

ROOT OF TROUBLE

Navy's Quarrel With Other Services Stems from New Act

By JAMES MARLOW

Washington, Oct. 31 (AP)—The quarrel between the Navy and the other armed services has its roots in the unification act. Congress first passed that act in 1947 and then tightened and toughened it this year. It has this purpose: To make the armed services work together better as a team, produce better planning, save money on purchasing equipment, and so on.

This is a brief explanation of how the act and the trouble grew:

Until 1947 the army and navy were completely independent of each other. The air force was part of the army.

Each had two heads, military and civilian. This way: Army, chief of staff and secretary of the war department; Navy, chief of naval operations and secretary of the navy department. In both cases the civilian heads were over the military chiefs.

Further, the two secretaries operated independently and each was a member of the President's cabinet. This meant they could go directly to the President with their problems or complaints against each other.

This set-up was changed by the unification act of 1947 and further changed by the revised law passed this year. This is the set-up now:

The air force was separated from the army. Now there are three military agencies: the army, navy and air force departments.

Each has its own top military man: army chief of staff, air force chief of staff, and chief of naval operations.

And each department has its own civilian secretary. But power was taken from the secretaries. They no longer are members of the President's cabinet.

That's because congress created something new:

1. A department of defense. The army, navy and air force departments are all parts of the department of defense.

2. A secretary of defense (Louis Johnson) to head up the whole show. He's a member of the President's cabinet. He's boss over the three civilian secretaries.

And—those three civilian secretaries cannot carry their complaints to the President, unless Johnson approves. And they can't go to the President over

Johnson's head. So he's top man of all.

The only one who can overrule him on questions of the army, navy or air force is the President, who is commander-in-chief.

For example: Navy Secretary Francis B. Matthews may think Johnson is wrong in wanting to drop 50,000 navy men and officers from their jobs, and he may tell Johnson so. But if Johnson still says they're dropped, they're dropped.

Something else was added by the unification act. That's body called the joint chiefs of staff (JCS). It's made up of:

The army chief of staff (General J. Lawton Collins); the air force chief of staff (General Hoyt S. Vandenberg); and the chief of naval operations. This job was held by Admiral Louis B. Denfeld until President Truman fired him Thursday.

There's a fourth top man—in fact, the top military man of the country—in the JCS. He's the chairman (General Omar Bradley). His job is to act as moderator. He has no vote.

What final authority do the members of the JCS have? Suppose the army and air force chiefs think the navy strength should be cut down, although the navy chief disagrees. Is that 2 to 1 vote final and is the navy cut down?

No, says Secretary Johnson. He told congress the JCS members have final say-so on nothing, that they can only recommend what should be done. He makes the final decision.

The admirals squirmed but were unable to block decision after decision to cut down navy strength and ambition.

Before unification, it had been able, as an independent agency, to do its own planning, subject only to decisions by the President and congress.

Finally, unable to do anything under the unification law to get what they wanted for the navy, the admirals finally protested by making their feelings public.

Every month of the year, wheat is being harvested in some part of the world, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.



Three Baby Sisters Die in Flaming Truck—Three baby sisters, aged 5, 4, and 2, were pinned in the cab of this smoking truck and were burned to death at Spokane, Wash. The logging truck and a private car collided on a railway overpass and burst into flames. Dolores, Donna and Marlene Martin died. They were riding in the truck with their parents who were burned and bruised. The driver of the car was not hurt. (AP Wirephoto)

Dallas Woman Nearly Buried For Washington Man's Wife

The remains of Mrs. Victor Godfrey, 39-year-old Dallas woman and mother of seven children, arrived in Salem by train Monday morning after she had almost been buried Saturday in Yakima, Wash., as the wife of another man.

Mrs. Godfrey was killed Monday night when she and Howard A. Wright, 48, of Naches, Wash., were struck by an automobile driven by Mrs. Newlyn E. McDonald, of Naches, Wright, who was slightly injured, was released from hospitalization Tuesday and had completed funeral arrangements for the woman whom he said was his wife, Mrs. Tillie Wright.

Investigation of Wright's effects by the district attorney at Wright's apple orchard cabin led to check-up with Godfrey at Dallas and he and a son were called to Yakima where positive identification was made and arrangements completed to bring the body back to Oregon for burial. Services will be held from the Henkle and Bollman chapel at Dallas Tuesday at 2 o'clock.

Wright, who is being held in the Yakima county jail, has declined to say why he identified Mrs. Godfrey as his wife. He admitted the true identity of the woman after being confronted with the Godfrey identification. He had also told state police in-

vestigating the accident that the woman was Mrs. Wright. Besides her husband, Mrs. Godfrey is survived by four sons and three daughters, all of Dallas; her father, A. C. Christensen, Rexburg, Ida.; two brothers and a sister.

Young Republicans For Profit-Pensions

St. Helens, Ore., Oct. 31 (AP)—The Oregon Young Republicans' executive board favors labor pensions paid from industrial profits.

A pension resolution, voted Saturday, followed a speech by James Collins, Salem, a national committeeman of the organization. He said the policy of Big Steel industries in the current strike is "biased and wrong."

The supporting vote was unanimous.

MOVIES TO MAKE EXPOSE

Female Shoplifters' Tricks To Be Revealed in Pictures

By VIRGINIA MacPHERSON

Hollywood, Oct. 31 (AP)—Female shoplifters in Hollywood are going in for "booster boxes," slit dresses and baggy bloomers, a pretty lady cop reported today. And the amateurs are getting pretty good.

