

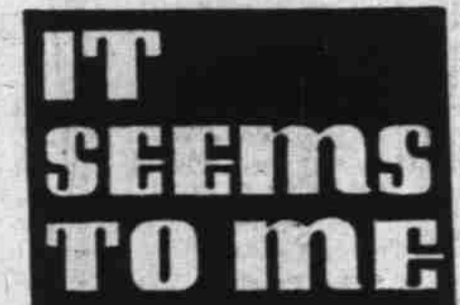
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All-America Basketball Ace Among 5 Held in Bribe Case



By Charles A. Soraque

Just as President Truman is telling the congress that we may need to extend our mobilization before the 3,500,000-man figure, and that we need stronger economic controls and another ten billions in taxes—in other words we must hold to our pace of rearmament and even quicken it, Aneurau Bevan, lately resigned from the Attlee cabinet in Britain, is putting out his pamphlet "One Way Only" which urges a slowdown of the west's feverish rush for rearming.

The Bevan proposals have had no favorable consideration from the present parliament, and if in the anticipated fall elections Labor should lose and conservatives take over, it is even less probable that Bevan's ideas would find support in ruling circles.

Nevertheless there is a pronounced feeling of neutralism in western Europe. In large measure it is the result of the experience of two wars within a generation. The people have not gotten over their war fatigue. Another reason is unwillingness to have their lands again become war targets, France for invasion, Britain for bombing.

There is even some disposition in France, it is reported, to let the reds take over rather than have France again become a battlefield.

Then there is a mental reaction of another sort. The feeling exists (Continued on Editorial page, 4.)

Morse Refuses To Hear McCarthy At GOP Picnic

PORTLAND, July 24-(P)—Sen. Wayne Morse of Oregon won't attend the Multnomah county republican club's picnic at which Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wis) is to be speaker.

The picnic is scheduled for August 26.

In a letter to State Rep. Graham Killam, Morse indicated he did not approve of Sen. McCarthy. Morse wrote he was sure republicans could not win the 1952 election "if the responsible leaders of the republican party... do not recognize... that the independent voters of America will never go for the program of the reactionary wing of the republican party."

Sen. McCarthy is well known for his attacks on the U. S. state department. He has contended that the department harbors communists.

ITALIAN LEADER ILL

ROME, July 24-(P)—Sclo Sforza, foreign minister in Premier Alcide de Gasperi's recently resigned cabinet, was reported seriously ill tonight.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"God, am I hungry! I spent the winter in a BIKINI bathing suit!"

Bradley Stars Juggled Score In OSC Game

PEORIA, Ill., July 24-(P)—All America Gene Melchiorre and four Bradley University basketball teammates admitted today they had taken bribes to fix basketball games as college sports' blackest scandal spread from New York to the midwest and threatened to snare even more college heroes.

Police revealed that Melchiorre, fiery Braves guard who was nicknamed "Squeaky" by adoring fans of the cage-conscious city, had confessed, with his teammates, to taking \$5,500 from gamblers.

District Attorney Frank S. Hogan of New York ordered the arrest of Nicholas and Anthony Englis, brothers, on charges of conspiring to fix two Bradley games. They already were in police custody for questioning.

The brothers allegedly paid Melchiorre and the others to manipulate scores of the games—once during the 1949-50 season, the other last season—so that they would have an advantage in betting on "point spreads."

Authorities said the five Bradley players had admitted shaving the margin of victory in wins over Oregon State, Dec. 7, 1950, and over Washington State, Dec. 21, 1949.

Besides the 23-year-old Melchiorre, others who authorities said confessed to taking bribes were: Bill Manning, 25, of Chicago, captain of last season's great team.

Charles "Bud" Grover, 22, Dundee, Ill., another regular.

Aaron Preece, 24, Canton, Ill., with Melchiorre on the team's "spirit guy" and its free throw artist.

Jim Kelly, Peoria, junior center expected to spark next year's team.

Authorities continued to question two other Bradley players in the mushrooming scandal.

Michael A. Shore, Peoria county state's attorney, said tonight he believes players for several other schools are involved in the bribes, and that new schools will be named in the scandal in a day or two, "probably in a break we expect in New York."

