

People Soon to Know What Is Planned in Event of Atom War

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Washington, March 13 (AP)—The people soon will know what is being planned for their protection in the event of atomic war, civilian mobilization director Paul J. Larsen said today.

On the job less than two weeks, the big, Danish-born engineer who is charged with perfecting civil defense plans against the possibility of surprise enemy attack said "the future promises very great cooperation among the federal government, the states and the cities on this vital problem."

French Strikers Return to Jobs

Paris, March 13 (AP)—The powerful communist-led general confederation of labor (CGT) has ordered its striking Paris subway workers back on the job, creating the first big crack in France's mushrooming strike front.

Presumably the strikers had accepted a five per cent wage increase offered by the subway management, though this was short of their demands.

Power station workers still were out, but government draft orders kept enough key men on the job for normal supplies in the capital at least. Even domestic gas pressure, which yesterday got so low some housewives couldn't cook with it, was improving.

Workers in France's big ports of Bordeaux and Marseille, inspired both by demand for higher wages and communist attempts to prevent the delivery of American arms to France or of French arms to Indochina, still were on strike. In Bordeaux eight ships were immobilized. The strike spread to other ports.

But in Cherbourg dockers indicated they would unload the American arms which are due to start rolling in soon under terms of the Atlantic defense pact.

Posters went up in the streets of the town recalling the vote local stevedores cast last January—256 for continuing to work and 21 for striking.

Legion Meet Opposes Valley Authorities

Spokane, March 13, (AP)—The American Legion regional economic conference Saturday went on record in favor of the existing program of western reclamation development.

At the same time, Harry Polk, Williston, N. D., president of the National Reclamation association, announced that he had appointed a six man "war college" to carry out a "positive educational fight against creation of further valley authorities."

Ralph H. Lavers, Washington, D.C., conference director and legion national economic commission director, said the resolution would be referred to his commission and the national executive committee of the legion before becoming official legion policy.

N.Y. City Breaks Off With Commie Union

New York, March 13 (AP)—The New York City government has decided to break off relations with the United Public Workers' union.

The union, which claims 23,000 members among employees of the city's 15 departments, recently was expelled from the CIO on grounds that it is an instrument of the communist party.

Mayor William O'Dwyer said yesterday he had forwarded to all department heads a letter from a CIO official asking that the CIO Civic Employees Organization Committee be recognized instead of the UPW.

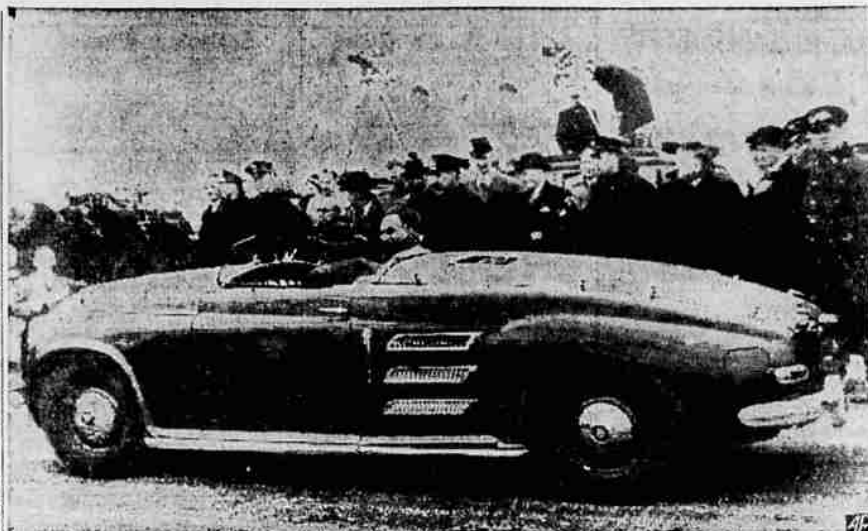
"It's Murder!" Screamed Helen Traubel . . .

Soprano Traubel isn't just vocalizing. Proudly—and a little nervously—we present a six part draymah of the High Cs, authored by the Metropolitan Opera prima donna. It is the first time Miss Traubel has crashed into print as a full-fledged author.

This chilling novel of mayhem was conceived strictly from hunger. On a recent tour Miss Traubel discovered she had already read every published detective story. She was forced to write her own in order to while away the boring back-stage wait between opera scenes. "Bing! or rather Bang!" "The Ptomaine Canary" is the result.

In the event you suspect that heroine Brunhilde Wagner is a biographical character, you are right. Miss Traubel has let the cat of the bag so far as to pose for our photo illustrations. She denies, however, that she ever micky-rinned anyone. She also adds that she has no plans to abandon Wagner, shield a d Helmet in favor of typewriter and assorted fethal instruments. Not yet, anyway.

