

U.S., Russia Claimed Able To Destroy Each Other in Atomic War

Washington—(U.P.)—The United States and Russia would destroy each other in an atomic war, Adm. Arleigh A. Burke, chief of naval operations, has warned.

The United States now has the nuclear weapons for "complete destruction" of Russia and the Soviet Union either now has or will soon have the "capability of doing the same thing to us," Burke said.

With "mutual destruction" in prospect from nuclear war, Burke said "there is apt to be some sort of stalemate where neither side dares to start a war because it will result in destroying the whole northern hemisphere."

Gen. Nathan F. Twining, soon to become chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, warned that this situation increases the danger of "limited war" because "the Soviets have acquired a greater capability to wage general war, and can, therefore, undertake limited aggression with less fear of total retaliation."

The comments by Burke and Twining, outgoing Air Force chief of staff, were contained in a heavily censored 1,331-page transcript of testimony by defense officials on President Eisenhower's \$38,500,000,000 defense budget for the new fiscal year.

A House appropriations sub-

committee heard the testimony behind closed doors recently and made public the transcript today.

Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson said he believes the Communist threat has reached its peak. But he warned that Russia still is a world menace and the

United States will have to maintain its armed might for years to come.

"Either she has a capability now or shortly will have the capability of doing the same thing to us."

Other highlights of the testimony:

—Adm. Arthur W. Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said the U.S. has a "marked superiority" over Russia in the air.

—Dr. Clifford C. Furnas, then assistant defense secretary for research and development, said the U.S. "definitely" is ahead of

Russia in developing battlefield atomic weapons.

—Burke said as far as the Navy knows Russia has not yet floated an atomic-powered submarine. But he warned Russia is building up its naval power faster than the U.S. and now has 450 submarines, eight times as

many as Nazi Germany at the outset of World War II. He said the U.S. "will lose" any war in which Russian submarines succeed in cutting off U.S. shipping from Europe.

—Maj. Gen. John B. Cary, deputy Air Force chief of staff, said "the Russians are now convinced that we can destroy them" through air power if they launch an atomic war. He predicted the Reds will not attack the U.S. as long as this country maintains such a strong Air Force the Soviets never become convinced they can "destroy it by sneak attack."

—In pleading for \$314 million to build the Navy's first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, Navy officials insisted it would not be a sitting duck for enemy attack. They said a carrier task force "is the hardest target in the world" to hit. They suggested it would be safer during wartime to be aboard an aircraft carrier than behind a desk in Washington.

—It will take some time for the Marines to complete conversion of their beach assault forces into "helicopter-borne troops," Marine Commandant Gen. Randolph McC. Pate said "for some years the Marine Corps will have one foot on the water and one in the air."

Study of School Budget to Start By Group Today

The budget committee of Medford School District 549C will meet tonight to begin consideration of the spending proposals for the district for the 1957-58 fiscal year.

A preliminary budget has been prepared by the school staff under the direction of Superintendent Leonard Mayfield. The budget proposals include basic operating costs, plus a number of alternatives for expansion and construction, for the committee's study.

Total Proposed

The total proposed general fund budget is \$2,109,809.01, compared to \$1,903,383.86 for the current year. In addition, bond redemption and debt service costs total \$200,326.88, for a grand total of \$2,310,135.89, compared to \$2,114,133.24 this year.

Suggested additional outlays which the committee may consider adding this year total \$80,210. If they were all adopted, the budget would total \$2,390,345.99.

Despite the increase of \$196,002.65 in the total proposed 1957-58 budget, the tax millage will not increase greatly, according to present estimates. If the budget is adopted as is, the millage will go up an estimated 2.4 mills, to 46.4. If additional

construction, renovation and equipment is added, the millage increase would be slightly greater.

Present millage in the district is 43.7, the lowest in the county, and one of the lowest in the state for school districts of comparable size.

Millage Estimate

The millage estimate is based on a proposed tax levy of \$1,518,321.41, applied to the assessed valuation of the district of \$32,389,795.67. The tax levy proposed is \$61,003.35 higher than the current tax levy of \$1,457,318.06.

The relatively small increase in the tax levy is accounted for by an increase in estimated receipts of \$140,665.90. This is money received from the county's share of receipts from converted OAC funds last year. It is applied to bond redemption.

