

Word War Yarns Over Pearson's Printing Bills

Who's a what? State Treasurer Walter Pearson's \$160.80 printing bill sparked a heated session of the state board of control Tuesday but there still was no specific answer as to what will happen to it.

The bill was for 10,000 state documents, outlining the duties of the state treasury department and showing a photograph of a \$1-990,000 state check signed by the state treasurer, which were printed in the state's printing plant for public distribution.

Governor McKay replied that the legislature had provided him with a traveling expense account and he could spend it in any way he desired.

\$60,000 Blaze Destroys Hay Barn at State Prison Annex



By Charles A. Sprague

A spectacular fire destroyed a wooden barn filled with hay and valued at nearly \$60,000 at the state penitentiary annex southeast of Salem Tuesday night.

Origin of the blaze that quickly roared through 800 tons of hay was undetermined.

No reports of convicts who might have escaped were received by prison officials. Many inmates aided in battling the fire.

The blaze was discovered shortly before 7 p.m. by Eugene Halley, deputy prison warden, who was leaving the annex for penitentiary headquarters.

Fire departments in Salem and Four Corners were notified immediately and responded with four trucks and about 35 men.

The barn was a total loss within 20 minutes. Firemen kept flames from spreading to a farm implement shed bordering the barn and to two cattle barns just east of the burning structure.

Cattle in the barns were removed to safety by annex inmates within minutes after the fire was discovered.

No evidence of arson. Halley said he smelled no oil or gasoline on first viewing the blaze and no evidence that it might have been deliberately set has been found.

The loss is fully covered by the state restoration fund in lieu of commercial insurance.

A hay stacker in the flaming barn was salvaged by inmates and firemen who used a low chain to haul the stacker from flames.

Only casualties reported were a pet dog who was tied inside the barn and burned to death, and an unidentified inmate who ran a nail through his foot.

Most of the annex inmates were attending a movie when the fire was discovered. When the lights of the movie hall were turned off, flames could be seen flaring in the darkness.

Everett Kaiser, superintendent at the prison farm, estimated damage to the building, constructed during World War II, at \$25,000. Hay in the barn was valued at another \$32,000.

The barn, 255 by 55 feet in area, was located below a cliff that protected the main annex building from flames. Fire hoses played water on the blaze from three sides of the barn.

Fire Chief William Robie of Salem estimated that the fire would be burning many hours and concentrated his squad's efforts on preventing flames from spreading. Burning rafters were crashing to the ground for several hours.

State police set up roadblocks on highways leading to the prison to prevent spectators from entering the area. The fire was visible from the east Salem city limits.

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Talmadge District Votes Down Zoning Proposal

INDEPENDENCE, Oct. 25—Voters defeated Tuesday the proposed Talmadge zoning district involving property bounding the Independence-Monmouth highway.

The tally was 47 to 12. Only landowners who lived in the proposed district were eligible to vote. Boundaries were the city limits of the two towns and extended 1,000 feet back from each side of the highway.

Approval of the proposed district would have brought regulation of future construction in the area.

STRIKE ACTION DELAYED

DETROIT, Oct. 25—The CIO United Auto workers and Chrysler corp. agreed today to put aside threat of strike action while they negotiate on pensions the union has demanded.

On Griddle



Prime Minister Attlee

Attlee Policies Attacked by Three Parties

LONDON, Oct. 25—Three parties—conservatives, liberals and independent leftists—called Prime Minister Attlee's economy program too timid tonight and demanded the downfall of his labor government.

The house of commons is to vote on four motions Thursday in the government budget outlay for the year.

The first motion is by Attlee, demanding a vote of confidence.

The second is an amendment by Winston Churchill's conservatives, declaring the government is "taking no sufficient measures" to prevent inflation and restore the national credit abroad.

The third is by the liberal party's 10 members in the house of commons. The fourth is a motion of censure by the independent labor group which objects to the mere four per cent slash in the outlay for defense.

Portland Firm Given Contract To Construct Fairview Hospital

A bid of \$193,678 for construction of a hospital building at Fairview home was accepted by the state board of control here Tuesday.

The low bid, one of eight, was submitted by Maloney and Moore of Portland. The main hospital at the home burned down last May.

The hospital will be one story high, of concrete construction, and a capacity of 37 beds. Of the total amount of money required for construction costs \$92,056 will come from the state restoration account and the remainder from the state building fund.

The board accepted the \$64,000 bid of P. S. Lord, Portland contractor, for installation of two boilers at the Eastern Oregon state tuberculosis hospital.

