

Dulles Says President To Find Ways to Make Russians Want Peace

First Foreign Policy Statement Also Warns Western Europe to Unite

By EDWARD E. BOMAR

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles predicted Tuesday night that the Soviet Russian regime may ultimately collapse and die of "acute indigestion" caused by its attempts to swallow free peoples.

Meantime, he indicated a belief that President Eisenhower will find ways to stop the wars in Korea and Indochina. Dulles said these wars go on "because the enemy thinks he's getting an advantage" out of them.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

Robert Butler, Britain's chancellor of the exchequer, coined a telling slogan some months ago to restate the attitude of his government toward further aid from the United States: "Trade, not aid." Other European countries took up the phrase with ardor. They say they very much prefer to earn their dollar exchange through shipping us goods and furnishing us services rather than to have direct financial assistance. That means, we are told, the United States must lower its tariffs to admit more foreign goods.

But along come the Oregon cattlemen to protest a state purchase of frozen beef from New Zealand for use in the menu at state institutions. They see their "ox" being gored on this purchase of foreign beef. "Trade, not aid" doesn't sound well in their ears.

The state purchasing department explains its bought its beef bids received under its specifications. A Portland packer had the low bid and got the contract. The saving is said to have been five to eight cents under the wholesale market prevailing on domestic beef. An official of the state cattlemen's association, noting that the deal saved money for the taxpayers, inquires, "Who are the taxpayers?" meaning, of course, that cattlemen pay their share of taxes.

Well, there you have it cold, the problem of a state competing with domestic. The local producers and manufacturers want protection against foreign goods. If the tariff is too low to shut out or greatly restrict

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New Christian Church Site In Swegle Area

Decision to establish a new Christian Church in the Swegle area east of Salem was announced Tuesday by the Rev. Dudley Strain, minister of the First Christian Church.

Strain advised the church will be located 200 feet east of the intersection of Garden Road and Lancaster Drive. He described the proposed structure as a unit type which can be added onto as the needs of the church increase.

Decision on the location east of Salem came about after a recent survey of several possible locations. The survey revealed that about half of the people in that area were not being served by any church, Strain said.

A request Tuesday evening by the Rev. Mr. Strain to the Salem School Board that the Church be allowed temporary use of the Swegle School as a meeting place was referred to the board's building and grounds committee. (Additional school board news on Page 2.)

Pope's Condition Said Improved

VATICAN CITY (AP)—The condition of Pope Pius XII, ill since last Thursday with influenza and bronchial pneumonia, was reported definitely improved Tuesday.

Slight and of fragile appearance, the Pope seemed to have defeated his first major illness since he became head of the Roman Catholic church nearly 14 years ago. His temperature was back to normal.

