



CONSTRUCTION BEGAN ON NEW half-million dollar span this week which will re-locate U. S. 99 with Eugene's fast growing suburbs across the Willamette river and replace the old Ferry St. Bridge seen in background. Contractors' crews are working earth and began pile driving Wednesday. Meanwhile, the county is still negotiating with property owners for right-of-way for the approach on the north side of the river. The bridge is being financed by the county with money already on hand from a special levy voted by the people. Tom Lillebo of Reedsport won the contract to construct the four-lane span on a low bid of \$447,885. The span will be 442 feet long with a riding surface 48 feet wide. (Staff photo, Wiltshire engraving.)

Had Checks? No, Says Eugene 'Heir'

Fast-talking Edward B. Gallion, who told Eugeneans a month ago he had inherited a \$100,000 fortune, was in the county jail Thursday under a \$5000 bond for forgery charge.

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Polio Cases Increase

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The number of polio cases reported throughout the nation is increasing sharply.

More cases have been reported already this year than during the same period last year.

The height of the dread season is expected to be reached about mid-August.

The U. S. Public Health Service said Thursday that 1016 new cases of infantile paralysis were reported during the week ended July 16, compared to 684 cases reported in the preceding week.

During the corresponding week last year only 716 cases were reported.

Thus far this year, 4895 cases have been reported compared to 3601 for the same period last year.

Thus far this year nine states have reported more than 100 new polio cases.

They are Texas, 1019; California, 628; Oklahoma, 345; Arkansas, 328; Minnesota, 186; New York, 156; Illinois, 129; Indiana, 107; Michigan, 101.

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Two cases were reported from the Eugene area, two from the Springfield area, and the other three elsewhere in the county.

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Truman Assures Public on Bomb Atomic Policy Meetings Had No 'Deep Secrets'

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Truman said Thursday there is nothing for the American people to be alarmed about in current hush-hush talks about atomic foreign policy.

Mr. Truman was sharply critical at a news conference, however, of the man he said leaked information to the press in advance of an atomic policy meeting the President held at Blair House last Thursday.

Mr. Truman said he knows who the man is, but he did not identify him.

The Blair House conference, bringing together high government and congressional leaders, was the first of two major conferences which have been held on atomic matters.

The second was a meeting at the capitol Wednesday, called by the Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee.

Mr. Truman told reporters the subject of the Blair House meeting was important, as are all subjects on which he calls conferences.

But he said that newspaper accounts were exaggerated — there were no deep dark secrets at the meeting.

The discussion began when Mr. Truman was asked for any information he could give on atomic foreign policy.

He said he could not give any but went on to say that the Blair House meeting was relatively unimportant.

It brought together the heads of the State and Defense Departments, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, and both Democratic and Republican leaders in Congress.

Also attending were two men whose identity was not disclosed. White House police would not permit any pictures to be made of those entering the meeting.

As to the news "leaks" about the meeting, Mr. Truman said with warmth in his voice that it was the first occasion on which any persons invited to a White House meeting had leaked to the press.

He did not like it, he added. Asked if he knew who it was that leaked, he said: Yes, he did.

He was asked if that person would attend a second White House conference.

Chief Executive Will Permit Vaughan Query

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman said Thursday he does not believe his military aide, Maj. Gen. Harry Vaughan, was mixed up with the so-called "five per centers."

But he told newsmen he would permit Vaughan to testify in a Senate investigation if Vaughan is asked to do so.

A Senate investigating committee which is looking into the capital's thriving "influence industry" has not yet decided whether to call Vaughan. Subcommittee Chairman Clyde M. Hoey (D-NC) said it will study all the evidence first.

"Five per centers" are Washington agents who get government contracts for businessmen in return for a fee or commission.

This is not an illegal practice. Vaughan's name figured in the current inquiry from the start when one "five per center" boasted that he was a very close friend of the general.

The President was asked whether he had heard that Vaughan was mixed up with five per centers. The President said he had read about it in the newspapers, but he did not believe the stories.

Vaughan, as is his usual custom, was standing behind the President during the news conference, along with the chief executive's Navy and Air Force aides.

SP Trainmen Hold Off Strike

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A threatened seven-state strike Friday against the Southern Pacific Railroad was postponed Wednesday for at least 60 days when President Truman created a three-man fact-finding panel to study the dispute over the size of crews.

The President took action under the Railway Labor Act which provides for creation of an emergency board in such disputes. Mr. Truman said the dispute threatened to deprive a large section of the country "of essential transportation service."

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen promptly acknowledged that the strike, originally set for 6 p. m. along the 8-900-mile of Southern Pacific track in the western states, would be postponed according to the law for 60 days.

