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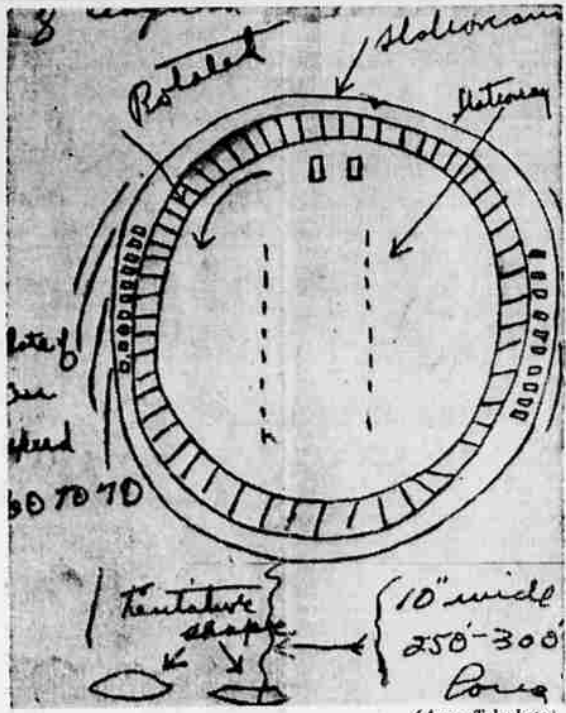
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Government Asks Mine Union Held For Civil Contempt

Only Token Efforts Made, Is Claim

Washington, Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—The government asked the U.S. court of appeals today to hold John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers union in civil contempt for its failure to call off the recent coal strike.
In a brief filed by Assistant Attorney General H.G. Morrison and U. S. Attorney George Morris Fay, it argued that the union officers made only "token" efforts to comply with back-to-work injunction issued by Federal Judge Richmond B. Keech.
Keech dismissed the government's contempt citation on grounds it failed to prove the union was in "willful" defiance of the order.
Keech issued the restraining order in an attempt to get the 270,000 soft coal miners to call off a walkout that plunged the nation into the worst coal crisis in history. Despite two orders from Lewis that they return to work, the miners refused to dig coal.
During the trial before Keech, the U.M.W. argued that Lewis' two orders proved that he acted in good faith in trying to persuade them to return to work.
But the government, in its brief asking for a reversal, said Lewis' back-to-work messages were short "lackluster" dispatches that made it clear he "was acting at pistolpoint."



'SAUCER' BLUEPRINT—This, according to Dr. Craig Hunter of Berkeley Springs, W. Va., is what a flying disc or saucer looks like. He claims he saw the "real thing" while driving on a highway near Clearfield, Pa. The Air Force flatly denies that such things exist.

Sailing Delayed By Chinese Communists

Tokyo, Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Failure of the Chinese communist government to grant clearance for the evacuation of some 1,400 foreigners from Shanghai today delayed the scheduled sailing of an American rescue ship.
Consul General James B. Pilcher said that no clearance was received by the American president lines for two LST's—the small craft that were to make the run through the mine-sown Yangtze into Shanghai.

The American President Lines General Gordon, which was to meet the smaller craft well off the mouth of the Yangtze, delayed its scheduled sailing from Hong Kong, Pilcher said.
The two LST's, however, left early today on the 800 mile trip from Yokohama, Pilcher said. A spokesman for the shipping line said the LST's were still in Japanese waters and had not been ordered to return to Yokohama.
He said it was hoped clearance would be received while the craft were en route to Shanghai.

Political Scientists Seen In New Rider

Claremont, Cal., Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Scientists would be chosen for jobs on a political basis instead of on their ability if legislation pending in congress is approved, says Dr. Lee A. Dubridge, California Institute of Technology president.
Dr. Dubridge referred to the loyalty oath rider on the national science foundation bill pending in congress.
"Nuclear energy has now become the business of every American citizen," he told Pomona college students here Saturday. "Secrecy measures will result in the widest sort of speculation. An informed public opinion cannot be built on the basis of misinformation."

Eugene Sisters Die When Struck By Auto

Eugene, Ore., Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—State police said today that two small sisters, Marlene Jaye Myers, 11, and Bonnie Jean Myers, 5, were struck and killed instantly Sunday on River road, about a mile north of Eugene.
Officers said the driver of the car which hit the girls in front of a roadside market was a 16-year-old youth who was charged with reckless driving and released to custody of his parents. His name was not released.

