

Europe's Six-Nation Coal, Steel Pool Completes 'Transition' Period

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Luxembourg — The six-nation coal and steel pools—has come of age. Its five-year "transition" period is over.
The mighty economic venture, which has been dubbed "the great European revolution of our time," is fully launched.
As of Monday, France, Ger-

many, Italy, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg had fully evolved a single market for half of Western Europe's coal and nearly two thirds of its steel. They had torn down national tariff barriers, quota and currency restrictions, cartels and price-rigging which have hampered Europe's economy for centuries.

Comparatively minor problems, such as that of high-priced coal in Belgium, remained to be ironed out. But

in broad terms the directors of the most daring economic experiments ever attempted in Europe could justifiably claim to have carried out the necessary "adaptation" which they faced when the "Schuman Plan" pool was launched in 1952.

It was at 3 o'clock on the morning of Feb. 10, 1953, that the five-year "transitional" period for adapting the various national economies to the integration scheme started.

At that hour, a coal train—drawn and unexciting like any other—drew into Luxembourg station. It came from the German Ruhr and was headed for industrial Lorraine, in France.

A brief informal check, a blast on a whistle, and the train continued on its way across three countries.

For that train, and the others which followed, there were no frontiers, no customs and no variation in prices inside and outside its country of origin. The common coal market was opened, and iron and steel followed shortly thereafter.

Radical Act

The act of putting together the heavy industry resources of a six-nation community of 160 million Europeans—as populous as the U. S.—was as radical as anything Europe has known since the industrial revolution changed the face of the world.

Not only was it a mighty economic step but it was a move pregnant with possibilities for long-dreamed-of European political federation.

When France's then Foreign Minister Robert Schuman first presented his brain child May 9, 1950, he said the pooling of French and German heavy industry would make another war between the two countries "not only unthinkable, but impossible."

By placing their coal and

steel resources under the jurisdiction of a high authority, which has supranational powers, the six member countries also undertook to surrender part of their jealously-guarded sovereignty.

IT'S ALL OVER

Manila — Japanese officials expressed optimism today that two World War II stragglers would soon come out of their hideouts on Luban Island for repatriation to Japan. A Japanese mission dropped packages Tuesday into the jungle area where the stragglers have been hiding since the war. The packages contained letters from their families, photographs, medicine, cigarettes, food and an imperial message declaring the war ended Aug. 15, 1945. Also included was equipment with which the stragglers could signal their whereabouts and their desire to be repatriated.

Largest of cats next to the lion, the male tiger may measure more than 10 feet from nose to tail tip and weigh as much as 650 pounds.



'A LONG, LONG, YEAR'—Australian war bride Mrs. Florence Doering smiles on arrival in San Francisco, en route to Oroville, Calif., to begin a court fight for custody of her two children. The 36-year-old blonde said "it's been a long, long year" since she last saw the children spirited back to America by her husband from Australia where Mrs. Doering had taken them after living in the U. S. with her ex-soldier husband for eight years. With Mrs. Doering is her attorney John McDonald.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—FIVE

The Colony and Protectorate of Gambia, Britain's oldest link to west Africa, comprises little more than a broad river with narrow strips of land on each side, the National Geographic Magazine says. Leading exports are peanuts, palm kernels and beeswax.

Sun Life of Canada Pays \$34 Million in Policyholder Dividends; U. S. Sales Up

Company sells total \$917 million new life insurance in '57; \$7½ billion life insurance now in force; \$155 million paid to policyholders in 1957.

Higher policyholder dividend payments and a new sales record for the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada are among the highlights of the year announced by George W. Bourke, President, in his review of the Company's business for 1957. During 1958, Sun Life will pay out \$34 million in dividends to policyholders, an increase of \$2½ million over the amount paid out in 1957. New life insurance sold in 1957, amounted to \$917 million, largest amount ever sold by any Canadian company in one year and an increase of \$63 million over the old record set just a year ago. A substantial proportion of the new business originated in the United States, where Sun Life has 36% of its insurance in force. Included in the new business total was \$243 million of group life insurance. Sun Life's insurance in force now exceeds \$7,749,000,000, more than twice the amount in

force ten years ago. Life insurance and annuity business combined is now the equivalent of \$10,150,000,000 of life insurance.