Animal Crackers

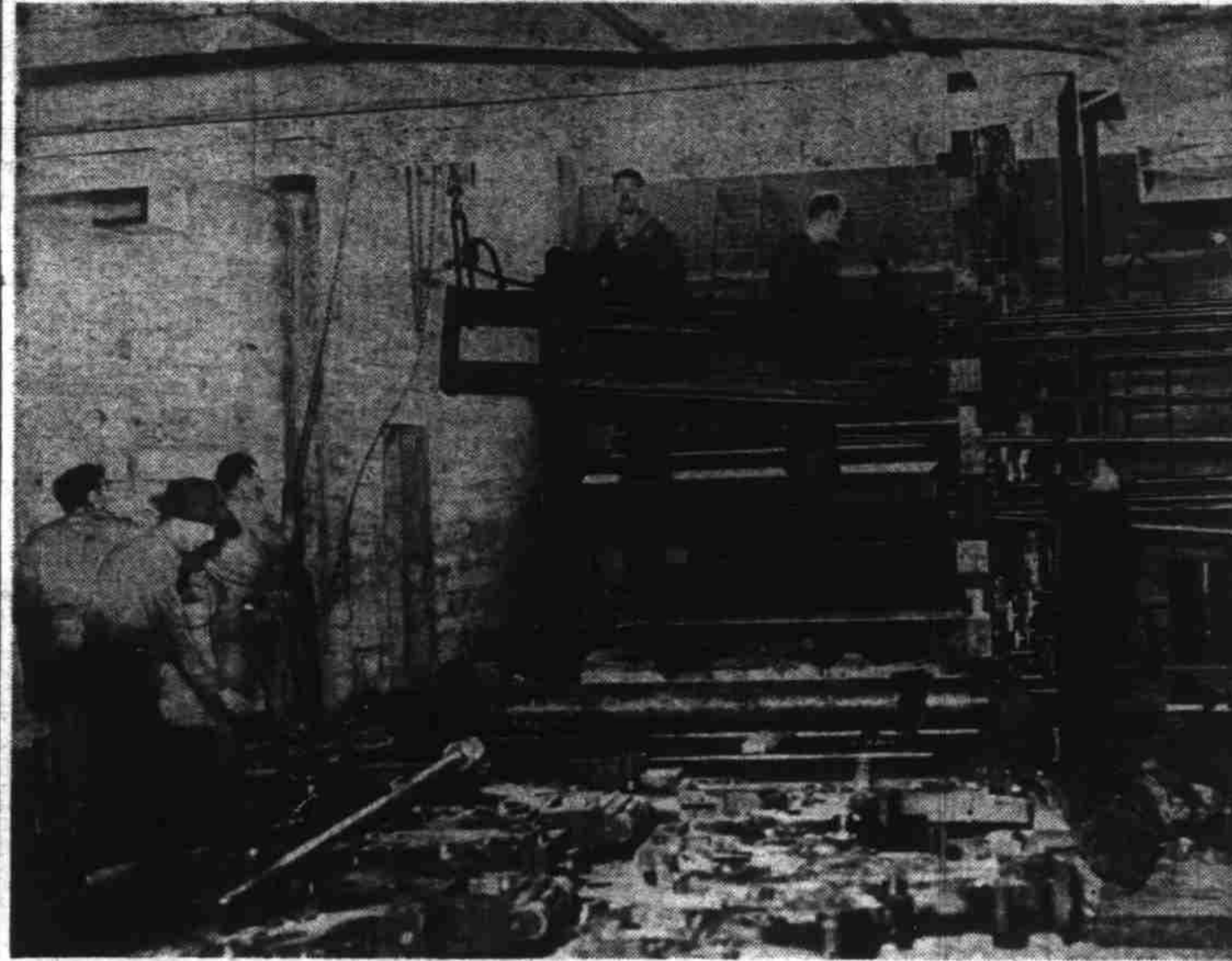


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80-Page Press Going Up at Statesman Plant



It's a long job to erect an 80-page press with its thousands of parts. That's what these men are doing in the new Oregon Statesman plant at North Church and Chemeketa Streets. Supervising are Frank Gross (left foreground) and Bob Bell (top right), both from the J. M. Gauntlett Company of Seattle. The press can print about 35,000 40-page papers an hour. It weighs well over 100 tons. It will be twice as high as shown here.

Karnes 'Finds Peace' in Prison Cell Awaiting Execution for Axe-Slaying

By CONRAD G. FRANGE
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"In here I've found some of the peace I've been looking for all my life."

The quiet comment from inside the Oregon State Penitentiary walls came from the lips of Albert William Karnes, sentenced to die Thursday night for the slaying of Mrs. Susan Litchfield.

"I've been confused," Karnes said; "I still am, I guess."

But he indicated Tuesday night in a death row interview he is ready and waiting to pay his debt to society.

"I never did have much peace or happiness in this world," he said, maybe "I'll find it in another."

Speaks Freely

The slender, blonde 25-year-old Astoria man spoke freely and fervently for over an hour. At his trial last August he exhibited an amazing impassiveness. Almost, some said, an indifference.

A Marion County Court jury convicted Karnes of the first degree murder of Mrs. Litchfield, 81. Her badly beaten body was found last June 8 in the woodshed of her home at 1333 Waller St. The crime and the resulting investigation rocked the community.

No Leniency

The jury disregarded Karnes' plea of mental incompetence and did not recommend leniency. This automatically called for the death penalty. He was originally sentenced to die in the State Prison gas chamber last Oct. 17.

