



**KIWANIS KAPERS KOOPE**—Miss Duane Maddox and Glen Crocker, above, vocalists, have roles in several scenes of the Kiwanis Kapers and Minstrel show, "Gee, Washington!" which opens at the senior high auditorium here at 8:15 p.m. today. They play a bride and groom in a hotel lobby scene, in garden party and wedding scenes and in a Washington monument number. Crocker also sings in the production with the Novelaires quartet. The show will be repeated here Thursday, Friday and Saturday night.

## Washington Now Exile Capital Of Many Europeans

Washington—(U.P.)—Washington has become the "capital in exile" of millions of Europeans trapped in their homelands by the iron curtain of Communism. An organization that these people look to as their "voice" in exile is the International Peasant Union, which has its headquarters in a small office in this city's commercial district.

Refugee statesmen from Albania, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, and Yugoslavia lay their plans in this office for the restoring of freedom to their countries.

The former prime minister of Poland, Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, heads the IPU and the vice president is Ferenc Nagy, once premier of Hungary.

With offices in New York and in the principal cities of Europe, the union is one of the strongest anti-Communist forces in the world. It has been called an "international band of traitors" by the Reds.

Members of the IPU broadcast over Radio Free Europe to their compatriots behind the iron curtain, aid refugees, and provide valuable information about Communist activities in the satellite nations.

In addition, the IPU publishes a monthly magazine and issues an annual memorandum to the United Nations calling for action against the "puppet governments" of eastern and central Europe.

"One of our main aims," Mikolajczyk states, "is to keep up the morale of our people and to let them know that there are forces fighting for their freedom on the outside."

The IPU consists of former members of the agrarian or peasant parties which before the war were strong factions in the political setups of the satellite nations. The parties were closely aligned and worked to form an economic federation of eastern and central Europe based on common agrarian economies.

The International Peasant Union as it now stands was formed in 1947, when leaders of agrarian parties were forced to flee the Communists.

The aims of the organization have expanded and it is now affiliated with farmers' groups throughout the world. It even has issued a manifesto to the peasants of Asia warning them of the dangers of Communism.

Mikolajczyk said: "We feel that the best way to combat Communism is on an international scale, uniting the peasants of the world on the side of democracy and freedom."



**BELIEVED** to have drowned in San Francisco Bay, Mrs. Edward Gibson, 30, Menlo Park, Cal., files divorce suit saying she feigned suicide to seek "relief and peace." (International)

## Engineers Give Much Support to Troops in Korea

U. S. Army in Korea—(U.P.)—Enough barbed wire has been brought into Korea, through the major port at Pusan, to build a double apron of fence completely around the United States.

Enough sand bags have gone through the second logistical supply command's engineer depot to build a wall two and one-half feet thick and four feet high across the narrow waist of this war-torn peninsula.

That gives a little indication of the magnitude of the engineer support given to front line troops in Korea.

More than 120,000,000 board feet of lumber has passed through the engineer depot. That's enough splinters to make a block 1,000 feet square and 10 feet thick. Each month an amount equal to 15 or 20 inches is being added to the thickness of this gigantic hunk of timber.

**Repairs Essential**  
Getting engineer equipment into Korea and getting it forward to the troops in the line is a major part of the engineer mission in Korea.

There is another side of the story. In keeping with the Army-wide supply economy program, the 536th engineer field maintenance company is applying its skill and experience to the repair and maintenance of engineer equipment that would otherwise have to be replaced with items shipped to Korea from Japan or the United States.

Each week, the 536th, composed of five officers and 153 enlisted men, works long hours in two large concrete shops, with two ideas in mind—to save money and to keep the engineer "show" on the road.

This maintenance unit repairs 80 or more pieces of equipment and returns the items to the using unit each week. Third and fourth echelon maintenance is performed on a variety of machinery ranging from magnetos to rock crushers. The value of equipment returned to "duty" averages close to \$500,000 weekly.

**Operation Complex**  
The complexity of the operations is shown by the fact that normally the company should carry some 65,000 items in spare parts. They are not always in stock.

Sometimes new models of equipment are shipped direct from the United States before the manufacturer has had time to build up a stock of spare parts.

In some cases, a \$10,000 piece of equipment may be "dead-lined" for the lack of a 50-cent part. What happens? The maintenance shop builds a part and the machine runs as well as new.

Capt. William Burris of Butler, Pa., commanding officer of the 536th, holds classes to instruct operators in the proper operation and maintenance of engineer equipment. He is assisted by Dewey Woods, Tacoma, Wash.

### Obituary

**FAY NEWTON**  
Fay Charles Newton, 81, of 840 Stewart avenue, died in a local hospital yesterday. Funeral arrangements are in charge of Perl funeral home.

**MINA JOHNSON**  
Services for Mina Rachael Johnson, who died Monday, will be held in Conger-Morris chapel Thursday at 2:30 p. m., with the Rev. N. K. Tully officiating. Committal will be in Central Point cemetery.

Mrs. Johnson was born May 30, 1890, in Iowa, and had lived in Central Point for the past three years. In April, 1912, in Minnesota, she was married to Albert C. Johnson, who survives. Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Viola Stone; a son, Wayne, and three grandchildren, all Port Angeles, Wash.

The Marine Corps emblem, showing the western hemisphere on the flank of the anchor and surmounted by an eagle, has been kept virtually the same as when adopted in 1868.



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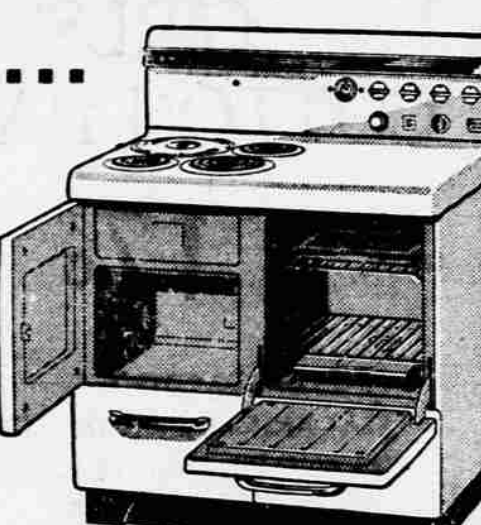


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