Especially the housewives, says Mrs. Gladys Young. And when she tells you she's on "undercover" duty for the L. A. police squad, she means just that. You have to undress your suspects these days to catch 'em with the goods.

Mrs. Young, who's shapely enough to obtain a screen test herself, reports for duty at Universal-International studios to teach Andrea King and Mona Freeman a few trade secrets for "Shoplifters."

Officer Young guaranteed to do it in three easy lessons. But she had the prop department scurrying around for a lot of fancy equipment.

They gave up on a "booster box" and built it themselves, complete with false bottom and hinged flaps.

"This," explained Mrs. Young, "is a common tool of the shoplifting trade. You can scoop a lot of valuable articles off a counter into the top. Then you hide them in the false compartment."

She also ordered studio designers to whip her up a voluminous black satin dress with slits around the hips. Then she produced a huge pair of bloomers.

"This," said Mrs. Young, "is the latest wrinkle in the racket." Seemingly the female thieves are snatching everything from diamond necklaces to high-heeled shoes and caching the stuff away in their panties.

"The trick is simple," the lady dick explained. "They just shove the merchandise through the slit and drop it into a corresponding pocket in their bloomers."

So don't worry if the Misses King and Freeman look like they're putting on a little weight lately. They'll just be practicing with their bloomers on.

"Housewives are the greatest amateur shoplifters," Mrs. Young said. "If their husbands won't buy them the luxuries they want, they go out and steal them."

Last year, she added, downtown department stores lost over half a million dollars to these petty thieves.

"Nearly 1,000 shoplifters a year are picked up in the downtown area alone," officer Young said. "Until last year, 75 per cent of these were women. Now



Early Xmas for Leukemia Victim—Three potential Santa Clauses visit five-year-old Donna Rita Harrison, a leukemia victim, in El Paso, Tex., to learn what she would like for Christmas, since doctors give her only two months to live. She couldn't think of anything she wanted. Santa Clauses are, left to right: Warren Hoyt, Sgt. Emanuel Smith and Jules Cuen. (Acme Telephoto)

Fund Completed For Willamina

Willamina — Members of the Willamina Civic club's committee which has been raising funds for the completion of the VFW Veterans Memorial building, met at the home of Lois Durham to discuss the successful completion of their drive and to talk over plans for compiling a report to be sent in to General Federation of Women's clubs headquarters. The report will be combined with two others, the cemetery clean-up committee and the park committee, and will be submitted to the General Federation of Women's clubs' contest for civic improvement.

The VFW fund committee had already turned over \$5000 in cash to the building fund, as well as the cancellation of a large number of obligations to business firms. The treasurer's report shows \$2480.57 still re-

mained in the committee's hands. The treasurer was instructed to turn over \$2000 more to the building fund, and hold the remainder until a complete financial accounting could be made.

A \$10,000 donation from Associated Plywood Mills, Inc., has already been turned over to the building fund as a result of the committee's success in completing their drive.

Following is a fairly complete list of the funds raised: Associated Plywood, \$10,000; Shodeo June 5, \$504.08; dances, \$612.39; \$100 donations, \$300; VFW Building Bricks, \$1570; basket social, \$50.51; Amy Lee concert, \$59.25; Plywood & Veneer Workers' union, \$1500; hotdog stand at softball games, \$80.89. Cancellation of obligations included the Willamina Lumber Co., \$1500; Taylor Lumber Co., \$200; Ralph Lawrence, contractor, \$100, and Shetterly Hardware, \$63.

Members of the VFW committee are Mrs. Virgil Heider, Mrs. Rurik Hendrickson, Mrs. Emery Dentel, Mrs. George King, Mrs.

Robert Pinnick, Mrs. H. A. Parrett, Mrs. Roy Durham, Mrs. Ray Morrison, Mrs. Floyd Edmiston and Mrs. Lloyd Lewis.

Advertisement for 'Electric Cleaners' featuring a woman in a dress and text: 'NOT ANOTHER NEW DRESS?', 'OF COURSE NOT! FINER DRYCLEANING KEEPS HER CLOTHES LOOKING NEW!', 'Our finer dry-cleaning restores colors and patterns to original freshness—sharpens style-details! Save on clothing bills—dry-clean now!', 'Electric Cleaners', '565 Highland Ph. 3-4821'.

Large advertisement for 'Leons' shoes featuring various styles: 'Manhattan' (Hi style version of the perennial sandal of Bultry, Black Suede, 14.95), 'Hi-Ball' (Slung back, delicate filigree vamp, extremely Hi Heel, Jet Black and Suede, 9.95), 'Classic D'Orsay' (Extreme Shell Dorsay, fully elastisayed, Hi, or lo heel, Jet Black, 9.95), 'Palmer House' (Dainty filigree vamp, Hi riding strap, cocktail hi heel, Jet Black and Suede, 9.95), 'Hi Life' (Extreme open back Dorsay, it's elastisayed, Hugs like a glove, Jet Black Suede, 14.95), 'Dare Me' (Plateau last sling, Black of course, also Red Green, 12.95), 'Zoom Baby' (The most unusual Dorsay ever, with a fold over vamp, Jet Black and Suede, 14.95). The central text reads: 'its... Jet Black... and Suede... selected from the "Who's Who" of the Shoe industry... Joyce... Hill and Dale... brought to you... from... Leons exclusively yours'.