



STATE'S FAIREST—Jean Beckett, 18-year-old from Sacramento, Calif., (center), won the Miss California honors for 1956 during celebration at Santa Cruz, Calif. Runners-up were Jan Fogotti (left) of Modesto, Calif., and Donna Lee Lyford, Miss Fresno.

Revival of 'Go It Alone' Spirit Said Evident in American Politics

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Washington — (U.P.) — Putting one and one together to make two, there is more than a touch of isolation in current American political trends.



It is not the old time religion of isolationism of the 1920s. Then the United States was spurning the League of Nations and trying to collect the war debts of 1917-18. But, the trend is evident. If it continues it will considerably reshape the foreign policies of the United States as they were developed during the Truman administration and carried on without amendment by President Eisenhower.

A dispatch to the London (England) Daily Telegraph written by its chief Washington correspondent, Denis Smith, was printed under this headline: "Revival of 'Go-It-Alone' Spirit in U.S. Congress"

Smith is a veteran of 30 years of Washington reporting. His paragraphs summed up what is happening, as follows:

"There is a somewhat disturbing common factor in the simultaneous congressional drives to reduce military foreign aid and to increase Air Force appropriations for long-range jet bombers."

"It is that Congress is showing a preference for a reliance on the United States' own military strength, rather than on the Western Alliance for its security. It is in some respects evidence of a 'Go-It-Alone' spirit." Smith made the point that after Gen. Curtis E. LeMay jolted Congress with his estimate

that the Soviet Union was producing long-range bombers faster than the United States, President Eisenhower had to make a basic decision. It was whether to shift all-out effort to home-based, long-range aircraft or to maintain a mixed air force of long-range craft at home and medium bombers based on foreign soil. Mr. Eisenhower chose the latter.

That is the core of the dispute now raging between the White House and Congress over how much should be appropriated for foreign military aid and how much for the air force. The Eisenhower administration seems to

be losing on both counts. The break-away from Truman-Eisenhower foreign policy has not yet changed the over-all collective defense picture. But it is a break-away, just the same, and the break largely has been among congressional Democrats. The Democrats were more solidly for the big-time foreign aid programs begun in the Truman administration than the Republicans ever were. And now they begin to balk. Iceland's vote to send the Americans home is contributing its bit to the new isolationist sentiment in the United States. So does the news from Great

Britain that defense spending is to be considerably reduced. And the seeming inability of Frenchmen to govern themselves or to live with their colonies is a factor.

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Laughs of the Day . . .

Chicago — (U.P.) — Harry Owens, 36, of Dallas, Tex., had a ready explanation when detectives found his car loaded with a revolver, 100 bullets, a tear gas gun with three shells, 11 daggers, three switchblade knives and burglary tools.

"My hobby is shooting," he said, "and I throw daggers and knives to amuse myself." The tear gas gun? "I like to see people cry."

The White Sox won a double-header victory over the New York Yankees and it cost him \$5 in court. Demos said the "excitement was just too much for me" and that's why he dashed onto the field in the middle of the game and made a hook slide into second base.

Machinists Strike Chile Copper Mine

Santiago, Chile — (U.P.) — A strike by machinists in protest against the dismissal of two fellow workers halted operations Tuesday at the Anaconda Company's Chuquicamata mine.

The two men were fired last week for disobeying orders from their superiors.

Chuquicamata is the world's biggest open copper mine. It employs some 5000 workers and produces more than 200,000 tons of processed copper annually.

There appeared to be little prospect of an early settlement of the dispute. A company spokesman warned that if the tieup continued for more than three days the copper ore also would have to be stopped.

Meanwhile a strike by more than 9000 employees of the Anglo-Chilean and Lautaro nitrate companies went into its fourth day. The nitrate workers walked out Saturday to enforce demands for a 120 per cent wage increase.

Palisades Park, N.J. — (U.P.) — The Palisades Amusement Park said something went wrong with some of its electrical controls and lit up the tunnel of love bright as day. When the trouble finally was corrected, the management gave free passes for another ride through the darkened tunnel for the couples whose romancing was interrupted.

Montreal — (U.P.) — Lucien Menard jacked up his house and moved it half a mile to a new site in suburban Ville LeMoine. Then he found that the lot was too small.

Wallaceburg, Ont. — (U.P.) — The Town Council installed new fans to make the fire house cooler, following complaints by firemen that their own perspiration caused them to stick to the brass pole as they slid downstairs to answer alarms.

Chicago — (U.P.) — Christ Demos, 34, got too excited when

Trucker, in Daze, Hauls Load Of Chickens To Wrong Terminal

Portland — (U.P.) — A bemused southerner who claims he drove a big truck and trailer rig filled with dressed chickens across the nation in a daze was in a Portland jail today, held on three felony warrants issued in Savannah, Ga.

Vermer C. Campbell, 31, a Miami, Fla., trucker, told officers he had been drinking when he started on his transcontinental odyssey in a truck belonging to Barah Produce Co. of Miami. The firm had sent Campbell to Savannah to pick up the new truck. Instead of returning it to Miami, he headed for Portland, after picking up a pay load of dressed chickens.

Harold E. Artman, one of the owners of Barah Produce, intercepted Campbell here and will return the truck to Miami. Campbell claimed he came to his senses in Colorado. He

had \$18 on his person. He told officers "it takes a lot of money to run a truck-trailer across country." He apparently managed to obtain hauling permits through each state, even though the truck had only factory tags on it.

Presbyterian Synod Elects Coos Bay Pastor

Portland — (U.P.) — Rev. Oscar W. Payne, pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Coos Bay, last night was elected moderator of the Presbyterian synod of Oregon at the synod's 86th annual evangelistic conference here.

The Rev. Mr. Payne was Coos Bay's "First Citizen" in 1955 and was nominated, without opposition, by the Southwest Oregon Presbytery. He succeeds the Rev. Russell F. Pederson, Portland.

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