

Tito Declares Yugoslavia Has Atomic Bombs

Dictator Claimed Also Jet Planes for Annihilation of Reaction

Trieste, Free Territory, Jan. 21 (AP)—Premier Marshal Tito was quoted by La Voce Libera today as telling Yugoslav communist leaders that "we shall use our own atomic bomb" in any future conflict for "the final annihilation of reaction."

(A version published by the pro-DeGaulle French weekly "Dissidence 40" quoted Tito as saying: "War against the Anglo-Americans is inevitable. It is perhaps even a question of weeks."

La Voce Libera, a pro-Italian newspaper, said Tito had delivered the speech to his party executive in Zagreb last November 18. It said he had reported Russian arsenals are turning out 30,000 vehicles a month and "our jet-propelled fighters and our artillery will eliminate from the enemy aviation any desire to come and see us."

The paper said it had had the text of the speech for a month, but delayed publication, until it learned it was authentic and had been published in "Dissidence 40" pro-De Gaulle French newspaper.

Strong Army Ready
La Voce Libera quoted Tito as saying that reactionary forces, with the aid of American and British capital, were working against the "Yugoslav proletariat," but that he had a "very strong, well organized army which we do not feed chocolate and sweets but which stands in readiness, not only to protect our frontiers, but also to oust the division of gangsters concentrated in Italy and Austria."

The quotations went on: "We are ready to sink their fleet in the Adriatic; against their atomic bombs we shall use our own. We do not stand alone this time."

"Our jet propelled fighter planes and our artillery will efficaciously discourage visits by enemy aviation. Our materiel comes from an inexhaustible source. Our lines of transport will never be cut."

Boasts of Power
"Russian workshops turn out 30,000 cars a month. Headquarters have at their disposal 150 divisions ready to march on 48 hours notice and capable of wiping out all obstacles obstructing their advance up to Paris."

Tito was quoted as saying a few thousand "bandits" were in the Yugoslav mountains and were vexing, but of no consequence. (Balkan government spokesmen regularly use the term "bandit" for opposition forces.)

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200,000 Strike In Germany

Nuernberg, Jan. 21 (AP)—An estimated 200,000 German workers struck in the coal-rich Ruhr and in the American zone today in protest against food conditions.

More than 100,000 industrial and office workers walked out in the big Rhineland city of Cologne and a similar hunger strike was reported to have brought out a number of workers in nearby Essen. The Cologne strike was expected to last throughout the day.

Thirty thousand metal workers struck for a half day in Nuernberg starting at noon and union leaders said that the city's entire labor force with the exception of transport workers would join in.

There was no accurate estimate available of the number of Nuernberg strikers. The city's population is about 400,000. The food shortage, according to allied officials, is the result of flaws in German food collections and distribution.

Food unrest originated in the Ruhr when the area's fat ration could not be fulfilled for three weeks recently. To mollify the industrial workers, food authorities reduced rations in the American zone in favor of the Ruhr. Strikes then began in the American zone.

At least 30,000 strikers are expected to demonstrate in Nuernberg's principal square, the Hauptmarkt, during the afternoon in protest against the state government's refusal to adopt the Bavarian union's seven-point food collection plan.

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United Nations Again Tackle Palestine Issue

Lake Success, Jan. 21 (AP)—The United Nations Palestine partition commission today tackled two major questions: that of asking for an international army to enforce the split of the Holy Land and that of opening Tel Aviv to Jewish immigration February 1.

A Philippine request for action by the security council, the only UN organ empowered to provide military units, to enforce partition topped the commission program. Immediately after a decision on that point, the five-man commission planned to hear from Sir Alexander Cadogan, British delegate, on London's program in connection with the general assembly's recommendation that a port area be cleared for admitting Jews within the next 10 days.

Army Held Needed
In its present form the Philippine resolution merely calls on the council to consider whether the situation in Palestine constitutes a threat to international peace or a breach of peace, but informed quarters said it was virtually certain that a specific request for force would be made.

The commission already was understood to have reached a mutual understanding that an international force was necessary to implement the plan to carve up Palestine into independent Jewish and Arab countries effective next October 1.

Once the commission makes the request, the question will arise as to how the council can raise an army. The UN charter provides for an international force but so far differences between Russia and the western powers have blocked agreement on setting up the units. The council thus can be expected to seek some means of putting into the field a temporary international army.