It will take just six days to solve the mystery starting today in the Capital Journal. Another high quality story in the Capital Journal's lead of a better newspaper.



Britain's Jet-propelled Car—The British automobile industry's biggest postwar secret—the jet-propelled car—comes out into the open during test at Silverstone airport, Towcester, England. Seated in car nearest camera is F. R. Bell, engineer in charge of its development. The car, a gray sports coupe powered by twin kerosene-fed jet turbines, whipped over a concrete landing strip at nearly 90 miles per hour. The three mesh strips at the side of the car are for air intake. On back of car, behind driver's seat is airvent for expulsion of gases. (AP Wirephoto via radio from London)

Speakers Argue Ways to Peace

The Atlantic Union on one hand and the spiritual fellowship of Reconciliation on the other as means to bring about world peace were subjects of argument at a forum held at the First Congregational church Sunday night.

Upholding the Atlantic Union was Justice James T. Brand of the state supreme court, and upholding the methods of the Fellowship of Reconciliation was Orval Etter of San Francisco, its western secretary, a former attorney for the League of Oregon Cities.

Justice Brand held that under the Atlantic Union plan armament was necessary to give the nations bargaining power. Etter was for utter disarmament.

Justice Brand declared that "any who favor extension of Russian domination should oppose the Atlantic Union."

Etter said America should "put its own house in order" in matters of racial discrimination and improvement of financial structure, and declared broad should not be used as a political weapon, but that America should feed the world on a basis of need.

Each speaker was given rebuttal time, and both answered numerous questions from the large audience.

Salem Heights Club Mothers Plan Dinner

Salem Heights—The Salem Heights Mothers club will meet Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the school library.

Plans for the club's annual chicken dinner to be held on March 24 at the school lunchroom will be discussed and further plans made. Mothers are asked to remember the traveling trophy, which is awarded to the room with the most mothers present.

Mrs. George Beane is in charge of the program, and the hostess chairman will be Mrs. Lyle Zobel, second grade room mother, assisted by the mothers of that grade.

There will be a competent baby sitter for the pre-school children during the meeting.

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Austrian Students Here to Entertain On Tuesday

Thirty-one "ambassadors of good will" are scheduled to appear on Willamette university campus Tuesday evening in Waller hall when a group of students from Austrian universities present "Merry Scenes from Austria."

Sponsored by the International Relations club and the Associated Students of Willamette, the visitors will present a varied program of folk songs, yodels and dancing.

Among the colorful dances is the "schuhplattler," humorous slap dance in which the participants vigorously smack and kick themselves and their partners.

The troupe of 14 girls and 17 boys, all young students and teachers, will wear brilliant and authentic costumes loaned by the provincial museums of Austria.

The eight months' tour of the United States has been approved and applauded by the UNESCO commission for Austria and a number of other agencies.

City Officials Gather
Willamina—Mayor J. A. Newton, Recorder S. J. Smith and Water Superintendent Perry Beck attended the regional meeting of the League of Oregon Cities held at the Hudson Cafe in McMinnville.

Britain Hit on Trade Barriers

Washington, March 13 (AP)—Paul G. Hoffman said Saturday Britain stands to lose \$150,000,000 in Marshall plan aid unless it joins with other European nations in a plan to lower trade barriers.

The economic cooperation administrator told reporters the big cutback—amounting to almost one-quarter of the sum tentatively earmarked for British recovery next year—won't be put into effect as "punitive action"; the money simply will go into a proposed European payments union whether or not Britain joins.

Nevertheless, Hoffman said he is "annoyed" with the British for their stand on the complicated plan to help liberalize the exchange of currency among western European countries.

"But they are the usual annoyances that result from trying to resolve differences," he said, adding that he expects Britain to go along with the project eventually.

The European payments union, as blueprinted by Hoffman, would function as a currency clearinghouse for all Marshall plan nations. ECA has set aside \$600,000,000 to finance operation of the scheme but Britain so far has refused to say that it will participate.

Hoffman said the British have "some very real problems" affecting that country's attitude on the payments union.

Klondike Kate Says She Couldn't Sing, But They Cheered

Vancouver, B.C., March 13 (AP)—Klondike Kate, who sang and danced for beauty-starved Yukon sourdoughs in the gold rush days admitted here she never could sing.

The belle of the Yukon, who still rolls her own Bull Durham cigarettes, is now known as Mrs. W. L. Van Duren of Jefferson, Oregon. She was in Vancouver for the annual sourdough's reunion.

