

Uncle Joe Views May Day Parade

By PHIL NEWSOM

Josef Stalin and his Red lieutenants must have viewed their May Day celebrations with considerable satisfaction.

At 10 a.m. (Moscow time) Thursday the daylong procession past the reviewing stand atop Lenin's tomb began. It was at once a tribute to Soviet might, to these men who have shown the most sheer cussedness and the greatest ability at the double-X since Cain and Abel.

AROUND the world, Communists and fellow-travellers paraded, demonstrated or rioted in tribute to the master-planners' slogan:

"Divide and conquer."

Stalin and his men could tell themselves in some 35 years they had reached the point where they controlled the destiny of approxi-

imately 1,000,000,000 people, or more than a third of the earth's population.

Russia itself occupies more than one-seventh of the land surface of the globe-surpassed in world history only by the British empire at its peak.

Aside from the peoples and land already under the hammer and sickle, most of the rest of the world, including the United States, is scrambling to stay out of its grasp.

And yet, it is better to take warning from the May Day parade of Red might, rather than to look hopefully toward its head at a man who is 72 years old, who has been its guiding genius and who from the age factor alone might not be expected to be around too long.

Stalin, the man who proudly records seven arrests by Czarist police and seven escapes, apparently is in excellent health and intends to stay that way.

It is said that not one bottle of wine reaches his lips without being checked and rechecked and that all his meals are cooked under the supervision of two chefs.

HE WORKS a long day, breaking it up with a nap, except for about three months of the year between September and December when he goes to the Caucasian Black Sea Coast on the border of his native Georgia.

Stalin is one of the most powerful men on earth, but he takes advice from other members of the politburo and shares responsibility with them. His death is not expected to produce a major crisis inside the Soviet state.

JACKSON, Miss.—(U.P.)—Backers of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower seized control of the state Republican convention Wednesday and forced the election of a slate of delegates pledged to the general.

Mississippi has five national convention votes.

Attorney Bernard Chill, a native of Newcastle, Pa., led a flying wedge of 50 Eisenhower Republicans which broke into a downtown Negro lodge hall where the officially-recognized bi-racial "black and tan" faction of the split Mississippi party was holding its convention to name delegates backing Gen. Robert Taft (R-O.).

In three minutes, while his followers blocked the door with their bodies, Chill read a list of Eisenhower delegates, entertained a motion for their election and adjourned the convention.

The pro-Taft delegates were stunned by the swift course of events. They recovered, called the police, threatened to bring "trespassing" charges against Chill, resumed their deliberations and named delegates pledged to Taft.

THE WORDS he jotted down that day in the Orient Express... going home to England after covering the Greco-Turkish war of 1921-22... were the spark for his life's work; a monumental survey of history.

Twelve years later the first three volumes of Arnold Joseph Toynbee's "A Study of History" appeared. The next three didn't take so long; they were published in 1939. The final three are now at the printers.

Dr. Toynbee told me about the Orient Express episode as we prepared to tape record an interview in Erb Memorial Union Wednesday. (It will be heard on KERG at 7 p.m., Sat., May 3). He explained:

"I see things from the point of view of an Ancient historian, looking at the modern Western world from the outside."

ARNOLD TOYNEBEE BECAME a scholar at an early age, with expert guidance from unusual parents. His father was a social worker; his mother one of the first British women to win a college degree. An uncle, for whom he's named, was also a noted historian; gave the Toynbee name to the first social settlement house in England... in 1884.

Arnold J. Toynbee was born in 1889; attended all the best schools—including Oxford—with honors. Before World War I he spent a year in the British archeological school at Athens, Greece, where he was fascinated by the ruins of the ancients.

He began to ponder the relationships of the ruins to current times, which he heard discussed by diplomats in the Athens coffee houses. These reflections, he feels now, actually formed the spark which ignited on that half sheet of paper in the Orient Express in 1922.

WHEN THE WAR BEGAN, Toynbee became a political intelligence officer for the foreign office. After the war, he was a delegate to the Versailles Peace Conference; invaluable personal experiences for his later research into the forces and events of history.

After Versailles, Dr. Toynbee went to the University of London faculty. But when the war between Greece and Turkey broke out, he wanted to study it first hand; got an assignment from the Manchester Guardian as war correspondent.

On the way back, he took the Orient Express, and travelled into a unique place among the world's historians.

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Oregon Farm Delegates To See Finland, Holland

CORVALLIS (AP)—Two Oregon International Farm Youth Exchange delegates will visit The Netherlands and Finland this summer.

Mrs. Winnifred Gillen, state 4-H agent at Oregon State College, said Wednesday Patricia Horning, 21, Sherwood, would go to The Netherlands and David Patterson, 21, Mulino, to Finland.

They will spend four months working and living on farms there.

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Forest Pierce Gooler, 64, of Swisshome died in Eugene Tuesday, April 29, 1952. Death resulted from injuries received when he was struck by a car April 23. He was born June 18, 1887, in Tracy, Minn. He had lived in Swisshome four years.

Surviving are his widow, Julia; five sons, Howard of St. Paul, Minn.; Lewis of Milwaukee, Wis.; Albert of Duluth, Minn.; S/Sgt. Forest of the U.S. Air Force, Okinawa; and Kenneth of Red Bluff, Calif.; four daughters, Glennie Dantoni of Mankato, Minn.; Jane Thonberg of Swisshome; Inzie Lindquist of Meadowlands, Minn.; and Gladys Stephens of Chico, Calif.; 19 grandchildren; a brother; and three sisters.

Services will be in Simon-Lounsbury Mortuary Friday at 11 a.m. The Rev. Berlyn V. Farria will officiate, with burial in Rest Haven Cemetery.

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