

Adm. Byrd Foresees String of U.S. Bases in Antarctic

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Squire

This was the year when under the Charter of United Nations the General Assembly was free to call for a conference to consider the revision of the Charter. This has been a topic of considerable discussion for several years, and just a few days ago the Ninth General Assembly authorized the convening of such a conference. However it left to a committee the selection of a time for the meeting, and it is quite generally recognized that no Charter revision conference will be scheduled anyway soon. The USSR opposes such a conference, says that no revision is needed. Even if the conference is held it is very doubtful if any amendment proposed would become effective since the permanent members of the Security Council have the right of veto on any change. In view of Russia's attitude a revision conference would be principally one of debate rather than achievement.

In anticipation of a possible revision of the Charter our State Department and the Senate committee on foreign affairs have had staff members at work studying the operations of United Nations under the current Charter and ideas for Charter changes. Heading this work for the Senate committee were its chief of staff, Francis O. Wilcox, who was recently appointed Assistant Secretary of State in charge of UN affairs, and Carl Marcy, its consultant, who has succeeded Wilcox as (Continued on editorial page, 4)

Soviet Showing 'Big Interest' In Continent

By ELTON C. FAY
WASHINGTON (AP)—Rear Adm. Richard E. Byrd said Thursday he expects the forthcoming Navy expedition to Little America will lead to a permanent system of United States bases in the strategically important Antarctic.

The admiral, bound for his fifth journey to the bottom of the world, also said a Russian expedition is setting up expedition bases on the opposite side of the Antarctic continent, in a huge area virtually unexplored up to this time.

Will Russian and American scientists work together in this phase of the "International Geophysical Year?" he was asked at a news conference.

"Oh, yes," said Byrd. He added that in meetings held at Rome and Brussels, the Soviets expressed "great interest."

35 Bases
The various nations participating in the joint scientific studies will have a total of 35 bases on the Antarctic continent, Byrd said.

The admiral reported that the three bases and part of another which he established in earlier expeditions, beginning in 1928, are still in existence at Little America—"contrary to popular belief."

Under 40 Feet
But the steady pile-up of snow over the years has put the first base under about 40 feet of snow, with another Little America "village" covered at about half that depth.

To a question about the future of Little America, Byrd said: "I think this will be a permanent thing from now on. I think this is the beginning of permanent bases, permanent little villages down there. I don't think Little America will be such a lonely place from now on."

He estimated that about 500 persons might man the permanent system of villages, mostly civilians who would remain for two or three years, then be replaced by others. The rest, about 10 per cent, would be military personnel.

Strategic Value
He was asked, in connection with the permanent bases, if he thought Little America had strategic value. His answer was: "If the Panama Canal should be destroyed, our ships on the way to the Pacific would have to go around South America. (The edge of the Antarctic area is only about 300 miles away.) We would have control of that area."

Byrd will leave here Friday morning for San Francisco and New Zealand by commercial air line.

Heroic Boy, 9, Rescues Tots From Blaze

CHICAGO (AP)—A 9-year-old boy made repeated entries into his burning home Thursday night and saved six brothers and sisters. But a baby sister died in the blaze.

Police Lt. Ezell Irons of suburban Chicago Heights, said the heroic rescues were made by Joe Bradley Jr.

The officer said the Bradley children, who were at home alone, apparently were preparing for bed when the fire started.

Joe smelled smoke and awakened some of the children who had fallen asleep. He led some outdoors and carried others to safety. His brothers and sisters ranged in age from 2 months to 8 years.

Irons said the parents, Joe Sr. and Pearl, were away from home. About eight other residents of the two-story building fled to safety.

The Bradley child who died was Denise, 15 months.

Vessel Sinks In China Sea

MANILA (AP)—The Pakistan registered ship Fakira sank about midnight Thursday in the South China Sea southwest of the Paracel Islands, the RCA radio station here reported Friday. It was not reported how many were aboard.

A message picked up by RCA from the S. S. Stanac said "Fakira sank in position 13.2 north and 113.54 east about midnight."

The 6,771-ton motorship earlier was reported with flooded holds.

A Liberian-registered ship, the S. S. Symphony, had picked up two lifeboats containing 45 survivors, the master and some crew still were reported aboard.

Shipping sources here said the Fakira is owned by the East-West Steamship Co. of Pakistan.

Demos Urge Farm Price Props Hike
WASHINGTON (AP)—"Restoration of farm price supports at not less than 90 per cent of parity" was the demand Thursday of the Democrats' special advisory committee on agriculture.

