12—(AP)—President Truman's top political lieutenants are headed for the corn belt with the administration's big farm program as a vote-getting argument for 1950.

They will open a two-day political conference in Des Moines, Iowa, this afternoon, aiming to lay the groundwork for next year's congressional campaigns and to hold democratic farm gains of last fall.

From the capital are coming such democratic leaders as Vice President Barkley, Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, Secretary of Labor Tobin, Attorney General Clark, Senator J. Howard McGrath of Rhode Island, the democratic national chairman, and Senator Elmer Thomas of Oklahoma, chairman of the senate agriculture committee.

The farm conference is the first major field move of the democrats in their battle with the republicans for the farm vote. To Sell Democrats The immediate goal of the meeting will be to sell the farm-conscious midwest the idea that democrats can and will do more than the republicans to solve the post-war problems of agricultural over-production and declining prices.

The sales talk will center largely on a new farm plan advanced this spring by Secretary Brannan. The plan features high-level returns to farmers for their products and cheap food for consumers when there are surpluses. The gap between high returns to producers and low prices for consumers would be bridged by government payments to the farmers.

Why Oppose But Senator Kenneth S. Wherry, of Nebraska, republican floor leader in the senate, sought to take the edge off the democratic sales campaign. In a nationally-broadcast speech from Alliance, Neb., last night, Wherry charged that the Brannan plan would "socialize" agriculture.

He said its cost would be prohibitive and that its operation would put farmers under direct control of thousands of government agents. Erickson was shot in the groin, when Schultz opened fire with a rifle as Erickson approached carrying another rifle.

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In the shooting Erickson fell in the street. His rifle was not fired, the prosecutor said. Erickson was shot in the groin, when Schultz opened fire with a rifle as Erickson approached carrying another rifle.

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# Truman Marches with Buddies



LITTLE ROCK, Ark., June 12—Marching in front of his World War I Battery D buddies, President Harry S. Truman waves to cheering thousands that line the parade route in Little Rock, Ark., as the 35th Division marched in their annual parade. In front row marchers (left to right) Frank Spina, carrying Battery D guidon, Sec. of Defense Louis Johnson, Truman, Gov. Sid Math of Arkansas and Major Gen. Harry Vaughan. The president addressed a crowd in Little Rock's War Memorial Stadium in which he called for the rearming of Europe and disclosed he soon would ask congress to help needy areas of the world. (AP Wirephoto to the Statesman.)

# Wild West Shooting Leaves Men In Canyon City Hospital, Jail

CANYON CITY, Ore., June 12—(AP)—Tennessee Billy Schultz was in jail tonight and a drinking companion in a hospital with a bullet wound after a cowboy shooting at nearby Dayville.

District Attorney E. B. Truesdell said no charge had been filed against Schultz pending developments in the condition of Lloyd Erickson, 37, who is in the Blue Mountain General hospital. Erickson was shot in the groin, when Schultz opened fire with a rifle as Erickson approached carrying another rifle.

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# Suspects Held In Colorado Student Death

BOULDER, Colo., June 12—(AP)—Boulder authorities announced today arrest of two suspects in the bludgeoning slaying of Roy G. Spore, Jr., 19-year-old Colorado university sophomore. Police Chief Myron Teegarden said one suspect is being held in jail at Laramie, Wyo., on vagrancy charges, and the second is being held in Boulder county jail here.

Young Spore was beaten and thrown in Boulder creek here Thursday night by an unknown assailant, a coroner's jury said death was by drowning. Police have a partial description of Spore's attacker, however, from Doris Weaver, university coed with whom Spore was on a date at the time of the attack.

The man being held at Laramie is reported by police there to fit the description given by Miss Weaver, who said Spore's assailant was of medium height, slight build and dark complexion. Two Laramie policemen spent most of today in Boulder being briefed on details of the killing and are returning to Laramie tonight to continue questioning of the suspect held there.

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# Archbishop Defies Decrees Of Czech Reds

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, June 12—(AP)—A new clerical letter signed by Archbishop Josef Beran and breathing defiance of government decrees was disclosed Saturday just after the arrest of the secretary of the lay organization Catholic Action.

A high Roman Catholic church authority said Dr. Antonin Mandl, 30-year-old secular priest and secretary of the church-sponsored organization, was seized at his home by secret police Friday night and "we do not know the charges against him."

It was the first important arrest in the growing church-state conflict, though the church authority estimated that "more than 100" other priests are in prison and more "are being arrested every day." The arrest came at a time when a government-approved Catholic Action was being set up.