Budget Trimmed Of \$3 Billion

Washington, Jan. 21 (AP)—A GOP determination to slash President Truman's budget by at least \$3,000,000,000 was reported by Rep. Knutson (R-Minn) today to have formed the basis of house republican leadership approval of the \$5,600,000,000 tax reduction bill.

Knutson, author of the tax-cutting measure, told reporters both Senator Taft (R-Ohio), chairman of the senate republican policy committee, and Chairman Taber (R-NY) of the house appropriations committee had agreed that Mr. Truman's \$39,700,000,000 spending estimate can be "cut sharply."

Meanwhile, the house ways and means committee bogged down in a detailed reading and discussion of the 28-page tax bill, and Knutson, the ways and means chairman, said that although committee approval is assured it probably will not come until next Monday or Tuesday.

The measure, which faces a virtually certain veto, will be brought to a showdown vote in the house on Friday or Saturday of next week, he said, with passage practically assured.

Strike Closes Plant

Detroit, Jan. 21 (AP)—Hudson Motor Car company shut down its main plant "indefinitely" today, because of a body shortage caused by a week-old strike of 550 foremen.

Survey Will Be Made on Salem's Hospital Needs

An immediate survey will be made by C. A. McClure, engineer for the Salem long-range planning commission, to determine Salem's hospital facilities and needs with reference to campaigns for building funds that have been proposed by the two hospitals. The survey by the planning commission is at the request of the board of control of Salem General hospital and the board of trustees of Salem Memorial hospital, formerly the Deaconess.

McClure was assigned to the survey, on motion of George Putnam at a special meeting of the planning commission Tuesday night. The survey will determine the extent and valuation of property owned by the two institutions, the hospital ownership, condition of buildings, and financial resources. In the process of fact finding it will also show, at the suggestion of Paul B. Wallace, the scope of Salem hospital service to the central Willamette valley area.

McClure indicated, among other things, that his report would show a history of the hospitals, ground plans, investment in equipment, returns from a questionnaire to doctors giving their opinion on facilities, a comparison of existing facilities, present and future population data. A committee from the commission will assist the engineer with the doctors' questionnaire.

On the basis of the report the planning commission is expected to recommend whether Salem should have one or two new hospitals, and if two are deemed advisable, whether the campaigns for funds should be consolidated. The total cost of the two as proposed would be around \$3,000,000.

Submitted was the return on a ballot taken among 33 Salem doctors, who unanimously favored one big hospital rather than two small ones.

GOP Tax Slash Bill Certain to Pass in House

Washington, Jan. 21 (AP)—Approved "as is" by the house republican leadership, the \$5,600,000,000 tax slashing bill moved today toward swift house passage and a virtually certain veto. Democrats mobilizing to battle the measure claimed enough votes to block its final enactment, however, unless the senate trims the size of the tax cut when the legislation reaches that body.

Speaker Martin (R-Mass) set the house vote for next week, probably Friday. The house republican steering committee, in approving the measure late yesterday, refused flatly to make any concessions that might attract democratic support. A two-thirds majority is needed in both houses to overturn a presidential objection.

Rayburn Predicts Defeat
Democratic Leader Rayburn of Texas told reporters "the bill as it is will never become law, and I think the republicans know it."

But Rep. Knutson (R-Minn), author of the measure, shot back that Rayburn is "indulging in wishful thinking" and added: "the bill will become law."

The GOP leaders ignored President Truman's substitute proposal calling for a \$40 "cost of living" tax cut for everyone and a compensating \$3,200,000,000 excess profits levy on corporations.

The ways and means committee was called into closed door session (10 a.m., EST) to consider the Knutson measure. But with republicans outnumbering democrats 15 to 10, the committee's formal approval was virtually certain.

Approval Certain
Martin told a news conference after the steering committee decision that the republicans will slash Mr. Truman's \$39,700,000,000 budget to make room for the tax cut and a payment on the national debt of at least \$2,000,000,000.

"We need to cut the budget only by \$1,500,000,000 to do that," Martin said, "but we are going to reduce the budget much more than that."

To which Chairman Taber (R-NY) of the house appropriations committee added in an interview: "When we get through with the president's budget we will have money enough for a \$5,600,000,000 tax reduction and at least a \$5,000,000,000 payment on the debt."