BENEFIT PAYMENTS

The Report also reveals that \$155 million in benefits was paid out to policyholders and beneficiaries in 1957. Of the total \$49 million was paid to beneficiaries of deceased policyholders, representing a substantial contribution to family welfare. Living policyholders and annuitants received \$106 million. Payments to policyholders and beneficiaries since the first Sun Life policy was issued in 1871 have now reached \$3,295,000,000.

Mr. Bourke referred to the current level of death rates in the United States and Canada. Almost 60% of Sun Life death claims incurred during 1957 were due to disorders of the heart and circulatory systems. The proportion of

claims due to cancer—19% of the total—represented the second major cause of death. There is an obvious need for extensive medical research and the Sun Life is continuing to make contributions for this important study, he said.

"I believe that the better informed people become as to the benefits of life insurance," Mr. Bourke said, "the more insurance they will buy and the more they will insist on programs carefully designed to cover their fundamental insurance needs. These needs are still so far from full satisfaction that we can look forward with every confidence to the continued growth and prosperity of our business."

A copy of Sun Life's complete 1957 Annual Report, including the President's Review of the year, is being sent to each policyholder, or may be obtained from C. E. Jones, P. O. Box 1123, Medford, Oregon.

Mr. Adams and Eve Offers Untenable Assumption Show Folk Are Top Breed

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New York — "Show People Are No People," an acquaintance of mine used to croon to a tune by Irving Berlin.

There was considerable truth in his contention. Actors, for the most part, are not for real. Off-stage, they are a pretty uninteresting bunch and many of them seem to spend a good deal of time huddled around the chilly fire of their own egos. There are exceptions, but I would say struck me as a kind of retarded breed of adult.

Habit Cried Over

A TV producer I once interviewed put it this way: "All of us like to stand on our heads when we're kids — it gets us attention. The peculiar thing about actors is that they stand on their heads during adulthood."

Which brings us to "Mr. Adams and Eve," a CBS-TV series that operates on the assumption that show folk are witty, brilliant and almost unbearably chic (to be chic in show circles means you kiss instead of shaking hands when introduced).

It is an untenable assumption, one that even the fawning movie fan magazines have largely abandoned. But Howard Duff and Ida Lupino, who play the leads in "Mr. Adams and Eve," seem to have failed to receive the word. They go on perpetuating the myth that in Hollywood everyone is just mad, mad, mad, utterly mad, do you hear?

Impossible To Accept

And, of course, as a result, the series is impossible to accept. It is not for real. It is a series purportedly about show folk, but it actually is peopled by phony characters involved in phony situations, all of it peppered with phony dialogue.

It is a nonsense series and its "fun" is ersatz. Tuesday night's plot was typical and I won't even bother to recount it except to say that it was a "fun" excursion into astrology with Eve (Aquarius) and her husband (Sagittarius).

But let's face it, like almost all the installments in this series, it was strictly Taurus the Bull.

The Channel Swim

CBS-TV's "To Tell The Truth" proved again Tuesday night it is the least painful of the panel shows. Virgil Earp, the nephew of Wyatt Earp who bowed in Tuesday as a contestant on CBS-TV's "The \$64,000 Question," engaged in a odd bit of chit chat with Hal March — he confessed to shooting a man back in 1895.

Arthur Godfrey will try to stimulate interest in his CBS-TV "Talent Scouts" by giving away a \$5000 prize to the month's top talent.

FIREFIGHTERS VS. LAW

Superior, Wis. — A truck bound from one Canadian city to another by way of Wisconsin caught fire Tuesday. But firemen had to wait until a customs official gave approval before they could break a seal on the truck and get inside to fight the blaze.

