

Capehart Says Truman Had No Fears of Russia

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Capehart (R-Ind.) told the Senate on Tuesday that President Truman said in 1945—before the Potsdam conference—that he was "more afraid of England and France than he was of Russia."

Capehart told his colleagues that former Sen. Wheeler, Montana Democrat, advised Truman after a tour of Europe by four senators that "Mr. President, you had better stand up to Russia."

Capehart, one of the four, said "the President replied that he was more afraid of England and France than he was of Russia."

"Sen. Wheeler then said to him, 'Mr. President, you are too optimistic about Russia.' The President shook his head vigorously and said, 'No, I'm not.'"

Capehart's statement was made in commenting on a passage in a new book, "Mr. President," which says Truman noted in his diary that he was not impressed by the views of four senators who had reported to him on a European survey.

He added that if Truman "had followed the advice that was given to him at that time by Sen. Wheeler and concurred in by the rest of us and had stood up to Russia at Potsdam, we would not be in the mess we are in at this time."

Capehart said the President later changed his mind about the Russians, but not soon enough.

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CORVALLIS (AP)—Prices were generally unchanged for forest products last week on the Willamette Valley market, the Oregon State College Extension Service farm forest products report said Tuesday.

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AFROTC Rifle Team Places 7th

The Willamette University Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps rifle team placed seventh in Fourth Air Force Area rifle matches, it was learned Tuesday by Maj. Norman W. Campion, director of the college unit.

Willamette placed highest among nine college AFROTC teams entering the matches. The local university teams started rifle practice on December 6 and had only two months training before entering the eight-state competition.

"Fine showing by the men in the matches," said Coach Theodore Veldt, "was the result of their initiative in getting to practice, spending extra hours on the range and the determination to place Willamette as high as possible among the competing schools."

Mrs. R. Miller Heads Heights Garden Club

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SALEM HEIGHTS — Gardening enthusiasts of the Liberty and Salem Heights area formed a new garden club Monday. The club will meet on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the homes of members. Named as president was Mrs. Ron Miller; vice-president, Mrs. Grove Sprong; and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Lewis Bartlett.

These officers will serve until a constitution and by-laws can be drawn up, and an election of officers held. Mrs. Grove Sprong will serve as chairman of the program committee. Mrs. Frank Dye was appointed chairman of the telephone committee, and Mrs. Norval Hiron, historian.

Mrs. A. A. Larsen of the Friendly Neighbors Garden Club spoke to the group on programs used in gardening. Others helping to organize the club from the Friendly Neighbors Club were Mrs. William Gardner and Mrs. William J. Hall. From the Little Garden Club of Salem Heights were Mrs. Lyle Bayne and Mrs. John Douglas.

Mrs. John Douglas spoke to the group on "Starting Annuals from Seed" and transplanting.

Others present were Mrs. Harvey Peterson, Mrs. Kenneth Graves, Mrs. Jack Whitegon, Mrs. Orville Raymond, Mrs. Louis Kuitert, Mrs. Lawrence Rich, Mrs. Mildred King, Mrs. Roy Rothweiler, Mrs. Norma Owens and Mrs. Ryllis Lindsay.

The first regular meeting will be April 1 at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Rich on W. Salem Heights Ave. Mrs. Ron Miller will be the assisting hostess.

Jonasson Asks Foreign Policy Planned Ahead

Thinking beyond the end of a war was urged Tuesday at a Salem Kiwanis Club luncheon by Dr. Jonas A. Jonasson of the Linfield College staff. He was guest speaker in the Senator Hotel meeting.

Jonasson said the main thought in two world wars was "to get it over with." He added, "we just didn't think enough of what was to follow."

So the present day emphasis, he said, should be not so much on a peace in Korea as on what steps to take afterwards. A Korean peace, the speaker predicted, would not alter fundamental differences between Russia and the U. S.

Teachers Split On Portland State College

PORTLAND (AP)—Whether a state-supported four-year college should be established in Portland drew sharply divided opinions on a Tuesday forum at the Oregon Education Association's annual meeting. The majority, though, was against it.

This is the way the members lined up and their chief arguments:

George Ebeby, assistant superintendent of Portland schools: Yes; more than one-third of the state's population lives within 30 miles of the city.

Mrs. William Kletzer, Portland: Put emphasis on training adults instead of adding instruction for undergraduates.

Dr. Walter Giersbach, president, Pacific University: No; another state school would just increase the trend to "stateism."

Dr. Richard Steiner, Unitarian pastor: No; there are too many mediocre colleges now.