Edgar Rice Burroughs Dies At California Ranch Home

Tarzana, Cal., Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Edgar Rice Burroughs, creator of modern fiction's most famed character—Tarzan the apeman—died quietly while reading in bed yesterday.
The 74-year-old Burroughs made Tarzan an international legend. The apeman's tree-swinging antics were known to millions everywhere and only the Bible exceeded Tarzan stories in sales.
Burroughs, a shut-in for the last few years, was reading the Sunday comics as he ate breakfast in bed. Suddenly the newspaper dropped from his hands, his eyes closed and the famed swiftdie almost instantly.
Dr. Herman Seal, the writer's physician, was in the ranchhouse when Burroughs died. He said death was caused by a heart ailment and hardening of the ar-

Bridges' Lawyer Hurls Charges At Federal Bureaus

Hallinan Continues Final Argument

San Francisco, Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Attorney Vincent Hallinan, defending Harry Bridges on perjury-conspiracy charges, lashed out today at the FBI, the immigration department, the government's witnesses and the prosecution in a final effort to save the labor leader from prison and possible deportation.
Waving his arms and shouting to the jury and the packed courtroom, Hallinan continued his final argument—which he predicted may last all week long.
Previous Proceedings
Bridges, chief of the CIO Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union, is on trial for perjury as an outgrowth of his naturalization hearing in 1945 when he swore he was not a communist. Two of his union lieutenants, J. R. Robertson and Henry Schmidt, are being tried on conspiracy charges.
Hallinan dragged into his argument all of the previous legal proceedings against Bridges, including two unsuccessful government attempts to deport him and a 1945 supreme court decision which held Bridges was not deportable on the strength of the evidence at his second deportation hearing before a special naturalization examiner.
"I'm going to point out to you soon, my friends," he told the jury, "that the testimony of each government witness has been falsified."

Packing Firm Will Cut Box Price 15 Cents This Year

A slash of 15 cents per box in fruit packing charges will be placed in effect this year by the American Fruit Growers' Oregon division, it was announced today by E. A. Pringle, manager of the firm's Medford office.
Pringle returned last week from Los Angeles, where he attended a conference with top officials of the organization. The situation of Medford fruit growers was discussed at this meeting, he said, and he added that "present returns to growers hardly meet production costs."
"Unless drastic economies are effected the situation can deteriorate further," Pringle said. He explained that he first proposed the cut in packing charges, and that company officials, including General Manager Charles Brown, agreed that "it was up to the company to go along with the producers."

Probe Conducted In Fatal Plane Crash

Portland, Ore., Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Officers of the Oregon air national guard were conducting an investigation today of the fatal crash of an F-51 fighter at Portland airport Sunday.
Capt. John J. Haley, 29, Portland, was pronounced dead on arrival at Providence hospital shortly after the crash which demolished his plane. He had just taken off on a routine flight and was gaining altitude when the engine faltered and the craft whirled into the ground.
Capt. Haley had lived in Portland about two years. He was a University of Utah graduate and lived in Salt Lake City prior to coming to Portland.
During the war he served in the Pacific theater. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carter Haley, are en route from their Salt Lake City home. His widow, two young sons and two sisters also survive.
Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

Earthquake Rocks Sacramento Valley

Sacramento, Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—An earthquake shook the Sacramento valley today but there were no reports of damage.
Residents of valley towns called police and newspapers to report rattling windows but there were no reports of so much as a cracked dish, although it was recorded in Berkeley as a fairly strong quake.
University of California seismograph officials said the quake should have centered around Chico. However, officials there said they received only a few calls.
The weather bureau in Sacramento said the quake failed to set off an alarm on a sealed seismograph here. The alarm is set to sound when a quake serious enough to take reading occurs, officials said.
There were no reports of the quake at Red Bluff at the northern end of the valley.

Switchmen's Strike Delayed By President

Key West, Fla., Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—President Truman delayed for at least 60 days today by executive order a strike called for tomorrow by the Switchmen's Union of North America against 12 western railroads.
The strike, set for March 21, threatened, according to the president's order, to interrupt interstate commerce "to a degree such as to deprive the country of essential transportation service."
He set up an emergency board and called for board recommendations and findings under the railway labor act within 30 days.

Committee Continues Spending Bill Work

Washington, Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—The house appropriations committee today reached agreement on all but the defense section of a \$29,000,000 omnibus spending bill for fiscal 1951.
Chairman Clarence Cannon, (D. Mo.), called the committee back into session for 10 a.m. EST tomorrow when he said he expects final action on the measure.
The committee was reported to have cut some \$1,200,000,000 off President Truman's budget requests which anticipated a deficit of \$5,133,171,382.
Cannon said the committee held a "harmonious" two-and-a-half hour session and went through the bulk of the bill without making substantial changes from the form reported by sub-committees.
The measure is the first omnibus bill of its kind in 150 years. It is designed to impress upon congress the need for saving money.