Civil Rights Union to Fight For Burlesque

NEW YORK (AP)—The New York Civil Liberties Union, citing the 1st and 14th Amendments to the Constitution, came to the aid of burlesque Thursday.

The CLU said it would join the side of Tom J. Phillips, an old-time vaudeville, in his fight to have burlesque restored in Brooklyn.

City License Commissioner Edward T. McCaffrey refused Phillips a burlesque license last November, saying burlesque meant bumps and grinds and stripping, and they were bad for the community.

A state Supreme Court later overruled McCaffrey, but the commissioner appealed. The appeal comes up Friday.

McCaffrey, said the CLU in entering the case, seized "arbitrary and capricious power," in refusing Phillips a license.

The CLU added that "not only does the commissioner lack authority to act as a censor, but any attempt to give him such authority would necessarily be unconstitutional."

Burlesque has been banned throughout New York City for more than a decade.

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Foreign Student Eats Turkey, Not Traditional Rabbit



A young German girl—Sigrid Bruhl (standing)—had her first taste of turkey Thursday afternoon as part of the Arnold Roethlin family Thanksgiving dinner. Sigrid is an exchange student from Heidelberg, Germany, and is living with the Lee Ohmart family while attending North Salem High School. From left to right around the table are Mrs. Rudy Calaba, Rudy Calaba, Mrs. Lee Ohmart, Robert Ohmart, Lee Ohmart, Sigrid Bruhl, Arnold Roethlin (carving the turkey), Billy Boyd, Sandra Calaba, Diana Boyd, Judy Ohmart and Mrs. Arnold Roethlin. Sigrid explained that in her section of Germany rabbit is the traditional festive-dish instead of turkey. (Statesman photo).

Wind-Driven Rain Lashes Salem Area

Gust-driven sheets of rain Thursday pelted the Salem area and its Thanksgiving Day churchgoers. The weather made family gatherings strictly indoor affairs.

The elements put an estimated 35 phones temporarily out of business in an area along Auburn road as damage was done to a cable, according to a Pacific Telephone Co. spokesman. Numerous storm sewers on city streets clogged and overflowed by Thursday night.

Despite holiday traffic on area highways, no serious accidents had been reported to city and state police early this morning.

Weathermen at McNary Field said 59 of an inch of rain was measured during the day. Gusts of wind at times hit 36 miles per hour.

Winds toppled several trees in Portland and brought power failures to a number of Rose City families just when they were cooking Thanksgiving turkeys, the Associated Press reported. Suburban areas southwest of Portland were particularly hard hit by breaks in power lines.

The Salem area forecast calls for showers today through Sunday.

Three Children Burn to Death

NEW YORK (AP)—Three small children burned to death Thursday following an oil stove explosion at a Brooklyn home.

The explosion occurred about 8:25 a.m. as their mother, Charlotte Mitchell, was adjusting the stove in the kitchen of her small frame home at 229 Starr St., in the Bushwick section.

Fire quickly engulfed and destroyed the home, taking the lives of the children, Allen, 4, Jayne, 3, and Betty Lou, 2.

The mother suffered third degree burns.

Girl Compares U.S., Reich Holiday Fare

North Salem exchange student Sigrid Bruhl settled for turkey Thursday instead of the traditional Thanksgiving rabbit of her German homeland, and she found the American festive bird to her taste.

Sigrid, a senior at North Salem High through the sponsorship of the American Field Service and the Salem Downtown Lions Club took her holiday fare with the Arnold Roethlin family of Salem. Among those around her table were the Lee Ohmarts with whom she is living during her year's stay here.

Celebrate Harvest
"In my part of Germany we celebrate the gathering of crops with a festival much like your Thanksgiving Day," says Sigrid. Usually a Sunday late in October is designated for the celebration.

On their "Turkey Day" the farmers bring some samples of their best produce such as potatoes, wheat, grapes and flowers to church where they serve as decoration. In the evening the families of the various villages get together for a feast and folk dancing. The age-old custom varies according to the section of Germany, and has become less celebrated in recent years.

Home Near France
Sigrid's own family owns a 700 morgen (about 1,400-acre) farm in the southwestern section of Germany, not far from France. Until this year she has attended boarding school in Heidelberg, where she was required to study 14 different subjects. She has taken six years of English, four years of Latin and two years of French. When she goes back to Germany next year she will have another two years of high school to attend.

Contrasts in foods are the greatest between Germany and the U.S., Sigrid reports. In her country, for instance, sweet, sour and salty foods would never be served on the same plate. And the rabbit would grace the festive table instead of the turkey.

