Sweater-Wearers Thrown Into Panic by Combustible Materials

NEW YORK –Two sweater manufacturers in New York and Cleveland were named Sunday as makers of dangerously combustible garments like those that have thrown sweater-wearers across the country into near panic.

At the same time, the month-old burning sweater scare turned to a new field.

In Cambridge, Mass., police received complaints that some small rugs burst into flame when placed near an open fire.

The rugs, authorities said, apparently were made of the same material as the fiery sweaters.

New York City Fire Marshal Martin Scott called the material "brush rayon."

Sweater Makers

Scott identified the New York sweater maker as Philip Toffler, owner of theh Vic-Ess Manufacturing Co., a small basement shop in the garment district.

Cleveland Fire Capt. William E. Miller said Charles Barracato of the B & B Trading Co. had identified himself as a manufacturer there.

Officials said both Toffler and Barracato gave Empire State Mills, a New York concern, as the supplier of their brush rayon.

Toffler told Scott in the presence of newsmen that his firm was the smallest of six companies which to his knowledge had used the same material.

Enveloped in Flames

Tests with the material have shown that it is enveloped in flames four seconds after a match is applied to it and is reduced to ashes in less than a minute.

The sweater scare started about a month ago.

A young man in Los Angeles lighted a cigarette. In a flash his new sweater went "poof" before his eyes.

Reports of similar incidents began to reach police in far corners of the country—and the inflammable sweaters mushroomed into a natonwide scare.

The sweaters, in most cases reported to authorities apparently were sold to customers by itinerant peddlers.

News Security Board Chosen By Truman

WASHINGTON (AP)–A nine man committee was set up Saturday to aid and police federal agencies in carrying out President Truman's order on news security.

Edward R. Trapnell, of the Atomic Energy Commission, was named as full time executive secretary of the Committee.

The White House said the new group will be concerned equally with seeing that security news is withheld from potential enemies, and, in Mr. Truman's words, insuring that the order is not used to "withhold non-security information or to cover up mistakes."

The Presidential Security Order was issued Sept. 25, and almost immediately drew fire from editors throughout the country.

IOOF Conducts Installation

Installation of officers for Willamette Encampment 2, IOOF, was held Friday night at the lodge hall following a short business meeting.

New officers installed were Lawrence McClure, chief patriarch; Lynn Hill, high priest; Chris Sumpter, senior warden; George Naderman, scribe; Wilford Beard, treasurer; Joseph Jackson, junior warden; Harold Bressler, guide; Luther Melton, first watch; Charles Neubauer, second watch; Clem Ohlsen, third watch; William Beard, fourth watch; Everett Soden, inside sentinel; Arthur Tucker, outside sentinel; James Smith, first guard of tent, and George Beane, second guard of tent.

Installing officers were Wilford Beard, D. D. G. P.; Pearl Harland D. G. H. P.; Naderman, G. S. W.; Melton, D. G. S.; Ray Webb, D. G. T.; Robert Massey, D. G. I. E., and W. J. Beard, D. G. J. W.

The ceremonies were followed by refreshments served in the dining room by the encampment Ladies' Auxiliary.

Ambulance Trip Allows Opera Star To Meet Schedule

BOSTON (AP)—Opera Star David Lloyd, true to the stage tradition that the play must go on, hired an ambulance for an overnight trip from Montreal to appear in the New England Opera Theatre's matinee performance of "Albert Herring."

Lloyd's performance in an opera in Montreal ended at 11:30 Saturday night and with train and plane transportation unavailable to bring him to Boston for this morning's dress rehearsal he hired the ambulance.

The overnight 350-mile trip—at cost of $195—permitted him to get a night's sleep and arrive here almost two hours before the dress rehearsal.

Lebanon Hospital Filled with Babies

Statesman News Service

LEBANON—Sixteen babies in six days were born at the General Hospital here last week.

Six arrived in single day. But it isn't anything unusual. The same thing has been happening every week for months.

Since Dec. 13 68 new arrivals have been checked in by the maternity attendants.

Reuther Opens Campaign on Military Waste

WASHINGTON (AP)– Assailing military officials and their procurement policies, President Walter Reuther of the CIO United Auto Workers Union said Sunday "shoulder pad emblems don't give you the right to waste materials."

