

Stalin's Replies Meet Approval

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW—(AP)—Russia's man in the street voiced his approval today of Generalissimo Stalin's expression of confidence in the United Nations and his assurance that neither nations nor their armies want war.

"Stalin answered thoughts that everyone has been thinking—thoughts they have been thinking but failing to say," said a chauffeur.

"That's the kind of answer everyone has been hoping someone would make," said a policeman. "People all over the world have been afraid of one another. They do not want war and I believe they have now got reason to feel better."

Want Peace

"Russians only want peace," said a cook. "They are not interested in war. War brings only disaster and unhappiness to Russia as well as to the rest of the world."

"Why should people of the world go out and fight," said the cashier in a store. "The average workers all over the world don't want any war and I believe Comrade Stalin has spoken for them when he says nations and their armies don't want war."

"I am a soldier, but God knows I don't want any more than an American or Chinese soldier wants it," said a Red Army captain. "Comrade Stalin has spoken with his great wisdom once more."

Radio Broadcasts

"I have always said that the Russian people don't want any more war and all they want is to be left alone," declared a Russian housewife and mother.

The Moscow radio, in Russian, after first giving the news last night, repeated it throughout the evening and started its first broadcast this morning with the questions and answers.

Many domestic language broadcasts from Moscow also carried the story.

24,000-Foot Peak Measured in USSR

MOSCOW, March 23.—(AP)—One of the tallest mountain peaks in the Soviet Union—24,409.4 feet—has been measured for the first time by military topographers in the Kokshal-Tau range in the Soviet Republic of Kirgiz and named "Peak Pobedy" (Victory Peak).

(Mount Everest in the Himalayas, the tallest peak in the world, is 29,140 feet high.)

Hitherto the point has been a blank on Russian maps. Although the mountain had been sighted previously it never had been measured. Kirgiz is west of Sinkiang and is near the northern boundary of India.

Junior Rodeo Assn. Meeting Wednesday

The Junior Rodeo Assn. will hold its annual meeting Wednesday in the Hunt club rooms at the county fairgrounds, starting at 8 p.m.

All association members are asked to attend. They will hear a financial report on last year's rodeo and there will be election and appointment of directors.

The word Tammany refers to an Indian chief who is said to have welcomed William Penn.

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WAVE or SPAR when the company gets into full swing.

Prospective partners numbers five and six are Dallas and Ed Pitzer, who are awaiting their discharges from the navy. When they get out, they will help the others drive until they can purchase their own cars and become active partners in the firm.

Stumbling Block Met

So far, Carson stated, they have found only one stumbling block. It has been in their attempt to purchase surplus Army cars. They have made application, he said, but a letter from the government informed them their chances are one in ten thousand. "But we haven't given up yet," said the determined veteran. They were operating four cabs Saturday, with two others being repaired.

Partner Dell Pitzer, brother of Dallas and Ed, served with the Eighth Marines during the war. Carson and Eaton were with the 45th Infantry and Lay with the Navy's armed guard aboard merchant ships.

Realtor Finds 530 Homes Being Built

Realtor James A. Rodman, Sr., got so curious about the number of new homes under construction in the Eugene-Springfield area that he filled his car with gasoline and made a street-by-street tour—practically.

After driving 300 miles during three days, and consuming 30 gallons of gasoline, he turned up with the following figures:

Total in combined areas: 530;
Eugene and surrounding fringes: 401;
Springfield and surrounding fringes: 129.

CHERRY TREES BLOOM

WASHINGTON, March 23.—(AP)—The famous Japanese cherry trees around the Washington tidal basin are in full bloom. National Capital Park police are prepared for a Sunday turnout of 250,000 persons. Although frost was predicted tonight, botanists said only a "very severe frost" could hurt the blossoms now.

Veteran's Property Exemptions Clarified

County Assessor A. E. Hulegaard has clarified previous announcements from his office regarding tax exemptions on real property for disabled veterans.

Any veteran with 40 per cent or more disability is qualified to tax exemption on property up to the value of \$1000, providing he does not receive a government pension for disabilities exceeding \$1500 a year, Hulegaard said. The \$1500 figure has been boosted from a former \$1200.

In other words, as Hulegaard explained the law, any veteran with a disability near 100 per cent will probably be receiving more than \$1500 yearly in pension money, disqualifying him for tax exemption.

Hulegaard's clarification came after several veterans had discovered what they called a "sticker" in the law.

OPA Beginning To De-Control

WASHINGTON, March 23.—(AP)—The Office of Price Administration tonight began an extensive program to remove price controls which, officials hoped, would be culminated within a year by a return to free economy.

The agency was preparing an order that will shed restrictions on hundreds of items which cannot be regarded as essential in consumer budget. Officials said this was the first step in OPA's long-range decontrol policy. Automobiles will not be on the list.

No food items are expected to be included in the coming order, which one official said should be ready "within a week." The agency will continue its already established policy of lifting price controls on individual minor food items whenever the situation warrants.