(Additional details on sports page)

BASEBALL

- Western International: At Yakima 1, Salem 4; At Vancouver 4, Victoria 3; At Wenatchee 5, Tacoma 2; At Tri-City 10, Spokane 12. Coast League: At Sacramento 6, Portland 2; At San Diego 4, Seattle 3; At San Francisco 1, Los Angeles 1-3; At Hollywood 5, Oakland 0. National League: At Chicago 2, Brooklyn 6; At Pittsburgh 1, New York 4; At Cincinnati 1, Boston 5; At St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 5. American League: At New York 3, Cleveland 1; At Boston 4, Chicago 3; At Washington 1, Detroit 5 (Only games scheduled).

State Considers Condemnation Suit Over Capitol Zone Home

Filing a condemnation suit, involving purchase by the state of the H. L. Stiff residential property in the state capitol area for the purpose of fixing an appraisal on that and other properties to be purchased later, was indicated at a meeting of the state board of control Tuesday.

All properties involved eventually will be utilized for construction of future state buildings. The board was advised that Mrs. Stiff has set a price of \$50,000 for her property but the state had offered her only \$30,000. Attorney Wallace Carson told the board that other properties purchased by the state and located in the same area had brought a higher price per square foot than asked by Mrs. Stiff.

State Treasurer Walter J. Pearson countered with the statement that all properties to be purchased by the state involving its capitol area expansion program had been appraised by competent appraisers and the state had been generous in fixing its prices. Carson said Mrs. Stiff also employed appraisers with long experience.

"In most cases prices paid by the state have been close to the appraisals," Pearson declared,

Accordianist Pleads Guilty



SAN FRANCISCO, July 24—Accordianist Dick Contino, whose salary is \$4,000 a week as an entertainer, pleaded guilty today to charges of draft evasion. He is shown here conferring with his attorney, James T. Davis. (AP Wirephoto.)

Contino Pleads Guilty in Draft Evasion Case

SAN FRANCISCO, July 24-(P)—With his psychiatrist holding his hand, accordianist Dick Contino was led off to jail today for two weeks. He had pleaded guilty to trying to dodge the draft.

On August 7, Federal Judge Michael J. Roche will hear a probation report on the case, and will pronounce sentence.

The 21-year-old musician, who made as much as \$4,000 a week playing the accordion in theaters and nightclubs, skipped out of Fort Ord on the eve of his induction in the army. He was found several days later in a rest home.

His attorney, James T. Davis, had pleaded that Contino be permitted to enter military service now.

Davis said "the boy now has enough strength to go into the army and make a good soldier."

His draft evasion trial was interrupted today as the young man told Judge Roche he wanted to change his plea to guilty. The maximum sentence on the charge is five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Contino was trembling as he was led from the courtroom. Dr. Percy Pollak, San Francisco psychiatrist, held one of his hands. A deputy marshal held another.

Rail Crossing Study Results In Suggestions

Salem's League of Women Voters recommended Tuesday that this city's railroad crossing problem be met by grade separation at the Southern Pacific mainline and by improved warning signals at most other crossings.

Meanwhile, the league's railroad project committee continued its survey by shifting emphasis to the work of interviewing as many as can be found of the 105 persons injured and 471 motor vehicle drivers figuring in Salem crossing accidents of the past 10 years. During the same period 14 were killed.

On-the-spot studies

The broad recommendations formulated Tuesday followed the completion of the survey's initial phase in which seven teams of two women each made on-the-spot studies of nearly 150 rail crossings. Members hearing the reports of these teams in a general project committee meeting under Mrs. John Goldsmith's leadership Tuesday concluded that they already had enough information to recommend better warning devices.

Phone Strike in 'Recess'

Salem's 200 telephone workers, who are members of the Communication Workers of America were back on the job Tuesday, after a strike by the union throughout Oregon had tied up phone systems in Salem and other mid-valley areas.

Exchanges at Klamath Falls, Forest Grove and Gresham were the only Oregon offices picketed Tuesday.

Jack Byrne, strike chairman of local 9204, said that intermittent strikes probably would continue throughout the state until negotiations with Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. are concluded.

Next time, Byrne said, the plan is for no notice to be given when the strikers go out.

Operations at Salem's four telephone company offices were apparently back to normal Tuesday, according to Elmer A. Berglund, Salem manager. He added that he could not say how long this situation would continue.

Switchboards Monday, Berglund reported, were operated by supervisory employees of the company who were not members of the union and who did not strike.

"Even with many of the essential people out, we still were able to maintain fairly normal service, except during peak hours when calls were delayed," he said.

Many men manned switchboards throughout the day and evening until the demand decreased late Monday night, Berglund said.

