



HIS FITNESS ASSAILED—Senator Joseph R. McCarthy, Wisconsin Republican, gets out his law books after announcing that he has filed a two-million-dollar libel and slander suit against Senator William Benton, Connecticut Democrat. Senator Benton is the author of a Senate resolution asking investigation of McCarthy's fitness to remain in the Senate. McCarthy said he intends to serve as his own lawyer in the case.

## Prineville Families Returning to Homes; More Water Possible

Prineville, Ore. —(U.P.)—Many of the 500 persons who evacuated their homes when snow-swollen Crooked River shot out of its banks here began moving back Friday as the stream receded slowly.

Completion of a new dike considered capable of holding a crest two feet higher than the stream's high-water mark and a

## Action Demanded On Building Dam In Crooked River

Prineville —(U.P.)—Residents of flood-stricken Prineville Friday demanded action on their troubles with the Crooked River. Residents said they have been trying "for 30 years" to get the government to build a high dam and reservoir on the river for flood control and irrigation.

A. B. Bowman, a spokesman for the townspeople, said he had called the Bureau of Reclamation office at Boise, Idaho, Thursday to learn the fate of a government report being prepared on the area's flood control problems. He said he was told the report is being rewritten and won't be ready for two months.

## Bureau Budget Funds Feel Economy Axe

Washington —(U.P.)—The House Appropriations Committee continued its assault on President Truman's budget Friday by voting \$172,800,000 less than he asked for the State, Commerce and Justice departments.

The committee recommended that the three departments be given \$1,070,000,000 for their needs in the fiscal year starting July 1. That is about 14 per cent under the budget request.

Commerce was voted \$589,569,499, a cut of \$117,402,000; State \$266,056,510, a cut of \$52,351,000; and Justice \$187,600,000 a cut of \$2,725,000.

## Navy Men Marooned On Arctic Ice Pack

Point Barrow, Alaska —(U.P.)—An "operation ski jump" Navy plane broke its landing gear on takeoff Friday, marooning its nine-man crew on the desolate arctic ice pack 700 miles north of here.

None of the men was injured and the group has food for four days as well as plenty of shelter and gasoline for fuel, Cmdr. E. M. Ward radioed.

## Social Event of Year Shown in (Shudder) Pictures on Page 12

Pictures of the social event of the season are shown on Page 12 of today's Mail Tribune.

The event, long-heralded but mostly unexpected, is the wedding of the perennial bachelor and hunk of American young manhood, Li'l Abner, and his luscious gal friend, Daisy Mae.

Li'l Abner has been escaping marriage, mostly by the skin of his teeth, for almost 18 years now. He has avoided the bonds of matrimony with a wide variety of females, including the Wolf Gal, Lady Hotfoot, and others.

forecast of cooler temperatures brightened hopes that the worst was over.

However, Ochoco national forest officials said a period of warm weather could bring renewed floods because of heavy snow in the region, and crews continued to strengthen dikes.

The Crooked river had fallen nearly two feet. Families living on the southwest edge of town began the job of moving back and cleaning up. But water was still standing on one part of town where 70 homes were evacuated and residents feared they might have to pump out the water before they could return. Many ranches were still under water.

At the peak of the flood, water stood four feet deep in some residential areas. Rich farmland nearby was inundated. No loss of life was reported. The water did not reach the business section.

"You haven't seen high water yet," Ochoco National Forest road supervisor Alvin Grimes said. Grimes said snow in the area which drains into the Crooked river was twice as deep as usual.

Rapidly melting snow and heavy rains early in the week sent the Crooked river and Ochoco creek to their highest level in 40 years. Red Cross workers, state and local police and volunteers assisted in evacuation of 150 families.

Homes not endangered were opened to the evacuees. Furniture was stored in a school gymnasium.

Mayor Stuart Shelk said it was not possible to estimate damage but that he did not believe it too extensive.

Prineville is a town of 3,200 located in central Oregon's normally arid plateau country.

Weather continued warm and the possibility of rain and more melting snow caused anxiety over possible new crests. However, Mayor Shelk said he believed they could be handled without additional damage.

## Large Timber Area Sold, Records Show

The sale of several hundred acres of Jackson county timber land at a price believed to be in excess of \$350,000 was revealed today by records on file in the county clerk's office. The land was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Ross, of Ross Lumber company, Camp White, from Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Edmonds and Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bauer, all of Medford.