The official did not deny that some price increases may be expected as the result of the removal of controls on the long list of consumer items. But he emphasized that OPA expected to lift restrictions cautiously so that "no substantial impact on the ordinary budget will be felt."

Truman Seeks United Support

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international economics, and the United Nations.

But his major motif was party unity and national unity. He told conservative Democrats that their party "became great and powerful as a Progressive party."

It is the party of Andrew Jackson and Franklin D. Roosevelt, he said; it is the "party of enlightened internationalism." And the party's program, he added, is "to make the system of free enterprise work."

Mr. Truman declared that "only by dedicating ourselves to the principle of national unity can we keep America strong and free." And "this same basic principle applies to the Democratic party," he said.

Emphasizing the "danger of a disastrous inflation and subsequent depression" and the necessity of keeping prices and rents under control until normal production is restored, the President summed up his program this way:

"We are seeking to establish higher standards of living—a new health program, a new educational and social security program, an increased minimum wage, adequate housing, a further development of our natural resources, and above all a strong and progressive America, now and for all time."

Raps 'Selfishness'

The President's speech was not all sweetness. He said the goal of full peacetime production had been delayed by "technical bottlenecks." But he added that "it is also being delayed, even more seriously, by doubt, fear, and, in some cases, just plain selfishness."

To break such "technical and psychological bottlenecks," Mr. Truman said, the administration last month promulgated a wage-price policy which, he declared, is just to all concerned.

"I am confident," he added, "that it will pave the way for the greatest outpouring of consumer goods that the world has ever seen."

FAMED DOCTOR DIES

PARIS, March 23.—(AP)—Dr. A. Joseph Riviere, 87, dean of French medical men and one of the pioneers in electrotherapy and physiotherapy, died today.

Flood Control Meeting Scheduled for Crow

CROW—Representatives from the office of the Army Engineers in Portland will meet here at 8:30 p. m. April 2 in the High School gymnasium to present data on flood control possibilities in the area drained by Coyote and Spencer Creeks.

It is expected by members of the Coyote-Spencer Creek Flood Control Assn., sponsor of the open forum meeting, that the engineers will announce facts and figures gleaned during a survey they made in the area during January and February.

Four Granges

The association is composed of members of four Granges in the lands drained by the two creeks: Central, Crow, Spencer Creek and Lorane.

The organization has been promised the aid of Sen. Guy Cordon.

In calling for assistance from Washington, the Grangemen have asked for consideration of their problems and inclusion in the Willamette River Basin Project. Especially since December's serious flood, several other similar areas in the valley have sought broadening of the overall program of control.

Cattle Lost

Flood conditions cause great damage during the period from November to April, causing large acreages to be kept from production, it is maintained. Besides losses of soil minerals, farmers also lose cattle and fences.

List of Officers

Paul Blazer, Crow, is president of the association; Bill Potter, Spencer Creek, is vice-president; and Fred Petzold, Central, secretary.

Committeemen from the various granges include:

Central: Petzold, Victor Storey, H. A. Petzold; Crow: Stephen Ford, Robert Plouts, Virgil Liles; Spencer Creek: Andrew Erickson, Bill Potter, Henry Schnorenberg; Lorane: Bob Philson and W. R. Seales.

MONDAY BOOK CLUB

SPRINGFIELD—The Monday Book Club will meet Monday 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Roscoe Perkins, 735 Sixth St. Mrs. Walter Laxton will give the review.

Army Sets Reenlistment Deadline for June 30

Men who were honorably discharged or released under honorable conditions from the Army may be reenlisted in grades appropriate to their former training and experience, provided the enlistment is accomplished on or before June 30, 1946, according to information received from the War Department.

This information was released through the Oregon district of the U. S. Army Recruiting Service. Further information may be obtained from the Army recruiting office. The policy, it is explained, is aimed primarily at former service men who have exceeded the 90-day reenlistment time limit.

Veterans Elect New Officers for Year

SPRINGFIELD—The largest attendance of the VFW post in its history was present for election of officers Thursday night. Officers elected include: Sidney Duncan, commander; Marcena Chapman, senior vice commander; Web McPherson, junior vice commander; Lynn Moore, judge advocate; Frank Nixon, chaplain. All appointive officers will be named at the next meeting before the installation of officers. Harry Allen is present commander.

The following were taken into the post: Joseph Avery, Donald Barrett, Eugene Biedel, Don L. King, Kenneth Brabham, Paul Johnston, Edward Putnam, Ellsworth Broadswort, August Carlson, Thomas A. Thomas, Robert D. Nice, Robert E. McNulty, Walter Shull, Glenn W. Jacobson, Harry T. Jones, Clayton F. Auxier.

Don E. Muller, Earl T. Auxier, William N. Cook, Lest E. Zook, Cleo Johnson, Ivan Warren, Rex McCready, Loris Fountain, David Luttrell, Harold G. Davis, Ray C. Stratton, H. A. Klinefelter and H. I. Klinefelter.

A joint installation of the auxiliary and the post officers will be held Thursday, April 4, at 8 p.m. in the American Legion Hall. This meeting will be open to the public.

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