

# World Watching Possible Russian Policy Changes

**PHIL NEWSOM**  
The Russian news Editor  
Premier Josef Stalin is  
the job on which he  
has spent the last  
13 years, he has  
been the Communist  
Congress on Oct. 5 to  
among other things, a  
situation which would  
the all-powerful party  
of which he has served  
General since 1922.  
It has been the job of  
Party Secretary-Gen-  
eral since 1941  
even bothered to hold  
office.  
**REGRETTED MOVE**  
It is to be regretted  
that Stalin has ruled  
Russia as well  
Communist Party.  
Lenin, patron saint of

modern day Communism, lived to  
regret he ever had allowed his  
ruthless proteges to reach such  
high estate, but too late. He died  
before he could, in his own words,  
"Find a way to remove Stalin and  
find another . . . more patient,  
less capricious."  
It was as Secretary-General  
that Stalin forced Leon Trotsky  
into exile.  
**NO EXPLANATION**  
It was in that same period that  
Russia set up her collectivization  
program and engineered a famine  
in which millions died; that the  
famous purge trials of army and  
political leaders were held and  
that Russia entered into her ill-  
starred alliance with Germany.  
As usual, the Russians have not  
bothered to explain why the Pol-  
litburo is being abolished and

what, if any, difference there will  
be between the Politburo and the  
"Presidium of the General Com-  
mittee" which will take its place.  
Theoretically, the Communist  
Party General Committee, elected  
by the Congress, controls all party  
policy. Actually, policy has been  
completely in the hands of Stalin  
and his 10 lieutenants in the Pol-  
itburo. Presumably, these same men  
could be a part of the new "Pre-  
sidium."  
World reaction to Moscow's  
sudden announcement has been  
mixed.  
However, both Washington and  
London believed it might mark an  
important shift in Russian foreign  
policy and that it might also dis-  
close the name of Stalin's suc-  
cessor.

There also was speculation that  
Stalin, now 72 and foreseeing the  
time when he would drop the  
reins, was dividing his various re-  
sponsibilities among a number of  
men in the hopes of averting any  
internecine struggle within the  
party after his death.  
Alexander Kerensky, exiled  
leader of Russia's first revolu-  
tionary government, looked upon  
the move only as another Krem-  
lin maneuver to fool world opin-  
ion.  
**TWO POSSIBLE LEADERS**  
There are, however, two names  
which from now on will be watch-  
ed closely. They are Georgi Mal-  
enkov, 59, who will deliver the  
main address to the Congress  
meeting, and Laurenty Beria, 53,  
powerful chief of the Soviet se-  
curity system. Both are vice pre-  
miers, and Malenkov, in addition,  
has been Stalin's private secre-  
tary and, since 1946, in control of  
Communist Party machinery.  
Reliable reports say that these  
two men long have pressed for  
party reforms which would in-  
clude a greater number of non-  
Russians in the Central Commit-  
tee, and that the calling of the  
Congress now after 13 years is  
largely at their insistence.



**SEEK NATIONAL HONORS**—Members of Eugene's Moose Lodge state champion de-  
gree staff Thursday were competing for national honors in Chicago at the Moose Inter-  
national Convention. The local team won the state championship last February, earning  
the right to compete in the national contests. Members of the team (from left) are: Milo  
Gubrud, prelate; A. E. Pomeroy Jr., past governor; Austin Goddard, governor; Lonnie  
Crawford, junior governor; Dewey Hazelton, orator; and Harry Tonkin, sergeant-at-arms.

## Curtain Falls on Ding Dong Daddy's Brief Career as Burlesque Comedian

**OAKLAND, Calif. (AP)**—The  
curtain fell Thursday on Fran-  
cis H. (Ding Dong Daddy) Van  
Wie's brief career as a bur-  
lesque comedian when police  
led the portly, 66-year-old Ro-  
meo off the stage and locked  
him up on bigamy charges.  
The officers said the Ding  
Dong Daddy of the D-Car line  
had been wed far more times  
than he had been divorced.  
They said he had gone to the  
altar 18 times.  
The romantic lover, who got  
his nickname by marrying half  
the women in the block along  
his San Francisco streetcar line,  
spent an unromantic night in  
city jail Wednesday night.  
Unsympathetic police officers  
said he would have to stay there  
unless he could rake up \$10,000  
bail.  
The versatile Van Wie was  
right in the middle of an act at  
the El Rey Burlesque Theater  
here Wednesday night when two  
men from the Los Angeles dis-  
trict attorney's office walked in.  
They had a warrant for his  
arrest, based on a complaint by  
Martha Moyle Van Wie, 67, of  
Long Beach, Calif. She was the