Land involved in the sale is southeast of Butte Falls in the Fish Lake road area, and in the Wasson canyon area on the north fork of Little Butte creek.

## West Power Project Funds Survive Cut in House Vote

Washington —(U.P.)—The House sent a \$488,248,253 Interior Department appropriation bill to the Senate Friday, with the administration's request for western water and power projects virtually intact.

The House sliced \$6,186,510 from the department's budget for the next fiscal year before approving the bill late Thursday. The House Appropriations Committee earlier had lopped off another \$137,567,037 from the administration's requests.

West Funds Left Intact Western water and power appropriations were left unchanged from the committee version of the bill. The Bureau of Reclamation construction budget remained at \$153,355,000 and the Bonneville Power Administration fund at \$66,523,400.

The committee had cut about \$51,000,000 from the reclamation bureau's request, but said the bureau had unspent funds that would allow it to carry out its proposed program. The Bonneville agency lost about \$3,500,000 by committee action, most of it for an electric power connection between Oregon and California.

# Early Solution Seen in Steel Dispute

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### WEATHER

FORECAST: Partly cloudy through Saturday with a few light showers of rain or snow pellets in valleys and snow in mountains. Colder. Low tonight 28-30. High Saturday 32-35. Temp. Highest Yesterday 76. Lowest this Morning 46.

## Communists Accuse United Nations of Breaking Secrecy

### Peiping Broadcast Alleges Violation

Panmunjom —(U.P.)—The Chinese Communists accused the United Nations today of breaking the secrecy agreement in truce negotiations but an Allied officer said the UN is "sincerely striving" to keep the agreement. The Communist accusation was made in a Peiping radio broadcast. It said American officers gave out information of secret sessions on exchanging prisoners of war to a Reuters correspondent on March 25, the day after the news blackout became effective.

Broadcast Ignored The UN did not take the trouble to deny the broadcast. Lt. Col. Joseph J. Borchert, acting spokesman for the UN command read a statement that said: "The UN policy concerning executive sessions has been announced. The UN does not intend indulging in any controversy with radio Peiping as to our actions. We are seriously striving to maintain inviolate the agreement we made with the Communists concerning closed session discussions on the prisoner of war matter."

Information Denied United Nations correspondents at the Munson press train unanimously denied that any of their number had received information from Allied officials on the progress of the secret negotiations. The newsmen, who are accredited to the United Nations command for press coverage of the Panmunjom armistice talks, said no correspondent had received any information from official or unofficial sources relating to the prisoner of war discussions.

Peiping charged the alleged Reuters dispatch was inspired by Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, supreme Allied commander. The broadcast said American officers had put forth an "extraordinary rumor to the effect that the Korean and Chinese side had made indirect approaches against the executive sessions."

Both sides agreed to secret sessions on prisoners of war in the hope of breaking a deadlock.

Prisoners Hidden In Sawdust Located Salem —(U.P.)—One of the latest attempts to migrate from Oregon state penitentiary here was thwarted Thursday night when two convicts were found hiding in a sawdust pile in the prison yard.

The two were missed at 5 p.m. count of prisoners and a search begun. Prison guards found the two about an hour later.

Warden Virgil J. O'Malley identified the convicts as Alvis Odell Davis, 34, doing time for burglary from Lane county, and David C. Johnson, 36, up from Klamath county for obtaining money under false pretenses.

Mechanic Arrested on Charges of Molesting Portland —(U.P.)—Herbert L. Morrison, 45, Longview, Wash., garage mechanic, was jailed here Friday as a suspect in a series of molesting cases involving children and young women.

Police nabbed Morrison as he started to get into his parked car. They said they had been looking for him for nearly two years.

## Navy Reveals Expanded Plane Goal; Seven Models Superior to MIG-15

Washington —(U.P.)—The Navy plans to produce 300 planes monthly by the end of fiscal year 1953, including seven models superior to Russia's MIG-15 jet fighter, it was revealed Friday.

Navy Secretary Dan A. Kimball and Admiral William M. Fechteler, chief of naval operations, reported these goals in recent testimony on the record-breaking \$52,100,000,000 defense budget released by the House Appropriations committee.

