

Quezon Family Shot to Death In Ambuscade

Manila, Friday, April 29 (AP)—Mrs. Aurora Quezon, widow of the Philippines' first president, her daughter and son-in-law were among 12 persons killed in a roadside ambush northeast of Manila yesterday.
Ten others were wounded by the unidentified machine gunners on the road 88 miles northeast of Manila.
President Elpidio Quirino said he believed the killers were bandits, and ordered an immediate all-out campaign against them.
However, Manila papers raised the possibility that Quirino himself may have been the intended victim. He had been invited to make the journey with Mrs. Quezon but was unable to do so at the last minute.
The Quizon party, with an armed constabulary escort, left Manila shortly after 5 a.m. for Baler, on the northeast coast of Luzon. The 60-year-old widow was to have unveiled a marker in memory of her husband, Manuel Quezon.
Story of Ambush
Maj. Gen. Rafael Jalandoni, former Philippine army chief of staff, who was in the first automobile of a caravan with Mrs. Quezon, described the ambush tonight.
"Shots in rapid succession were fired at our car," he said. "We stopped at once. The attack was so sudden that the first thing I knew Mrs. Quezon was slumped over me."
Mayor Ponciano Bernardo (of Quezon City) shouted: "Donna Aurora is in this party."
"Then Bernardo himself was shot. I pulled my gun and was about to use it when someone appeared by the side of the car and hit me on the right side of the face with the butt of a rifle. I was knocked unconscious."
When rescue parties arrived, the general estimated there were 100 in the attacking party and about 50 in the Quezon group.
He said the bodies were robbed of their jewelry and that he lost his wrist watch and identification bracelet.
Later at the scene of the ambush the constabulary found the bodies of Mrs. Quezon, her daughter, Maria Aurora (Baby) Quezon and the mortally wounded Felipe Buencamino, III, 28, husband of Mrs. Quezon's youngest daughter, Zenaida.
Mayor Also Slain
Also dead were Mayor Ponciano Bernardo of Quezon City (outside Manila), Maj. Primitivo San Augustin and his brother, Maj. Antonio San Augustin, both noted guerrilla fighters during the war with Japan, a Lieutenant Lizzam and three constabulary privates.
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Widow, Daughter, Son-in-Law, 9 Others Killed by 'Bandits'

Southern Soft Coal Men Independent

Construction Halted On Albany City Hall

Labor Bill Tests Party Loyalty Says President

Washington, April 28 (AP)—President Truman said today democratic votes in congress on Taft-Hartley repeal will be a test of party loyalty.
He put actions of the lawmakers on other democratic platform measures in much the same class.
Thus Mr. Truman indicated that the senators and representatives who fail to go along with striking out the two-year old labor law and adhering to other platform pledges will have little to say about who gets federal jobs.
To Apply Pressure
The president left wide-open the question of whether the lawmakers who failed to back the party candidates in last fall's election will have any voice in patronage. On that point he suggested that reporters wait and see how it works out.
Mr. Truman's news conference discussion of the issue of party loyalty went beyond—if it was not in actual conflict with—earlier comments of democratic national chairman, J. Howard McGrath.
Discussing yesterday's conference with democratic party and congressional leaders, the president said that democrats are those people who support the democratic platform.
Platform Party Law
He described the platform as the law of the party.
Mr. Truman said he regards the vote on the pending bill to repeal the Taft-Hartley act as one of those tests of party loyalty.
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Auto Mileage Fee Increased On County Work

By DON UPJOHN

The Marion county budget committee Thursday recommended that the county court increase the mileage fee paid for privately owned cars used on official county business from 5 to 6 cents a mile which was done on the suggestion of County Judge Murphy and approved by other court members.
The mileage matter arose on consideration of the budget of the county surveyor who had included request for \$1650 for purchase of a pickup truck and Judge Murphy said this again raised the matter of broad policy as to whether the county wishes to engage in purchase of county cars for all departments or continue in many cases with paying mileage for use of cars privately owned by the officials.
Some departments such as the sheriff, health department and assessor have some county owned cars but the consensus was against broadening the policy and the plea of the surveyor for the truck was rejected. However, mileage allowance was increased and his traveling expense was upped from \$100 to \$300.
Justices' Pay Upped
The committee granted \$600 annual raises in salary to justices of the peace of Silverton, Woodburn and Stayton but rejected a plea from the Silverton constable to up his salary from \$900 to \$1800 a year and to add a part time constable at \$900. In a letter to the court the Silverton constable said by putting his office on the full time basis suggested the constable could save money for the county by eliminating numerous trips by sheriffs deputies.
This idea too, was rejected as a matter of policy which might be broadened into scattering full time constable at Breitenbush at \$175 a month and a part time deputy for him at \$300 a year. This, it was explained, presented a different situation than Silverton because of the isolated condition there, the tremendous upsurge in business due to the Detroit dam and the far distances necessary to travel.