A report from the board is expected within 30 days; the strike date may even be set back beyond the 60 days by union agreement during any continuing negotiations.

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman said Thursday he will name a successor to the late Supreme Court Justice Frank Murphy as soon as possible.

But he declined to give any hint as to who might receive the post.

Atlantic Treaty Gets Senate OK

Opponents Beat Arms Proposal

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Senate Thursday voted overwhelming approval of the North Atlantic Treaty.

On a roll call, 82 senators voted for the pact and 13 against it. This was 18 more than the two-thirds vote needed to ratify a treaty.

Every senator was recorded except Ellender, Louisiana Democrat, who is overseas.

The historic vote of ratification pledged the United States to join with Canada, Great Britain, France and eight other European nations in an alliance of mutual defense.

The vote came at the end of 13 days of stormy debate. It sets the United States on a new course in foreign policy and commits the nation to the first European military alliance in American history.

Leading up to the climactic vote, the Senate rejected a Republican-sponsored attempt to write in a reservation saying the treaty does not obligate this country to give arms—including the atomic bomb — to other pact members.

Other reservations also were beaten, but this one was the big test. The vote on it was 74 to 21.

Three Democrats — Senators Byrd (Va.), Edwin C. Johnson (Colo.) and Taylor (Idaho) — joined with 18 Republicans in favor of it.

The administration is expected to follow up the treaty's approval by sending Congress a \$1,450,000,000 program of arms aid. It may reach the Capitol Friday.

Senators Taft of Ohio, Wherry of Nebraska and Watkins of Utah, Republicans, jointly sponsored the no-arms obligation reservation.

They revised it before the vote to say specifically that there was no obligation to give other nations the atomic bomb.

Taft said he thought the language, as originally written, was broad enough to cover the A-bomb. But Wherry was particularly concerned about the bomb.

After disposing of the Taft-Wherry-Watkins joint proposal, the Senate beat down a reservation offered by Watkins alone. It would have denied any obligation on the part of the United States to defend the North Atlantic area without approval by Congress.

Embezzlement Charges Face Atomic Worker

SANTA FE, N. M. — (AP) — Tracy Snelling, suspended as director of public information at the Los Alamos atomic installation when he disappeared for a week, was expected to appear in federal court Thursday on charges of embezzling Red Cross funds.

Snelling, 37, turned up at FBI headquarters in Dallas, Tex., yesterday, ending an intensive four-state search for him.

He was flown back here Wednesday night in a plane chartered by the Atomic Energy Commission.

He was hustled from the airport to the office of Los Alamos County District Attorney Bert Prince.

Prince said that Snelling gave him a lengthy statement but the prosecutor refused to divulge its contents. Snelling was lodged in city jail for the night, pending his appearance Thursday in district court on charges of embezzling \$1,008.96 from the Red Cross.

"Nothing to say," the tall, thin Snelling mumbled to newsmen as he was arrested on the embezzlement at the airport.

He shielded his face from photographers and shook his head to all questions. A mustache he wore before his disappearance last week had been shaved off.

The embezzlement charges were filed against Snelling in Los Alamos County District Court yesterday by Prince after a complaint was lodged by Sam Musser, chairman of the Los Alamos Red Cross chapter.

Musser said Snelling failed to account for money collected as chairman of a fund-raising drive at the atomic installation last March.

Snelling was jailed at Santa Fe under \$5000 bond. Jail attendants found \$1.25 in his pockets in the routine shakedown.

House Adopts Gore Proposal

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The House adopted legislation Thursday to continue present rigid high supports for farm prices another year, flatly rejecting the administration's trial run farm subsidy plan.

It conformed by 239 to 170 roll call vote a previous voice vote substituting a measure by Rep. Gore (D-Tenn.) for the proposal backed by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan.

Then the House passed the substitute formally, 383 to 25, sending it to the Senate.

Query Clears Section Hand

Howard Jack Holmes, who was arrested near Oakridge Wednesday on Illinois murder charge, was on his way to freedom Thursday when Portland state police found a bulletin was out of date.

Acting on the obsolete bulletin, state police found that Holmes' fingerprints jibed with that on the bulletin and arrested Holmes. A check with Davenport, Illinois, police disclosed that Holmes had been cleared a year ago.

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TRACY SNELLING Found, At Last

Wherry Wants 'Closed Door' Against A-Bomb

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Senator Wherry, the Republican floor leader, told the Senate Thursday that before approving the North Atlantic Pact it should "close the door" against giving the atom bomb to other members.

With a vote only hours away, the Nebraska senator said he is ligate this country to let others libate this country to let others in on A-bomb secrets.

Wherry had raised questions Wednesday about the A-bomb and the treaty.