Increases called for in the proposed budget are based in an increasing number of children, estimated to total 300; addition of 13 new teachers to handle this increase; an increase in teachers' salaries averaging 5.8 per cent, to place them on the same schedule as teachers in Grants Pass and Klamath Falls; smaller increases for non-teacher personnel; increased transportation costs, largely due to consolidation with the West Side and Oak Grove districts; higher costs for supplies and books; purchase of future school sites; increases in fixed costs such as social security and retirement; costs of new furniture and equipment, and relatively small increases in assessments, betterments and upkeep of grounds.

Damage Suit Is Dismissed in Court

A \$41,500 damage suit against Paul T. Rutter and Helen V. Rutter, doing business as Medford Osteopathic Hospital, was dismissed by Circuit Judge Orval J. Millard yesterday on the grounds that the plaintiff had failed to prove its allegations.

Mrs. K. C. (Mary) Van de Kamp, Old Stage rd., Medford, filed the damage suit in circuit court last July. In the complaint, Mrs. Van de Kamp, a former patient at the hospital, charged she was severely burned as a result of "carelessness and negligence" on the part of the defendants after she underwent surgery at the hospital Sept. 19, 1955.

A jury trial to decide the case had been scheduled before Judge Millard took the case from the jury. He dismissed the case on the grounds that the plaintiff had failed to prove negligence on the part of the hospital or that she had suffered any burns.

Mrs. Van de Kamp had asked \$40,000 for general injury and damages and \$1,500 for nursing care, medical attention and medicine. Representing the plaintiff was Noreen Kelly of Kelly and Kelly law firm, Medford.

Hugh Collins, Medford attorney, represented the hospital.

Victim of Accident Positively Identified

City police have positively identified Ivan W. Lathrop, 69, of Lake Hotel, Medford, as the man who was killed Tuesday evening by a northbound Southern Pacific freight train at the Main st. crossing.

Officers reported Glen Knapp, Oregon Rooms, 223 West Main st., Medford, identified the body yesterday as Lathrop's. Tentative identification of the body was made by police Tuesday. Lathrop's last known address was Riddle, Ore., according to police.

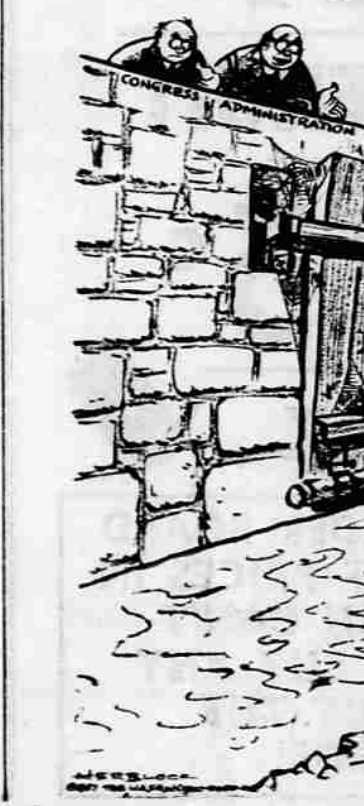
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Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Cincinnati.....9 14 2
New York.....7 10 2
Klipstein, Gross (1), Freeman (7) and Bailey; Burnside, Ridsick (1), Margoneri (4), Jones (6), Grissom (7) and Westrum.

"Well, Last December We Had The Christmas Spirit"



CARROLL E. BROWN
New Forest Supervisor

C. E. Brown Named Forest Supervisor To Succeed Wood

Carroll E. Brown has been promoted to forest supervisor of the Rogue River National forest, replacing Jack Wood, who has accepted a position in Washington, D. C., Regional Forester J. Herbert Stone announced today in Portland.

Brown has been staff officer in the regional division of recreation and lands in Portland for 1 1/2 years. He has had responsibility for planning, organizing and coordinating activities pertaining to administration of mining claims on national forests in the Pacific northwest.

Wood was promoted to a staff position in the office of the chief of the forest service. Both promotions become effective about June 1.

Brown, a native of Vancouver, Wash., began his career in the forest service with seasonal work in 1928. He worked three seasons each in Gifford Pinchot and Mt. Hood National forests.

He received his degree in forestry from Oregon State college in 1933 and received a forester appointment the next year in the Nicolet National forest in Wisconsin. On it and Chequamegon National forest in the north central region he served as foreman and camp superintendent in the civilian conservation corps program and as assistant ranger.

He was transferred in 1938 to the Pacific northwest region and worked briefly on Wenatchee and Mt. Hood National forests. He spent a year on the Gifford Pinchot forest as assistant ranger at Trout Lake.

After a brief period as a staff officer in the regional forester's office in the division of state and private forestry he became district ranger on the Siuslaw National forest at Hebo from 1940 to 1943.