Gandhi Has Mercy For Bomb Thrower

New Delhi, Jan. 21 (AP)—Mohanda K. Gandhi said tonight he will ask the police to be merciful with a youthful Hindu accused of exploding a home made bomb near his prayer meeting last night. The suspect could be imprisoned for life.

"We should not harbor hatred," Gandhi said. "I will request the police not to trouble him but to have compassion towards him and make him see the righteous path."

Gandhi, too weak to walk because of his recent fast for communal peace, had been carried to the prayer meeting in a chair. He laughed when an unidentified man in the audience demanded that Gandhi proclaim himself a reincarnation of God. When the speaker persisted, Gandhi impatiently told him to sit down and be quiet.

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Polio Death Reported
Butte, Mont., Jan. 21 (AP)—Montana's first 1948 polio death was recorded here today.

Mrs. Virginia Tippett, 32-year-old wife of a Butte city engineer died of the disease last night.



Chinese Demonstrators at Canton—Cantonese mill around the bent and twisted British consulate flagpole at Canton, China, after tearing down the British flag and setting the consulate afire during a demonstration protesting the eviction of 300 Chinese by the British from the walled city of Kowloon, across the bay from Hong Kong. (AP Wirephoto)

Hunt \$17,000 Cache And Missing Woman

Seattle, Jan. 21 (AP)—Two King county sheriff's detectives and the husband of a missing Seattle woman set out this morning for eastern Oregon in search of a \$17,000 cache, against which the husband said he had written an "I. O. U." in a property settlement with his wife.

13 Injured in Airliner Crash

Boston, Jan. 21 (AP)—Thirteen passengers were injured as they leaped from a big Eastern Airlines Lockheed Constellation today after the plane skidded into a snowbank and caught fire when it landed in early morning darkness at Logan international airport.

The \$1,000,000 airliner was almost completely consumed by the flames that spread from one of the four engines while 20 passengers and five crew members jumped or dropped 15 feet from a doorway on the opposite side into snowbanks. Enroute from Miami to Newark, the plane was rerouted first to New York and then to Boston because of stormy weather.

Seven persons were treated in hospitals and six others were given first aid—all for hurts suffered as they escaped from the burning plane to the ground below. A 14th person—not a passenger—who ran to aid occupants of the plane, was injured by a police car as it sped to the scene.

A snowstorm had reduced visibility to "zero" according to one crew member. Flight engineer Harold Conroy of Miami said ice on the runway and not enough braking surface caused the skid into the snowbank and, although Captain Merrill E. Thayer, also of Miami, cut his engines, there was a flash from one—far at the right, and flames raced over the big craft.

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Open Temporary Bridges on Umpqua

The highway commission said today that the temporary bridges over the South Umpqua river, eight miles south of Roseburg, will be opened late tonight. They will replace the continuous truss span that was damaged by flood waters two weeks ago.

The 9 a.m. road report: Santiam Junction—18 degrees, clear, spots of packed snow and ice, sand, 53 inches roadside snow at summit.

Odell Lake, Willamette highway—28 degrees, overcast, spots of ice, sand, Road slushy between Salt Creek tunnel and end of Odell lake. 45 inches roadside snow.

11-Year-Old Boy Slayer Sent to Boys Town, Neb.

Bend, Ore., Jan. 21 (AP)—Little 11-year-old Cecil Snyder, who sang in his penthouse cell atop the Deschutes county courthouse and roller skated down the corridors while held on a charge of murdering his father, was headed for Boys Town, Neb., and a new life today.

Arrested following the December 12 death of his father, Joseph V. Snyder, the boy, small for his years, was formally charged with murder. Sheriff C. L. McCauley said he told a story of abuse at the hands of his father, with whom he lived alone in a farm house five miles east of here, and admitted putting poison in two cheese sandwiches.

Paroled by Hamilton
Circuit Judge R. S. Hamilton yesterday paroled Cecil to the juvenile court where Judge C. L. Allen conducted a hearing based on his being a dependent child. Howard S. Page, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, representing Father Flanagan's Boys Town, asked that the boy be released to him to live at the famed Nebraska town. The petition was granted, with the court holding the boy under parole until he is 21.