lover was locked out of a Los  
Angeles apartment by wife No.  
15 after she also learned of his  
matrimonial past.  
Van Wie has been headlining  
the playbill at the El Rey here  
all week, relating his marital  
experiences to burlesque fans.  
Next week he was to star in  
a "Ragtime Wedding" act in  
which he would be married on  
the stage three times a day and  
four times on Saturday.  
But when officers tapped him  
on the shoulder Wednesday  
night, with two bigamy charges  
against him, Van Wie's sudden  
rise to stardom took a nosedive.  
"I'll fight it to the bitter end,"  
Van Wie managed to blurt out  
as he was led off the stage. His  
pronouncement was roundly ap-  
plauded by the theater's enthu-  
siastic patrons.  
It is a modest beginning—with  
"home made" heavy water, a tiny  
quantity of locally obtained mi-  
neral uranium, eight professors,  
some 30 student research assis-  
tants and about \$100,000.  
Unlike the great secret Ameri-  
can atomic cities, visitors need no  
special passes and there are no  
gun-bristling guards at the doors  
of the CISE (Centra Informa-  
zioni Studi Esperienze) labora-  
tories, the organization for Italian  
atomic study.  
The center is financed by a doz-  
en of Italy's major industries.  
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say that the \$100,000 is about one  
one-hundredth of what they need  
for really advanced experiments.  
But they take hope from in-  
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Rome where late in July the re-  
search was placed under control  
of a government agency on nu-  
clear energy.  
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equipment to get the stockpile  
started.

**Fire Catches,  
Burns Grass**  
**OAKRIDGE**—Mrs. Ray Graham,  
Oakridge, was cited to appear in  
municipal court next Monday  
night after a fire she had lit in a  
can caught some grass and caused  
a fire alarm.  
The flames burned an area be-  
tween the clinic and the high-  
way. Mrs. Graham said she had  
burned a little rubbish earlier in  
the morning and was sure the fire  
was out. A boy, Ronald Brackin,  
later came along and threw some  
more material into the can. The  
fire caught and jumped to some  
dry grass.  
**Roof Damaged**  
**MARCOLA**—A spark from the  
chimney caught the roof of Boots  
Hill's house here Tuesday morn-  
ing and burned a hole in the roof.  
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Co., discovered the fire and had it  
out when the fire department ar-  
rived.



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## Polio Outbreak Peak Expected

**WASHINGTON (AP)**—The Pub-  
lic Health Service said Thursday  
this year's polio outbreak seems  
to be approaching its peak after a  
17 per cent increase in new cases  
in the week ending last Saturday.  
In its weekly summary of com-  
municable diseases, the service  
said it now looks as though this  
year's case total "probably" will  
be less than the record 42,000  
cases reported in 1949.  
**BELOW '49 HIGH**  
The summary said 3,110 cases  
were reported in the week ended  
Aug. 16. That compared with 1,765  
cases in the same week last year  
and 3,416 in 1949—the largest  
weekly total reported during that  
record year.  
"The peak incidence for 1952  
should be reached in a few weeks  
since the disease is declining in  
several states," the summary said.  
"The peak, however, was not  
reached in 1950 until late Septem-  
ber."  
"It is too early in the season to  
know what the total for the year  
will be, but it probably will be  
less than the all-time high of 42,-  
000 cases reported in 1949."  
During the week, the summary  
said, increases were noted in most  
geographic divisions with the  
largest relative increases in the  
middle Atlantic and west south  
central areas of the country. An  
increase of 60 per cent occurred in  
New Jersey with 61 cases as com-  
pared to 38 cases in the previous  
week. Louisiana reported an in-  
crease from 17 to 60 cases.  
**16,447 CASES**  
The "most significant" decreases  
were noted in Iowa and Nebraska,  
the Public Health Service said.  
The Public Health Service said  
the overall total for the first 33  
weeks of this year is 16,477 cases.

## Ping Pong Raft Runs Aground Of Officialdom

**MARSEILLE, France (AP)**—An  
American student's dream of  
drifting across the Mediterran-  
ean on a raft floated by 75,000  
ping pong balls ran aground  
Wednesday on the shoals of  
French officialdom.  
Maritime authorities ruled the  
square adventure craft named  
Kentooki was too flimsy to put  
to sea.  
After eyeing the raft on which  
26-year-old Richard Miller of  
Chicago had hoped to find mar-  
ine adventure they decided  
that not only would Miller's  
life and those of his companions  
be endangered but the raft it-  
self was a menace.

## Atom Research Started by Italy

**By LUCIANO FERRARI**  
Associated Press Staff Writer  
**MILAN (AP)**—Italy has started  
its research for an experimental  
atomic stockpile in mostly base-  
ment quarters next to a "room  
for rent" sign.  
It is a modest beginning—with  
"home made" heavy water, a tiny  
quantity of locally obtained mi-  
neral uranium, eight professors,  
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## Obsidians Plan Glacier Hike

The Obsidian climb to Collier  
Glacier, scheduled for this Sun-  
day, will be led by Ruth Hopson.  
Anyone wishing to go may sign  
up at Hendershott's.  
The group will meet at the Eu-  
gene City Hall at 6 a.m. Sunday,  
drive to the Scott Lake entrance  
by 8 a.m., and start the walk from  
there up the Old Scott Trail to  
the foot of the glacier.  
The trip on the trail is about 14  
miles both ways.  
In England the hood of an au-  
tomobile is called a "bonnet."

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## Tax Investigator Picked by GOP

**DOVER, Del. (AP)**—U. S. Sen.  
John J. Williams and Rep. J.  
Caleb Boggs will head the Repub-  
lican ticket in this November's  
general election in Delaware.  
Williams, who instigated the re-  
cent federal probe of the Bureau  
of Internal Revenue, was nomi-  
nated without opposition by the  
GOP State Convention Wednes-  
day night to seek re-election to  
the Senate. Boggs was named,  
also without opposition, as the  
GOP gubernatorial candidate.

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