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President, Legion Exchange Salvos Over State Dept.

NEW YORK (AP)—President Truman, the old artillery man, fired a verbal cannon ball into the midst of the huge American Legion ranks Thursday—and wasn't long getting a salvo right back.

At his Washington news conference, the President—a member of the American Legion himself—turned loose some red-hot ammunition at the Legion for its resolution denouncing Secretary of State Acheson and demanding his ouster forthwith.

Missing Boys Found at River

PORTLAND (AP)—Two 10-year-old boys, missing since Monday from a Catholic boys' home at Vancouver, Wash., were found by Portland police early Friday, asleep under a pile of newspapers on the banks of the Willamette River.

Discovery of their abandoned red and white bicycles led to the finding of Bobby Culbertson and Michael O'Brien. They told fellow students at the Providence Academy they were going on a camping trip when they left on their bikes Monday.

When found the boys were hungry, having eaten only apples and berries, their clothes were torn and they were grimy from head to toe. They told police they rode into Portland Monday night and then "went out to the country." That was all the description they could offer of their travels.

Bobby and Michael were cleaned up at the police station, given hamburgers and then put to bed.

Truman said Acheson is the best man for the job in the entire United States.

The Legion's resolution, he went on to say, was gotten up by some young boys and they got it passed by a silent vote. What he meant by the latter, he didn't say.

'CHILDREN OF GOD'
The outgoing commander, Donald R. Wilson, declared in his retiring address:

"I am advised that there are persons who say this convention was conducted by a group of children. I would remind any such person, who makes such a statement, that if we are children, we are children of God, and children who fought for this country, and we don't need instruction from anybody else."

At a news conference following his election as the new national Legion commander, Lewis K. Gough of Pasadena, Calif., asserted leadership in the State Department "has been inept."

Informed of the President's statement Acheson was best qualified for the State Department post, Gough said:

'LEADERSHIP INEPT'
"I say leadership in the State Department has been inept and has lacked courage. The results are indicative of this."

"In addition, it is extremely important to note the people of this country have lost confidence in our State Department leaders, which is indeed a serious situation in such critical times."
In his retirement address, Wilson also took a whack at Gov. Adlai Stevenson, the Democratic presidential nominee.

In an address to the Legion Wednesday, Stevenson had said "I stand to resist pressure from veterans, too, if I think their demands are excessive or in conflict with the public interest."

'FOUGHT AND BLEED'
Taking note of this Wilson declared:

"We deny that when we stand up and fight for the rights of veterans who fought and bled for this country that we are pressuring."
The big 34th annual convention, which brought an estimated 100,000 Legionnaires into town, ended its proceedings at 5:37 p.m. One of its last acts was to call for a Congressional probe of national Selective Service headquarters, to find out if it is putting "improper political pressure" on local draft boards.

Severe Burns Just a Prank

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. (AP)—A 39-year-old Negro was carried into court Thursday to testify at the arraignment of two white men accused of setting fire to his gasoline-saturated overalls.

The incident occurred June 14 at a feed mill where Joe Simmons said the men—James Chaffin, 30, and James Cherry, 25—grabbed his arms and saturated his trouser legs with gasoline.

Simmons said Chaffin then applied his lighter to the overalls. Burned severely about both legs, Simmons has spent almost six weeks in a hospital. He could give no reason for the incident.

Chaffin and Cherry told police it was only a prank and didn't mean to hurt Simmons.

Grandma's Cake Becoming Lost Art

CINCINNATI, O. (AP)—A University of Cincinnati home economics expert believes the art of baking cakes the way Grandmother did is rapidly becoming a lost art.

Mrs. Elizabeth Carson Hall, who investigated the cooking and baking skill of 200 "modern" women, said 54 per cent of interviewees relied on prepared cake mixes. She found that an additional 14 per cent used them occasionally.

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West, Russia Block Anti-Jewish Move

VIENNA, Austria (AP)—The Big Four powers have unanimously vetoed an Austrian law which would have permitted pre-war "aryanizers" to lay their hands for a second time on Jewish property they gained under Hitler.