"There are two governments in Washington, civilian mobilization officials and the military," Reuther said. "The military has a status that makes people reluctant to take them on. We're going to take them on and when they are wrong, tell them."

He addressed approximately 600 delegates of the UAW assembled here to urge action by Congress to combat spreading unemployment in the auto industry, caused largely by cutbacks in the supply of metals allocated to it by the government.

A key point in the union's program is a request that Congress grant such idle workers unemployment compensation equal to their basic weekly pay, until they can be relocated.

Reuther said government officials are "wasting hundreds of millions of productive man hours, but it is still business as usual in the Pentagon on procurement."

He said procurement officials have "got to make" contractors locate work where there is plant capacity and unemployed, trained manpower. Civilian officials in Washington have been attempting this, Reuther said, but not the military.

Reuther said the unused productive capacity in this country is greater than total Russian capacity, and called the idle plants a "crime against mobilization buildup."

U.S., Britain To Share Vital Metals in '52

OTTAWA (AP)–The United and Britain were reported Sunday to have arranged an agreement to share aluminum, steel and tin during 1952.

Informed British diplomats said the deal was worked out in Washington and the details would be announced Tuesday or Wednesday.

It was understood the United States would supply Britian with American steel in return for tin and Canadian aluminum, for which the British have contracts.

This development came as British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden arrived from New York by plane to join Prime Minister Winston Churchill in talks with top Canadian officials.

Britain has been seeking up to 1,000,000 tons of steel for its defense and civilian industries during 1952.

Churchill reportedly is discussing appointment of Field Marshal Viscount Alexander to a high defense post in Britain, possibly defense minister.

Alexander, Allied supreme commander in the Mediterranean during World War II, ranks as one of Britain's most decorated military men. For the past five and a half years he has been Governor General of Canada.

Churchill himself heads the defense ministry now.

Sharp Increase In Irrigation

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Census Bureau said Sunday the amount of irrigated land in the nation increased more between 1940 and 1950 than in any previous decade.

Bureau Director Roy V. Peel, in a statement, said 26,248,508 acres were under irrigation in 1949 in 17 Western states plus Arkasas, Louisiana and Florida. That represented an increase of 5,112,407 acres in 10 years, he said.

The census put the capital investment in Irrigation projects at $1,887,070,003.

Car Snowed Under by Storm in Reno

RENO, Nev.—Telephone worker Lois Trevenon finally gave up and walked to work when she couldn't free her car from the mounds of snow left by Reno's worst storm in 15 years. More than 18 inches fell in the sheltered business section and up to two feet in some residential areas. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Solons Discuss Investigation of Red Atrocities

WASHINGTON (AP)–A special House commite may decide Monday whether to investigate reported Communist atrocities against American soldiers in Korea.

The committee was formed to probe the massacre of more than 4,000 Polish officers—allegedly by the Russians—at Katyn Forest in World War II. It will hold its first meeting of the year Monday.

Chairman Madden (D-Ind.) said he will ask the committee to sponsor a resolution widening its authority to make an investigation of reported Korean atrocities. The House would have to approve such a resolution, and probably would do so.

"There are a number of similarities between the methods used at Katyn and in Korea," Madden told newsmen. He said most of the victims in both areas were bound and shot in the back of the head, then thrown into open graves.

Gen. Matthew B. Ridgeway, United Nations commander in Korea, has estimated that as many as 8,000 American soldiers may have been slain by Communists.

Madden said his committee also will discuss plans for opening the probe of the Katyn massacre. Hearings probably will begin in February.

Mrs. Greene Succumbs to Year's Illness

Mrs. Blanche Edith Greene, 53, Salem resident since 1926 and active church worker until illness more than a year ago, died Saturday at the residence, 1454 Hickory St.

She was a member of Jason Lee Methodist Church, where she was secretary of the Ladies Circle until her illness.

She was born Feb. 6, 1898, at Staples, Minn. She was married at Montgomery, Ala., in 1919 to Harry V. Greene, who survives.

Other survivors include sons, Kenneth and Gary Greene, both Salem; brothers, Floyd Bacon of Salem and Phillip Bacon of Minneapolis, Minn.; sisters, Miss Shirley Bacon of Minneapolis, Mrs. Bernice Hansen, Minneapolis, and Mrs. Hazel Zrophy of Alexandria, Minn.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Virgil T. Golden Chapel with the Rev. James Wilson officiating.