Decked out in new clothes, bought by money which was sent to the sheriff from interested persons in all parts of the country, Cecil seemed confused and uncertain of what life at Boys Town would be. Told that he could sing in a choir there—jail attendants said he has a "beautiful" child's voice—he only looked about unhappily and said he would rather wear his old clothes because they were "more comfortable." He was unsmiling and seemingly apathetic as he started on the first train ride of his life.

Mother Died in Child-Birth
Cecil's mother died when he was born. He has seven brothers and sisters, the youngest 16, all of whom had left home previously.

Young Snyder was given No. 1 position over 3500 boys who sought admission to Boys Town. Many local residents and fraternal organizations interceded in behalf of Snyder.

To Force Sale of Film Theaters

Washington, Jan. 21 (AP)—The justice department today asked the supreme court to require five motion picture producers, distributors and exhibitors to dispose of their local movie houses scattered throughout the country.

Solicitor General Philip B. Perlman told the court in a brief that "the only way in which the domestic film market can now be opened to competition is by divorcing" the five "from their affiliated theaters."

The companies involved are Paramount Pictures, Inc., Lowm's Inc.; Radio-Keith-Orpheum corporation; Warner Brothers Pictures, Inc., and Twentieth Century-Fox Film corporation.

The government in 1940 brought an anti-trust action against these five so-called "major defendants" and Columbia Pictures corporation, Universal corporation, and United Artists corporation, alleging monopolistic practices. Columbia and Universal are engaged only in motion picture production and distribution and United is engaged only in distribution.

New Cold Wave Sweeps From Canada Over East

(By the Associated Press)
After a brief respite from last week's frigid weather, a new but less severe cold wave appeared in prospect for the eastern half of the country.

A fresh outbreak of cold air surged across the Canadian border and moved into the north central sections of the country. It was expected to cover the same area gripped by winter's sickest blasts last week.

Accompanied by snow flurries and strong winds, the cold air moved down the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys and temperatures dropped rapidly in the Dakotas and Minnesota, reaching sub-zero levels this morning.

The edge of the new cold air entered northern Missouri, Illinois, Indiana and lower Michigan. The mercury was expected to dip to near the zero mark in Chicago tomorrow.

Temperatures had moderated considerably throughout the cold belt in advance of the fresh frigid blasts, particularly in the

Petrillo Denies Conspiracy in Broadcasting

Musicians' Czar Admits Favoring Networks Over FM

Washington, Jan. 21 (AP)—James C. Petrillo denied today there is any conspiracy between his American Federation of Musicians and the long-established radio networks to hold back the growth of FM (frequency modulation) broadcasting.

Petrillo told the house labor committee he met with the representatives of the fledgling FM industry a month ago and tentatively agreed to "make a deal" with them on use of musicians but said he told them:

"I have got to talk to the regular (AM) networks first."

Banned 'Live' Music
Petrillo has banned "live" music on FM networks and the duplication of music programs on AM and FM networks. He also has prohibited union musicians from making phonograph records.

As Rep. Owens (R-Ill) questioned him about his relations with the old-line radio networks in connection with FM, Petrillo screwed his chubby face into a grimace and broke in:

"Please, Mr. Congressman, if there's anything in your mind about a conspiracy between the American Federation of Musicians and the AM networks, please dismiss it. It's not so."

He explained that he wanted to consult the old-line networks first because they pay his union members \$23,000,000 a year "and it wouldn't be good business" not to consult them.

Prosecution Lax
As the hearing opened, Chairman Hartley (R-NJ) told Petrillo the justice department was "exceedingly lax" in preparing a Lea act case in which the union leader was acquitted.

Speaking face to face with the labor leader at a committee hearing, Hartley declared Petrillo was "clearly in violation of law" despite the acquittal in a federal court at Chicago last week. He added:

"I am not particularly upset by the justice department. I must say it was exceedingly lax."

British Imports Hit Union
Petrillo, who sat silently as Hartley took him to task, was accused under the Lea act of coercing a Chicago radio station to hire more workers than needed.

He was called before the committee to answer charges that he is attempting to throttle the American entertainment industry through a monopoly on music.

Hartley told him the British flew in 12 tons of phonograph records last week, after Petrillo banned union musicians from making records in this country. Moreover, Hartley said, 250 tons of other records are now en route to the United States by boat.

"What effect do you think that will have on American musicians, Mr. Petrillo," Hartley asked.

Petrillo launched into a long statement contending that the record-making industry is reaping huge profits whereas the average pay of American musicians in making recordings is \$400 a year.