Dr. W. L. Van Loan, Corvallis superintendent, told delegates they should support the school reorganization bill which will appear on the November ballot.

The measure was passed by the last Legislature but held up by a range-sponsored referendum.

New officers: Henry Tetz, Independence, president; Vera Parrott, Hood River, vice president; trustees—Mrs. Antonia Crater, Newberg; Keith Goldhammer, Bandon; Harold Bushman, Burns; Edward Elliott, Umatilla, and Gilbert Shearer, West Linn.

Betty Hutton, Dancer Elope

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Betty Hutton eloped to Las Vegas, Nev., with a movie director Tuesday, surprising her studio and friends.

The blonde actress and Charles O'Curran were married in a wedding chapel by Judge Frank McNamee. They returned here after the ceremony.

Miss Hutton and O'Curran met on a movie set where he was directing dance routines. They have been dating recently but had not announced wedding plans.

O'Curran, 37, was a dancer and band leader before coming to Hollywood in 1944. He has also been an actor and film director. He arranged dance sequences Miss Hutton performed before troops in Korea last month.

Miss Hutton, 31, was divorced last January from Ted Brisikin, Chicago camera manufacturer. They have two children.

Disabled Ship Being Towed

SEATTLE (AP)—The disabled British freighter Darton, in tow of a Coast Guard cutter, will be transferred after daybreak on Wednesday to a Canadian tug some 200 miles off the Columbia River lights to be taken into Vancouver, B. C.

The Coast Guard reported the plans late Tuesday after conferring with the 7,122-ton vessel's agents.

In mid-forenoon Tuesday, the cutter Winona, which reached the scene late Monday night, put a line aboard the vessel and began the slow haul in to the coast. The ship lost its propeller Sunday in rough weather on a voyage from Japan to Portland with a crew of 22 aboard.

The Canadian tug Salvage King, left Victoria, B. C., Monday and was to reach the tow some time Tuesday night.

Crippled Plane Flies Low Over Vancouver, Wash.

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP)—An Air Force C-124 troop carrier plane threw a scare into residents of this city Monday night.

Two of the plane's four engines cut out soon after its takeoff from the Portland Air Base and it was forced to circle at low level to return to the base.

The pilot estimated his altitude at 1000 feet over the city, but residents said it was much lower. After the plane's engines were restored it resumed the flight to its base at McChord Field.

Homicide Charge Follows Wreck

PENDLETON, Ore. (AP)—Donald Gilbert Reese, 23, Plymouth, Wash., was to be arraigned in Justice Court here Tuesday on a charge of negligent homicide.

It grew out of the death Monday night of Lloyd Lawrence Kuhlbeck, 34, Hermiston, a McNary Dam worker, who was a passenger in a car driven by Reese.

The car left a straight stretch of U. S. Highway 30 and overturned near Umatilla, George Hayes, police chief, said.

District Attorney George H. Corey filed the negligent homicide charge.

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United Air Lines Thanks C. of C. for Recent Support

Appreciation to Salem Chamber of Commerce and local citizens for their efforts to maintain United Air Lines passenger-mail-cargo service was given by W. A. Patterson, president of the airline, in a long distance telephone conversation Tuesday to Harold F. Sweeney, local station manager.

Patterson said that the importance of United's continuing service into Salem was evidenced by the Civil Aeronautics Board's decision to that effect, announced from Washington, D. C., Monday.

Thunderjets Set Records

NEUBIBERG, Germany (AP)—Two U. S. Air Force F-84 Thunderjets streaked 2,600 miles over West Europe in four hours and 48 minutes Tuesday for an unofficial record in sustained flight of Thunderjets.

It may be more—a record-distance flight for jets of all types. A U. S. Air Force source in Washington said that, on the basis of past news accounts, the previous record was 2,453 miles.

Traveling at an estimated average of 583.20 miles an hour, they sped over West Germany, the U. S. Zone of Austria, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium, France and England in a round robin trip which brought them back to their home base here.

On their return, both pilots said they had enough fuel left for another 150 miles.

Both aircraft carried a full load of six 50-caliber machine guns and ammunition.

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Man Arrested on Non-Support Charge

Marion County sheriff's office reported Tuesday the arrest of Howard T. Coone on a non-support charge from Marion County District Court.

Coone, who gave his address as Sunny Valley, was arrested Monday evening by Salem city police on the non-support charge and taken to the county jail where he is held in lieu of \$500 bail.

RESCUED FROM WELL

HUNTSVILLE, Utah (AP)—Five-year-old Lois Diane Shupe toppled into a 25-foot dry well Monday and was rescued, unharmed, with a rope a short while later.

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