

Acheson Asks U.S. Citizens Wage 'Total Diplomacy' on Russ

Requests Factions Direct All Efforts to Victory in Struggle

WASHINGTON, March 9-(AP)—Secretary of State Acheson called on American men and women tonight to join with their government in a concerted, everybody-in-tussle to defeat Russia's plans for "world domination."

He called it "total diplomacy." The totality he had in mind appeared to be hardly less comprehensive than total war... without the dive bombers and trench mortars. Acheson said the free world is engaged in a struggle fully as decisive for mankind as the successful fight against nazism. But—

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

One of the great historic events in the development of the United States was the driving of the golden spike at Promontory Point, Utah, completing a transcontinental line of railroad.

Of less national importance but of great significance to the Pacific coast was the completion of the line of railroad from Portland to San Francisco. The golden spike to signalize this was driven at Ashland, Oregon in 1887, but what became of that spike remains a mystery.

A special train bearing public officials (governor of California, mayors of cities) railroad officials and others left Oakland, Dec. 16th, 1887, and was routed via Sacramento and Marysville. The train reached Ashland the afternoon of the 17th where the Oregon delegation of officials and prominent citizens

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Leslie High Paper Wins Top Award

A first place rating, the highest offered, was awarded the Broadcaster, Leslie High school paper, Thursday, by the Columbia Scholastic Press association.

Approximately 1,300 student publications in the United States and several foreign countries competed for awards in various classifications, the Associated Press reported from New York.

The Broadcaster competed with offset-printed papers from junior high schools with 100 students or less. Editions judged were those of last fall and last spring when Donald Agnew and Patsy Snider, respectively, were editors.

Last year the association awarded the Broadcaster a second place rating and in 1948, a third place rating.

Woman Charged With Aiding Escape Of Hospital Inmates

Charges of helping two men escape from Oregon state hospital were filed against a Falls City woman in district court here Thursday.

State police arrested Mary Elizabeth White, 22, at Portland where she is alleged to have accompanied one or both of the men Sunday.

Authorities said Ervin Embysk, 28, Pendleton, had a visitor shortly before he was reported missing. He and Eugene Harshberger, 26, Portland, failed to return from ground paroles.

Both men still were listed as missing early today. Hospital spokesmen do not consider them dangerous.

Still missing, also, was 80-year-old Henry Foley who escaped from the hospital Wednesday.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



WICHITA MIL BISON RANGE U.S. DEPT. OF INTERIOR

"Your grandfather was a Republican, but right now we're all Democrats—have been for some time."

Makes Appeal



WASHINGTON, March 9—Sec. of State Dean Acheson who asked that all United States citizens join in an all-out battle of diplomacy against the Russians.

Cancer-Ridden Brother Dies in 'Mercy Killing'

ALLENTOWN, Pa., March 9-(AP)—Harold Mohr, 36-year-old unemployed tannery worker, said today he finally yielded to the persistent pleading of his hopelessly blind, cancer-stricken brother and shot him to death.

District Attorney Kenneth H. Koch, after listening to what he called Harold's "full, frank and honest description" of the death of 55-year-old Walter Mohr, told reporters:

"This death is a mercy killing on the basis of the defendant's statement. There is nothing to indicate to the contrary on the basis of facts as we now know them."

Harold Mohr was held without bail on a murder charge. Sitting in a Lehigh county prison cell, Harold Mohr told the district attorney:

"My brother asked me to shoot him. He often asked me to. I finally decided to do it just last night after dinner."

The defendant told the district attorney Walter had known what was happening, had "heard the click of the gun" as the fatal shell was loaded into the chamber.

"Are you ready?" Koch quoted the defendant as asking his brother.

The reply, Harold said, was "go ahead." Then he fired the gun. Dr. George S. Boyer, Lehigh county coroner, said Walter had been hopelessly blind for 15 years, and had suffered from cancer for the past six years.

Fraud Division Due in Oregon Tax Bureau

The state tax commission is setting up a fraud division to check income tax and corporation excise tax reports, Commissioner Ray Smith announced here Thursday.

The new division will be headquartered at Portland and will employ six auditors, according to Smith. He said he hoped to complete organization of the fraud unit while in Portland today.

The state fraud law carries severe penalties. In case of fraud taxes may be doubled with interest added, while tax evaders are subject to fines up to \$1,000, jail sentences to one year, or both.

Adair Tract to House Bird Farm

CORVALLIS, March 9-(AP)—A state game bird farm will be established on a 1,600-acre tract of the former Camp Adair area.

The farm will house equipment now at the Eugene game farm, which is to be closed after this year's pheasant chicks are distributed.

The Corvallis game farm may also be moved to Adair.

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Flood of Candidates Expected Today

Legislature Race Crowded; Filings to Close

Candidates by the score were scheduled to file for state offices before the 5 p.m. deadline today.