Hopes Calder Accepts Post

Washington, April 28 (AP)—President Truman said today he hopes that Curtis E. Calder, New York utilities executive, will accept appointment as secretary of the navy.
Mr. Truman also told a news conference that Jonathan Daniels, editor of the Raleigh (N.C.) News and Observer is under consideration for appointment as secretary of the navy.
Describing Calder as a very capable man, Mr. Truman said he had talked with him three or four days ago and he hoped he would accept the job.
Told that a high defense official had said yesterday that the utilities executive would take over within 60 days—a statement that Calder later denied—Mr. Truman smilingly observed that the announcement wasn't made by him.
At the same time, the president said there was no foundation in fact for fears that the marine corps might be eliminated and the navy's air arm absorbed by the air force.
He said that report was like the prognostications people read in the columns.
A reporter interjected that the apprehensions were raised by John L. Sullivan when he resigned as secretary of the navy earlier this week.
The president said he did not read Sullivan's letter to Secretary of Defense Johnson, protesting against cancellation of the navy's plans to build a super-airplane carrier.
Douglas Will Save Eye
London, April 28 (AP)—The left eye of United States Ambassador Lewis Douglas, pierced by a fish hook early this month, will not be removed, the ambassador's doctors said today.

Patronage Purchase Tag Angers Senate Democrats

Washington, April 28 (AP)—Northern and southern democrats got into a hot fight on the House floor today over President Truman's warning that party members who refuse to vote for Taft-Hartley act repeal will be out of White House grace.
The chamber was in the midst of debate on the union-hated labor law. The fireworks began popping right after Rep. Wood (D-Ga.) formally asked the House to take his bill, which would keep most of the Taft-Hartley act, as a substitute for the administration repeal measure.
Only a couple of hours earlier, Mr. Truman had told his news conference that democratic votes in congress on Taft-Hartley repeal will be a test of party loyalty. The administration bill would repeal the T-H law and return to a modified version of the 1935 Wagner Labor Relations act.
The implication of Mr. Truman's remarks was that democrats who fail to go along with

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Decks of American Liner Jammed with Refugees

Shanghai, April 28 (AP)—Bars, gymnasiums, lounges and the promenade decks of the liner President Wilson were jammed with refugees today.
Last minute decisions to leave communist-threatened Shanghai scattered foreigners about the vessel. She is likely to be the last ship of her class to call at Shanghai for a long time. There were about 300 foreigners aboard when she sailed.
The evacuees were of all ages and color. There were Americans, Germans, Russians and Chinese. There were infants in arms, old men, young women and sprightly elderly ladies.
Some carried worn luggage. Others had new, apparently purchased at the last minute for their hurried departure.
Dogs, cats, goldfish and other pets passed through harassed Chinese customs men.
Many passengers carried their own luggage aboard rather than pay the exorbitant prices asked by Coolie porters for a 100 yard haul onto the ship.
There was considerable confusion on board and a trace of annoyance on the faces of the Wilson's regular passengers. But the evacuees grinned with joy at their good fortune in obtaining space.
Mrs. Helen Kazimiroff, 23, who spent 22 years of her life in Shanghai, bounced her three months old son on her knee and said she was glad to leave the city. She and her husband and son are going to Springfield, Mass.
Clark Slated For Berlin Post
Washington, April 28 (AP)—Informed Pentagon sources predicted today that Gen. Mark W. Clark will succeed Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay as U. S. military governor in Germany.
Defense Secretary Louis Johnson is expected to name a new commander in Germany soon, so that Clay can get home within 30 days, because of his health. Clay probably will retire from active duty on his return.
Others mentioned for Clay's post include Lt. Gen. Albert Wedemeyer, army deputy chief of staff, and Lt. Gen. Clarence R. Huebner, Clay's deputy commander and chief of staff in Germany.
Clark has been commander of the Sixth army with headquarters at San Francisco since June 19, 1947. Before that, he was U. S. high commissioner in Austria and commander of American occupation forces there.
If he succeeds Clay, Clark is expected to stay in Germany until the state department takes over civil administration of western Germany, July 1, at the latest, is the present goal for this switch.
Clark is understood to want to retire from the army within a few months to take a position with Sears, Roebuck & Co.