Half a century ago she was the star attraction at Dawson City's Monte Carlo dance hall where miners stamped their feet and cried for more when the 19-year-old girl sang, "She's More to Be Pitted Than Censured." Klondike Kate wore a daring costume of ruffles and tights when on the dance hall's gas-lit stage.

"But I just couldn't sing," she said today. "I tried singing torch songs but I had to give it up in favor of plain corn."

Milwaukee Over Top for Red Cross

Washington, March 13 (AP)—For the seventh consecutive year Milwaukee became the first city over 500,000 population to exceed its Red Cross fund quota, national headquarters announced Saturday. The chapter goal of \$646,747 was topped today.

The Red Cross national campaign for \$67,000,000 was begun March 1.

Gen. George C. Marshall, president of the American Red Cross, telegraphed congratulations to Phillip R. Robinson, Milwaukee Red Cross chairman.

Wichita, Kans., was the first city in the 100,000 population class to go over the top. It was followed by Richmond, Va., and Grand Rapids, Mich. More than 80 other chapters have exceeded campaign goals in the first 10 days of the drive.

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You Might Be Safer at Front Than at Home if War Comes

By ROBERT MUSEL

London, Mar. 13 (AP)—If there is another war, you might be safer at the fighting front than at home.

A United Press survey of secret and semi-secret weapons ready for use or in the laboratory stage shows that the art of killing civilians is far outpacing that of killing soldiers.

Soldiers would have plenty of trouble in a new holocaust. They always do, and more or less expect it. But next time, if any, civilians are expected to take the heaviest beating and the heaviest casualties.

The hydrogen bomb would be a terror weapon far too vast to use on the fighting front. If it is ever dropped, it almost certainly will be aimed against a great metropolis or possibly behind the lines of an advancing army to devastate their communications lines over huge areas.

Actually there is only a handful of targets large enough to warrant its use. Places like New York, Chicago, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Philadelphia or Boston.

A British scientist told the United Press that barring the hydrogen bomb, he rated the terror weapons of any new war in this order:
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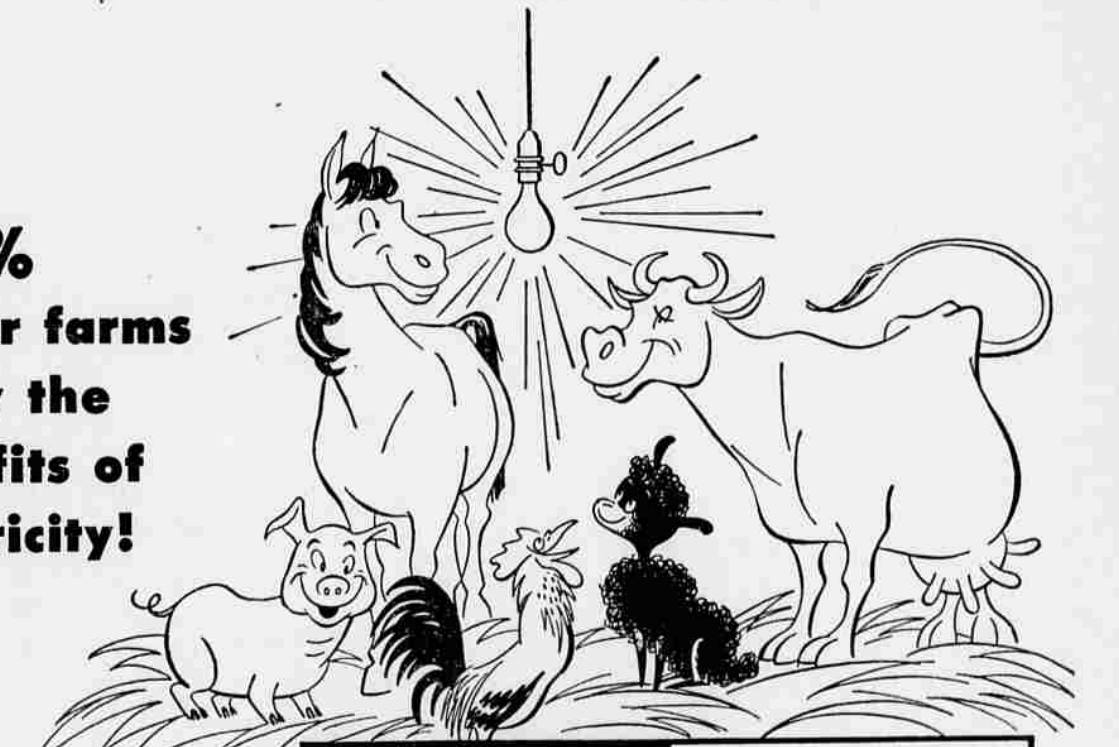
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