At that time, Senator McMahon (D-Conn.)—chairman of the Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee—said the treaty carried no obligation to share atomic secrets. He said the question should be considered when the arms-for-Europe program is taken up by Congress.

When the Senate convened Thursday, Wherry brought the matter up again.

"I ask the question," Wherry said, "are we to share the atomic bomb, its secrets, and the know-how? Will they (the other pact members) have the right to them? Is there a moral or legal commitment to do that very thing?"

Wherry pleaded that the Senate adopt a reservation he and Senators Taft (R-Ohio) and Watkins (R-Utah) are sponsoring. It would say that the treaty does not commit the United States to give military aid to pact nations.

By adopting it, Wherry declared, "The door is tightly, firmly closed against any moral or legal obligations upon the United States to furnish the atomic bomb or any of the materials or know-how in the making of it."

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Marshall Calls Atlantic Pact 'Contribution to World Peace'

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Gen. George C. Marshall, former secretary of State, said Thursday he feels certain that "the Atlantic Pact will contribute to world peace."

The wartime Army chief of staff told the United Press exclusively that he also believes the mutual defense treaty will "immeasurably" strengthen the security of the United States and its 11 partners in the Atlantic area.

Discusses Pact
Marshall discussed the pact and its implications at length. It was one of his most extensive discussions of world affairs since he left the State Department last January.

He is now living in retirement at his Leesburg, Va., home. Here are some of the questions put to Marshall, and the General's answers:
Q. Do you regard the pact's pledge to consider an attack on one signatory as an attack on all, with the consequent commitment that each nation will take such steps as it deems necessary, as an "automatic" commitment for United States participation in any European war?
A. No. The United States can wage war only if Congress declares war. The treaty does not infringe on the power of Congress in this connection, nor does it alter, I think, the relationship between the authority of the Congress and of



GENERAL MARSHALL Views the Pact

Atlantic Pact nations as an attack on itself is, in reality, little more than formal recognition of the factors which affect its national security.

Language Clear
The language of the treaty makes it clear that in the event of an armed attack each nation must decide for itself the measures it should take to restore and maintain the security of the North Atlantic area, and then it must take those measures. Depending upon the nature and gravity of the attack, there are numerous measures short of the use of armed force and widely differing degrees of armed force which might suffice to deal with the situation.

Q. In what manner do you believe the pact will be beneficial to the security and national defense of the United States and of the other co-signatories?
A. The two world conflicts which have occurred in the past 35 years have made it unmistakably clear that an aggression on any of the free nations of the Atlantic community involves all of those nations. This is an inescapable fact. There can be no doubt that the emergence of a threat to one of these nations would have been cause for some action on the part of the United States in order to deal with the situation. Our national security would appear to dictate such action, in my opinion.

Earlier it had shouted approval of an amendment to kill outright the Aiken Farm Law enacted by the Republican-controlled 80th Congress. The law, written to become effective at the end of this year, would have permitted flexible farm price supports of 90 per cent down to 60 per cent. There were only a few scattered "nays" in the voice vote against the Aiken act.



A YOUTH CENTER FOR GLENWOOD is rapidly taking shape in the heart of the community which has previously been without a recreation center. Grand plans are in the offing for the three acres purchase earlier by the Willamalane Park Board and the barn located in the heart of the rapidly expanding area. The Glenwood Business Men's Assn., is donating labor and materials toward converting the barn into a modernized play hall with a large fireplace, kitchen facilities, ping-pong tables, rest rooms and other facilities. It will be another 30 days before the interior has been readied for the youths, according to E. C. Burkett of the committee. The Willamalane Park Board will have direct supervision over the playgrounds and recreation hall with volunteer chaperons provided by the businessmen of Glenwood. (Staff photos, Wiltshire engravings.)

rd Strike Notice Filed

DETROIT — (AP) — The CIO Auto Workers Thursday filed a 10-day strike notice with the Ford Motor Co. with the State Labor Mediation Board.

The motion automatically set in motion machinery for a state-ordered strike vote among Ford's big share of Ford's production workers. A union to back the union's demands and wage demands all has been approved by a 7 margin in balloting conducted by the union.

P. Fox, chairman of the mediation board, said it is virtually impossible to get a vote in all Ford units in 10 days.

Whether a Ford strike is illegal before the vote is held, Fox replied "I don't know."

Secondary Fire No Harm
A fire of secondary origin called by the Eugene Mill and Co. on 5th Ave. E. and High Street at 6:42 a. m. No one was reported injured. Southern Pacific track crew were nearby poured water on the fire and the fire department arrived and possibly saved the structure, firemen said. The fire was started under the roof of the building intention-ally by Chief Ed Surfas and Marshall Lester Barker re-