He was promoted to a staff officer position on the Olympic National forest in 1943. He served as a staff officer three, four and five years respectively on the Olympic, Fremont, and Gifford Pinchot forests.

Nicaragua Army Mobilized

Knowland Turns Against Federal Aid for Schools

Budget Situation, Control Said Reasons

Washington—(U.P.)—Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland, who voted for school aid bills twice before, said today he switched to the opposition this year because of the "budget situation" and other factors.

Knowland, who has been moving steadily toward a position of opposition to the Eisenhower administration, revealed in a speech two days ago he is opposed to President Eisenhower's program of federal aid for school construction. The program calls for \$1,300,000,000 in grants to states over a four-year period.

The House Education and Labor Committee tentatively approved a program that would run for five years at \$400 million.

Knowland voted for bills to provide federal aid for schools. He was asked in an interview what factors prompted him to change his mind.

"The budget situation is one," he replied. This referred to the drive he is supporting for substantial cuts in the close to \$72 billion Eisenhower budget for the coming government year.

He said since his previous votes in favor of school aid "I have had an opportunity to see the greater concentration of power here in Washington. When the federal government puts money into projects, there is a tendency to exercise control." He added he believes education is "one thing that belongs to the states."

Council to Continue Zone Change Hearing

The Medford city council tonight will continue a public hearing on a proposal to rezone five acres on Barnett rd. and Black Oak drive from single family (class 1A) to limited commercial (class 11A). The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the city hall.

Action on the rezoning proposal was deferred by the council at its last meeting. The area proposed for rezoning is near the new Rogue Valley Memorial hospital, now under construction in southeast Medford.

Other council business will include awarding bids for construction of a sanitary sewer and a water main on South Grape st. between Melrose and Stewart aves.

Mrs. Hamilton Named To Welfare Group

Salem—Mrs. Scott Hamilton, route 1, box 189, Central Point, has been appointed to the Jackson County Welfare commission, Governor Robert D. Holmes, announced late yesterday.

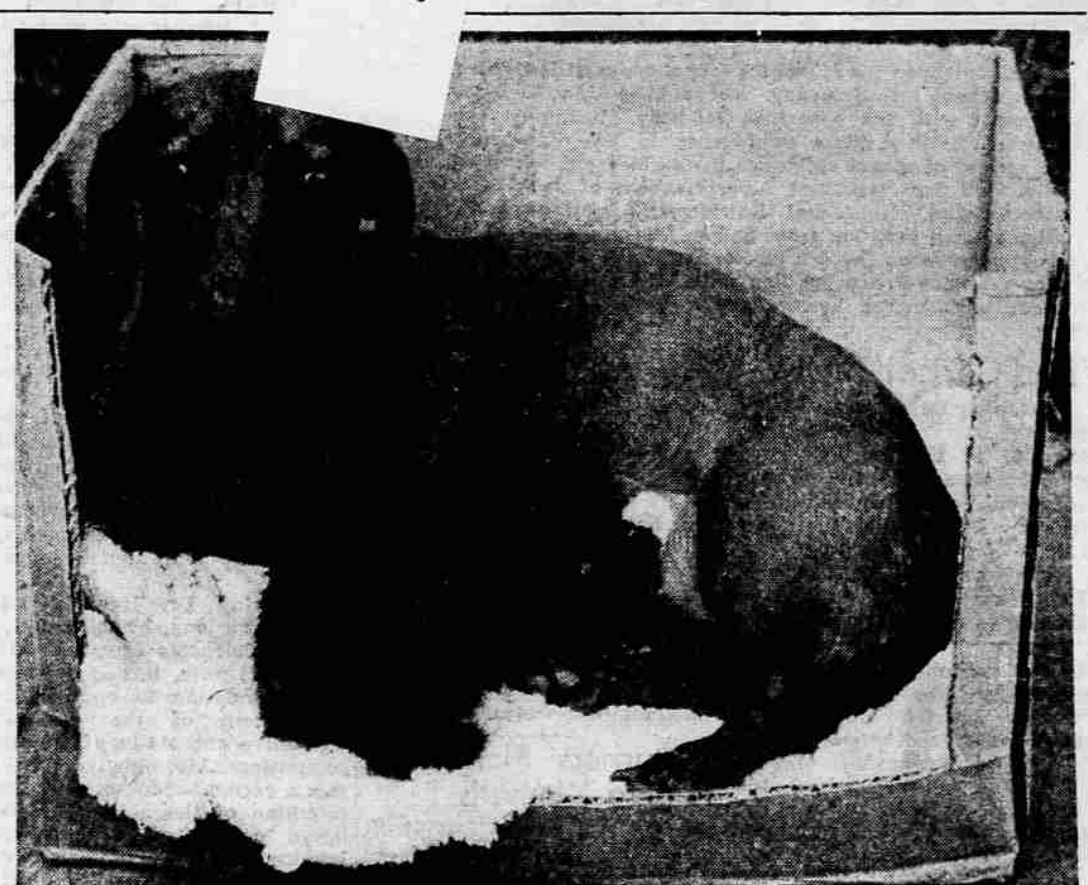
Mrs. Hamilton will serve the unexpired term of Mrs. A. P. Klonhous of Rogue River who resigned last month.

Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight and Friday morning, becoming cloudy Friday afternoon. Rain Friday night. Low tonight 46. High Friday 60.

Our Skies Tonight

Precip. to 10 a.m. Today.....16
Sunrise.....5:05 a.m.
Sunset.....7:12 p.m.
Moonset.....10:14 p.m.
First Quarter.....May 6
The Moon rises high tonight and forms a triangle with the planet Mars, and the star, El-nath. The star, on the right, is believed to be 300 light years from the Earth.



ADOPTS KITTEN—When Mr. and Mrs. A. J. MacInnes of 210 Cottage st., Medford, found a small kitten on their porch Easter morning, Heidi, their 10-month-old dachshund made friends with it right away. In fact, Heidi became so fond of the kitten that she has even assumed the role of mother to it, and allows it to "nurse" whenever it is convenient. The kitten doesn't get any nourishment for its efforts because Heidi is just a pup herself, but the arrangement seems to be satisfactory to both, and the kitten gets her milk from a saucer. The two play together constantly and Heidi watches over the kitten as if it were her own offspring. She growled suspiciously at Mail Tribune Photographer Bob Vroman when this picture was taken.

Group Asks End Of Ban on Rogue Water for Industry

Salem, Ore.—(U.P.)—A delegation of Jackson-Josephine county citizens Wednesday night asked the legislature to remove a ban on the use of waters of the Rogue river for industrial purposes.

The delegation, headed by Grants Pass Attorney Gene Brown, former state senator, said it also will seek to have the State Water Resources Board make a survey of the river and then determine the uses the river and then determine the uses the river could support.

Area Said Suffering

The southern Oregon interests told the House State and Federal Affairs Committee that the two-county area is suffering from a declining supply of timber and a weak lumber market. They said the Rogue waters must be allowed to serve industry so that new payrolls could be attracted into the Rogue basin.

L. C. Binford, chairman of the Water Resources Board, supported the delegation. He said the statutory ban on industrial use of Rogue waters "ties our hands and prevents us from making a determination as to the use of the river."

Election Scheduled May 20 on Proposed Rural School Budget

Jackson county rural school district patrons will vote May 20 on a proposed operational budget totaling \$1,523,366.55 for fiscal year 1957-58.

The amount more than the 6 per cent limitation is \$1,086,814.64. The total budget represents an increase of \$125,939.96 more than the current year's \$1,397,426.97 budget.

Total estimated receipts from other than local taxes are \$544,359.54, leaving a total of \$979,007.01 to tax on the total operational budget of \$1,523,366.55.

Emergency Fund

The rural operating and emergency fund of \$47,961 and the non-high tuition and transportation operating and emergency fund of \$273,450 bring the total to tax in the rural school district to \$1,300,418.01.

The allowable levy within the 6 per cent limitation is \$213,603.37, county officials noted, leaving the \$1,086,814.64 to be levied within the 6 per cent limitation on district budgets.

The total estimated increase in mills is from 54.7 for the current year to 68.4 for the 1957-58 year. Of the increase, 6.4 mills is due to an estimated loss in assessed valuation and loss of tax base in the district because of withdrawals from the district and reductions made by the assessor's office in compliance with recent attorney general's opinions, officials noted.

The tax base for the current year is \$342,931.88, or 24.4 per cent of the amount levied. The small tax base has made it necessary for school districts to vote each year on budgets exceeding the 6 per cent limitation.

Non-High Budget

The non-high budget accounts for several mills increase between the 54.7 and anticipated 68.4 mills. The current budget for non-high is \$250,450, which has been increased for fiscal year 1957-58 to \$273,450 to meet an estimated 14.1 per cent increase in enrollment.

The non-high levy has to be carried on a reduced valuation of \$19,019,082.78 compared to the present valuation of \$25,349,179.20, representing an increase of 4.5 mills for non-high purposes alone, county school officials noted.