More than 200 had been officially listed as of the close of books last night, but many an aspirant is known to have awaited the final day.

At least 14 men are expected to be in the race for Marion county's four seats in the house of representatives.

Kelly Owens and Lee V. Ohmart, both of Salem, announced last night.

Nine filed so far

Nine already filed are Rep. John Steelhammer, Dr. E. E. Boring, H. R. Jones, Roy Houck, Mark Hatfield, Gene Malecki, R. J. Sewerin, George Emigh and Lloyd Girod.

Previously announced were P. W. Hale, Alvin Whitlaw and Lawrence Koch.

Mrs. Josephine Albert Spaulding was the sole democratic aspirant to the house from Marion county. She filed Thursday.

But there was every indication democrats would be out in force today to get in under the wire.

State Treasurer Files

State Treasurer Walter Pearson filed for the democratic nomination for the governorship; Prof. Louis A. Wood of the University of Oregon filed for the democratic nomination for U.S. senator; Benjamin C. Garske of Bend filed for the democratic nomination for congress from the 3rd district.

Sens. Fred Lamport of Salem and Dean Walker of Independence filed for re-election to the senate. (Mayor R. L. Elstrom of Salem said he had definitely decided not to seek a senate post).

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Dr. Sander Freed in Murder Trial Judith Coplon Given 15-Year Term

Russian Gets Choice of Jail, Deportation

NEW YORK, March 9-(AP)—Twice-convicted Judith Coplon was sentenced to prison for 15 years today as a traitorous betrayer of her country.

Her convicted co-spy, Soviet engineer and diplomat Valentin A. Gubitchev, drew a similar sentence—suspended, however, on condition that he be sent back to Russia within two weeks "never to return."

Pale little Miss Coplon, 28, now may have to serve up to 25 years behind bars. Today's 15-year sentence is in addition to the 40 months to 10 year term imposed in Washington after her conviction last July on charges of stealing secret papers for the Russians.

Ryan first sentenced blond, 33-year-old Gubitchev to 15 years imprisonment. Then he announced that Secretary of State Acheson and Attorney General J. Howard McGrath "have recommended" that this sentence be suspended and that you be sent out of the country.

In Washington, a spokesman said the state department thinks expelling Gubitchev rather than imprisoning him would lessen the risk of prejudicing the situation of American citizens now in eastern Europe.

Paler than usual, the five-feet-tall Miss Coplon stood between two six-foot deputy marshals as she heard the sentence that she is 53 years old. In a thin, subdued voice she said she would make no statement at the time.

Upon being brought dishonor upon the name you bear. You have brought disgrace and even tragedy upon your family. You have been disloyal to the country which has nourished you...

"My observation of you during the trial and my knowledge of the facts convince me that the seeds of disloyalty still find root within you."

David O'Hara, veteran Salem councilman, said Thursday he was considering the possibility of running for mayor.

The ward 5 alderman from north Salem was boosted as a possible mayor this week by leaders of the South Salem Progress club.

O'Hara, who is busy these days in the last-minute filing rush of state political candidates at the Oregon elections bureau which he heads, said he hasn't reached a definite decision although he has been approached on the subject of entering the mayoralty race.

Harry V. Collins and Walter Musgrave have filed as candidates for mayor and Alfred W. Loucks has announced his intention to run.

OPERATE ON DEWEY

NEW YORK, March 9-(AP)—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey today underwent an operation for removal of a calcium growth in his right shoulder. The operation was described as successful.

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Portland Gets Cinderella, 'Hunt' Top Spring Opening Plans

Replete with bands, a treasure hunt, Cinderella and Prince Charming, Salem's spring opening on Thursday night, March 23, "will be the most attractive and elaborate on record," James Beard, head of the Salem Retail Trade bureau, announced last night.

Some of the details of the gala event, for which streets will be roped off and which probably will feature an automobile show, were made known following a meeting of the trade bureau Thursday.

Windows are to be unveiled at 7 p.m., and out-of-town judges will award ribbons for the finest displays.

The treasure hunt will reap "really valuable prizes," Beard said, and as for Cinderella and Prince Charming—"they'll get the works, complete outfits of clothes and many other things."

Several candidates will be selected at random from the attending crowds, and judges will choose the two finalists on the basis of appearance, poise and personality. They must be single and between the ages of 17 and 24.

The treasure hunt will be open to everyone, Beard said. Tickets will be given by all participating stores and no purchases are necessary. Awards will be a part of window displays the night of the unveiling.

"And there will be other surprises, too," Beard declared. "We look for a big time."

Murray Rules Out Pact With Miners

PITTSBURGH, March 9-(AP)—Philip Murray today ruled out any mutual aid pact between his million united steelworkers and the 480,000 united mine workers.