Soviet Orders Shakeup Of Europe 'Observers'

BERLIN (AP)–The Soviet Union has ordered a shakeup in its staff of "observers" in Western Europe, informed diplomatic circles reported Sunday.

The order arose from disappointment within high Soviet circles over failure of the information network abroad to correctly gauge events, especially in West Germany and France.

U.S. Delegate Calls Vishinsky's A-Control Plan 'Double-Talk'

PARIS (AP)—U. S. Delegate Ernest Gross described Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky's latest atomic proposals Sunday as "double talk, without meaning."

He conferred with other Western delegates in a study of the proposals presented to the U.N. Assembly's Political Committee Saturday by Vishinsky, who called them "new . . . tremendous . . . momentous."

Other governments quickly communicated the Vishinsky statement to their capitals for instructions.

Some delegates told reporters they wanted the debate, which opens Monday afternoon and continues into the first scheduled night session of the nine-week old assembly, to reveal more clearly what the Russians have in mind.

Vishinsky called for Assembly moral condemnation of atom weapon use, for simultaneous prohibition of atom weapons and setting up a control system, and for permitting continuous U.N. inspection.

After 24 hours of study, Gross told reporters:

"I listened to Mr. Vishinsky for two hours. He didn't say anything really new.

"As for his promise of continued inspection under proper controls, it sounds like double-talk. They are just words without meaning.

"We don't really know yet what Mr. Vishinsky wants."

Mid-Valley Girl Pledge at OSC

CORVALLIS (AP) — Fifty-two Oregon State College girls were pledged to sororities at the close of winter term rushing, it was announced here Sunday.

Among pledges are:

Woodburn—Norene Wells, Kappa Alpha Theta.

Salem—Mary Lee Feike, Gamma Phi Beta; Dorothy Dyke, Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Molalla—Barbara Russell, Sigma Kappa.

Turner — Shirley Hennies, Alpha Omicron Pi.

U.N. Devises 'Recession Insurance'

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP)–Five United Nations economic experts offered a blueprint Sunday to head off or soften a world recession should one threaten after current rearmament spending.

The experts — whose report went to all member governments and will be considered at the next session of the Economic and Social Council — called their report a "small insurance premium" against recessions.

The report called for:

1. More international commodity agreements to reduce the impact of short-run swings in the demand and supply of primary products.

2. Expanded long-term lending by the International Bank for reconstruction and development to help prevent the setback to national development programs that would be caused by a drop in export receipts and in private international investment.

3. Larger international monetary reserves, provided through the International Monetary Fund, to offset short-run fluctuations in foreign exchange receipts.

The survey is the third in a series of major economic reports prepared by U. N. experts.

Robin Hood of Israel Placed Under Arrest

TEL AVIV, Israel, (AP)—Gershon Peer, a 35-year-old Tel Aviv bank messenger who allegedly robbed his employers and distributed the money Robin-Hood-style among needy immigrants, was arrested in the nearby coastal town of Nathanyah Sunday.

He had no large amount of money with him and police are trying to trace the sums he gave away.

Peer went to the homes of three of the bank's directors Saturday, police said, and brandished a knife to rob them of a total of 16,000 pounds and stocks and securities valued at tens of thousands of pounds.

Lutheran Church At Silverton Elects LeRud President

SILVERTON — Joseph LeRud has been named president of the Calvary Lutheran Church, according to report made following the annual meeting.

Other officers include Elvin Almquist, secretary; Mrs. Lester Standard, assistant secretary; Orville Olson, Waldo Rue, Lester Standard, trustees; Paul Almquist, James Paulson, Ole J. Bye, deacons; Miss Olga Johnson, Sunday School superintendent; Mrs. Clara Palmer, assistant Sunday School superintendent; Miss Marie Brye, pianist; Miss Bessie Gregerson, assistant; Mrs. Joseph LeRud, Sunday School treasurer; Lester Standard, Lowel Stanton, Louis Olson, Paul Almquist and Clifford Almquist, ushers.

Announcement has been made that the local church will be hosts to the Oregon Circuit of the Lutheran Free Church, April 25-27.