Other differences noted by Sigrid are clothing fashions and the fact that high school students seldom have their own cars in Germany. Bicycles provide student transportation instead.

Newberg Blaze Destroys Dryer

NEWBERG (AP)—Fire destroyed the dryer and some \$5,000 worth of nuts at the William Ellins place near West Chehalis Friends Church Wednesday. By the time firemen arrived the dryer was burned nearly to the ground and only a brisk favoring wind kept flames from an adjacent residence.

The Weather

City	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	53	44	.69
Portland	54	41	.71
Baker	39	24	.00
Medford	56	34	.00
North Bend	56	45	.11
Roseburg	58	42	.03
San Francisco	56	42	.00
Los Angeles	74	44	.00
Chicago	49	30	.00
New York	32	45	.00

Willamette River 8.8 feet.
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary Field, Salem):
Mostly cloudy with showers today; cloudy with rain tonight and showers Saturday; scattered showers Sunday; continued mild, with highest temperature today near 52, low tonight near 40.
Temperature at 12:01 a.m. today was 49.
SALEM PRECIPITATION
Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1
This Year Last Year Normal
14.02 9.25 9.25

Thanksgiving Union Service Draws Throng

First Christian Church was crowded to capacity Thursday as churchgoers from many Salem congregations joined in a union Thanksgiving service.

And Lutheran, Episcopalian, Catholic and other churches with separate Thanksgiving services also drew crowds during the holiday morning.

Many Protestant pastors took part in the union service for which Dr. Paul N. Poling preached the Thanksgiving sermon.

Dr. Poling reminded the churchgoers of those like the apostle Paul and the Pilgrims who knew how to be thankful in times of adversity.

God is the basis for all our gratitude, the minister declared.

Traffic Claims 20 Victims in Michigan Area

DETROIT, Mich. (AP)—Death struck with darkness on Michigan highways this Thanksgiving Day. Twenty persons were killed in traffic accidents, 17 of them after sundown Thursday night.

Two crashes accounted for nine of the fatalities. In one broadside collision near Ionia in Central Michigan five persons were killed and three injured seriously.

A head-on smash in suburban Detroit left four dead including three members of one family.

Highways throughout the state were dry.

During weekends the Michigan traffic toll averages about six deaths every 24 hours. No comparison was available for weekdays.

Tear Gas Used To Halt Dixie Football 'Riot'

5 Policemen Hurt in Demonstration Following Game in Savannah, Ga.

SAVANNAH, Ga. (AP)—A near-riot broke out in downtown Savannah Thursday night following a high school football game and five policemen were injured before a mob was broken up with tear gas.

Hundreds of dollars worth of fire fighting equipment was destroyed by the unruly mob that swarmed streets after the Savannah High-Benedictine game. Several persons were arrested for disorderly conduct.

Police and firemen wrestled with the mob for nearly two hours before any semblance of order was restored.

Some of the crowd declared that police had no right to interfere with the "celebration."

The center of the disturbance was Savannah's main business intersection where victors in the annual game traditionally burn the "coffin" of the losers. Savannah won the 56th meeting of the inter-city rivals 9-6.

Destruction of hoses, extinguishers, and other firefighting equipment occurred when firemen attempted to douse the fire before it could damage the paving.

Injured policemen were listed as Cpl. Cecil Attaway, T. J. Ryan, J. B. Ivy, T. K. Oswell, Cpl. J. B. Pappas, and Cpl. L. G. Nasworthy.

Attaway and Ryan remained in a hospital for several hours for X-rays but it was found that their injuries were superficial.

Cpl. Nasworthy was slightly injured when a brick was heaved through the window of the patrol wagon.

Report Due On Selection of OSEA Chief

Progress toward selection of a new executive secretary for Oregon State Employees Association will be reported by a committee to the OSEA board of directors at an all-day meeting in Salem Dec. 3.

Ed Chidsey, State Highway Department employe and chairman of the association committee seeking a new executive, said a few applications have been received and the committee has "put out feelers" otherwise.

Forrest Stewart resigned this month after 11 years of service as the big employe association's executive secretary. Stewart said he is leaving for reasons of health and would like to be replaced as soon as possible.

Chidsey's committee includes Eugene Schmidt, new OSEA president and an employe with the state retirement system in Portland; Ross Newcomb, game commission biologist at Corvallis; James W. Polley of the State Hospital here, and Alfred Kelly, Portland, with public health.