On Two-Year Basis Naval aircraft procurement has been scheduled on a two-year basis, under which "aircraft deliveries will rise evenly to about 300 per month by the end of fiscal 1953 and will be held at that level," Fechteler said.

Vice Adm. John H. Cassady, deputy chief of naval operations for air, said that at the time of the Korean outbreak, the Navy "was getting about 60 to 70 airplanes a month."

Cassady said last January was the month of highest deliveries since Korea, but did not say for the record how many planes were delivered.

Superior to MIG-15 Kimball told the committee the Navy has "in production this year about seven models of airplanes that are superior to the MIG-15."

"Certain of these planes will be operating in the fleet during the present calendar year," Cassady said.

Cassady said all new long-range fighter planes requested

by the Navy "will be able to deliver the small atomic bombs."

"Moreover," he said, "we have modified a sizeable number of our fighter and attack planes already built and building to achieve the same capability."

"We now have on our carriers an attack plane capable of delivering the big bomb. A greatly improved carrier-based attack plane is in production."

Four More Years Needed Meanwhile, Air Undersecretary Roswell L. Gilpatric said it will take nearly four more years for the Air Force to have 126 modern combat wings under the "stretched-out" arms program. When "budgetary limitations" forced the latest reduction in plane production schedules early this year, a peak goal of 900 planes monthly was fixed for

some time in 1953. Gilpatric said in "Planes," publication of the Aircraft Industries association. The Air Force's F-86 Sabrejet is now the only U.S. fighter ranked on a par with the MIG.

Models Listed Kimball did not identify all the seven naval aircraft to which he referred, but Navy sources listed five of them as the Grumman F9F-6 Cougar and the Chance-Vought F7U-3 advanced version of the Cutlass, both now in production; the North American FJ-2 Fury, scheduled to go into production next, and the Douglas F4D Skyray and McDonnell F3H Demon, both to go into production later.

The Navy said all have speeds of more than 650 miles an hour and maximum altitudes of more than 45,000 feet.

## Civil Suit Seeks \$50,000; Alleges Assault Damages

A total of \$50,000 in damages is sought from Harry G. Dowson, 47 Berkeley way, in a civil suit filed yesterday in circuit court by attorneys for Aubrey Y. Cripps, Box 759, Central Point.

According to records filed in the county clerk's office, Cripps asks \$25,000 compensatory damages for injuries alleged to have been received February 14 in Central Point. Cripps charges that Dowson struck him with a blackjack, causing "great pain and suffering." The complaint also asks \$25,000 punitive damages.

Portland Attorney Paul Bailey, who recently obtained a criminal assault and battery charge against Dowson on the same allegations, presented the complaint. Bailey is a member of a firm of attorneys currently representing two unions in labor disputes in the Medford area.

## Statements Open Injunction Hearing

Attorneys presented opening statements in circuit court here this morning in a hearing involving a requested temporary court order restraining picketing and other practices at the Southern Oregon Planning Mill company, Central Point.

The complaint requesting such a court order was filed March 21 by attorneys for the firm. Named as defendants were Local 3030, Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union, AFL; the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America; A. E. Jurgens, Ralph M. Davis, Gene Tedrick and William E. Kuhlwein, officials of the lumber union, and Joe Kulas, representatives of the carpenters union.

Court reconvened at 1 p.m. today after attorneys for the plaintiffs had been requested to have Harry G. Dowson, 47 Berkeley way, official of the planning mill, present during the trial. Attorneys expressed the belief that the hearing will probably be continued tomorrow.

## Legislation Urged For Serviceman Vote

Washington —(U.P.)—President Truman urged Congress Friday to pass emergency legislation to assure men and women in the armed forces an opportunity to vote in the 1952 elections.

The President asked Congress to authorize a special federal ballot to be used in states where soldier voting is blocked by special requirements. He also asked the states themselves to take immediate steps to remove all obstacles to absentee voting by service men and women.

Mr. Truman's recommendations were made in a 1,800-word special message to both houses of Congress.

Seattle —(U.P.)—Boeing Airplane company's 1951 net earnings were \$7,140,751, equal to \$6.60 per share, on total sales and other income of \$337,957,026, the company's annual report showed Friday.

Portland —(U.P.)—Hillman Lueddemann was re-elected president of the West Coast Lumbermen's association at the conclusion of the 41st annual stockholders' meeting here.