State Treatment Hospital to Hold Open House—Ultra-modern treatment hospital at Oregon state hospital, recently completed at a cost of approximately \$1,700,000 will hold open house, Saturday, April 30. About 300 patients can be accommodated in the new building. Below: Physio-therapy treatment room and some of the personnel who will administer treatment: (from left) Mrs. Mae Norwood at control panel, hydro-therapist; Dr. Dean Brooks, Nurses Merle Mortenson, June Berry, Kathryn Arnot and Marion Jansen.

British Seize Canal Control

Berlin, April 28 (AP)—Squadrons of armed British military police seized canal control locks in west Berlin today from Russian troops who had halted barges plying the waterways with supplies brought in by the airlift.
Soviet officers backed down and finally ordered the canals in the British sector of Berlin reopened for traffic after the British military moved in and ordered the Russians to give up control of three key locks or be put out forcibly.
The British, who had taken over the locks, then withdrew. But Brig. E. R. Benson, deputy British commandant here, said they would not submit to Soviet traffic restrictions in the British sector.
The British military government issued an ultimatum to the Soviets to stop interfering with the canal traffic or lose control of the locks which are vital to water transport in the Soviet sector.

Truck Driver Killed On Cornell Hill

Molalla, April 28 (AP)—A truck driver was killed last night on Cornell Hill west of here in a mishap in which his two passengers escaped unhurt.
State police said Clarence Broadhurst, 54, Estacada, was at the wheel. His passengers were Mr. and Mrs. William Carr, also of Estacada.
Investigating police officers and Clackamas county sheriffs' deputies reported Broadhurst had been drinking earlier in the evening.

Fleming Chairman Maritime Board

Washington, April 28 (AP)—President Truman today appointed Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming to the maritime commission. He said Fleming will be designated as chairman.
The president said that Jesse Larson, now war assets administrator, will succeed Fleming as public works administrator. Rear Admiral Paul Luker Mathier, now associated administrator, will head the war assets administration.
Fleming is a veteran government career officer. Mr. Truman described him as an independent with no political affiliation.
On the maritime commission, Fleming will succeed Vice Admiral William W. Smith whose term recently expired.

Escape Gate From Shanghai Slowly Closing

Shanghai, April 28 (AP)—The escape gate from communist threatened Shanghai began closing slowly today.
For foreigners, the last ships were preparing to get under way. For the Chinese, land routes were coming under Red troop domination. Airplanes still took out refugees over land and sea.
The American liner President Wilson, likely to be the last liner to call here for some time, sailed down the Whangpoo this afternoon. Aboard were 390 evacuees, 150 of them Americans.
Those Americans who elected to stay in Shanghai—some 1,500 of them—are now here come what may.
Last U. S. Boat Out
One small U. S. navy craft during the afternoon took a few stragglers and some special planes to the United States, Manila and Hong Kong. British flying boats are going to Hong Kong and Tokyo daily. All are booked solid until next week.
30 to 40 Miles Away
The approaching communists appeared to be at least 30 or 40 miles away in mid-afternoon although they took Soochow (Wuhsien), about 50 miles west of Shanghai, early yesterday. Their advance may be slowed down because they still have not sufficient forces ferried across the Yangtze to handle the various drives which are developing.
The Reds seemed to be taking their time toward Shanghai possibly because they want an adequate occupying force at hand when they enter the city. Shanghai, the world's fourth largest city, is also big geographically and the Reds will need many men even for a peaceful takeover.
Shanghai Being Well Fortified
By FRANK BARTHOLOMEW
Shanghai, April 28 (AP)—I have just finished a 25-mile trip around the outer defenses of Shanghai. The defense perimeter bristles with barriers and tank traps. You might get the idea that Shanghai is going to defend itself to the death.
But I am not convinced of that. The battle may never be fought on and in front of the barriers. Instead, it may be fought in the streets of the city before the Red armies—now only 35 miles away—ever come within rifle shot.
I fear that Shanghai may fall from within. Economic chaos inside the city that now shelters 6,000,000 persons could bring about a collapse. Or a fifth column could do it.
Nationalist authorities are doing everything they can to avert the possibility of a stab in the back. Today, for instance, a house to house search was started. Anybody who doesn't have a residence certificate will be driven out of town.
And thousands of nationalist troops are working like beavers to throw up outer defenses.