That date was cancelled when Karnes, through his court-appointed attorney John William Stortz, filed notice of appeal to the supreme court. Later this appeal was dropped and Karnes was re-sentenced.

Puffing his pipe and speaking in a low voice Tuesday night Karnes blamed most of his troubles on emotional difficulties. Most of these, he claims, stem from his early home life and later interference into his private affairs.

Welcomed Trial

"I welcomed a trial," he said, "to find out what is really wrong with me. I know something is wrong. Tensions build up inside me and I lose my temper." During the trial his family testified that "Bert," as they called him, had been upset because he was searching for his divorced wife and their son.

McKay Says Residents Aware Oregon May Be Future Battleground

WASHINGTON (AP)—Oregon residents recognize that the state will be on a battle area in the event of another war but "they are not leaving," Interior Secretary Douglas McKay said Tuesday.

McKay told the American Legion Security Commission that a civil defense program should be set up on a permanent basis because it is "critically important in an emergency."

The former Oregon governor pointed out that a Japanese submarine shelled the Oregon Coast in World War II and that a balloon bearing Japanese explosives killed six Oregonians.

Patterson Opposes State-Owned Video Stations at Present

Request for Larger Teaching Staff, School Accommodations at Pen Due

By HECTOR L. FOX
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Educational forces, slowed on one sector Tuesday, face another legislative hurdle Wednesday when they go before the ways and means committee in quest of funds to expand schooling at Oregon State Penitentiary.

Supporters of the proposal to put Oregon into the educational television business put their case before the House education committee Tuesday, only to learn later in the day that Gov. Paul L. Patterson is opposed to the idea, presently at least.

The governor said that an appropriation of \$894,000, recommended by the Oregon Education Association to erect transmitters and studios for TV broadcasts by the State Board of Higher Education, could be better used for construction of college buildings.

Also, the governor declared, there did not appear to be any reason to doubt the Federal Communications Commission would grant non-commercial TV channels two or three years hence.

Sponsors of educational telecasts told the committee they envisioned a statewide network costing several million dollars. They emphasized Washington and other states were planning or had in partial operation similar ventures. Washington, they said, would be asked for \$10,000,000 for a 17-station system.

The ways and means committee is scheduled to hear Wednesday a request for money to enlarge the teaching staff and accommodations now used at the State Prison. The prison schooling system has been in operation about two years and recently graduated its first high school class.

Seven More Teachers

The prison educational enlargement plan contemplates the addition of seven teachers, more school rooms and an auditorium.

The House, which has held only morning sessions the past two days to permit concentrated committee work, put speedy approval in five bills and sent them to the Senate Tuesday. Two involved traffic-setting the maximum speed for school buses at 45 miles per hour and making it mandatory for a motorist to stop after striking a pedestrian.

Increase in unemployment compensation benefits from \$25 to \$35 a week for 26 weeks, and elimination of the one-week waiting period for jobless benefits were sought in two new labor bills.

Cuts School Age

Rep. Maurine Neuberger, Portland, introduced legislation to reduce from 18 to 16 the age children can leave school. Portland General Electric put in its bill to permit construction of the state hydro-electric commission.

At request of the governor, a memorial urging that all state employees be placed under social security was introduced. Other new legislation included a bill to erect a \$2,200,000 dental school in Sam Jackson Park in Portland.

The House highway committee voted to introduce a highway bill that would permit tolls only on the Interstate bridge between Portland and Vancouver to help raise funds for a second span alongside the existing structure. The original bill did not specify the Interstate span.

Protest Proposal

Several cities on Highway 99 and 101 protested the state highway commission's proposal to seek authority to regulate parking on state control over installation and operation of parking meters—a vital source of revenue to cities. Parking meters now are operated by cities on several state highways that pass through their centers.

The House committee also is expected to put "teeth" in the law that prohibits parking adjacent to state highways. Although state police have issued citations for violations, there is no provision in the existing law for court action.