Sierras Center Of Snow, Flood Stricken Area

By The Associated Press

Residents of Northern California and Western Nevada either dug or bailed out their homes Sunday as the area took a fitful respite between snow and rain storms.

(Picture also on page one.)

It was still snowing hard in the mountains and highways 40 and 50-main East-West traffic arteries-remained blocked. But hundreds of lowland families, driven out by flooding creeks Saturday, moved back into soggy homes as the waters receeded.

There were scattered showers and some snow Sunday, with a storm moving down from the gulf of Alaska expected to hit the coast hard Sunday night.

Streets Passable

Reno, which had its worst snow storm in 14 years Saturday, reported streets again passable and most of the white stuff cleared off walks and driveways. Bright sunshine alternated with sudden, brief snow flurries Sunday.

Trains were running as much as 29 hours late across the Sierras. Repair crews labored to clear blocked tracks in the Feather River Canyon and at Donner Summit near the California-Nevada border.

Returns To Normal

In Contra Costa County, near San Francisco Bay, the sheriff's office reported the situation was returning to normal in the communities of Knightsen, Brentwood, Oakley and Byron, all hard hit in Saturday's flooding. Several hundred families had been moved from their flooded homes.

The entire Middle West was blanketed by a dense fog Sunday and forecasters said "the sun probably won't burn it out until Monday."

Over much of the rest of the nation rain was falling.

Child Perishes In House Fire

SPRAY (AP)–A house fire early Sunday claimed the life of Dina Straub, 5, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Straub.

Tracy K. Johnson, Wheeler County coroner, said the girl was alone in the house sleeping in an upstairs bedroom when the fire broke out apparently from a nearby oil stove.

Her parents were at a dance a block away, he said.

Neighbors attempted to rescue the child but were forced back by flames.

Silverton Dimes Drive Continues

Sattesman News Service

SILVERTON—The final "clean-up" in the March of Dimes campaign at Silverton will be undertaken again by the Silverton Parent - Teachers Association. The group voted at its Thursday night meeting to call from 7 to 8 o'clock on all who have porch lights on.

The Mothersingers' group will meet Tuesday night at the home of Miss Geraldine French at 329 Mill St. to practice for a February appearance at Salem.

Certificates were issued Thursday night to 12 young women and girls who completed the Baby Sitters' course sponsored by the P-TA.

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Chinese Brand Truce Plans as 'Interference'

By OLEN CLEMENTS

MUNSAN, Korea (AP)–Communist truce negotiators Sunday attacked as "interference in internal affairs" Allied proposals for voluntary repatriation of prisoners and restrictions on rebuilding military airfields during a Korean armistice.

It was the first time in the six-month-long talks that the Reds had consolidated the two disputed issues into a single answer, but there still was no progress on either point.

Further debate on both problems was scheduled in Panmunjom Monday.

Brig. Gen. William P. Nucko's, United Nations Command spokesman, reported the merging of the two unsettled questions in answers given in separate subcommittee talks Sunday by North Korean and Chinese negotiators.

Blocks Agreement

Previously the Reds had used the "interference" charge only for the military airfields ban. For weeks, this has blocked agreement on terms for supervising an armistice.

On the prisoner question, the Communist Chinese and North Koreans, who are not signers of the 1949 Geneva Agreement, argued that the U. N. stand for voluntary repatriation of prisoners was in violation of that agreement.

Curtly, the Allied negotiator, Rear Adm. R. E. Libby replied: "Since you do not observe the Geneva Agreement you have no right to interpret it to us.

Individual Right

"The right of repatriation is an individual right or privilege which operates in favor of the prisoners."

Libby argued that the Reds wanted voluntary repatriation when it benefited them but were opposed to it if it benefited the U. N.

The Communists admit holding some 11,558 Allied prisoners of war. The U. N. says it holds 116,000 bona fide North Korean and Chinese POWs, and some 50,000 others who were found to be South Koreans.

The Allies insist that the Reds have not accounted for 50,000 Allied prisoners, mainly South Koreans, who were impressed into the Red Army. The Reds said these were released, or died of exposure or injuries.

Mrs. Roland, Former State Employe, Dies

Mrs. Carrie E. Roland, 85, early Oregon school teacher and retired state worker, died Sunday at a Salem hospital.