Truman Says Navy Ships To Remove All Americans

Washington, April 28 (AP)—President Truman declared today that the navy is amply prepared to remove all Americans from Shanghai.
The president told a news conference he understood there were reports the navy had run out on American civilians at Shanghai, now threatened by Chinese communists.
Speaking solemnly, he said there is no foundation in fact for any such report.
The navy, Mr. Truman went on, has done an excellent job at Shanghai and has been ready at all times to take out Americans in the city.
The liner President Wilson, the president said, left Shanghai with vacancies and the President Pierce and President Van Buren are still available for further evacuations.
The President Wilson sailed from Shanghai today.
The navy, he added, has been available at all times to help

Russian Reply Awaited upon Berlin Blockade

New York, April 28 (AP)—The world waited today for Russia's official reply to a western request that she state formally and exactly her terms for lifting the Berlin blockade.
There were reports that the Soviets already have replied that they will call off the blockade if the western allies will end their counter-blockade and fix a mutually agreeable date for four-power discussions of the entire German problem.
Statements of many nations expressed hope that the east and west may be on the verge of negotiations which, with careful and patient handling, might bring the cold war to an end.
Start Held Made
A dispatch from Associated Press Correspondent Eddy Gilmore in Moscow said diplomats there considered Russia and the three western powers may have made a start toward a new stage of mutual relations. Nobody was predicting a settlement, he said, but they felt a settlement could result. Gilmore's dispatch passed through Russian censorship, but the copy of his story received in New York did not indicate whether there had been any deletions by the censor.
Dr. Philip C. Jessup, American ambassador-at-large, submitted yesterday the request that the Russians say officially and in writing what they have in mind as terms for lifting the blockade, a main cold war irritant.
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Austin Says Reds Losing Cold War

Washington, April 28 (AP)—Warren R. Austin, chief U.S. delegate to the United Nations, told senators today Russia is losing the "cold war" and Soviet rulers are beginning to find it out.
Austin coupled a bitter attack on Russia with a plea for senate approval of the North Atlantic treaty.
The former Vermont senator told the senate foreign relations committee that the pact would promote UN efforts to keep the peace and "increase its ability to remove causes of war."
Austin accused the Soviets of "brazenly" violating UN charter pledges to refrain from use of threats and force against other countries. He said this "deliberate and calculated policy of obstruction" had crippled the UN and hampered work on peace treaties.
"While most of the world was seeking to build a system of collective security in the United Nations," he said, "the Soviet Union sought security through the discredited policy of territorial aggrandizement. This feudalistic concept of security threw its black mantle over country after country in eastern Europe."
But, he said, the Soviets are running into growing opposition of the non-communist world.
Austin made no direct reference to the proposed U.S. program to arm this nation's European allies under the 12-nation pact.
But while Austin was testifying, President Truman told a news conference he intends to send to congress soon the administration's detailed plan for the \$1,450,000,000 arms aid.
Faith in Russia Held by Truman
Washington, April 28 (AP)—President Truman told reporters today he was encouraged by the conversations with Russia on the lifting of the Berlin blockade. He said he thought the Russians are acting in good faith.
The president told newsmen he thought the conversations between Philip C. Jessup, for this government, and Jacob A. Malik, Soviet delegate to the United Nations security council, are definitely encouraging.
But he declined to enter into any detailed discussion of the matter at a news conference.
Later in the news conference, the president was asked whether he thought the Russians were acting in "good faith" in negotiating with this country on lifting of the blockade in Berlin.
Mr. Truman said that if he didn't think so, this nation would not continue the conversations.
Prior to Mr. Truman's news conference diplomatic sources had reported the U.S.-Russian blockade talks were going along "quite well."

THE WEATHER

(Released by United States Weather Bureau)
Forecast for Salem and Vicinity:
Friday: Partly cloudy tonight and Friday with widely scattered light showers. Slightly cooler tonight. Lowest temperature expected tonight, 44 degrees; highest, Friday, 65. Conditions will be mostly favorable for farm work Friday. Maximum yesterday, 71. Minimum today 50. Mean temperature yesterday 59 which was 6 above normal. Total 24-hour precipitation to 11:30 a. m. today .04 of an inch. Total precipitation for the month, .53 of an inch which is 1.78 inches below normal. Willamette river height at Salem Thursday morning, 27 feet.