Bruce Pickett, Salem district manager of Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, said Tuesday morning that the operating force was never below 60 per cent of normal in Salem Monday.

Firemen Battle Yellow Jackets

FOUR CORNERS, July 24—Fire fighting isn't all fighting fires. Dale Jeffries, a member of the Four Corners volunteer fire department can attest to that and has the lumps to prove his point.

While the department was fighting the fire which destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wodzowoda at Macleay Tuesday night the waxy of a nest of yellow jackets. And Jeffries took the brunt of the winged attack.

Treatment by a physician was required for the estimated 40 stings, mostly about Jeffries' face and head.

Other members of the department, who also counted several stings, had to turn the hoses on Jeffries to dislodge the angry bees.

Jimmy Stewart to Star in Film Shot on Mt. Hood

PORTLAND, July 24-(P)—Movie Star Jimmy Stewart and other members of a moving picture company arrived here today to begin filming a new movie on nearby Mt. Hood.

A crowd congregated at Union station when the actor left the train to shout greetings.

Girl Recalls Seeing Killing as 3-Year Memory Blackout Ends; Arrest Made

TACOMA, July 24-(P)—An eye-witness story of a three-year-old slaying resulted today in the arrest of a man in Burlingame, Calif. by the FBI and dismissal of murder charges against another man here.

The story was told to Pierce county sheriff's deputies by an 18-year-old girl, who said she witnessed the rape-slaying of 17-year-old Noreen McNicholas in Bresemann's Park at nearby Spanaway, Nov. 5, 1948.

Silent for nearly three years, Ella Mae Couper sobbed out her story after entering the park July 14 under circumstances similar to those of the night of the slaying.

In Burlingame, the FBI arrested Bill Smith, Jr., 26, named by Miss Couper as the slayer of the 17-year-old beauty school student. Smith told authorities he knew the McNicholas girl, but didn't kill her.

In Tacoma, Superior Judge Bartlett Rummel dismissed a first degree murder charge against Robert Goebel, 72-year-old handyman charged with the girl's murder.

The nude, battered body of the girl was found in the park covered with moss Jan. 10, 1949. A pathologist said she had been raped, then strangled. Goebel had found her clothing a week earlier.

5 Europe Nations Favor Armed Forces Merger

PARIS, July 24-(P)—Land, sea and air power of five European countries would be merged into a 2,000,000-man internationalized force to oppose communist aggression under a preliminary agreement reached here today.

Delegations of France, Italy, West Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg decided that their countries can best contribute to the western world's defense by doing away with their separate national armies and creating a single military force.

The decision still needs approval by their governments and many details remain to be worked out.

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower would have the top command as supreme commander of allied forces in Europe. It would serve as part of the European defense force he has been named to build up from the 12 North Atlantic pact nations.

The agreement calls for the governments to enter into 50-year treaties with each other, and leaves the way open for nations other than the original five to take part.

Several disagreements still existing among the delegations have been referred to higher authorities.

Among them is what size units each nation would place under European army command.

This has been the main point of issue since the conference began because France has insisted Germany should be limited to something like combat teams of 5,000 to 8,000 men to avoid the danger of a rebirth of unbounded German militarism.

Fire Destroys 6-Room Home At Macleay

FOUR CORNERS, July 24—Fire destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wodzowoda at Macleay tonight while the family was away.

Nothing was saved from the six-room frame house which was leveled in less than half an hour. An adjoining woodshed and garage were also destroyed.

Four Corners volunteer fire department was called to the scene at 8:45 p. m. but the house was completely ablaze when they arrived. They succeeded in keeping the fire from spreading to nearby grain and hayfields.

Neighbors said it appeared there had been an explosion, breaking windows outward. Cause of the fire was not determined. Mrs. Wodzowoda, who had gone shopping, said there had been no fire in the house since morning. Their four children were at neighbors when the fire broke out.

The house, owned by Mrs. Louise McGee, Portland, was valued at \$8,000. It was partially covered by insurance. Household goods were insured. Mrs. Wodzowoda said.

The Wodzowodas, including children ranging from 18 months to 19 years, were being sheltered by neighbors. A drive was already underway to collect clothing, bedding and furniture for the stricken family.

Bonneville Eyes Rainmaking Test

PORTLAND, July 24-(P)—The Bonneville power administration is considering artificial rain making as a means of boosting hydroelectric power resources of the Pacific northwest.

A Bonneville spokesman said today that negotiations had begun with a nationally known weather control firm for a preliminary survey to determine if rain making is practical.

