

Greeks Told To Cut Down Wheat Crops

Cheaper to Obtain U.S. Surplus Stocks

ATHENS, Greece (AP)—Premier Constantine Karamanlis is trying to get Greek farmers to grow less wheat because it is cheaper to obtain American surplus stocks under U.S. aid programs.

Caramanlis urged Greece's 250,000 farmers in a speech Monday to cut down "harmful and wasteful wheat production which is disadvantageous to the consumer."

'Considerable Gains'

He said Greece's wheat production, high enough to meet "all our requirements," made it impossible to receive U.S. surplus commodity aid.

American surpluses, he said, "would not only secure cheap bread, but also provide considerable gains to the national budget."

While urging the farmers to cut production, Caramanlis said his government will continue to protect wheat producers by guaranteeing them a price of 2,700 drachma (\$90) a ton.

There have been hints, however, the government will stop the guarantees if the farmers do not voluntarily shift to other crops, such as tobacco and cotton.

Bread Price Hiked

Greece obtained large stocks of U.S. surplus wheat until two years ago, when its own production started to fill domestic needs. Imported American surplus stocks cost less than \$90 a guarantee.

While deciding to continue the guarantee, the government announced a 5 per cent increase in bread to 6 cents a pound.

Caramanlis spoke at a ceremony starting the first pension scheme in Greece's agrarian history. The scheme, covered in a bill approved a year ago, provides annual pensions equalling \$100 to \$180, depending on how much the farmer contributes to the fund. He can give up to 1 per cent of his earnings.

East Berlin Group Crawls To Freedom

BERLIN (AP)—A West Berlin newspaper reported Tuesday that a sizable group of East Berliners crawled to freedom in West Berlin through a tunnel last weekend.

The paper *Nachtdespeche* said the group reached West Berlin under dramatic circumstances.

Nachtdespeche said it was not publishing details of the escape to avoid giving East German police any hints.

West Berlin government and police officials would not confirm the newspaper report. The West Berlin authorities have admitted such tunnel escapes only after they were certain that the East German police had detected the escape hatch.

Earlier police reported that unknown persons from West Berlin had blasted a hole in the Communist wall through the city.

The blast occurred Monday night near Potsdamer Platz, formerly an important traffic intersection in the heart of the city. Since the wall went up it is usually deserted.

A police investigation was started.

'People-to-People' Conference Slated

JERUSALEM, Israel (AP)—The American Jewish Congress tonight opens three days of talks between American and Israeli Jews on what their relationship should be.

Five-hundred American delegates, along with an equal number of Israelis, will participate in the "people-to-people" conference—the first of its kind.



Snaked Out College student Mike Krieger, right, and humane officer Albert Brune hold a 7-foot Anaconda snake in Pasadena, Calif., after the snake was retrieved from the plumbing in Krieger's bathroom Monday. Some of the broken plumbing lies in the foreground. Story, Page One.

Business Leaders Will Help Kennedy Stop Gold Outflow

WASHINGTON (AP)—A group of top-ranking businessmen has agreed to examine the Kennedy administration's steps to halt the balance of payments deficit and to make recommendations on how to stop the resulting flow of U.S. gold abroad.

The businessmen, headed by U.S. Steel Corp. Chairman Roger M. Blough, conferred with President Kennedy for an hour Monday night. Afterward, White House Press Secretary Pierre Salinger said they had agreed to make the balance of payments study.

The meeting followed Kennedy's appeal Monday in a Yale University commencement speech for cooperation between the government and all segments of the economy.

'Raising a False Issue'

Salinger said of the meeting: "The President feels that this kind of cooperation is most important and is the kind of cooperation that can be most helpful between business and the government."

In his speech earlier in the day Kennedy had declared: "The solid ground of mutual confidence is the necessary partnership of government with all sectors of our society in the steady quest for economic progress."

'Two Are Contradictory'

The President also said those who blame his administration for the sharp decline in stock prices are raising a false issue.

Two of his most frequent Republican critics—Senate Minority Leader Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois and House Minority Leader Charles Halleck of Indiana—hammered away again Monday on the subject of the economy at a news conference.

