

'Patrick Henry's' Cry Rouses Reich

By Thomas A. Reedy
BERLIN, Jan. 21-(AP)—An 18-year-old German's defiant cry that he would rather die than bow to communist rule stirred his countrymen today on both sides of the iron curtain.

Although sentenced to be beheaded 10 days ago, eastern zone authorities report the execution has been delayed. There has not been such a long interval between judgment and execution in previously reported cases in east Germany. Execution usually follows sentence in a day or two.

Alpine Avalanche Toll Climbs to 108

GENEVA, Switzerland, Jan. 21-(AP)—The death toll from repeated avalanches crashing down Alpine slopes in three countries for the past two days rose tonight to at least 108.

Switzerland counted 54 dead, Austria 41 and Italy 13. Authorities were unable to give any accurate count of the missing and injured. The unprecedented series of monstrous snow slides brought tragedy to dozens of quiet Alpine valleys where whole villages were smashed or buried. A small hotel at Oberalpsee in central Switzerland disappeared under an avalanche and it was not known how many were inside.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sznajder

The United States was alone in proposing to the United Nations political committee a resolution branding red China as an aggressor nation because of its intervention in Korea. The basis for the resolution is of course well known. Chinese troops have been poured into Korea to rescue the defeated North Korean regime and to crush South Korean forces and cast their U.N. forces into the sea. The United Nations already has labeled North Korea as an aggressor for starting the fight, and certainly China is likewise guilty, for no hostile acts were aimed at China.

Nevertheless there is opposition to the U.S. resolution. India which finally joined in the declaration against North Korea, has essayed a "broker" role and has been very sensitive to giving offense to China. Yet the cease-fire resolutions or orders offered by India and other Asian nations were rejected by red China which thus defies the body in which it has been ambitious for membership. European nations like Britain and France are expected to vote for the U.S. resolution, though they have been chary about getting tough with China. Their reasons are twofold, first they do not want to expose their own interests in the orient to a China war, and second they do not want the west to get mired down in the orient and thus strip the defenses of Europe against Russia.

It is hard to see how United Nations can escape declaring China an aggressor. But the practicalities of the situation set limits. (Continued on editorial page, 4.)

Defense Work Priority Due in Steel Industry

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21-(AP)—Defense orders will get a bigger claim on the output of steel companies under a government directive expected to be announced tomorrow.

Reliable sources said a national production authority order will increase the percentages of defense-rated business that each steel company is required to take if it is offered to them.

Under existing NPA regulations, no steel company is required to accept defense-rated orders for shipment in any one month in excess of certain percentages of its average monthly shipments during the first part of last year. These percentages vary from 5 to 25 per cent for different steel products.

Officials said the volume of defense-rated orders for steel is now such that the percentages which each steel company must accept need to be raised.

NPA has taken some other steps intended to bring about reduced use of steel for non-essential purposes. Its objective is to make steel available for defense production as fast as needed, and to provide steel for expansion of basic materials production.

Expansion of the capacity of the steel industry itself, for example, is expected to require more than 1,500,000 tons of steel in the next two years.

One of the steel-conserving steps taken by the control authority is a ban on most types of new recreational and commercial construction.

Learn to Spell!

These words will figure in The Statesman-KSJM Spelling Contest for fifth and sixth graders of Marion and Polk counties:

- solid artist cement citizen contain court decide detail buying education equal famous arrive bid carried choose column content damage

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U.S. Tightens Diplomatic Grip on Formosa

Draft Age Cut Gains Support

By Edwin B. Haakinson
WASHINGTON, Jan. 21-(AP)—Senator Hunt (D-Wyo.) today expressed belief a senate armed services subcommittee is inclined to approve drafting 18-year-olds and 27 months' service for draftees with little change in these proposals.

Hunt himself agreed with top military leaders that these measures are necessary to firm up the nation's defense.

As a member of the seven-man subcommittee Hunt has been listening to 10 days of hearings about the new universal military service and training plan.