Rep. Mark Hatfield, Salem, introduced his bill to compel candidates for national convention delegates who file their candidacies by petition to take a pledge to support whomever wins the state presidential primary. Such pledges now must be taken only by those who file by paying the required fee.

(Additional legislative news on page 6.)

FLAN GRAIN ELEVATOR

PORTLAND (AP)—The Spokane, Portland and Seattle Railway plans to build a 1 1/2 million ton grain elevator at its grain elevator at Vancouver, Wash. J. C. Moore, company vice president, said Tuesday.

Barbara, now in the 8th grade and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Miller of Route 1, Box 281, Independence, was certified as school champion by her principal and teacher, Mrs. Willma Young.

Second place at Oak Point was won by Phyllis Ingram, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ingram, Route 1, Box 334, Independence, and third place by Judith Peterson, also 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodey Peterson, Route 1, Box 332, Independence. Both are in the 8th grade.

Barbara, whose hobbies are the baton, piano and postmarks, won third place in the semi-finals at Brush college last year and then went on to place 14th (ahead of 13 others) in the grand finals.

The semi-finals in this division this year will be at Mt. View at 7:45 p.m. Friday, March 13. There are 10 semi-finals. Two from each will compete in the grand finals at Parrish Junior High on March 25. All contests are open to the public without charge or collection.

Portland Police Crackdown Due

PORTLAND (AP)—A crackdown on Portland's criminals was announced Tuesday and leaves of all officers were cancelled.

Police Chief James Purcell said a shotgun squad of 60 policemen would be sent out on night patrol, working in 12-hour shifts.

Purcell said that persons of "doubtful character" who were roaming the streets without legitimate business could expect to be taken into custody. Law abiding citizens will not be bothered, he said.

The action is designed to end a series of holdups, robberies and burglaries in the city.

Storm Scheduled To Bring Rain

Rainfall of between one-half and three-quarters of inch is in the weather picture for Salem and vicinity tonight, according to the weather man.

But temperatures are expected to gradually warm up through Friday.

Rains will come from a storm off the coast predicted to reach the coastline this afternoon and Salem tonight.

Light showers and cloudiness prevailed here Tuesday with .05 inches of rain falling in the 24-hour period from midnight Monday to midnight Tuesday.

Daily Speller!

(The following words are among those from which will be chosen the words for the 1953 Oregon Statesman-KSLM Spelling Contest for 7th and 8th graders of Marion, Polk and part of Yamhill County.)

league
delight
brilliant
ordinary
valuation
apparatus
appetite
completion
interfer
balloon

minimum
tedious
missionary
protect
invitation
attention
anticipation
creature
attorney
creditor

A-Town Blasts Leave 4 Dead, 10 Missing

AIKEN, S.C. (AP)—Exploding gas spread roaring fires through the heart of this atomic boom town Tuesday, killing at least four persons and injuring a number of others.

Police said at least six other persons are unaccounted for and are believed to be buried in the debris of an explosion which caused an estimated two million dollars damage.

The explosion, which firemen said was caused by leaking gas, shattered the Jones Electrical Co. Store, a two-story brick building.

Within seconds gas-fueled flames shot out of the wreckage, destroying four other buildings and damaging another.

Rescue crews, many of them from the billion-dollar H-bomb plant 20 miles west of this city of 25,000, had recovered four bodies from the ruins. Operations were halted then while bulldozers knocked down tottering walls to permit getting at other debris.

Five persons were treated at hospitals, but none were believed to be in critical condition.

GOP Leaders in Conflict Over Tax Cut Plans

WASHINGTON (AP)—An open conflict sprang up among House Republican leaders Tuesday over a bill to cut individual income tax rates 11 per cent starting June 30.

Chairman Reed (R-NY) came out of a closed House Ways and Means Committee session emphatically predicting the committee will approve the tax-cutting proposal at a meeting called for Feb. 16.

Reed, author of the bill, said further "the House will pass it right away—before the end of February." He told reporters prospects for early passage are "perfect" and any delay would be "over my dead body."

House Speaker Martin (R-Mass), however, promptly called a different tune.

The speaker told a reporter the bill might come out of Reed's committee in February but it probably will be several months before it reaches the House floor.

