

West Reich Mayor Cuts Red Tape, Feeds Thousands of East Germans

By DAN De LUCE BERLIN (AP) — A go-getter West-ern mayor cut red tape and fed thousands of hungry East Germans Tuesday in a heart-warming demon-stration of practical food relief on Berlin's Iron Curtain border.

Communist propagandists let out a roar of rage at the act. The So-viet Zone news agency ADN de-nounced it as "an American propa-ganda trick."

While the United States and the B-n republic were still discussing ways and means of getting 15 mil-lion dollars of free American food to the stricken Soviet Zone, Willy Kressmann went into action Tues-day morning.

As mayor of the American sec-tor of the Kreuzberg, he op-erated a relief market at 9 a.m. in Oranienplatz facing the police-guarded frontier of Soviet East Berlin.

By collecting private donations and drawing on borough charitable funds, he stocked the market with milk and fruits for sale to East Germans at less than fifth their normal price.

Five thousand East Germans swarmed past the Communist po-

lice posts to gather up 1,820 quarts of milk, 2,200 pounds of cherries, and 11,200 oranges before the mar-ket closed at 7 p.m.

Kressmann announced it would re-open Wednesday morning with potatoes featured.

The East Germans depreciated cur-rency was accepted at par with the West mark at Oranienplatz. In regular exchange, the rate is 5.8 to 1. So the food Tuesday was far cheaper than East Germans had ever been able to buy it at home in eight years of Communist rule. The West Berlin government,

meanwhile, took up with West Ger-man Vice Chancellor Franz Bleu-cher its proposal to issue five-mark food coupons monthly to East Ger-mans, redeemable at numerous food distribution centers to be set up along the Iron Curtain, like Oranienplatz.

U.S. officials said every effort was being made to work out meth-ods of shipping American gift food into East Germany despite Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Mol-otov's bitter refusal to accept it. Kressmann's "neighborhood help" had been intended merely for East

Germans living in the vicinity of his borough. But they came, too, from distant suburbs of East Ber-lin and from the surrounding So-viet Zone. Nobody with an East German identity card was turned away. When the first supplies ran out, the mayor hustled up more. The trek of hungry East Ger-mans made a mockery of Commu-nist claims that state chain stores were again bulging with supplies. ADN tried to parry the psycholo-gical blow by charging that most of the visitors to Oranienplatz were "jobless West Berliners."

But Which Cow Ate the 'Lettuce'?

FARMERSBURG, Ind. (AP)—Farmer Jack Hayden needs the answer to a \$300 question — which of his cows ate the greens without chlorophyll?

Hayden's wallet slipped out of his pocket as he fed the cows Tuesday. When he found it an hour later in the big man-ger, 15 crisp green 20s were missing.

A \$700 check for the sale of some pigs was still in it, though. The cow apparently considered it indigestible as well as non-negotiable.

Hayden would slaughter the culprit to get his money back — but which one?

McCarthy Fails In Attempt to Query Bundy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senator McCarthy (R-Wis) failed at least temporarily Tuesday to prevail upon the Eisenhower adminis-tration to let him question William P. Bundy, official of the super-secret Central Intelligence Agency.

After a conference with Allen Dulles, head of the intelligence unit, he announced his Senate sub-committee would turn over to CIA all information it has on Bundy. Then, McCarthy said, the CIA "will reevaluate Mr. Bundy's se-curity status under President Eis-enhower's new security order."

Meantime, he said, his aides and those of Dulles would confer "with a view to working out a formula whereby the committee could carry out its proper investigative func-tions in protecting the security of the United States, without impairing in any way the security of the intelligence agency."

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Vessel Sinks After Collision, No Lives Lost

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Two big freighters slashed into each other 18 miles off the Golden Gate Tues-day, sending the heavily laden Ja-cob Luckenbach to the bottom in 200 feet of water.

The Hawaiian Pilot, damaged at the bow, sank the 49 crew members of the Luckenbach and made harbor safely under its own power.

The collision occurred in the dim pre-dawn in one of the worst coast-al fogs of the season.

Those who watched the Hawaiian Pilot come through the Golden Gate under the watchful eyes of a Coast Guard escort marveled that the remains afloat, with the huge gap-hole in her prow.

The Jacob Luckenbach was out-bound for Pusan and Yokohama, under charter to Pacific Far East Lines.

The Hawaiian Pilot, owned by Matson Navigation Co., with nine passengers and 50 crew, was in-bound from Hawaii, heavy with a bulk cargo, molasses and pineap-ple cargo.

Murder Grew Out of Guardian's Rejection of Car

MARYSVILLE, Calif. (AP) — It was refusal of his guardian to help him buy an automobile that prompted him to kill the guardian at Parkdale, Ore., last week, Donald Imlah, 18, told police Tuesday.

The guardian, Bruce Houck, 32, was found shot to death on his Parkdale ranch, Imlah, paroled for boys, was arrested here.

Sheriff John Dower, awaiting the late Tuesday arrival of Sheriff R. L. Gilmouth from Hood River, said Imlah explained he had been well treated by Houck but he killed him because Houck had twice hesitated about helping him buy a car.