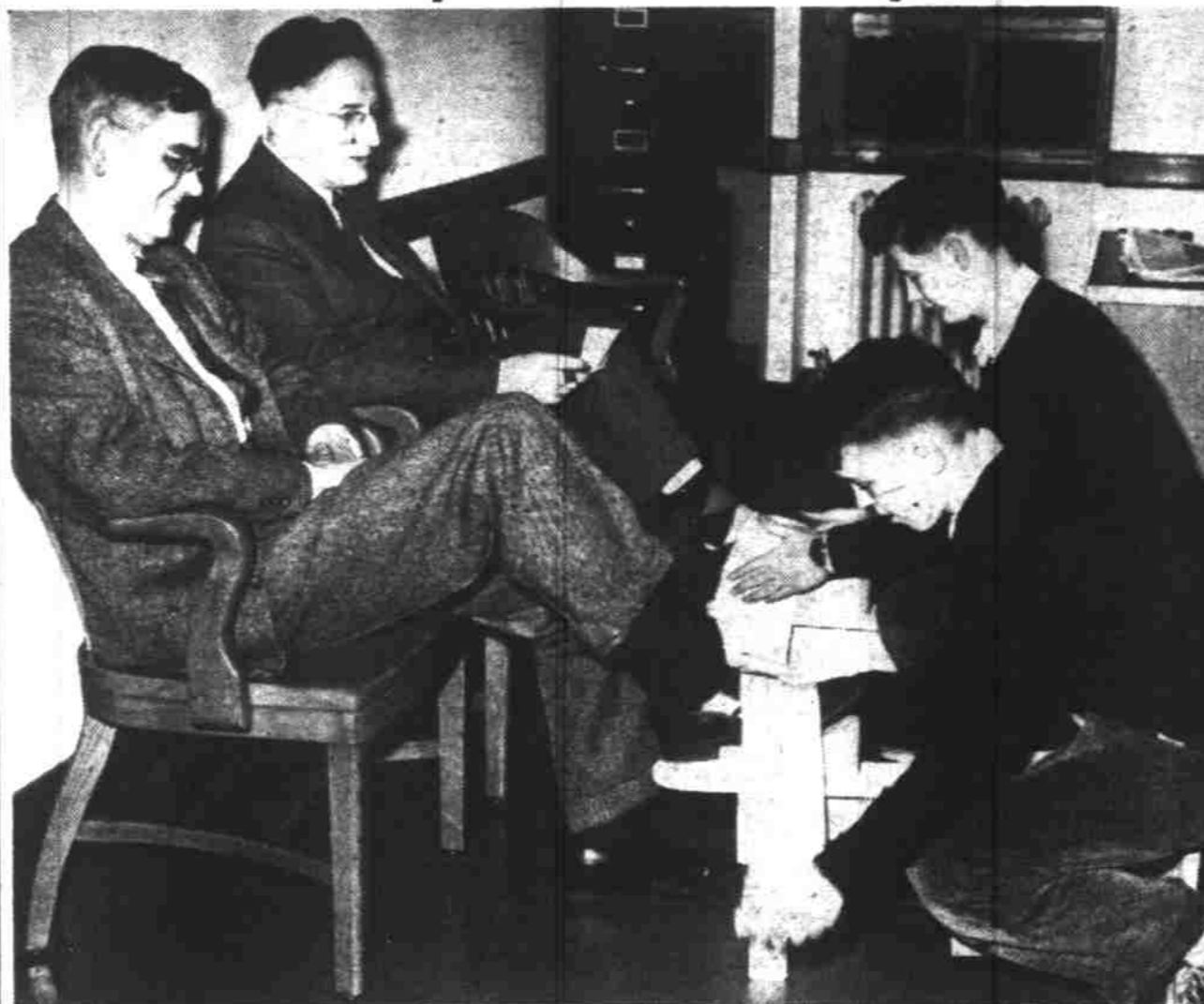
Favorable Forecast
"It is my thinking right now that the committee will report favorably on the bill as it is now without any major changes on age and length of service," Hunt told a reporter.

The USMT plan would lower the present draft age minimum for induction from 18 years and extend required services from the present 21 months.

Additional testimony on the controversial measure will continue this week before the senate group. General Omar Bradley, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, will appear tomorrow.

The house armed services committee will open its hearing Tuesday.

Shoe Shine Boys Make Idea Pay Dividends



Putting a good idea into action, two Salem youths are cleaning up around legislative halls. Cleaning up and shining shoes are Jeffrey Elliott, 420 Leslie st., front, and Lawrence Green, 450 Rosemont st. The boys have the shining concession through the efforts of Sen. Thomas R. Mahoney, Portland, second from left, who cleared the way in the house and senate. Senate President Paul L. Patterson, Hillsboro, left, thinks the service is good since many of the legislators have little chance to get to downtown shining parlors. The boys are both students at St. Joseph's school. (Statesman photo.)

Search for Child Starts In Four Corners Area

A six-year-old boy was missing in Four Corners early this morning, more than eight hours after he left a neighbor's residence for his home less than 100 yards away.

State police, the Four Corners fire department, Salem police and dozens of citizens were searching for Darrell Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett S. Smith, 4160 Durbin ave.

The lad left the Robert Chapman residence, 618 S. Elma ave., at 5 p.m., apparently heading for home. At 1 a.m. today he still hadn't arrived. He had to cross only Elma avenue along the way, but it was feared he may have tumbled into one of many water-filled ditches in the area.

A fire truck began spotlighting every foot of the area after Walter Miller, assistant fire chief, was notified of the youth's disappearance. The search was continuing early this morning.

The Smiths described their son as small for his age, appearing to be about 4 years old. He has blonde hair and blue eyes. When last seen he was wearing a green and brown cap with earflaps, khaki pants and a brown leather jacket. He was in the first grade at Lincoln school in Four Corners.

