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RED MINORITY, BUT A STRONG ONE

Returns in French municipal elections, while encouraging in the communist failure to gain control, leave no room for complacency on the part of those taking part in the anti-left movement headed by Gen. Charles De Gaulle. Red voting strength in the cities was indicated at 29.7 per cent, while that of the De Gaullists was 41.5 per cent. The margin is a safe one at the moment. Whether it is sufficiently wide to insure the country's political future is a matter of conjecture.

Communist power, it was apparent, has not waned in the past year, although it had failed of any such impressive gains as those by the right. It would be folly to assume that the situation is still less than critical, even though the returns from rural France, typically more conservative than the cities, will doubtless improve the early picture. There is still the potentiality of great mischief from red activity. It is the recognition of this danger, a recognition translated into the vital force of the anti-left rally, that is a hopeful sign that France is awakening before it is too late.

THE PAVEMENT PROTESTS

For years it has been known that new tire treads of a certain pattern would, in conjunction with the pavement, produce a whining sound on attaining a sufficient rate of speed. Now we learn that the same principle is being utilized to warn drivers to stay on their own side of the highway. Hitherto the white line which forbids passing has conveyed its warning visually. Now, it is being demonstrated by experimental installations in New Jersey, there can be also an aural warning, which will be of especial value at night and in foggy weather.

As developed up to now the device consists of ridged concrete separators lying flat between the main channels of a multiple lane highway. A loud hum is emitted when tires pass over the scored surface, according to a report by the American public works association.

Naturally enough the idea is being tried out under conditions of maximum traffic, for it is under such conditions that the greatest need for safety installations is presented. Later it should be adapted to the needs of narrower, less heavily used highways where it may frequently be important for the driver to get back on his own side.

From Southern Oregon college (used to be the Ashland normal school) comes a report on a football game in which we read that there was a field goal "from the educated toe" of one Limpy Jones. We trust that some of the education is getting into the player's head, too.

President Truman's food committee is holding a series of meetings to consider whether poultryless Thursdays can be dropped without wrecking the food conservation drive. So, at last, the committee is going to talk turkey.

NIPPED BY FALSIES

Milwaukee (AP)—A nine-year-old youngster felt a sudden pain in his foot while wading in Lake Michigan. Reaching into the water, he came up with a set of false teeth.

HAS FAIR HABIT

Wroque, Wis. (AP)—Chris Welch, 80, is all set for his 77th trip to the county fair. Welch has attended the last 67 successive fairs.

Conference Set For Montevideo By Communists

By Lyle C. Wilson
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Washington, Oct. 21 (AP)—Next move in the Russian-inspired campaign against United States world-wide foreign policy is slated to come shortly in Montevideo, capital of Uruguay.

Invitations have been issued to some of the communist parties in the various countries of South America to send delegates to Montevideo for conference. Perhaps by now all the South American communist groups have received their invitations.

Decision Is Factor
The invitation proposes conference discussion of the activities and attitudes South American communists should undertake in view of what they call "the Belgrade decision." The Belgrade decision was announced two weeks ago to a startled world from behind the iron curtain which separates the comparatively democratic western part of Europe from the communist-dominated totalitarian area of the east. The decision was to establish in Belgrade the headquarters of a communist propaganda organization intended to oppose United States foreign policy in Europe—specifically the Marshall plan.

The decision was made at a secret meeting in Poland at which Premier Josef Stalin's politbureau was represented by Andrei A. Zhdanov. Present were representatives of the other Russian-dominated nations of Europe. Nine nations will be represented at Belgrade. This new propaganda sub-capital of communist propaganda is also the capital of Yugoslavia whose boss and totalitarian dictator is Josef Broz Tito, a Moscow-trained revolutionary. Creation of this nine-nation propaganda unit was widely interpreted as an above board manifestation of the communists.

No Time Set
A top member of the communist party of Argentina appears to have sparked the proposed Montevideo conference. So far as is known here no time has been fixed for the meeting other than that it shall be in the very near future. Out of the conference will come decisions on how communist parties in South America can best co-operate with their European and United States comrades in sabotaging the foreign policies of the world's democracies.

It is not likely that the South American communists will attempt so formal an organization as has been achieved by the 140-of-the-kind red countries of eastern Europe. South American communists are not well enough established for that. In Brazil, for instance, the party recently was outlawed. In some others it is under restraint or handicap.

THIEF FOOLS HIMSELF
Kendallville, Ind. (AP)—Tony Clyde Jones pleaded guilty to stealing a money bag from his apartment mate but he said he had burned almost \$1,000 in it by mistake. Jones said he was trying to destroy the evidence and thought the bag contained nothing but receipts.

But the same question arises on land conservation. Why should the government make payments to save the soil? The manufacturers must pay for upkeep of his factory and machinery. It follows that the farmer should be made to take care of his "factory." The answer given is that

Washington Column

By Peter Edson
(NEA Washington Correspondent)

Washington, D. C. — A team of department of agriculture experts has handed the senate and house committees on agriculture a bumper crop of recommendations for what might be called a guaranteed full employment and guaranteed prosperity bill for farmers. How many billions of dollars it would cost the taxpayers, nobody yet knows.

The recommendations are the result of a broad study on farm policy by some 200 agricultural economists who began their work during the war under Secretary Claude Wickard. It took three days for the team to present the program to the congressional committees, sitting in joint session. During the coming congress, their job will be to write a new long-range farm policy law, to take effect on January 1, 1949, when present wartime price supports expire.

