

McCarthy Demands Grand Jury Probe of Ammunition Shortage

Milwaukee — (U.P.) — Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, (R-Wis.), kept the dispute over a reported ammunition shortage in Korea alive today by demanding a federal grand jury investigation of the affair.

McCarthy addressed the national encampment of the Veterans of Foreign Wars yesterday.

The junior senator from Wisconsin said that President Eisenhower had "one unfilled promise to the American people"—to "bring to the bar of justice those responsible for the agony of blood and tears in Korea and the loss of confidence of our friends in the Orient."

McCarthy said U. S. Attorney General Herbert Brownell should "impanel a Grand Jury to dig out those responsible" for the ammunition shortage reported by some American field commanders last year.

"Unless we do this, we (the Republicans) should never be re-

turned to power. We have broken our promise to the American people," McCarthy said.

Sen. Paul H. Douglas, (D-Ill.), told the delegates the Republicans have awakened to a "cold gray dawn of national responsibility" and would like to forget some of their campaign promises.

A sparse crowd of only 600

veterans showed up for McCarthy's speech in spacious Milwaukee Arena, although about 12,000 VFW members are here for the convention.

The Brooklyn Dodgers were playing the Milwaukee Braves in the baseball crazy beer city, and all the delegates had free tickets. McCarthy admitted this was tough competition.

Sen. Wiley Opposes Red China Inclusion In Big Four Meeting

Washington — (U.P.) — Chairman Alexander Wiley of the State Foreign Relations committee said today he is strongly opposed to a big power conference that would let Red China discuss European problems.

The Wisconsin Republican said the Chinese Communist regime has no right to horn in on the Big Four foreign ministers meeting, proposed by the United States, France and Britain because that conference is designed to discuss German and Austrian problems which are of no concern to Communist China.

Wiley was backed up by Sen. Mike Mansfield, (D-Mont.), another member of the Foreign Relations committee. He said inclusion of Red China in the pro-

posed foreign ministers meeting would imply U. S. recognition of the Communist regime and "I am opposed to that."

The Senate foreign affairs experts made the statements as Western diplomats puzzled over the meaning of Soviet Russia's reply to the U.S.-British-French invitation to attend a Big Four foreign ministers conference on Germany and Austria. The Soviet reply appeared to accept a meeting on German problems but it was coupled with a strong plea for a broader discussion of general world problems. It said Red China's participation would be essential for such a meeting.

Door Said Left Open
After a full day of analyzing the Soviet note, the State Department would say only that its experts agreed the Russian reply "leaves the door open" for a meeting on Germany. They said, however, that the rest of the note had so many ambiguities that the experts were far from certain what else the Soviet Union has in mind.

Moderate Earthquake Rocks Taft Vicinity
Taft, Calif. — (U.P.) — A moderate earthquake rocked the Taft-Mari-copa area early today in the wake of a sharp jolt which was blamed for the death of a 30-year-old housewife.

The tremor, lasting about 25 seconds, struck at 4:20 a.m., awakening householders in the districts. No damage was reported.

Mrs. Doris Carroll of Mari-copa, mother of three children, died yesterday of a heart attack shortly after a quake of 4.0 magnitude was recorded at 5:20 a.m. Friends said she had an acute fear of earthquakes and had been advised by her physicians to move from the area.

Both tremors were believed to be aftershocks of the Tehachapi-Bakersfield quakes last year which resulted in the death of 16 persons.

RADAR IN USE
Salem — (U.P.) — After two months of experimenting, city police here today began using radar to catch speeding motorists.

Accidental Gunshot Kills Finn Rock Mah

Eugene — (U.P.) — James C. Wycoff, 56, Finn Rock, Ore., died yesterday of an accidental bullet wound in his head.

The Lane county coroner's office said Wycoff was walking down the steps from his home to the McKenzie river with a .22 caliber rifle in his hand. He tripped and fell and the rifle was discharged, wounding him in the temple. Wycoff died in an ambulance enroute to a hospital, the coroner said.

Gold Hill Firemen Continue Checking Of Fire Hazards

Gold Hill — The volunteer fire department at Gold Hill continued its weekly fire hazard check at city residences last night from 6 to 8 o'clock, according to R. Angus Todd, assistant fire chief.

The check is entirely voluntary, Todd pointed out, and the department, which is donating its time for the service, has found the people "very cooperative," in an effort to prevent future fires.