Russians Demand Recall of Yugoslavia's Ambassador; Full Diplomatic Break Near

Dallas Housing Project Blast Hurts Fourteen

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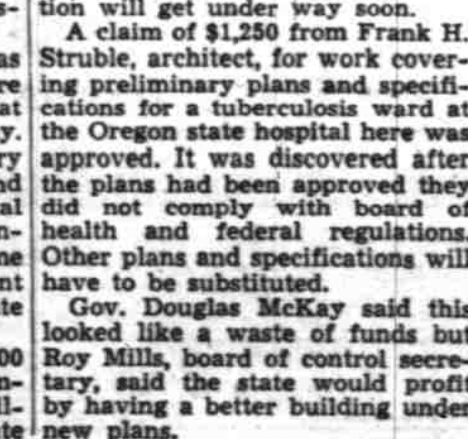
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Action Follows Renunciation Of Peace Pact

LONDON, Wednesday, Oct. 26—(AP)—The Soviet Union said today it has demanded the recall of the Yugoslav ambassador to Moscow because he is guilty of "spying and subversive activities" against Russia.

The action followed Russia's renunciation last month of her treaty of friendship with Yugoslavia. It brought Moscow perilously close to a full diplomatic break with Marshal Tito's government.

The Russian ambassador to Belgrade has been absent from his post for many weeks.

Karl Mrazovic, the Yugoslav ambassador to Russia, went to Moscow last Dec. 16 when relations between Yugoslavia and Russia were already near the boiling point.

The economic squeeze put on Yugoslavia by Russia and her eastern satellites was in full effect. Moscow dispatches at the time said only a minor Russian protocol officer was sent to greet Mrazovic on his arrival.

The Moscow radio, which announced the demand for the recall of Mrazovic, said it was contained in a note handed to the Yugoslav embassy in Moscow yesterday.

The text of the note: "The ministry of foreign affairs of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics has been authorized by the Soviet government to inform the Yugoslav government of the following:

"During the Budapest trial of the state criminal and spy (Laso) Rajk and his accomplices it was established that the present Yugoslav ambassador in the U. S. S. R., Mrazovic, had for a long time engaged in spying and subversive activities against the Soviet Union, and while being Yugoslav ambassador in the U. S. S. R. had come out in the Yugoslav press with slanderous fabrications against the Soviet Union.

"In view of this the Soviet government considers it impossible for Yugoslavia to continue to be Yugoslavia's diplomatic representative in the USSR."

The Soviet demand that Marshal Tito recall his ambassador was the latest development in the feud between Yugoslavia and the communist bloc.

The Soviet-led association of eastern communist nations which has accused Tito of being anti-Russian and deviating from the true Marxist line.

The Soviet Union suffered a defeat on the diplomatic front last week when Yugoslavia was elected to the United Nations security council over Czechoslovakia, the latter a faithful member of the communist bloc.

When Czechoslovakia served notice on Yugoslavia that it was ending the friendship pact the Czechs also demanded the recall of the Yugoslav ambassador to Prague.

The other communist countries did not go that far.

The Soviet ambassador to Yugoslavia, Anatole I. Levrentiev, was promoted last month to the job of deputy minister of foreign affairs.

Tass, the official Soviet news agency, made no announcement at the time of a successor to Levrentiev in Belgrade. Thus while the post in Belgrade remains vacant, diplomatic relations can continue through minor officials.

Violence Mars Walkout

ALTOONA, Pa., Oct. 25—(AP)—A steam shovel was dynamited at a strip mine operation near Coupon tonight as new violence flared in the western Pennsylvania coal fields.

Brass Hats Harmonious In Chiefs of Staff Meet

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25—(AP)—Bitterly estranged admirals and generals sat down around the table today in what Gen. Omar N. Bradley called a "harmonious" meeting of the U. S. joint chiefs of staff.

Just what they said to each other was kept secret. But the fact that they met at all was considered news, because there had been predictions that they might never work together again, so great has been the split.

Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, chief of naval operations, was among those present. At house hearings he and other admirals assailed the handling of the unified defense setup, saying the navy was being woefully weakened, to the detriment of the national security.

Gen. Bradley, who is chairman of the joint chiefs, thereupon struck back at "Fancy Dan" admirals.

When today's three- and a-quarter hour meeting ended, reporters asked Bradley: "How did things go, General?"

"Fine, fine," the chairman replied. "Was the meeting harmonious?" "Sure," answered Bradley, poker-faced.

Was the testimony before the house committee brought up? "I have no statement," Bradley answered. "It was just a normal meeting of the J.C.S."

Earlier in the day Secretary of Defense Johnson talked over the armed forces row with President Truman, but later kept silent about a possible shakeup in the navy high command.

"We are just working on unification and it is coming along," Johnson told newsmen as he left the White House.

The defense chief refused either to confirm or deny reports that Vice Admiral Forrest Sherman, commander of the U. S. 6th task fleet in the Mediterranean, would succeed Admiral Denfeld as chief of naval operations.