Troops Called For Defense of Northern Border

Honduran Attack Blamed for Deaths

Managua, Nicaragua—(U.P.)—President Luis Somoza ordered a general mobilization of the army today "for the legal defense of our northern frontier" in Nicaragua's 50-year-old border dispute with Honduras.

In a statement, Somoza said Nicaraguans would take up arms to repel Honduran aggression. Nicaragua charged that 35 of its soldiers were killed in a Honduran attack Wednesday on the frontier town of Mocoron.

Somoza asked for patriotic cooperation from the people in a time of trial, and prayed for "those who died in the fulfillment of their duties when they were massacred by highly superior planes and forces."

Thousands gathered Wednesday night at the National Stadium in Managua to join the reserve forces which will supplement the national guard, Nicaragua's army. Reports reaching here from Leon, Granada and other cities said many persons were joining the reserve forces there.

Somoza met with his Cabinet and the army's general staff from 10 o'clock Wednesday night until early this morning, discussing the situation before he made his mobilization announcement.

Honduras warned its civilian population against possible air attacks by Nicaragua.

Somoza announced the casualty toll Wednesday night a few hours after he was sworn in as chief of state. He went into immediate conference with his brother, Gen. Anastasio Somoza, and other officials.

The President said a superior force of Honduran soldiers supported by five airplanes attacked a Nicaraguan national guard patrol at Mocoron between 8 a.m. and noon Wednesday.

Thirty-five Nicaraguans were killed, two captured and the rest fled, he said.

The attack came just 12 hours after Gen. Somoza, national guard head, called off an armed force alert on the grounds that Honduras was seeking a peaceful solution to the dispute through the organization of American states.

Bulletin

Salem—(U.P.)—The second major bill of the Democratic tax program raising the corporation excise tax rate and repealing the 50 per cent personal property tax offset passed the House today.

The measure, house bill 796, would bring in some eight million dollars. A 151 million dollar income tax bill has already gone to the Senate.

Program for Annual Convention of United Nations Association of Oregon Includes Speakers, Panels

The program for the annual convention of Oregon United Nations association, to be held in Medford May 4-5, includes two outstanding speakers and a forum discussion according to George Rode, president of Medford chapter, OUNA. Rode urged the general public to participate in convention meetings and hear the speakers.

The convention, to be held at the Jackson hotel, opens Saturday, May 4, with registration at 11 a.m. At noon Dr. Charles Schleicher, professor of political science at the University of Oregon, will speak at a joint luncheon meeting of the Medford League of Women Voters and OUNA in the Pioneer room. His topic will be "The United Nations Today."

"The Changeless Middle East Changes" and she will show films taken in the Middle East countries, where she lived for several years and made a study of social conditions and communications.

Sunday, May 5, Dr. Elmo Stevenson of Southern Oregon college will moderate a panel discussion of needs of the United Nations as revealed by an analysis of the 11th General Assembly. The panel discussion, open to the public, will follow a luncheon set for 12:30 p.m. in the Pioneer room.

Panel members will be Mark Smith, member of the social action committee of Oregon Council of Churches; Mrs. Beatrice Stevens, secretary of the Oregon Federation of Teachers; Miss Mildred Wharton, president of Oregon Education association and A. C. Fries, representative of Rotary club.

Anyone wishing to attend any of these functions is asked to call Mrs. Herbert Sampert, SP-2-4328, for reservations.

Dr. Karlin Capper-Johnson, Portland, president of the Oregon UN association, will preside for the convention. Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m. reports are to be given and new directors elected. Mrs. Harlan P. Bosworth Jr., officer of the Medford chapter, has been nominated for the board.

Saturday at 5 p.m. a social hour for convention delegates and Medford chapter members will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Padgham, 2407 Springbrook rd.

Another business session is scheduled for Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and following the panel, a final business meeting will be held at 3 p.m.

The panel discussion will be

supplemented by a tape recording of a report made by Larry LaSuer, CBS news commentator attached to the UN, who explained the work of the General Assembly with special emphasis on the Middle East over a closed circuit program April 25. In Medford the closed circuit program was viewed at KES-TV by a group of Medford and Ashland residents who have volunteered to fill local speaking engagements concerning the United Nations. In the group were Charles Cray, A. C. Fries, Mrs. Bosworth, Mrs. John Ousterhout, George Rode, C. Elwood Hedberg, Mrs. Justin Smith and the Rev. Escler Hiser.

Speakers on the program were LaSuer, Andrew Cordier, Ralph Bunch, Ambassador Wadsworth, Paul Hoffman, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and Ambassador Gross.