"It has become clear that the Kennedy administration has got

Fanfani's Coalition Dealt Blow in Vote

ROME (AP)—Italy's ruling Christian Democratic Party lost ground Tuesday in returns from municipal elections that provided the first major vote test of Premier Amintore Fanfani's "turn to the left."

Fanfani had appealed for victory as an endorsement of his center-left national government formed three months ago. But final results from the 34 largest cities and towns in the election—representing 2,467,099 of the total 3 million votes cast—gave the four allied parties 49.3 per cent of the vote.

Control of the Rome City Council, the biggest prize in the weekend balloting in 157 cities and towns, eluded Fanfani's alliance by one seat.

Would Not Resign

Although the election outcome was watched as a possible indication of the balloting in the general elections next year, Fanfani said his government would not resign even if the coalition lost votes. The alliance includes the Christian Democrats, Democratic Socialists and Republicans, with outside support pledged from the Socialist Party formerly allied with the Communists.

This was the vote in the 34 largest cities and towns (percentages in the 1960 municipal elections in parentheses): Christian Democrats, 778,260, 31.5 per cent (33.3); Democratic Socialists, 123,167, 5.0 (3.3); Republicans, 26,286, 1.1 (1.0); Socialists, 287,621, 11.7 (11.4); Communists, 564,913, 22.9 (23.8); Liberals, 139,829, 5.7 (2.8); Monarchists, 215,359, 8.7 (10.6); Fascist MSI, 247,069, 10.0 (9.7).

Other votes were scattered among minor parties and local coalitions.

Tabulation Not Announced

The tabulation for smaller towns was not announced.

The big gainers were the right-of-center Liberals, who oppose Fanfani's left-leaning government.

The Fascists on the extreme right made only slight gains despite their most intensive political campaign since the war. Monarchists slumped badly, even in their oldtime stronghold of Naples.

Democratic Socialists scored important gains, but not enough in most places to make up for the losses of their Christian Democrat allies.

In Rome, where half of the weekend's 3 million ballots were cast, the Christian Democrats lost over 10 per cent of the votes they received in local elections two years ago.

The party, while still Italy's biggest, also had sharp losses in Pisa, where the Communists made gains.

Monarchists In Spain Issue Rebuke

Leaders Disavow Munich Meeting

MADRID (AP)—Monarchist leaders Tuesday rebuked members of their movement who attended a meeting of Spanish oppositionists in Munich.

Under the headline "Right or Wrong, My Country," the pro-monarchist newspaper ABC said the place for Spaniards to discuss disputes and rivalries among themselves was at home and not abroad.

"Men of Spain cannot live if they destroy the nucleus of our country, formed by our religion, our family and our tradition," the newspaper said.

Jose Maria Peman, Spanish poet, writer and head of the 42-member monarchist Private Council, also disavowed the Spaniards who went to Munich. Government said they numbered between 65 and 70.

"Matters of policy-making are exclusively in the hands of the permanent commission of the council and not in the hands of individuals," members of the commission said in a statement on behalf of the monarchist movement.

Government censorship barred publication of the council's declaration in Spanish newspapers.

Five leading monarchists who attended the Munich meeting were seized on their return and given the choice of going into exile or being banished to the Canary Islands. Two left the country for Paris and the other three were flown to the islands in the Atlantic. Hundreds of other Franco opponents have been reported arrested.

Generalissimo Francisco Franco's government charged those who went to Munich were plotting with leftist Spanish exiles there. But a spokesman for the traveling monarchists said they went to the meeting only to further a campaign to get Spain into the European Common Market.

King Invited

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP)—King Hassan II of Morocco will visit Syria at the invitation of President Dr. Nazam Alkudsi, officials announced. The Moroccan ruler earlier accepted invitations to visit Iraq, Jordan and Lebanon. No dates have been announced.

Scheduled Some Time Ago

The White House conference on Monday night was a late addition to the President's schedule, but had no emergency overtones. The business leaders met during the day with Secretary Douglas Dillon and other Treasury officials. The session was scheduled some time ago.