The rare agreement between Russia and the Western powers was reached by the Executive Committee of the four-power Allied Control Council for Austria, it was announced Friday. The vetoed law was one of seven recent Austrian statutes which have come under fire from much of the world's press, the U. S. State Department and Jewish leaders.

Sparkman Cites Demos' Record

MENDENHALL, Miss. (AP)—Sen. John Sparkman skipped the touchy civil rights issue in opening his vice presidential campaign before a deep South audience Thursday night.

The Alabama senator's blanket defense of the Democratic platform was the nearest he came to the subject.

'RE-ACQUISITION LAW'
The Austrian government for several years has been trying to get approval of the "re-acquisition law" rejected by the occupation powers. It would have permitted courts to reopen all cases of property restitution since the war, thus threatening Nazi victims who lost property under Hitler and got it back after the war.

The law, said a State Department official here, would have "legalized many forced seizures of property under the Nazis."

PROVIDE PAYMENTS
Two of the three approved laws for compensation of political victims provide for payments to thousands of government employees dismissed or demoted by the Dollfuss regime prior to 1938 or by the Nazis after 1938. They affect Socialists, Communists and other anti-Nazis as well as Jews.

The third law provides payment to former concentration camp inmates of 481 schillings (\$16.55) for each month the Nazi victim was in camp. This is in addition to monthly pensions of 618 schillings (\$23.48) already being paid for former camp inmates.

'WHAT TO WHAT'
"But you people can ask them—you will ask them—a change from what to what?"

The senator then listed benefits he said the Democratic party has given the country.

Sparkman also defended the United Nations in Korea.

"Gen. Douglas MacArthur and even Gen. Eisenhower, who certainly could not be considered supporters of our party, have said that we could not have upheld our honor and stayed out of Korea," he asserted.

Terrorists' Thwarted

LAPAZ, Bolivia (AP)—The Bolivian government announced Thursday night it had crushed a "terrorist plan" to overthrow President Victor Paz Estenssoro and other officials.

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Debate 'Bid' Accepted
WASHINGTON (AP)—Former Sen. Millard E. Tydings (D-Md.) Friday accepted an "invitation" to debate "McCarthyism" with Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy in Wisconsin.
"The question is," said Tydings, "is McCarthy going to meet me?"
At Milwaukee, the Wisconsin Republican commented, "I don't think I can waste time debating with the dead."
Tydings, defeated in 1950 by Sen. John M. Butler (R-Md.), said in a statement, "The newspapers say McCarthy has invited me to come to Wisconsin so the good people there can look me over."
Although he has received no direct bid from McCarthy, Tydings said he accepted the "invitation" with "great pleasure."
Tydings, who has charged that his defeat in 1950 was due to "False lies and propaganda" spread by McCarthy, said he wanted McCarthy on the debating platform with him at Wisconsin.
"I want him there," Tydings said, "so I can have him face to face in a debate which will expose and show up once and for all the fraud and deceit he has practiced on the fine people of Wisconsin and the nation."
Tydings said he would "show the honest and loyal citizens of Wisconsin what a demagogue, petty trickster and cheap charlatan McCarthy really is."
He also renewed his offer to pay \$25,000 to McCarthy if the Wisconsin senator would present to a federal grand jury any "evidence" to support his claims there are "205 Communists" or "57 card-carrying Communists" in the Department.

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Mercy Killing Victim Buried
MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Eighteen-year-old Adela Moskal was buried Thursday after a life of constant pain. Her father, who had killed her to end her years of suffering, sobbed at her grave.
John Moskal sent his wife on a shopping errand Monday, then led Adela into the bathroom and plunged a butcher knife into her heart.
The girl had shown only little development since birth.
The father and mother stood dry-eyed while a priest read the burial service for children. But when a friend raised her voice in a prayer in Polish, Moskal wept and seized Adela's body in his arms.
He is free in \$5,000 bond on a charge of murder.

Roseburg Cops Inspect Jail
Eugene's Municipal Jail, one of the most-visited buildings in town, was visited again Wednesday, but this time by a party of police officials.
Stanley Olsen, formerly with the Eugene Police Department and now chief of police at Roseburg, inspected the Eugene department with an eye to the record.
With the Roseburg chief were Jim McAlpine, assistant chief, and Lorraine Long and Lula Strickland, record clerks.
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