## Baize Said 'Habitual, Confirmed' Criminal By Sentencing Judge

Richard Hewitt Baize, 36, of 45 Hawthorne street, Thursday afternoon was sentenced to an indeterminate prison term not to exceed three years on a charge of larceny by embezzlement. The sentence was imposed in circuit court by Judge H. K. Hanna.

Baize pleaded guilty March 1 to charges that he stole some \$1,600 from Medford parking meters while serving as a police sergeant in charge of parking meter collections. He was arrested February 29 by city police.

"Confirmed, Habitual" In imposing the sentence, Judge Hanna said Baize stole every day for two years and became a "confirmed and habitual criminal." The judge pointed out that Baize's crime was a violation of public trust by a police officer to whom the public looks for protection.

In answer to pleas for leniency by four character witnesses who appeared before the court prior to sentencing, Judge Hanna stated that when rectitude comes only after guilt has been established, it appears to be only an effort to escape being sentenced to the penitentiary.

Wants "To Get Started." When asked by the court if he had anything to say, Baize stated in a firm voice that he had known the judge since he (Baize) was a small boy and realized that the sentence imposed would be just and fairly arrived at. He added that he "wanted to get started on the sentence in order to start fresh as soon as possible."

The court pointed out that it will be possible for Baize to be paroled in one year. Judge Hanna also expressed sympathy for Baize's family, but stated that such sympathy could not be allowed to influence the court's decision.

Cite Good Record The four witnesses who appeared before the court prior to sentencing all pointed to Baize's good record before theft of the parking meter funds. District Attorney Paul Haviland stated that a pre-sentencing report on Baize showed that he had no previous criminal record.

The four witnesses all asked for leniency for Baize and for a "second chance" for the man to make good. The witnesses were Dr. D. Kirkland West, pastor of the Medford First Presbyterian church; Oliver Gustafson, who succeeded Baize as commander of the Medford American Legion post; Ray Sloneker, who served with Baize on the Medford police force and who is now a leader in the local Youth for Christ movement; and Carlos Morris, county coroner, who has employed Baize on a part-time basis in recent years.

Free on Bail Baize was confined in the Jackson county jail from the time of his arrest until Wednesday when he was released on bail. He is still free on bail pending his transportation to the Oregon State penitentiary in Salem, probably next week, according to Sheriff Howard Gault.

He was represented by Medford Attorney Edward C. Kelly.

## Japanese Communists Arrested in Big Raid

Tokyo —(U.P.)—Police arrested 162 Communists Friday in what was described as Japan's biggest post-war raid on some 2,000 Red hideouts and clandestine printing plants.

The raids were directed chiefly against the Japanese Communist party's extensive underground network of printing presses and propaganda distribution centers.

Main target was the Communist publication "Peace and Independence," which was suspended officially Friday. It was the latest in a series of newspapers that succeeded the original Communist official organ, Akahata Red Flag.

The Communist party is a legal political group in Japan but the subversive publications are not.

## Rescuers Fight To Reach 5 Men Trapped in Mine

Pottsville, Pa. —(U.P.)—Weary rescue workers fought hopelessly Friday to reach five miners trapped and presumed drowned more than 400 feet below the surface of an independent coal mine in nearby Forestville.

The miners were caught by tons of cascading water which poured into the mine Thursday night following a dynamite blast. Two other miners escaped by running more than 400 feet to safety in the main slope.

## New Atomic Tests At Frenchman Flat Expected Soon

Las Vegas, Nev. —(U.P.)—A new series of atomic blasts may be set off soon at the Frenchman's Flat testing grounds near here.

The Atomic Energy commission indicated as much Thursday night when it issued a warning to southern Nevada residents to keep clear of the Frenchman's Flat area.

Meaning 'Fairly Clear' An AEC spokesman here would not elaborate, but in the past such warnings have meant new experimental explosions were imminent. In Washington, an AEC official would say only that the meaning of the order "should be fairly clear."

Various AEC staff members from Los Alamos, N.M., and other parts of the country have been arriving here in recent days.

There have been to date 12 atomic detonations at Frenchman's Flat, including five last spring and seven in the fall. The final fall explosion was the world's first underground explosion as far as U.S. knowledge of previous tests in Russia and elsewhere is known.

