

# Progress Expected At Geneva Meeting Tops News of Week

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The week's good and bad news on the international balance sheet:

**THE GOOD**  
1. The foreign ministers of the United States, Great Britain, France and Russia met in the white marble Palace of Nations in Geneva, Switzerland. The topics for discussion were the reunification of Germany, European security, disarmament and development of diplomatic contacts between West and East. President Eisenhower and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles have expressed guarded hope that some advance may be made toward the goal of lessening international tension. No startling agreements were expected. But it was forecast that sufficient progress would be made to justify another conference later.

2. A new republic was proclaimed in the state of Southern Viet Nam in Indochina with American-supported Ngo Dinh Diem as president and premier. The change came about as the result of a referendum in which Viet Namese chose Diem as their leader instead of playboy Emperor Bao Dai. Diem's victory greatly strengthens Viet Nam against the threat of Communism.

3. Secretary Dulles announced that he will visit President Tito of Yugoslavia on Nov. 6, during a week-end recess in the Geneva negotiations. The visit was expected to strengthen relations between the United States and Tito, whom the Russians are trying to get back into their camp.

**THE BAD**  
1. The animosity between the Arab states and Israel intensified dangerously. There was continued talk by some Israeli elements that it might be a good idea to launch a "preventive war" against Egypt. Israeli Prime Minister Moshe Sharetz flew to Paris and Geneva to ask the foreign ministers of the United States, Britain and France for arms to offset those which Communist Czechoslovakia is supplying to Egypt. In Geneva, Sharetz arranged to confer with Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov. The State department in Washington insisted, despite Israeli demands, that the Communist countries had offered to sell weapons to Israel.

2. France was threatened by a

new cabinet crisis. Premier Edgar Faure was forced to seek a vote of confidence in Parliament of his North African policies. His difficulties were complicated by the rejection of the proposed statute for the Saar coal region. The fight against the statute, which would have given the Saar "European" status, was led by a former German Nazi.

3. The Chinese Communists started, in official radio broadcasts, to demand the little Portuguese colony of Macao which lies at the mouth of the Canton river across from British Hong Kong. There was some suspicion that the Reds might have been encouraged by Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India, who is trying to force Portugal to give up its possessions on the Indian coast.

## DAVs Elect New Officers; Makes Plans for Parade

Treavell M. Turpin, a past commander, was named senior vice-commander of Jackson County Chapter 8, Disabled American Veterans, at a DAV meeting held here this week.

Turpin succeeds Emory C. Anderson, who resigned to move to Washington.

Also elected at the meeting was Frank Clayton, who was named junior vice-commander succeeding Henry L. Williams, who resigned because of inability to serve.

James Cech was named sergeant at arms to replace Clayton. Plans for participation in the American Legion Veterans Day parade were discussed at the meeting, and it was decided to furnish transportation for veterans who are physically unable to march, but who wish to take part in the parade.

A visitor at the meeting was Carl Steiner, field representative for the state Department of Veterans Affairs. Steiner described operations of the state veterans loan program, and outlined aspects of claims service in connection with state benefits.

The local DAV chapter and auxiliary will be visited by department heads at a meeting slated for Nov. 8 in the Central Point Grange hall. A supper will be served at 6:30 p.m., and will be followed by a social meeting.

Springfield, Mass.—(U.P.)—William Lacoste was granted a divorce on grounds of desertion—41 years after his wife left him.

## Is That So?

"Ranger, a question. In all my reading I have never found anything authentic about the birth of an elephant..." says S.R.T. Although the largest and most powerful of all land animals, the elephant is exceedingly shy and very little is known about the



birth. As a result many curious beliefs have arisen, including the popular one that females prepare for birth by digging pits. Normally male and female elephants have a courtship lasting several days or even weeks, during which the pair graze and live together. Once the honey moon is over the female seeks the close friendship of another female, or you might say a "midwife" until some time after the calf's birth.

For the herd, the birth is quite an event. Usually a constant terrifying bellowing and trumpeting among the elders heralds the occasion—the din no doubt serving the purpose of scaring away marauding beasts.

One of the few witnesses to an actual birth, W. L. A. Andiris, a forest guard in beautiful Ceylon's Yala game sanctuary which I have visited, reported this birth for Ceylon's Department of Wild Life. He stated that a mother elephant and "her eight attending midwives" had made a careful selection of their "maternity room" in a clearing adjoining a small lagoon previous to the birth. It was hidden by deep jungles on all sides.