"We've got to do some saving first—we've got to do some cutting," Martin said. The speaker and other Republicans, including Rep. Halleck (R-Ind), floor leader, have called for action to slash federal spending and balance the budget before they consider tax reductions.

Reed's bill would be the first reduction for about 50 million taxpayers since a series of boosts after the Korean war started in 1950. Since the 11 per cent cut would start in mid-year, the reduction over the full calendar year of 1953 would be 5 1/2 per cent.

First Citizen Dinner Tonight

He went back home, did odd jobs, tried unsuccessfully to get into the Army. Bad eyes, doctors said. Then he got married in February, 1949. In 1951 he was sent to Washington State Reformatory at Monroe for eight months for burglary.

This escapade he said was again the result of interference in his marriage. He didn't elaborate.

Searched For Family

When he got out of the reformatory he had no further trouble with the law until the Salem crime. During this time he searched continually for his wife and young son.

"I'm not attempting to excuse myself for what I've done," he said. His eyes shone with moisture at times while he talked. "But I think I am in need of psychiatric treatment. I had a fair trial and the jury under Oregon's antiquated insanity law, could bring in no other verdict. Stortz was wonderful."

He said he will be baptized Thursday by the Rev. William McClory, prison chaplain.

Karnes has put on a little weight since his trial. Prison authorities say he eats and sleeps well. Karnes says he has been prepared for his fate since the jury verdict.

Karnes is allowed to keep a pet guinea-pig in his cell. It is white and fat and is named "Jimmy." As he concludes the interview he stroked the little animal. Jimmy purred in soft grunting sounds.

"If you stroke their feet," Karnes said, "their eyes pop out. They're that sensitive."

Bodies of Corvallis Couple Found

SUPERIOR, Mont. (AP)—The body of Arthur Salter and his wrecked automobile were hauled from the Clarks Fork of the Columbia River Tuesday.

His wife's body was found Sunday.

The 22-year-old couple disappeared while driving from Corvallis, Ore., to their Butte home three months ago.

U.S. Thunderjet Pilot Reports Seeing 8-Inch Flying Disc at Close Range Over Central Japan

By WILLIAM C. BARNARD
A U. S. AIR BASE IN NORTH-EAST JAPAN (AP)—A U. S. pilot saw at close range a mysterious flying disc make a pass at a Thunderjet over Central Japan, then streaked away the Air Force reported Tuesday.

The hitherto secret report from intelligence files said the disc was seen at 6,000 feet on a bright, cloudless day, just before noon last March 29 by Lt. David C. Brigham, Rockford, Ill.

Brigham said the disc was about eight inches in diameter and that it closed to within 20 feet of the Thunderjet before shooting up out of sight.

"It was the second disclosure in recent years of mysterious objects zooming through the skies over Japan, near Russian-held territory."

Last week, the Air Force made public intelligence reports of "rotating clusters of red, white and green lights," sighted Dec. 29 by U. S. airmen.

The Air Force issued the two reports without comment.

Brigham was flying a reconnaissance plane when a Thunderjet pulled alongside. The Thunderjet pilot was not identified.

Brigham said the disc swept up behind the Thunderjet, maneuvered in apparently controlled sweeps then pulled up and shot out of sight.

He estimated that he watched the object for about 10 seconds from a distance of 30 to 50 feet at the closest point. The Thunderjet pilot did not see the disc.

Brigham described the object as "about eight inches in diameter, very thin, round, and as shiny as polished chromium; had no apparent projections and left no exhaust trails or vapor trails."

He said there were no markings on the disc but there was a "ripple in the metal skin."

"Then it passed him, crossed in front of him and pulled up abruptly, appearing to accelerate and shot out of sight in a steep, almost vertical climb."

Brigham said the disc "rocked back and forth at approximately 40-degree banks at approximately one-second intervals throughout its course."

Sightings of the light clusters were made at several points over Northern Japan on Dec. 29. On Jan. 9 a rotating cluster was tracked by radar from two F-96 jet interceptors. The radar actually "locked" on the cluster and steered the jets toward it. Radar will not "lock" on lights alone.