'Mystery House' Owner Loses Suit

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Superior Court Tuesday denied a damage and injunction suit brought by John Lister, operator of the "Mystery House" near Gold Hill, Ore., against owners of "Confusion Hill" near Garberville, Calif.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Stryker

Secretary of Agriculture Benson issued a finding that under the law it would be necessary to curtail the acreage in wheat for 1954. The curtailment required under the law would have brought the maximum to 55 million acres; but the Senate and House have agreed to a higher base, or 62 million acres. Once again the politicians have triumphed over the economists.

What is admitted now is that a curtailment should have been ordered in 1952 and possibly in 1951. Secretary Brannan didn't do this, and so the surplus of wheat kept mounting. Meantime our export market shrank as foreign coun-tries increased their own produc-tion. What is many other farm crops. As of April 30th last the Commodity Credit Corporation had invested in farm and dairy products in storage and in loans on crops \$3,135,600,000 as compared with \$1,609,200,000 the year previous.

The trouble with the price support program is that it is to a large degree self-defeating. When it maintains prices at levels high-er than the going market rate, it cur-tails exports and diminishes domes-tic consumption. As Hershel D. Newsom, Master of the National Grange, remarked, "we are pricing ourselves out of the world market." As long as the govern-ment guarantees a profitable price farmers will produce because they thus are freed of the hazards of the market. In July, 1952 Secretary Brannan urged a curtailment of wheat.

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Slightly Warmer Day On Weather Forecast

A day, slightly warmer than yesterday, high of 75 degrees, was predicted for today by U. S. weathermen. Anticipated are tem-peratures ranging from 82 de-grees to a low of about 52 de-grees. Only a trace of rain fell in Salem Tuesday and none is ex-pected today, weathermen pre-dicted.

Lost Angler Found, Sells Fishing Gear

GRANTS PASS (AP)—Charles R. Snavely of Grants Pass, lost 28 hours southwest of here while on a fishing trip, was found Mon-day night and he promptly sold his fishing gear to Lew Krauss, one of the men in the rescue party.

"I'm never going fishing again" said the rescued fisherman.

School Board Okehs Purchase Of Land Next to Auburn School

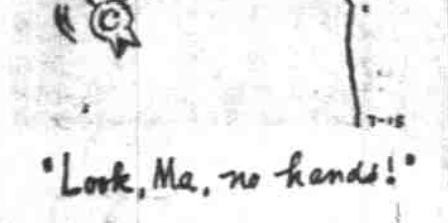
Salem School Board Tuesday night authorized purchase of land adjacent to Auburn School, east Salem, with future expansion in mind.

Prices accepted were \$1,500 for a 188 by 241 foot property and \$800 for a 108 by 188 foot area south and east of the present school.

Much of the board meeting in the school office building last night centered in an appeal from canners and growers to delay opening of school so more seasonal workers would be available in September. No decision was reached but the board agreed to tackle the problem again July 28. (Additional details on page 4, Section 2.)

The board approved the ap-pointment of George Birrell, veter-an science teacher, as head of the Salem High School science department for the coming year. He succeeds Miss Jube Philpott, who retired this year.

The board purchased a new 66-passenger school bus and a one-ton package delivery truck from Capital Tractor and Equipment Co. (International) and a 1 1/2-ton stake body truck from Truck Sales & Service Co. (GMC), on the basis of recently opened bids



Furious Truck Fire Cuts Off Phone Service



Flames from this burning hay truck cut off telephone service between Salem and Dallas and Falls for almost four hours Monday night. Driver of the truck, Norris S. Wale, 554 Senate St., Salem, stayed up with the charred truck most of Monday night to make sure the fire did not break out again. He said truck and contents, value not determined, were covered by insurance. The fireman photograph-ed here by a Dallas cameraman is Capt. Paul Palmer of the Dallas fire department.

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Rain, ROKs, Artillery Check Chinese Drive

SEOUL (AP)—Rain, ROKs and roaring big guns checked the rag-ing Chinese offensive on the Korean East-Central Front Wednes-day after it had smashed miles inside Allied territory.

By 11 a.m. (9 p.m. EST) Tuesday it was apparent at U. S. Eighth Army headquarters that the Communist drive on the 20-mile sector had stalled—at least for the moment.

Two inches of steady rain Tues-day and Tuesday night, a sturdy defense by four Republic of Korea (ROK) divisions and a curtain of Allied artillery fire had up to that time prevented a break-through in the Reds' biggest attack since May, 1951.

AP Correspondent Forrest Ed-wards reported from the front that the Chinese apparently did not press their attack during the night.

The U. S. Fifth Air Force said 38 B-26 twin-engine bombers blast-ed the Communist attackers dur-ing the night with 190,000 pounds of explosives.

More Allied war planes took off for the battle zone Wednesday but the heavy rains sharply curtailed air support of frontline troops.

The Chinese had poured fresh troops from eight divisions — more than 80,000 men — into the big drive Monday and Tuesday.

"This is the greatest achieve-ment of the ROK army and justifies the great effort and great faith it took to create it," one high-ranking Allied officer said.