**Cared With Trunks**  
As birth approached, the mother elephant lay on her side in this clearing. The eight attendants surrounded her, caressing her gently with their trunks. As birth became imminent, the mother became more and more nervous, shifting her position in the clearing by taking a few steps this way and that, lying down after each movement. At this time, seven of the attendant elephants withdrew into the jungle, leaving one with the expectant mother. From time to time, the "midwives" returned in pairs to check the mother with their trunks.

The actual birth was accomplished without any apparent strain or sound, reported Andiris. Then the mother left the newborn baby (which usually weighs around 200 pounds and stands three feet at the shoulder) and walked away about ten paces. She trumpeted and the other elephants emerged from the jungle, all trumpeting and caressing her.

Then while the mother rested on the ground, all eight turned

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On the program will be a variety show from Portland. Other entertainment is planned. Refreshments will be served.

Free: By special arrangement with the editors of the Encyclopedia Americana, my panel of judges will award each week to the reader who sends me the best true-life nature adventure, the best nature observation, or the best question on nature and wildlife, a complete 30-volume set of this world-famous reference work in a handsome Sealcraft binding. Each week new submissions will be considered. Sorry, I simply can't answer your many friendly letters. Please address your letters to: IS THAT SO! care Medford Mail Tribune, Box 575, Sausalito, Calif.

## OSC Freshmen Scores On Test Below 1927's

Corvallis—Are college freshmen of today better or poorer in English than their parents who were in school 25 years ago? Curious about the question, the English department at Oregon State college this fall gave a 1927 English placement examination to the more than 1800 new freshmen.

The scores of that test tip in favor of the "old timers" in matters of spelling and formal grammar, according to Dr. Herbert B. Nelson, head of the English department, but in English usage and punctuation the students of 1955 and 1927 are about equal. Students taking the 163-question test in 1927 made an average of 53 errors. This fall, the average was 66 mistakes.

## \$5,000 Subscribed For Ski Lift Survey

Mount Shasta, Calif.—Some \$5,000 has been subscribed for preliminary engineering surveys and studies in connection with the Mount Shasta Ski Lift Development project, according to George Schrader, executive secretary.

## LEGAL NOTICES

**NATIONAL FOREST TIMBER FOR SALE**  
Sealed bids will be received by the forest supervisor or his authorized representative at the Forest Service office, Post Office Building, Medford, Oregon, November 28, 1955, for all merchantable dead timber located in three separate and distinct units within the Rogue River National Forest, Oregon, as particularized below. Willow Prairie No. 1: Sealed bids will be received up to and not later than 10:00 a.m. Area embraces about 400 acres within Sections 30, 31 & 32, T. 36 S., R. 4 E., W.M. Estimated volumes are 300 M board feet more or less of Douglas-fir and 100 M board feet more or less of white fir and other species of sawtimber. No bid of less than \$4.00 per M board feet for Douglas-fir and \$2.00 per M board feet for white fir and other species will be considered. Willow Prairie No. 2: Sealed bids will be received up to and not later than 11:00 a.m. Area embraces about 400 acres within Sections 29, 30, 31 & 32, T. 36 S., R. 4 E., W.M. Estimated volumes are 300 M board feet more or less of Douglas-fir and 100 M board feet more or less of white fir and other species of sawtimber. No bid of less than \$4.00 per M board feet for Douglas-fir and \$2.00 per M board feet for white fir and other species will be considered. Willow Prairie No. 3: Sealed bids will be received up to and not later than 2:00 p.m. Area embraces about 640 acres within Section 19, T. 36 S., R. 4 E., W.M. Estimated volumes are 450 M board feet more or less of Douglas-fir and 150 M board feet more or less of white fir and other species of sawtimber. No bid of less than \$3.45 per M board feet for Douglas-fir and \$2.00 per M board feet for white fir and other species will be considered. In addition to the prices bid for stumpage for each sale area, a cooperative deposit of \$10.00 per M board feet, to be used by the Forest Service for paying the cost of slash disposal for the total cut of sawtimber under the terms of the agreement, will be required. A money order, bank draft, or check payable in the amount of \$200.00 must accompany each bid for each sale area, to be applied to the purchaser to present them, verified as required by law, within six months after the first publication of this notice to said Carlos Morris at his attorney's office, 212 Leverette Building, Medford, Oregon. CARLOS MORRIS, Administrator de bonis non of the Estate of John F. Down, deceased. Dated October 24, 1955. Allison Moulton and Bruce J. Manley Attorneys for Estate

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON PROBATE DEPARTMENT  
In the Matter of the Estate of JOHN F. DOWN, Deceased.  
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