Chidsey predicted it would be first of the year before a successor is named.

Post Office Adds Extra Staff for Christmas Rush

Extra workers and additional space to handle the Christmas mail rush in Salem were announced this week by Salem Post Office.

Space in a basement warehouse at 340 S. Liberty St., owned by the C. L. Corporation, has been rented and will be occupied Dec. 10 for processing of mail.

Postmaster Albert C. Gragg said he would start soon selecting the 80 to 90 temporary holiday clerks and carriers his office will need from a list of 200 applicants. The new men, he said, would start work about Dec. 10.

Thief Gets \$100 Bonus

KANSAS CITY (AP)—A \$100 bill, on exhibition as the bonus in a sales incentive contest at a motor car company, went to the wrong man.

For three days it had been taped to the glass of an office door, along with the standings of the 9 salesmen.

Wednesday night a thief broke the glass and walked off with the \$100 bonus bill.

Slide Threatens Village in Italy

TRENTO, Italy (AP)—A quarter of a million cubic yards of mountain-side threatened Thursday night to wipe out the village of Zambana. It is perched 3,300 feet up on Mt. Pagarella and emergency squads toiled under searchlights through the night in efforts to save it from sliding into a valley near here.

The huge land mass shifted less than half an inch at first but that was enough to crush steel supports designed to hold it back.

Army and civilian engineers hastily threw up more bracing.

More than 100 villagers were removed from 18 homes in the danger area.

Council to Consider Major Projects Proposed for City

The study of major city projects which may require special financing by the voters will get underway Monday in Salem City Council, Mayor Robert F. White predicted Thursday.

But complete details of a long-planned city priority list are slower in developing than expected and probably won't be ready until January, said the mayor.

When aldermen meet over luncheon Monday noon in preparation for the Monday night City Council business session, they will hear from Water Manager John Geru on the progress in estimating the need, size and cost of a new water supply line from the Santiam River to Salem.

Mayor White said the aldermen by Monday noon also would have a list of major street improvement projects the city should undertake in the next few years.

During City Manager J. L. Franzen's illness, Mayor White plans to work closely with department heads in turning out details of such other projects as fire alarm system, bridge replacement, airport improvements.

For the regular business of the Council Monday, Alderman P. W. Hale's proposal for city meat inspection is expected to reach the council floor in ordinance form.

Carried over from last meeting is a proposal for \$12,600 worth of new sewers north of Glen Creek road. Property owners would pay most of the cost.



Have you any more samples to show me?

French Accept Plan to Call off Boycott of U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP)—France and the Asian-African group were reported agreed Thursday night on a formula to end the French boycott of the U. N. Assembly by Friday afternoon.

The French walked out Sept. 30 in protest against an Assembly decision, 28-27, to look into the situation in Algeria, where nationalists are clamoring for independence from France.

The French call Algeria a part of metropolitan France and contend it is a domestic problem outside the scope of the U. N.

Informed quarters Thursday night said France and Asian and African nations that supported a hearing of the nationalist claims have accepted a proposal originated by Indian Delegate V. K. Krishna Menon.

It would declare no discussion necessary at the present time and that the Assembly is no longer concerned with the Algerian question. This would drop it from the agenda.

The procedure agreed upon is that the 60-nation Political Committee will meet Friday and recommend the formula to the General Assembly and that the Assembly itself would meet by noon and ratify the committee's recommendation.

It appeared certain there would be no serious opposition to the plan and that the French boycott would end by nightfall.

Leaky Water Tap 'Sounds' Fire Alarm

A leaky water faucet which "buzzed" like a fire alarm caused three fire trucks and the first aid car to make a needless run to the Lee Apartments about 2:30 p.m. Thursday.

The only smell reaching firemen when they arrived at the big apartment house was roasting Thanksgiving turkey.

The "alarm" sounded for about 15 minutes and was first believed caused by a defect in the alarm system.

Investigation eventually disclosed the leaky faucet, located in a second-floor apartment, to be the seat of the trouble. Firemen said it had a "buzz-like vibration" which sounded remarkably like the apartment's alarm.

After the faucet started its deception an anxious apartment house occupant put in a call to fire headquarters.

World War I Vet Sneezes Out Bullet

CHARLESVILLE, France—Jules Pitieux, 73, was wounded in the head while fighting the Germans in 1914. But the wound never bothered him and he bore it like a soldier.

Lately he suffered from headaches which he attributed to some obstruction in his nose or throat. Last Sunday he let go a half dozen sneezes. Out came the inch-long rifle bullet of World War I.

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