"The four ROK divisions, with only partial help from American artillery and supply units, fought one of the great defensive battles and at noon today it looks as if they had won it," he added.

House Passes Measure, Will Read It Later

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House unanimously passed a bill Tues-day and decided to wait until Wednes-day to find out what it provides.

Chairman Reed (R-NY) of the Ways and Means Committee asked at the close of the session that the bill (he gave its number) be passed by unanimous consent. Nobody ob-jected, so Speaker Martin declared the bill passed and it headed for the Senate.

Reed, whose committee approved the measure, then asked for per-mission to put an explanation of the bill in the Congressional Rec-ord, which comes out Wednesday morning. Nobody objected to that, either.

Newsman, whose bosses think today's news should be written to-day, discovered that the bill would permit the duty-free importation of foreign articles for display at the Washington State International Trade Fair to be held next Febru-ary in Seattle.

Table with baseball game results: Western International, Coast League, National League, American League.

West Proposes Big Four Foreign Ministers' Meet

Warden Says New Cellblock Outdated

Prison news was once again important Tuesday when Warden Clarence Gladden made his report to the Board of Control and advised them that the newest cellblock, two years old and costing \$1,500,000, is 30 years out of date.

Even while the warden made his report to Gov. Paul Patterson, Secretary of State Earl T. Newbury and State Treasurer Sig Unan-der, the 125 key troublemakers in the recent four-day revolt were being segregated from their fel-low-prisoners. They are in an im-provised segregation section of the cell block over which extra guards have been posted. Twen-ty-one of the ringleaders have been put in an isolation section of the prison.

Planning Criticized In his report to the board, Warden Gladden cited improper plan-ning as the reason for the cell-block's outmoded design. Gladden said there is a need for modern-ization in the maximum and me-dium security buildings now un-der construction which, he said, lack a clothes control room, cen-tral bath and barber shop.

The board authorized the em-ployment of J. D. Annand of the architectural firm of Annand, Boone and Lei, Portland, to con-duct an inspection of the entire prison plant and recommends any changes. Annand's firm recently was selected to prepare plans for the new intermediate penal insti-tution approved by the 1953 Leg-islature.

As for Oil Fuel Gladden also recommended elimination of the hog fuel stock-pile and substitution of oil for heating the prison plant. He said the hog fuel stockpile had been the direct cause of several escap-es by convicts in trucks.

"These hog fuel stockpiles also are a convenient place for con-ducts to hide contraband articles and provided a hideout for prison-ers bent on manufacturing 'pru-no' from decayed vegetables and fruits stolen from the cannery," Gladden said.

Governor Paul Patterson told other members of the board that during the recent rioting were not serious.

"It could have been a much more disastrous situation and we should have learned a lesson," the governor added.

The board agreed to employ Erwin E. Batterman, Salem con-tractor, to complete the segrega-tion cell block now under con-struction. Batterman said he would complete the new segrega-tion cellblock with free labor at a cost of \$54,500 as against an estimate of \$47,000 through the use of convict labor. He promised completion of the segregation cell block in approximately 60 days.

Incorrigible prisoners would be housed in this cellblock. Gladden told the board there had been considerable sabotage to this structure and he had di-rected that no prisoners be per-mitted to loiter in that area.

O'Malley Selected Secretary of State Earl T. New-bury, member of the board when Virgil O'Malley was selected as warden, said O'Malley had advised the board that when his pro-posed improvements were com-pleted the Oregon prison would be one of the outstanding in the country.

To Ask for Guards It was indicated at Tuesday's meeting that the board of control will be required to ask the state emergency board for additional funds for more guards. The warden emphasized that he wanted to replace several convicts now working in important jobs by free labor.

"Some of the convicts have at-tempted to tell me what work they will do but that has been stopped," Gladden declared.

The board of control requested the warden to make a complete written report along with any recommendations he may deem advisable in order to avoid future uprisings at the institution.

The board indicated it was high-ly satisfied with the manner in which the warden had handled the prison situation.

Truce Teams Meet, Recess

PANMUNJOM (AP) — Allied and Communist truce delegates met again Wednesday for 21 minutes and recessed until Thursday with no indication they were any closer to a cease-fire in Korea.

Official secrecy shrouded devel-opments inside the conference hut, but apparently the negotiations on the all-but-signed armistice still were snagged on South Korea's role after a truce.

Lebanon, Albany Grocery Stores In Labor Dispute

LEBANON, Ore. (AP) — The major food stores here and at Albany, Ore., operating with skeleton crews of supervisory help in the wake of a wage dispute that brought picket-ing at three.

Jerry's Market, Columbia Food Market and Irish-Warner Grocery here were picketed Tuesday by the AFL retail clerks union. Food store operators here and at Albany promptly said that was a blow at all of them and they laid off their union workers.

The trouble, spokesmen said, was inability to get together on contract terms. The union asked \$1.75 an hour and a 40-hour week. Employers offered a 48-hour week, \$1.55 for men and \$1.40 for women. The present scale is \$1.40 for men and \$1.30 for women.

The major food stores here and at Albany have been represented together in the contract talks.

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