Type Not Indicated The AEC has not indicated what further types of tests might be forthcoming, but there has been widespread speculation that the United States is now ready to try out new designs of various kinds of aerial bombs, atomic artillery shells and atomic warheads for guided missiles.

## Allied Soldiers Kill 60 Communists

Seoul, Korea —(U.P.)—Allied soldiers killed 60 Communists Friday in a thrust at heavily defended enemy positions in the Mudung-ni valley of the "Heartbreak Ridge" sector of Korea.

The United Nations troops knifed into the stronghold and withdrew before massing Chinese troops could counterattack. Another patrol killed three Communist soldiers in hand-to-hand combat southeast of Pong-yang.

In the air, American F-80 Shooting Stars destroyed 13 supply buildings northeast of Suncheon, and another eight near Haeju.

## Eisenhower's Resignation Seen Only Question of Time

Washington —(U.P.)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's early departure from Europe is regarded as inevitable by the 14 North Atlantic Treaty nations, informed sources reported Friday.

"It now appears to everyone that the general's resignation as supreme commander is only a question of when—and it probably won't be long," one informant said.

Expected About April 2 In Paris, the semi-official French news agency, Agence France Presse, reported that Eisenhower would ask release from his European command "on or a little after April 2" and would return home about May 15. Sources close to the general agreed.

Authorities here said formal Atlantic pact talks on picking next supreme commander.

## Wilson Expects Settlement Before April 8 Deadline

### Mobilizer Meets Truman's Cabinet

Washington —(U.P.)—Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson said Friday after meeting with President Truman he thought the steel wage-price dispute would be settled before the April 8 strike deadline.

Wilson's remark was made to reporters after he met with Mr. Truman and the President's cabinet at the White House.

However, Wilson said the steel situation was not discussed at the cabinet meeting.

"Do you think a solution to the steel situation can be worked out?" a reporter asked.

"Yes," Wilson replied, "before the strike deadline set for April 8."

Wilson declined further comment on what he based his optimism.

After leaving the White House Wilson went to meet Chairman Nathan P. Feinsinger of the Wage Stabilization Board in Feinsinger's office.

The two apparently will continue talks on the situation which began Thursday but reached no conclusion then.

As Washington officials grappled with the steel crisis, negotiating teams of the United Steelworkers Union CIO and Bethlehem Steel company met for 30 minutes at New York City.

After half an hour the meeting was recessed at the company's request because "of the confusion" in the steel dispute.

Although Wilson said the steel situation was not discussed at the White House cabinet meeting, a spokesman for him earlier had said Wilson would put the "whole steel situation" before Mr. Truman at the meeting.

News Secrecy Ordered Wilson's office clamped a lid on all official news on the steel dispute after a three-hour meeting Thursday with price controller Ellis Arnall and Feinsinger.

Informed sources said Arnall and Feinsinger refused to go along with a statement Wilson had planned to issue, laying down a wage-price formula for settlement of the steel fight.

Pay Raises Recommended Feinsinger's wage board has recommended pay raises and fringe benefits totaling 26 cents an hour—in three installments over the next 18 months—for Philip Murray's 650,000 CIO United Steelworkers.

The steel industry contends it cannot pay that much without a compensating price increase of \$12 a ton for steel.

## Research Scientists At U of O Recognized

Portland —(U.P.)—Two University of Oregon medical school research scientists have won international recognition for their work in the use of anti-histamine drugs with patients suffering from a particular type of heart disease.

An editorial in the February issue of The Lancet, a British publication similar to the Journal of the American Medical Association, said Dr. Elton L. McCawley, associate professor pharmacology, and Dr. Lenox Dick, clinical instructor in medicine, have discovered a new use of the drug, benadryl.

## Syria Bomb Destroys United States Office

Damascus, Syria —(U.P.)—A bomb explosion destroyed the offices of the United States information service here early Friday and killed a native radio operator.

The bomb was planted in the USIS garden and the explosion was described as "most severe."

## Gruenther May Be Choice

But administration insiders anticipate that the general will give his word next month and return home between May 15 and June 1.

This schedule would give him time to wind up his work and allow his successor to be chosen before he leaves Europe.

All signs point to selection of Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, Eisenhower's deputy, to be the next supreme commander.