Dillon stated last week that the balance of payments deficit, representing the amount which the United States spends, lends and gives away abroad, less similar payments to the United States by other nations, might be eliminated by the end of 1963.

U.S. to Honor Comedian Hope

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Kennedy has signed a congressional resolution authorizing the award of a gold medal to comedian Bob Hope.

The award was voted in recognition of Hope's entertainment of U. S. troops around the world.

Similar medals were presented to George M. Cohan after World War I and to Irving Berlin after World War II.



ERUPTION—Map locates Katmai volcano, north of Kodiak, Alaska, which was reportedly erupting intermittently Monday. It has been dormant since 1912.

Mt. Katmai Spews Ash

KODIAK, Alaska (AP)—Katmai volcano, dormant since a violent explosion in 1912, was reported erupting intermittently Monday. Navy pilots flying over 6,715-foot Mt. Katmai verified that it was spewing ash high in the sky.

Mt. Katmai, on the Alaska Peninsula, 100 miles north of Kodiak, is in Katmai National Monument, known as the Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes.

Katmai's 1912 explosion, heard 750 miles away, left fissured ground with vents spouting white vapor over a 70-square mile area.

Nearly two years ago two other peaks in the monument area, Mt. Trident and Martin Mountain, erupted and spread volcanic ash over a wide area.

No one lives near Katmai but wild game is plentiful in the monument area.

Invitation Extended To Defense Director

TOKYO (AP)—The newspaper Japan Times said Tuesday that the director of the Japanese Defense Agency, Senuke Fujieda, has been invited to visit the United States this fall.

The newspaper said the invitation was delivered by Lt. Gen. Jacob E. Smart, commander-in-chief of U. S. forces in Japan.

Leftist Takes Lead In Peruvian Voting

LIMA, Peru (AP)—Leftist Fernando Belaunde Terry forged out front Tuesday in most unofficial counts of Peru's presidential election but the three front runners remained close together. The final decision may be up to Congress.

Belaunde, 50, claimed victory even before the complete returns were tabulated after one of the most turbulent campaigns in the history of this Andean nation.

With seven candidates in the field, the top man must get one-third of the vote plus one vote for election. Otherwise Congress chooses the president. Belaunde's vote in most tabulations was hovering around the 33 per cent mark.

Rivals Not Conceding

Belaunde's two leading opponents—ex-Dictator Manuel Odría, 66, and anti-Communist leftist Victor Raul Haya de la Torre, 67—were not conceding.

Supporters of Odría, who ruled the country from 1948 to 1956, declared in a statement that "reliable information" from all over the country assured him of victory.

Haya, leader of the left-of-center APRA party, remained silent at his home. Most tabulations by newspapers and radio-television stations had Haya running second to Belaunde.

Ballots cast in Sunday's election were estimated to total about 1.5 million, about 75 per cent of the registered voters.

Radio America, which called itself independent in the heated campaign, reported Belaunde far out front with 340,082 votes to 296,981 for Haya and 291,772 for Odría.

Three other major radio stations also had Belaunde in the lead by varying margins.

The pro-Belaunde newspaper *Expreso* gave him 484,312 votes; Haya 448,638; Odría 396,229.

El Grafico, the afternoon edition of the pro-Odría *El Comercio*, reported the lead had swung in Belaunde's favor. Earlier *El Comercio* reported Odría leading.

A different story came from La Prensa, which backed Haya. It gave him the lead with 339,872 votes, put Belaunde in second place with 325,335 and reported Odría had 278,811. But La Prensa said its projection of the vote indicated Belaunde would end up ahead, although without the vote necessary for election.

The official count is not expected to be completed until next Monday.

Victory Parade

Belaunde went on television Monday night to proclaim himself president-elect, and his supporters staged a victory parade through the streets of the capital. Armed police stood by to prevent violence.

While the Communists came out openly for him, Belaunde never publicly embraced them. He indicated that if elected he would recognize Fidel Castro's Cuban regime but at the same time pressed support for President Kennedy's Alliance for Progress program for South America.

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