She was employed in the State Treasurer's office and in the office of the State Land Board for many years until retirement a number of years ago.

Previously she had taught school at Jefferson, after arrival in Oregon in 1888, and at the old Lincoln School in Salem.

She was a member of First Congregational Church where she was active in church work. She was also a member of Woman's Benefit Association.

She was born Feb. 21, 1867, at Jefferson, N. Y. Mrs. Roland was the widow of John W. Roland, who died in Salem many years ago.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Wilda Roland Beck, Portland; sisters, Mrs. Hattie R. Looney, Salem, and Mrs. Elizabeth Looney, Albany; brothers, A. J. and E. J. Shumaker, both Salem.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at W. T. Rigdon Chapel with Dr. Seth R. Huntington officiating. Interment will be at Belcrest Memorial Park.

Hong Kong Reports China Red Navy Base

HONG KONG (AP)– The Independent Hong Kong paper Wah Kiu Yat Po said Sunday that the Chinese Reds have set up a naval base in the Paracel Islands for use in a "future Southeast Asia drive."

The islands are 300 miles east of the Indochina coast.

GENERAL TO VISIT KOREA

TOKYO (AP)–Lt. Gen. Guy Granville Simonds, chief of the Canadian Army General Staff, is due in Tokyo next Sunday on his first visit to the Far East.

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Kim Bong Ho

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Pincurl Feud Scheduled to Stage Revival

ANTIOCH, Calif. (AP) – Theola Barton says she's going back to high school Monday — with her hair in pin curls. So the explosive feud may be due for another hectic chapter.

She's been away since last March when she was sent home for wearing them. Her parents refused to send her back.

Friday Mr. and Mrs. Amos Barton were fined $10 each by Justice of the Peace Yates F. Hamm for their refusal.

Whereupon Mrs. Barton read a statement of protest, told the Justice he could take over the rearing of her five youngest children—and walked out leaving the children in court.

The Justice sent the children to a juvenile hall, then threatened to cite the parents for child abandonment. Last night, Mrs. Barton reclaimed the children.

Both she and her husband said they will not pay the fine "even if we have to go to jail."

Valley Obituaries

Statesman News Service

Earl Clarence Gage

PEDEE—Earl Clarence Gage, 39, proprietor of Pedee Tavern for the past seven years, died Sunday at his home here after long illness.

Gage came to Oregon in 1923 from Iowa. He worked several years as a logger in the Pedee area. He was a member of Moose Lodge, Corvallis.

He was born May 23, 1912, in Illinois. On Sept. 25, 1938, he was married at Pedee to Helen Dyer, who survives.

Other survivors are a daughter, Eloise; sons, James, Earl Jr., and Thomas Gage; father, LeRoy Gage, Pedee; brother, Milo Gage, Lakeside.

Funeral services will be under direction of Bollman Funeral Chapel, Dallas. Services have been set for Wednesday with burial at Womer Cemetery, Pedee.

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Justice Douglas Backs Away From Campaign

NEW YORK (AP)–Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas said Sunday night he had informed President Truman he would not be a candidate for President or Vice President.

Douglas verified published reports that he had written a letter to the President withdrawing himself as a possible Democratic nominee for either office.

Douglas also said that his decision was a permanent one, and was not taken just in connection with the 1952 election.

Justice Douglas declined to give further details, except to say that the letter was written to the President "sometime during the summer."

The Justice has been in the political limelight before.

His name came up frequently in 1948 in discussion prior to the democratic national convention as a possible candidate for the Vice Presidency of the Presidency itself.

Douglas, formerly of Yakima, Wash., has been a member of the Supreme Court for more than 12 years. He was chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission when President Roosevelt nominated him for the high bench in 1939.

Potato Growers To Seek Easing of Rollback Order

PRINEVILLE (AP)—Four Oregon potato growers will leave for Washington, D.C. Monday to appeal for an 80-cent increase in the announced potato price rollback.

They are Dr. H. W. Steelhammer and Roy Snabel, Prineville, Scott Warren, Klamath Falls, and Clyde Ward, Baker.

The rollback, scheduled to go into effect Saturday, provides for a $3.65 ceiling on Oregon potatoes.

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