The area to be surveyed is in northern Idaho and Montana.

Marshall Defines Demands

U.N. ADVANCE HEADQUARTERS, Korea, Wednesday, July 25 (P)—Allied and red negotiators held three sessions, 53, 30 and 28 minutes today at Kaesong and then adjourned Thursday the showdown over the issue of foreign troop withdrawals.

They held their first face-to-face meeting since Saturday in the morning. Both sides then agreed to a recess. They held two afternoon sessions.

The morning parley lasted only long enough for each side to have read a prepared statement on the single issue still in dispute—whether to include troop withdrawals on a cease-fire agenda.

It was regarded as virtually certain the U.N. position was unchanged. The reds possibly brought a compromise proposal to today's meeting but there was nothing official on it.

This was the ninth meeting. The only remaining issue was foreign troops withdrawals. The reds want it on the agenda for the peace talks. United Nations delegates say it is a political matter and should not be discussed in these military talks.

Twins 'Double Up' With Appendicitis

LONDON, Conn., July 24-(P)—When Marcia Dale Blake was admitted to Lawrence hospital here Sunday for an appendectomy her twin brother, Monroe Metcalf Blake, told her, "I'll be in to see you."

He was. Although doctors say it is almost impossible that twins should have appendicitis as close together as 24 hours, Monroe was taken to the hospital for an operation last night.

The twins, ten-year-old, child of Mrs. Fred C. Plank of Quaker Hill, are convalescing nicely.

Poling Wins Nomination

PHILADELPHIA, July 24-(P)—Dr. Daniel A. Poling, 66-year-old Baptist minister, tonight won the republican nomination for mayor of Philadelphia.

Walter F. Miller, 49, paper box manufacturer, and Poling's principal opponent, conceded defeat at 10:38 p. m. (EST).

At that time, on the basis of returns from more than one-third of the city's precincts, Poling had built up a commanding 5 to 1 lead.

Poling, a native of Portland, Ore., was backed by the republican city organization.

State Chin-Up Club Plans Expansion to Nationwide Basis

A plan to expand Oregon's Chin-Up club into a nationwide organization was approved at a special meeting in Portland, Beth Sellwood, president, announced Tuesday night.

Members approved a proposed constitutional amendment to organize chapters throughout the United States and territories. The amendment will permit the issuance of Chin-Up club charters. Chapters have recently been organized at Portland, Medford and Camas, Wash.

Only a few hours before the meeting Moscow radio broadcast the text of the Korean Central News agency report which said in part:

"The withdrawal of foreign troops is a practical condition for the peaceful settlement of the Korean question. . . The interests of security and independence of our country and the interests of world peace demand the withdrawal of foreign troops."

"Our representatives in Kaesong resolutely insist on the final solution of this question. . ."

The red broadcast did not specifically say that agreement new on troop withdrawal was a condition to the cease-fire agenda under discussion.

Apparently this left the communists with an opportunity to accept a cease-fire agenda and yet press for troop withdrawals when "final settlement of the Korean question is discussed."

Church Ranks Fill Rapidly

NEW YORK, July 24-(P)—American church membership in 1950 rose to 85,705,280—an unparalleled 55.9 per cent of the population, an annual survey showed today.

The new figure represents a membership gain of 2,950,987. The report is compiled by the Christian Herald magazine which makes the only comprehensive, regular survey of church membership in the United States.

"The major faiths, the report said, 'continue in about the same proportion' to each other.

"Protestants are still well in the lead, with 58.3 per cent of all church members. Roman Catholics claim 33.2 per cent of the total, while Jewish congregations account for 5.8 per cent."

Other groups make up the remaining 2.5 per cent.

Second Division Wins Presidential Citation

TOKYO, Wednesday, July 25-(P)—The feat of the U.S. Second division in turning back 96,000 Chinese reds in central Korea May 16-21 and inflicting 48,000 casualties has won it the Presidential Unit Citation.

The famed "Indianhead" division was awarded the citation on Tuesday.

3-Day-Old Insurance Policy Pays Off \$6,000

KLAMATH FALLS, July 24-(P)—Willis Glen Figg signed up for an insurance policy with the CIO International Woodworkers of America last month and paid a premium of \$1.80.

Three days later, on June 21, he drowned in the Link river. Today the union delivered to his mother, Mrs. Arthur Figg, \$6,000 double indemnity payment for his accidental death.