Murray, president of both the CIO and its steelworker affiliate, told the UMW's John L. Lewis "no useful purpose would be served by concluding any formal arrangement for such a pact."

CANBERRA, Australia, March 9-(AP)—A Pacific military and economic pact headed by the United States was proposed today by Australia's new minister of external affairs.

Percy C. Spender urged such a pact in a 13,000-word review before parliament of the foreign policy of the new coalition government which replaced Australia's labor government last December.

Australia's aim, he said, was "to build up with the United States somewhat the same relationship as exists within the British Commonwealth."

The external affairs minister said he was not urging "handouts for Asia," but that economic progress in the area depends very much on the extent of participation of the United States.

O'Hara Eyes Mayor Race

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Rent Control Funds Voted

WASHINGTON, March 9-(AP)—The senate voted 4 to 28 today to keep rent controls going until June 30.

What happens after that will be decided later.

Today's action rejected an effort to choke the control agency to death by refusing it more operating funds.

Jurors Take 71 Minutes to Rule 'Innocent'

MANCHESTER, N.H., March 9-(AP)—Dr. Hermann N. Sander was found innocent in 71 minutes today of charges he murdered a hopeless cancer patient in an "act of mercy" to end her suffering.

A 12-man jury freed the mild-mannered country doctor who told newsmen he hopes to resume his practice "within a few weeks."

Confident throughout the 14-day trial that drew world-wide attention, Dr. Sander smiled happily and kissed his loyal wife who has been by his side from the day the case broke.

"It's wonderful to have it over with," said the 41-year-old doctor. Reginald Borroto, husband of the dead woman, said the doctor's acquittal was "the most heartwarming news that I have ever received."

Women spectators and others in the courtroom sounded cheers despite the warnings of Judge Harold E. Westcott against demonstrations.

And even County Solicitor William H. Craig, who helped prosecute Sander, grinned.

But seemingly happiest of all was 71-year-old Louis E. Wyman, white-haired chief defense counsel who came up with a notable victory in his first murder trial in a legal career that has carried over a half-century.

Attorney General William L. Fhinnery, had demanded justice on the grounds Dr. Sander had "taken the law into his own hands" when he injected air into Mrs. Abbie Borroto, 59, Manchester housewife.

Dr. Sander had maintained throughout that the 59-year-old woman had a close family friend as well as patient—a "nurse" who before he made the injections after "something snapped" in his mind.

But Dr. Sander's acquittal does not necessarily mean the end of his troubles.

Medical Society to Meet

The house of delegates of the New Hampshire Medical society is expected to hold an emergency meeting within 24 hours to consider the historic case. Dr. John P. Bowler, president of the state society, said expulsion of a doctor was within the power of the society.

Dr. John S. Wheeler, state health officer and clerk of the state board of registration in medicine, explained that the medical society was "a professional society" and declared "it has no legal power."

Dr. Wheeler said members of his own board which has power to revoke a doctor's license to practice would meet within a few days to decide "whether any action should be taken (against Sander)."

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What's Salem's 1950 Population?

What will Salem's new population figures show?

That's going to be a mighty interesting question. The figures will be out officially this summer, when District Census Supervisor Cornelius Bateson and his crew finish their work. But in the meantime, it's a lot of fun to guess.

And—the Statesman will offer prizes for those who guess the closest.

Details of the contest will be announced later. Meanwhile, here's something to start on: Salem's population in 1920 was 17,679; in 1930, 26,266; in 1940, 39,908.

There'll be nothing to buy, nothing to sell. Everyone can enter. It'll be wide-open. Watch for the 1950 population contest in

Second-Hand Story of Flying Disc in Mexico Complete with Midget Pilot

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ington said it has heard nothing about it and there was no confirmation from Mexico.

Dimmick said his friends told him that a "man" 23 inches tall was killed in the crash and the body embalmed for scientific study. The crash occurred three months ago, Dimmick said. He recently returned from a business trip to Mexico City.

He added his associates described the aircraft as 46 feet in diameter built of a metal resembling aluminum but much harder, and powered by two motors.

In his original account, Dimmick said he had seen the wreckage, which he said was roped off. In his later story, he described the piece of metal as about six feet

long, eight inches wide and three-quarters of an inch thick.

Reminded that the air force announced last December it was dropping its investigation of flying saucers because of a preponderance of evidence that they do not exist, Dimmick said:

"I'm big enough to take the consequences of what I've said and stand my ground."

He said he has reports that similar objects landed in various parts of North America in the last year, "but governments have clamped veils of secrecy about their investigations."

"Why," he said, "I received a telephone call from Mexico this morning that another saucer was seen over Mazatlan."

THE WEATHER

Table with weather forecast for Salem, Portland, San Francisco, Chicago, New York, and various rivers. Columns include Max, Min, Precip, and other weather details.

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