OUT IN THE COLD

Pensacola, Fla. — Palmer Jarrell has no home, he reported to the sheriff — somebody stole it. The sheriff's office said Jarrell reported his \$3,500 house trailer

EXHIBIT A

Tallahassee, Fla. — Police hope it won't be too difficult to trace a \$5 bill stolen from Chariton Pierce. It bears the autographs of Gov. and Mrs. Leroy Collins, Congressman Bob Sikes, former Govs. Fuller Warren and Millard F. Caldwell, and former Acting Gov. Charley E. Johns.

HE'S NO LETTER WRITER

Los Angeles — After having heard nothing from his brother for nearly 50 years, Frank Kluge, 76, a retired Chicago steelworker, met him in Union Station on Tuesday. The brother, 71-year old Leonard, said there had been nothing wrong — "I guess I'm just not much of a letter writer."

SORE FINGER EXPLAINED

Hollywood — Rugged Clint Walker returned Tuesday from a promotional tour of Texas with a sore trigger finger. "Not from shooting," Walker explained. "Got it signing autographs."

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Isabel R. — I can't feel the same about Ted.

Ted F. — Neither of us was responsible.

Isabel R. — I always knew I can't hold liquor, so I know I should never have drunk as much as I did on New Year's eve. Anyway, I did and now I can't forgive myself.

I went to a party with a young man who had asked me to marry him. I was seriously considering marriage to him. But when I was drunk, I went too far with him and now I don't know what to do. It was an awful experience and I hate myself and I don't like him any more.

Ted still wants to marry me and I suppose there is more reason now than ever why I should. But I just can't feel the same toward him. After all, he took advantage of me in my drunken state. That wasn't right. He was more in command of himself than I was.

Ted F. — As Isabel points out, there is more reason now than ever why we should marry. She is a really nice girl and she won't be able to face herself unless she does marry me.

I did not mean to take advantage of Isabel. After all, I was drunk too. Neither of us was really responsible.

The way I see it, this was just an unfortunate accident. Isabel should not judge me by that one incident. I am seriously in love with her and I'm sure I can make her happy.

There are two other men who want to marry Isabel, but I am sure she could never be happy with either of them after what has happened between us. She is now just fighting the inevitable.

The Council: An unfortunate accident? We doubt it. Drinking isn't accidental, nor are most of the actions that follow. More often drinking is used, quite consciously, to remove inhibitions and to solve the drinker of responsibility for doing exactly what he has determined to do beforehand.

What possessed Isabel to take this step with Ted? Probably a combination of fear and curiosity. Certainly there was no love or desire for marriage involved. Naturally, the results were "awful."

What possessed Ted to take this step with a girl he wants to marry and claims to love? Possibly despair at not being able to really win her affections and possibly a desire to trap her into a marriage despite her reluctance.

Is there now "more reason than ever" why this couple should marry? We can't give a flat yes or no to that question. One thing is sure, however — Ted and Isabel should not go to the altar in their present frame of mind.

Isabel should recognize that she can't place the blame for what took place on Ted alone. And Ted should recognize that his own responsibility was not trifling, either. But they need more than a common sense of guilt as a basis for their marriage. They need to find some real unselfish love for one another — plus a mature desire to create a happy life together.

Isabel and Ted have a long way to go in understanding. They should consider some talks with their clergyman.

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CHURCH TALKS PLANNED
London — The executive committee of the World Council of Churches said today it had accepted an invitation from leaders of the Russian Orthodox Church to hold talks next August. Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, of New Rochelle, N. Y., president of the United Lutheran Church and chairman of the World Council executive committee, said the talks would be aimed at getting acquainted and seeking East-West church cooperation to create "freedom, justice and peace in the world." Site of the talks has not yet been decided.