Before last night, the department had checked 24 homes on two Wednesday evening checks and made several suggestions, which would curb future fire possibilities. The department will continue with the checks until every home owner can be contacted.

Frequent Hazards
So far, the most frequent hazards found have been electrical wiring and stovepipe installations, the assistant chief noted.

The new automatic-cycle siren system will continue to be tested by the department around 6 p.m. each Wednesday, Todd continued. "So far, the tests have produced excellent results, especially on the west end of the city," he continued. Formerly, residents on this end of town couldn't hear the siren, including several department volunteers who are now able to answer the calls.

Surcharge Hearings To Resume August 25

Salem — (U.P.) — Surcharge hearings involving three Oregon electric power companies will resume here Aug. 25, State Public Utilities Commissioner Charles Heltzel said today.

During hearings earlier this year, the complainants, State Rep. Monroe Sweetland and Mrs. Monroe Sweetland, presented their case against Portland General Electric, Pacific Power and Light and Mountain States Power companies. Joining with the Sweetlands as intervenor were the Northwest Public Power association and the Linn County Farmers Union.

The three companies were allowed surcharges of 20 per cent on their bills from December, 1952, through May, 1953.

Paralyzing Strikes Hurt French Economy

Paris — (U.P.) — French trade unions, Communist and non-Communist, today declared economic warfare on the reforms of Premier Joseph Laniel with a series of paralyzing strikes.

The four biggest unions in France today called for a 48-hour strike of all gas and electric workers beginning at midnight.

A nationwide strike of all post, telegraph and telephone workers already has cut off 80 per cent of all these services. The snowballing protest strikes against Laniel's efforts to get French economy on its feet threatened his recently formed and unstable government.

Firemen Extinguish Rural House Blaze

City firemen yesterday extinguished a house fire at 286 Casino rd., they reported this morning.

Two trucks answered the rural alarm, which was given at 2:48 p.m. Firemen said the fire started in a bedroom of the house, and spread rapidly because all doors and windows were open as the interior was being painted. Cause of the blaze, which did "considerable" damage throughout the house, was undetermined.

Arthur E. Lewis, 284 Casino rd., is owner of the house.

Crop of Spring Pigs Lowers Hog Market

Chicago — (U.P.) — The farm belt's spring pig crop pushed live hog prices down sharply today, and market experts predicted that housewives would be able to buy cheaper pork chops in a week or two.

Hog prices, which had been dropping for nine straight days at major Midwest markets, broke sharply yesterday. At Chicago, the country's largest hog market, prices fell 75 cents to \$1.50 per hundred pounds to the lowest levels in three months.

Receipts Higher
The U. S. Department of Agriculture estimated receipts at Chicago's stockyards today at 30,700 head, or almost a thousand more hogs than the 29,790 animals brought to market a week ago.

The heavy shipments were a big factor in depressing pork prices. Analysts predicted the price changes would be reflected in retail prices at butcher shops either this week or the next.

Reservoir Fencing Materials Arrive

Rogue River — Fencing materials for the city of Rogue River's reservoir have arrived and installation will begin sometime this week, according to Mayor Fred Dengler.

He stated that the fencing of the reservoir is necessary to comply with the state sanitation commission's regulations. The reservoir, which is roofed, has been the scene of children playing and also some vandalism, Mayor Dengler reported.

The new fence will be six feet high and completely enclose the structure. The pump house is already enclosed. The city's well is holding up "wonderfully well," he stated, and no water conservation measures are expected to be needed this summer. He cautioned water users against using open hoses in lawn irrigation, which is forbidden by ordinance.

Sunday School Boys Have Trip to Coast

Several members of the boys' class of Assembly of God Sunday school returned this week from a trip to the coast where the group went deep sea fishing. Each boy caught at least one fish and several caught more, according to leaders.

On the trip were Tommy Gannaway, Bob Erickson, Dave Jennings, John Gibson, Don Rasmussen, Loren Jacobs, Don Jacobs, Melvin Morgan, Leroy Fellows, Billie McKinley, James McKinley, Don Kahl, and Wallace Bingham, the latter a friend of Don Kahl who is visiting from Kings Mill, Tex.

GRASS CUTTERS

St. Louis, Mo. — (U.P.) — Forest Park Highlands amusement park has installed a flock of 21 sheep to crop the grass. Next fall, the company plans to sell the sheep. Next spring another flock will be bought.



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