Marshall Plan Cash Reduction Requested

Washington, Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—The house foreign affairs committee voted today to cut \$1,000,000,000 from next year's Marshall plan cash and send Europe, instead, an equivalent amount of surplus farm crops.
The committee broke party lines to push through the food-increase-of-cash amendment. Its sponsor, Rep. John M. Vorys, (R. Ohio), said it would spare the \$2,950,000,000 Marshall plan bill from further drastic cuts when the measure reaches the house floor.
Committee Chairman John Kee, (D. Va.), disagreed. He said he opposed the Vorys amendment because he thought it would "hamstring" the foreign aid program and "cripple" the domestic farm price support system.

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Thompson faced arraignment here and if he waives preliminary hearing he will be taken before the Lane county grand jury.
Thompson was captured Sunday night near Kitson Springs, four miles east of Oakridge. He surrendered meekly to two state policemen after 14 hours of freedom.
Chief Dubelle was called to Thompson's Oakridge home early Sunday by Herbert Looney, a neighbor, at whom the millworker had fired two rifle shots during an argument.
According to police, Thompson met the policeman at his door and engaged in a scuffle. Dubelle's service revolver

Gubitchev Sails For Iron Curtain Country

New York, Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Valentin A. Gubitchev, a Russian diplomat given a 15-year suspended sentence for spying against the United States, sailed for home today with a word of "good luck" for Judith Coplon, his co-defendant in the espionage case.
The stocky, 33-year-old Russian sailed at 12:11 p.m. aboard the Polish liner Batory, the ship used by Communist Gerhart Eisler when he fled the United States.
Handcuffed and in custody of U. S. Attorney Irvin H. Saypol, Gubitchev's last statement to newsmen concerned Miss Coplon, a former government worker who was sentenced to 15 years in prison on a charge of conspiring with him to steal U. S. secrets.
Asked by a reporter if he wished Miss Coplon luck, he replied: "Yes, luck—I wish her luck."
Miss Coplon at present is free on \$40,000 bail pending an appeal.

High Dams Opposed By Izaak Walton's

Salem, Ore., Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Objections to high dams such as proposed for the Rogue river were voiced here Saturday by members of the state executive committee of the Izaak Walton League.
The committee, holding its quarterly meeting here, approved plans to establish state headquarters in the new Salem league clubhouse on Pringle creek when it is completed this spring.
The committee members proposed pollution in the Willamette river and other streams.
It approved construction of dams on the upper Columbia that will not materially interfere with the salmon and steelhead runs, but opposed construction on the lower Snake river. The committee heard reports that such construction would destroy 50 per cent of the salmon fishing.

President Planning Three Oregon Stops

Klamath Falls, Ore., Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—President Truman plans three and possibly four brief stops in Oregon when he makes his western rail tour in May.
Monroe Sweetland, national democratic committeeman for Oregon, announced Mr. Truman's itinerary at a party rally. The president is coming west to dedicate new facilities at Grand Coulee dam.
Sweetland said Mr. Truman would make stops at Huntington, Baker and Pendleton and possibly La Grande, all in eastern Oregon, according to information received from Washington.
The Grand Coulee dedication is scheduled for May 11, which would put the president in Oregon en route to the dam on May 10.

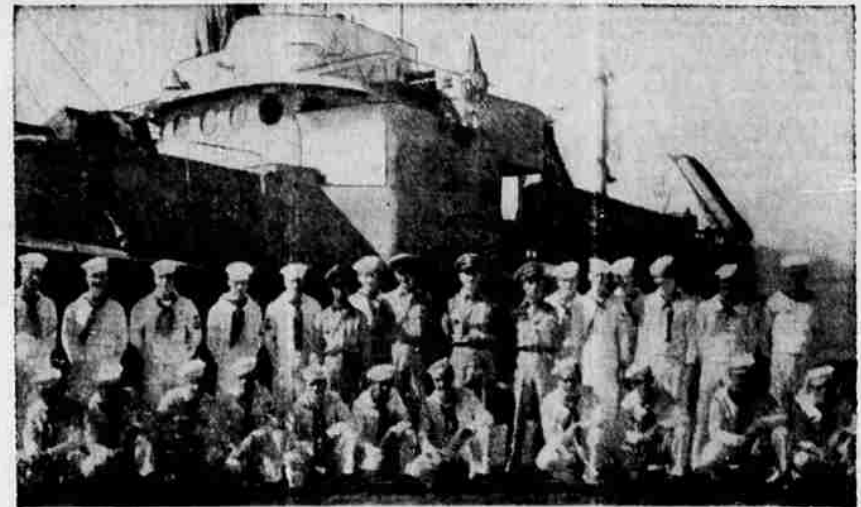
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Key West, Fla., Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—The White House today denounced as "a complete fabrication" recent broadcast and published reports that Chief Justice of the United States Fred M. Vinson might replace Dean Acheson as secretary of state.
In an unusually strong denial, President Truman, through his press secretary, gave Acheson a big boost and said he had no idea of taking him out of his post.
Vancouver, Wash., Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Vancouver's 125th anniversary celebration opened here Sunday with re-dedication of the Pacific northwest's oldest permanent white settlement.

