

Wagner's Fate Before Judge

Producer Sidesteps Possible Scandal

MONTE MONICA, Calif.—(P)—The fate of the producer of the film "The Sign of the Cross" will be decided by Judge Harry J. Bordeau in a trial that is expected to last several days. The producer, Walter P. Reuther, is charged with the murder of the actress, Joan Bennett, who was killed in a fire in her home in Hollywood. Reuther is accused of setting the fire to cover up a scandal involving his relationship with Bennett. The trial is expected to be a sensational one, with many witnesses and a large crowd of spectators.

Operator Sues Woods Union

MONTE MONICA, Calif.—(P)—The Schafer Logging Co. has filed a suit in U.S. federal court here against the International Woods Workers Union, charging that the union is in violation of the National Labor Relations Act. The suit was filed after the union refused to bargain with the company in good faith. The company claims that the union is using unfair labor practices to force it to accept higher wages and better working conditions.

Bomb Experts Discover Bible

BERLIN—(P)—Bomb experts have discovered a Bible in the wreckage of a plane that crashed near the city of Berlin. The Bible was found in a small, metal box that was attached to the plane. The box was found in a field near the crash site. The Bible is an old, leather-bound volume and is believed to be a relic of the Nazi regime. It was found in the wreckage of a plane that was shot down by Allied forces during the war.

Math Judge Quits

SEATTLE—(P)—Police Judge M. Elder resigned Wednesday because he said he wasn't getting enough money. Elder, who has been on the job for several years, will accept a position with the Control Commission. He has been a controversial figure in the community, and his resignation has been welcomed by many.

Connally Holds News Conference

WASHINGTON—(P)—The Senate is like a political delicatessen. It has a variety of men and opinions, garnished with dignity and overspiced with oratory. If there's a show of ham, that's not surprising. Tom Connally has been one of its main attractions for years, a man of wit and charm, and with many moods that he can use as he pleases for the effect he wants: gay, angry, furious, comical.

FOR YEARS ripples of laughter have washed over the galleries as he deliberately mimicked around the floor, mimicking an opponent, or poured wrath out of his flaming face, searing the opposition. He looks more like an actor than any man in the place, with his straggly white hair always curling over the back of his collar. And his clothes are as regular as a

Britain Pledges European Aid

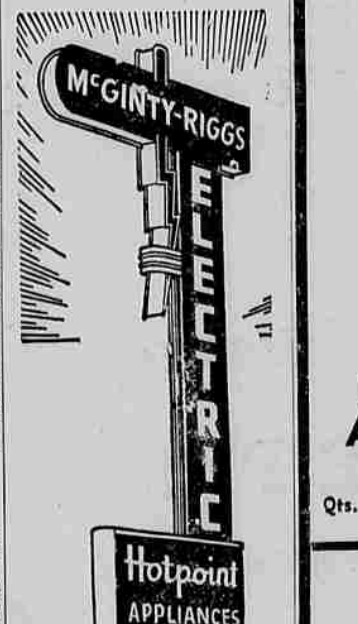
LONDON—(P)—Britain promised Wednesday to go to the aid of the European Army if any of its six Western European member states, including Germany, is attacked.

This country made up for its refusal to join the European Army itself by pledging in an official white paper to give any attacked member state "all the military and other aid and assistance in its power."

The six European Army states—France, Italy, Western Germany, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg—at the same time agreed to help Britain if its forces in Europe are attacked. The guarantees will be incorporated in a formal treaty between Britain and the European Defense Community—parent body of the European Army—and will come into force simultaneously with establishment of the six-nation army.

Kerr Slates Talk

PORTLAND—(P)—Sen. Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma, a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, will be in Oregon May 8 to speak at a luncheon. He is not on the ballot in the state's May 16 primary election.



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Texas Senator One of Three Old-Time Solons

costume: dark blue suit, black bow tie, boiled shirt, glistening gold studs. And as chairman of the Senate's Foreign Relations Committee he is one of the most important men in the country. It's through his committee that most of this country's foreign program must pass for a pat or a pasting.

HE'S BEEN IN congress 35 years and now he's 74, still active, still bright, and still wishing he could keep his job. But he was to come up for re-election in Texas this year and a younger man wants his seat.

Texas' attorney general, 41-year-old Price Daniel, has been campaigning for months. Monday the senator called a news conference. He tried to make what he said sound casual and matter-of-fact, like other conferences in the past. But this one was different because he was different. He was in a new mood. He was sad, and he couldn't disguise it behind an occasional shaft of wit. He would not run for re-election, he said.

The job of Senator, he said, had become enormous, enough to wear any man down. And although his friends assured him he could win if he ran, he said, he'd have to

campaign hard and he didn't think it was worth the price. AS HE SPOKE his glasses were in their usual place, dangling off the end of his nose. He wears them for reading and because he must be farsighted he pushes them down to look over when he's talking to people.

He may have been farsighted in deciding not to run again because reports from Texas say Daniel had a good chance of beating the old man if he tried for re-election. Connally is one of three old senators who are like a bridge between the past and the present in the Senate. The other two, also Democrats like Connally, are

McKellar of Tennessee and Hoey of North Carolina. Like Connally, Hoey is 74. In length of service, when compared with Connally, he's only a boy. He's been in the Senate eight years. Since his term doesn't end until 1956, this year's elections don't endanger him. He's an extremely gracious man. Witnesses at his hearings have commended him for his fairness to them. And when tourists in the galleries see him they get a vision of how it must have been in the Senate in the past.

HE'S STRICTLY from the old school: a wing collar, a flower in his lapel, and always an English walking coat, with pants to match. He alternates between blue and gray.

McKellar is dean of the three in age and service. He's 83 and has been in Congress 41 years. McKellar has neither the wit nor charm of Connally. He has a famous temper and as the years trudge over his head he seems to talk less although he's chairman of the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee.

McKellar is in the same fax as Connally: He's up for re-election this year and a younger man is

Journalism Award Honors Late Editor

CORVALLIS—(P)—An award for outstanding student journalism at Oregon State College is to be made annually as a memorial to Claude E. Ingalls, late editor of the Corvallis Gazette-Times. The memorial was established by Ingalls' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Wallace, owner of the Cascade Printing Company.

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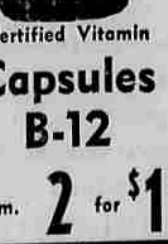
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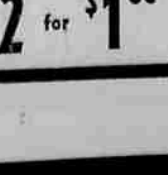
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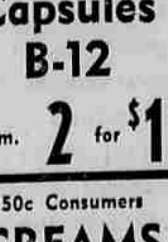
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