"Our future is very dark," Petrillo said.

British Battleships Slated to Be Scrapped

London, Jan. 21 (AP)—The admiralty announced today that four British battleships, veterans of many years of service in the royal navy, will be scrapped as obsolete.

They are the Queen Elizabeth, Valiant, Nelson and Rodney.

Long and Jones Neck and Neck Louisiana Vote

Former Governors Out In Front and Close Together in Primaries

New Orleans, Jan. 21 (AP)—Two arch-rivals of Louisiana politics since the days of the "scandals"—former Governors Earl K. Long and Sam H. Jones—today were out in front and close together as the slow count of yesterday's democratic gubernatorial primary election continued.

There were four candidates in the race and it was certain that a runoff primary, set for Feb. 24, would be necessary. But hundreds of country boxes remained to be tabulated, so it wasn't yet certain that Long and Jones would qualify as the two highest and therefore eligible to repeat their run-off primary battle of 1940. The prize is a nomination equivalent to election.

Jones Led Revolt
Jones is the man who led a ballot box revolt in that year against the late Huey P. Long's political organization, which backed Earl Long, Huey's brother, for the governorship. Jones won and was succeeded in 1944 by a political ally, the singing governor, Jimmie H. Davis. This year Jones and Long again were made standard-bearers by their respective factions.

The old regular organization of New Orleans, breaking an alliance originally imposed by Huey Long, backed its own candidate, U.S. Rep. James H. Morrison. Judge Robert F. Kennon made an appeal for the ex-servicemen's vote with an "all-GI ticket."

Long's Lead Slight
Unofficial returns from 596 of the 1878 precincts in the state gave Long 74,115 votes, Jones 69,647, Morrison 45,350 and Kennon 38,574.

Some of the worst winter weather seen for years in Louisiana—including snow and ice storms—failed to prevent a huge vote from being cast. The large number of ballots and the lengthy lists of local candidates combined to slow the count. Negroes voted in unprecedented numbers.

The Negro vote will amount only to a small portion of the total. Several parishes (counties) in Morrison's congressional district and a number of rural boxes in which Kennon supporters claimed strength remained to be heard from today.

Hoarding Due To Ration Threat

Washington, January 21 (AP)—All the hot talk in congress about meat rationing is simply serving to build up private stocks in cold storage lockers, Senator Thye (R-Minn) contended today.

While steering clear of the controversy between GOP Senators Wherry (Neb.) and Flinders (Vt.) over Wherry's "kidding" accusation that his New England colleague is a meat "hoarder," Thye said he wishes the whole subject of rationing could be dropped.

Otherwise, he told a reporter, housewives will buy all the meat they can and put it into frozen storage. Thye said talk of rationing "already is jeopardizing our meat supply" by discouraging the feeding of beef cattle to full weight.

His contention is that producers, wary of the future, are eager to take advantage of current high prices and are rushing their cattle to market.

Flinders and Rep. Javits (R-NY), sponsors of a bill to let the administration get set for meat rationing, take the position that if a spring shortage predicted by the agriculture department develops, the public will demand rationing.

Under their measure, congress would have the final say on whether any program prepared should be put into effect.

The Wherry-Flinders incident came about when the Nebraska senator departed from the prepared text of an address he was delivering before the republican national committee yesterday to take note of reports that Flinders has a locker full of meat.

Yugoslavia Honors Dead Yank Fliers

Belgrade, Yugoslavia, Jan. 21 (AP)—Yugoslav fighter planes dived in salute, and a military band played a funeral dirge today in tribute to 700 American fliers whose bodies were started toward home.

Their graves had been found during a two and a half years' search by a U. S. graves registration unit. The fliers fell while bombing the German and Italian occupation forces. Their coffins will be placed on a ship in Italy.

The Weather
(Released by United States Weather Bureau)
Forecast for Salem and vicinity: Some cloudiness tonight and Thursday. Lowest expected temperature tonight, 28 degrees; highest, Thursday, 45. Maximum yesterday 41. Minimum today 28. Mean temperature yesterday 32, which was 8 below normal. Total 24-hour precipitation to 11:30 a. m. today 0. Total precipitation for the month 5.9, which is 2.9 inches above normal. Willamette river height at Salem Wednesday morning, 29 feet, falling.