Crommelin Willing To Be Alabama Senator

San Francisco, Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Navy Capt. John G. Crommelin said today he is willing to run for United States senator from Alabama to help shape the nation's defense policies.
"I thought I could be of more service to my country in the navy," he said, "but if I am not going to be in the navy, then I feel that perhaps I could be of more service in congress."

MARSHALL, EISENHOWER GO TO DEFENSE OF JESSUP



RESCUED—Part of the crew of the U. S. S. Elder, Navy net tender disabled in the Pacific when an engine room fire raged out of control, is pictured before the ship when she stopped at Luzon in the Philippines 18 months ago. Twenty-six of the crew were picked up from life rafts and the remaining 14 were found aboard the ship a few hours later some 660 miles east of Eniwetok Atoll in the Marshall Islands. All were in good condition. The Elder was bound from Hawaii to Eniwetok to take part in the spring atom bomb tests there.

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Statements Read Into Record Of Senate Inquiry

Views Contained In Personal Letters

Washington, Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Gens. George C. Marshall and Dwight D. Eisenhower today defended U. S. Ambassador-at-Large Philip C. Jessup against charges that he has an "unusual affinity" for communist causes.
Their defense of Jessup against charges made by Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R., Wis.) were contained in statements read into the record of a senate foreign relations sub-committee investigating the accusations.

Personal Letters

Marshall, former secretary of state, and Eisenhower, wartime supreme allied commander in Europe, stated their views in personal letters to Jessup.

Sub-Committee Chairman Millard E. Tydings read the letters after Jessup himself told the sub-committee that McCarthy's prosecution charges are "utterly irresponsible" and damage "the interests of our country" and its foreign policy.

Tydings interrupted a cross-examination of Jessup by Sen. Bourke B. Hickenlooper (R., Ia.) to read the letters.

Marshall, now president of the Columbia Red Cross, said he is "shocked and distressed" by McCarthy's attack on Jessup. He recalled the days of the Berlin blockade by the Russians and described Jessup as a "great source of strength in those critical days."

Eisenhower, now president of Columbia University, noted that Jessup is a member of the faculty of that school.
"I am writing to tell you how much your university deprecates the association of your name with the current loyalty investigation in the United States senate," Eisenhower wrote.

Two Couples Injured When Car Hits Pole

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fields, Jacksonville, were seriously hurt and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Jones, Jacksonville, received lesser injuries yesterday in an auto accident on South Oakdale avenue near the senior high school, according to police and doctor's reports.
Police said a car operated by Fields went out of control, jumped the curb and hit a power pole when he attempted to care for a sick dog in the car. The front end of the vehicle was demolished and the pole broken, it was said. Mr. and Mrs. Jones were passengers in the car.
According to the attending physician, both Fields and his wife suffered chest injuries and she received face lacerations. Mrs. Jones had head and chest injuries and her husband a leg injury and scalp wound.
The Fields are still confined to Sacred Heart hospital where the four were taken by Conger-Morris ambulance.

Local Men Attend Dock Dedication On Coast

A delegation of Medford men attended the dedication ceremonies held over the week-end at Crescent City, Cal., for the new \$135,000 municipal dock there, which was turned over to the city dock commission by the group of volunteer workers who sparkplugged the construction.
The ceremonies and accompanying crab feed drew representatives from a number of northern California and southern Oregon communities, including Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass.

Hatred Drives Sister to Murder 14-Year-Old Twin

Fresno, Cal., Mar. 20.—(U.P.)—Pretty 14-year-old Alice Richard said today she wasn't sorry she killed her identical twin sister, Sally whom she had "hated" since the sixth grade.
"I'm not sorry she is dead," she told Deputy District Attorney Dan B. Eymann. "I'd do the same thing over again, but I didn't like to hurt my parents and family."
The grief stricken parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgard V. Richards, said they would stand behind Alice when she is arraigned on first degree murder charges for firing a .22 caliber rifle bullet into the head of her sleeping sister early yesterday. The girl will not face a death penalty because of her youth.
The slender, shy brunette told authorities she "hated" her vivacious and popular sister since the time they were in the sixth grade. The twins were sophomores at a parochial high school.
"She was stupid and noisy and acted like a nut in school," Alice told Eymann. "She aggravated me for a long time."
"I thought about killing her several times in the past, but I never had the guts."
"I killed her because I hated her," she told Eymann. "I hated her for a long, long time, ever since the sixth grade."
Eymann said no boy friend was involved, nor were there any "big issues" between the sisters.
"The embarrassment at school possibly caused her a great deal of shame," Eymann said. "As a result, the hatred was built up. Jealousy could possibly be a motive because of Sally's popularity."