60 DIE AS BOAT TIPS

YOKOHAMA, Japan, Monday, Jan. 22-(AP)—About 60 day laborers were reported drowned early today. The boat on which they lived caught fire and capsized on the waterfront. Most of the 300 men quartered in the floating hotel escaped by jumping from the flaming craft before it overturned.

Taft Claims U.S. Control of World's Sea, Air Would Stifle Russian Idea of World Domination

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21-(AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) called today for complete American control of the sea and air throughout the world, while three democratic senators said effective aid to Europe is the best hope of keeping the peace.

Taft said U. S. air-sea dominance would convince the Russians "they cannot rule beyond the shores of Europe and Asia" and would "end for all time their idea of a complete domination of the world by military attack."

U.S. to Oppose Any Moves to Placate China

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 21-(AP)—The United States, in a new statement of far eastern policy, said today its attitude toward Formosa would be dictated by American national security needs.

The U.S. also called for participation by the Nationalist Chinese government of Chiang Kai-shek in any future conference on Formosa.

These views were made public in a statement by Ambassador Ernest A. Gross, deputy U. S. delegate to the United Nations.

They apparently mark a complete shift in policy since the U. S. voted on January 13 in favor of a U. N. plan promising to confer with communist China and other nations on the question. Nationalist China was not mentioned then.

The declaration, issued while 12 Arab-Asian countries met to frame a new United Nations offer to dicker with the Chinese communists for control of Formosa, was the most outspoken the U. S. has made on the question.

American sources said it apparently indicated acceptance of the highest governmental level of Gen. MacArthur's view that control of Formosa is vital to American security.

It slammed the door on the possibility of a seven-power conference of the U. S., Russia, Britain, France, red China, India and Egypt to discuss the problem of Formosa and the seating on the Peiping regime in the U. N.

Oppose U. N. Move
Gross also said this country "undertook no commitment with regard to seating the Chinese communists in the United Nations. We continue to oppose that."

The statement, it is understood, is intended to warn non-communist countries in advance that the U. S. will have no more part in any efforts to compromise with red China on the Formosa and representation questions in return for a cease fire in Korea.

"The last U. N. attempt at achieving a peaceful settlement with Peiping seems to me to have been conclusive," Gross said.

He asserted that the U. S. had made a survey of opinion and was confident it had enough votes to push condemnation of red China through the 60-nation political committee by the middle of this week.

"I believe the majority is united in its readiness to support the United Nations charter and support the basic principle of our common collective security," he added.

Dooms Compromise
The U. S. statement apparently doomed any compromise attempt. Observers thought it also formalized the diplomatic split between the U. S. and India which has insisted the Peiping regime should be recognized as the legal government of China and Formosa turned over to it.

Diplomats here awaited the reaction to Gross' statement from Britain and other countries which have recognized Peiping and have dodged giving full support to the American views on Formosa.

By terms of the Cairo agreement of 1943 the U. S. pledged that Formosa, then held by Japan, should be turned over to China after World War II. The difficulty arises now as to what government—nationalist or communist—represents China. Only 17 of the U. N.'s 60 members recognize Peiping.

Effect Unknown
Last fall the U. S. asked the U. N. general assembly to take over the problem of Formosa. What effect today's statement will have on that situation is not yet clear.

India's Sir Benegal N. Rau, who lead earlier U. N. mediation attempts and has been ordered by Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru to continue them, said he would push the text of the Gross statement to New Delhi for study.

The assertion that American security needs would determine this country's views towards the problem of Formosa was viewed as alignment with military and congressional opinion. It may go a long way toward ending the acrimony in Washington over Far East policy.

THIRD SON ON JAN. 21
BALTIMORE, Jan. 21-(AP)—Mrs. Patricia Fish, 23, gave birth to her third son in three years today—every one born on January 21. Said practical Papa: "Think of the saving in birthday cakes."

CLAIM CHINA REVOLT
TAIPEI, Formosa, Jan. 21-(AP)—The Pro-Nationalist China Union Press said today that 40,000 farmers in south-central China revolted a month ago and fought a series of engagements with Red troops.

THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	48	41	1.19
Portland	49	38	2.4
San Francisco	60	45	.10
Chicago	19	10	trace
New York	37	44	trace

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Mostly cloudy with scattered showers today tonight. Little temperature change. High today near 48 and low tonight near 34.

SALEM PRECIPITATION
Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1, 1950
This Year 35.5
Last Year 35.2
Normal 29.2

Bitter Cold Hits Midwest, Moves East

By the Associated Press
Bitter cold stung the midwest and moved on into the east Sunday.

Temperatures as low as 41 below zero were reported in the central portion of the country.

As the cold wave moved east, it blighted springlike weather that had been enjoyed there for two days. In some spots the cold was preceded, or accompanied, by high winds. New York City reported gusts up to 60 miles an hour.

The chilling temperatures were expected to let up Monday, but they already had caused hardship. The Ohio Fuel Gas company, which serves portions of 66 Ohio counties, announced the cold wave made it necessary to curtail the flow of natural gas to industries so that home owners would get enough.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Can't we get a waitress that's not so lumpy?"