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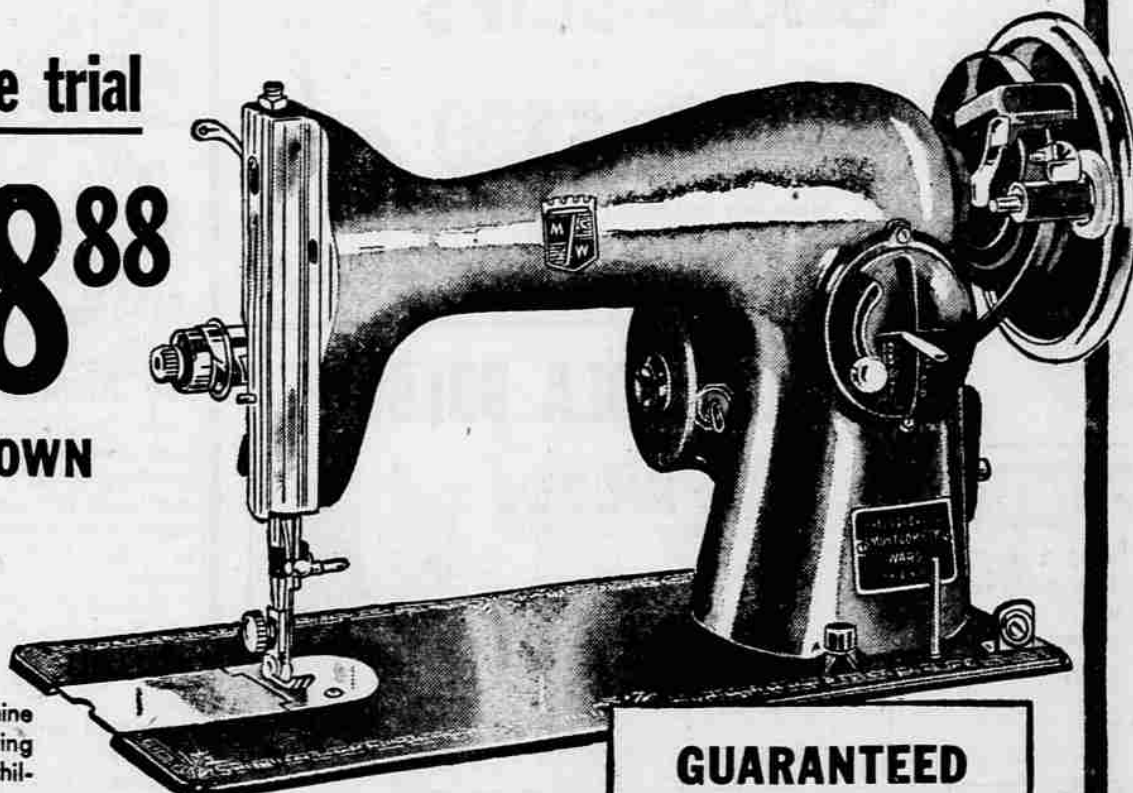
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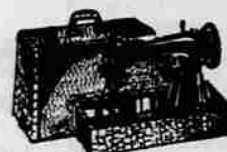
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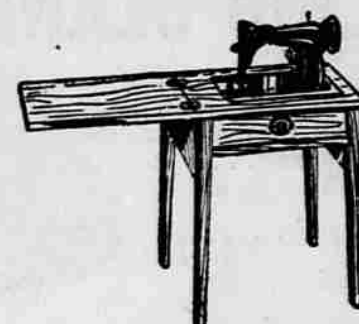
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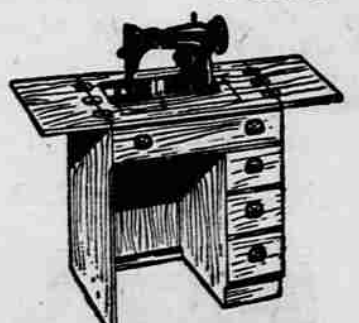
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