Main idea of the new policy, as outlined by Secretary C. I. Anderson, is to organize the national economy for "sustained abundance." The secretary insists that making the farmer prosperous at the expense of everyone else is not the idea. Serving the general welfare—providing everyone with an adequate diet in hard times as well as good—is said to be the primary objective. In return for that, guarantees are asked that farmers be given fair prices and an income equal to that received by city workers.

To assure that this general welfare may be made permanent, a bushel of laws would be necessary, all wrapped up in one omnibus bill. It would conserve America's productive acreage, safeguard its water supply, protect its forests, raise the standard of rural living to city levels, give the farmers guaranteed markets for all they could grow, give other government agencies through research and education, provide price supports, recalculate the parity formula to the farmer's advantage, and, in general, result in a completely planned and controlled agricultural economy.

Many of these proposals are not new. They were conceived and first put into practice after the major farm depression of the 1930's. Others were wartime controls, put in effect to get production of most-needed crops.

An organized effort to raise rural standards of living is proposed. A first step is to raise the income of roughly half of the six million farm units that produce less than \$70 crops a year.

How much the government is responsible for raising these standards is debatable. The argument in its favor is that if the country is to have an abundance of farm products, every farm unit must be made to produce its share. The problem is one of national interest.

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Terrebonne

Terrebonne, Oct. 21 (Special)—The Terrebonne school is being remodeled. A new fire escape was built for the kitchen and the 8th grade rooms which are upstairs. Rest rooms are being installed in what was the 1st and 2nd grade room. They are also doing some work on the yard. The teachers this year are Russel Hollinshead, principal, and 7th and 8th grade teacher; Mrs. Russel Hollinshead, 5th and 6th grades; Mrs. Noel Henderson, 3rd and 4th grades; and Mrs. E. H. Ridgeway, 1st and 2nd grades. Mrs. Hollinshead teaches music in all the rooms.

The Terrebonne grade school postponed its football game with Culver last week on account of the wind.

The Terrebonne P.T.C. met Friday with Mrs. V. Magill presiding. The 3rd and 4th grades won the prize in the membership drive and the 1st and 2nd grades won the attendance prize.

Richard Hoefs and family moved to their new home northeast of Redmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Shortreed and family visited at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Shortreed, east of Prineville. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. John Ray, and Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Richards and baby, the fourth great granddaughter of the Willis Shortreeds. Mr. and Mrs. Bud Miller of Powell Butte and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hodges from Lebanon were also guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gjoraa had their son, Harlan, baptized Sunday in the Lutheran church. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Shortreed were sponsors.

Rev. and Mrs. Burness Rogness were dinner guests at the Harold Gjoraa home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams arrived from Kittitas, Wash., to visit his mother who fractured her hip in a fall in her home.

Mrs. Glenn Shortreed and Mrs. Ed Buchop were dinner guests at the Louie Arneys Friday.

It is in the national interest to provide sufficient food at low cost. One means of doing this is through a judicious use of conservation assistance.

Even more controversial is the matter of price supports. Should the government guarantee the farmer a fair price under all conditions of boom or bust? In tackling this, the experts recommend that a floor be put under food consumption. Agriculture should be geared to produce all the people need, not just what they can afford to buy.

To maintain consumption at high levels in times of depression, it is recommended that the school lunch program be expanded and that the food stamp plan be re-instituted to provide an adequate diet for low-income families.

Finally, it is recommended that the parity formula be revised so that the costs of farm labor, new machinery, autos, electricity and other modern conveniences be included in the index of things the farmer buys. The effect would be to raise the calculated parity price of things the farmer sells. It would be the consumer who would pay.

Reclamationists From 17 States To Attend Conclave

Phoenix, Ariz., Oct. 21 (AP)—Delegates from 17 western states, all dependent on development of water and hydro-electric projects, today scheduled meetings with cabinet members, congressmen, government officials and reclamation experts at the National Reclamation association convention here October 29-31.

Robert W. Sawyer, Bend, Ore., is president of the association.

Convention chairman L. K. Douthett said he expected a battle over cutting down the reclamation program.

"Westerners know they are dependent on reclamation for the further development of their states," he said. "Many of those who live in the west do not take kindly to some of the theories recently propounded by economy-minded persons who would sacrifice millions of dollars of future revenue in order to save a few dollars now."

Anderson To Speak
Secretary of agriculture Clinton P. Anderson will speak on the world food situation during the three-day meeting, and Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug will talk on "long-range program of reclamation construction."

Other speakers on reclamation included Assistant interior secretary William E. Warm; U. S. geologist survey director Dr. William E. Wrather; Federal power commissioner Harrington Wimbler; Iowa congressman Ben Jensen; Bureau of reclamation commissioner Michael W. Strauss; Nebraska Sen. Hugh Butler; former Oklahoma governor Robert S. Kerr; Arizona Sen. Ernest W. McFarland; Nebraska Sen. Kenneth Wherry.

Others Listed
Dr. Omar Kelly of the USDA research department; Edson Abel, California farm bureau federation; Lt. R. A. Wheeler of army engineers; Fred Beneke, National Rivers and Harbor congress; Lachlan MacLeay, Mississippi Valley association; Jim Allen, National Water Conservation; N. R. Graham, Arkansas Basin Flood Control association; Idaho state engineer Mark Kulp, and Ollie E. Fink, Friends of the Land.

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ROBERT H. FOLEY,
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UNLEARNED LESSON FATAL
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