The Czechoslovak press listed 118 priests who it said signed a statement entering the new Catholic Action in the campaign against the church headed by Archbishop Beran. "We cannot know for certain that the priests named actually signed the proclamation," the church authority said.

Archbishop Beran had predicted the formation of such a group as a step toward a state-controlled Catholic church and has reminded of the penalties of excommunication for all participating in such a movement. The clerical letter, sent privately to priests throughout Czechoslovakia, was approved at a conference of Bishops at Olomouc last Tuesday.

It vowed never to submit to enslavement of the church "by anybody or under any pretext." It banned the use of the word "Catholic" in government-sponsored organizations. New Bus Stops Leave Twenty Less Meters

As Salem's downtown bus stop locations were transferred to new corners Sunday, a number of metal posts that have for many months been used only to hold cigarette butts, to catch rainwater and for youngsters to swing on were put to their intended use—holding parking meters.

But a count Sunday afternoon revealed that there are plenty of meters displaced by the new bus stops. A net of 20 metered slots were lost by parkers in the move, although a half dozen of these may be recovered with the installation of new posts and meters in former bus stops.

With Sunday a light day in bus travel, passengers experienced little difficulty in finding the buses. Signs have been placed at former bus stops, pointing the way to new locations. Terminals are now on Commercial street adjacent to Court street, for both Salem and West Salem buses.

Baseball Tonight Salem Senators vs. Vancouver 8:00 P. M. NEW GAME TIME WATERS FIELD Box Seat Reservations Phone 3-4647

# Harvey Moyer Dies in Wreck

(Story also on page 1) ALBANY, June 12—(Special) Harvey E. Moyer, Jefferson route 1, who died from injuries incurred in an auto accident Sunday morning, was born March 2, 1928, in Hugo, Okla., and came to the Talbot area six years ago with his parents. On April 22 1946, he enlisted in the army and was sent to Germany, where he sustained injuries which resulted in his discharge. He reached the rank of technician fifth grade.

He was a member of the Baptist church. Survivors are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie F. Moyer, Jefferson route 1; four brothers, Sgt. William in the army in Germany, Lonnie, jr., Chicago, Richard and C. W., both of Jefferson; two sisters, Mrs. Daisy Chambers, Corvallis route 3, and Martha Lois Moyer, Jefferson.

The Fisher Funeral home here is in charge of funeral arrangements. 86% of Trieste Voters Flock to Polls Sunday

TRIESTE, FREE TERRITORY, June 12—(AP)—Nearly 86 per cent of Trieste's registered voters voted today in the city's first free elections since 1922. Communism, Titoism and Yugoslav — Italian were the confusing issues.

No violence was reported during the day. Campaigning had been vigorous and marked by some tension. Strong police forces quickly halted a few attempts by communists to intimidate voters near electoral offices on the outskirts of Trieste. Of a total of 198,309 registered voters, 167,000 voted when the polls closed at 9 p. m. More than half of those qualified to ballot were women.

Eugenio Laurenti, chief of the pro-Tito communist popular front, complained that some of his followers were not allowed to vote because they had identity cards issued in the Yugoslav-controlled zone of the free territory. Laurenti said "We do not consider the Trieste elections as free and impartial."

In London, Tanjug, official Yugoslav News agency, charged that many Slovenes with full voting rights were not permitted to ballot. On the other hand, spokesmen for the Italian liberal party, Christian Democrat party and the pro-Italian bloc of right-wing parties praised the way in which the election was held.

Full official returns may not be known until Tuesday. EL SINORE NOW TECHNICOLOR FRED GINGER ASTAIRE-ROGERS THE BARKLEYS BROADWAY And—"CAUGHT"

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# British Warn Workers in German Ruhr

BERLIN, June 12—(AP)—The British commissioner in the Ruhr warned today that German resistance to dismantling of four synthetic oil plants would be answered with "force."

Maj. Gen. W. H. A. Bishop, in a radio broadcast from Cologne, said dismantling work will start tomorrow. "It is my duty," he said, "to issue a solemn warning that resistance to the entry for operations of the dismantling workers is resistance to the orders of the British Military government. If this resistance is maintained, I shall have no alternative to immediately closing down these plants, and if necessary, to employing that degree of force which is required to achieve this end."

Workers forming a "human wall" prevented dismantling from getting underway in the plants last week. At Duesseldorf British authorities said they will have troops standing by at the plants tomorrow.

Gen. Bishop, head of military government for north Rhine-Westphalia, which includes the Ruhr, said he would do everything in his power to find other jobs for men who dismantling rendered unemployed but he was "equally determined that the orders of the Allied governments will be obeyed."

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