



WON'T DROP SHERM—President Eisenhower at a news conference in Washington stood pat on his decision to keep Sherman Adams as his top aide despite GOP statements that he should resign because his usefulness has been seriously impaired.

Greece Seeking Share of Money

Athens — (UPI) — The Greek government is making an all-out effort to collect its share of the millions of dollars being spent in Europe each year by American tourists, and the effort is paying off.

Tourism now ranks fourth as a producer of foreign income. First comes the tobacco industry, then the famed Greek merchant marine, the production and sale of, curants abroad is third.

In 1952, 68,000 tourists visited Greece, and 15,000 of them were Americans. In 1956, there were 206,000 tourists, including 33,000 Americans.

Constantine Tsatos, minister of the prime minister's office, told a group of 46 American press representatives, here recently as guests of the Greek government and of Air France, that tourist traffic this year has far exceeded the 1956 record figures. Tsatos believes Greece will have had 250,000 tourists visiting its 300-island kingdom by the end of this year.

The welcome mat is out for the European tourist trade as well. One handicap has been a poor highway through Yugoslavia to the Greek bor-

der. In cooperation with the Italian government, an automobile ferry will operate between the southeastern tip of Italy and the Greek mainland, starting in 1958.

Most of 1957's foreign visitors have come from France, Germany and Italy, but even the Russians are touring by bus and have been in Greece this year.

"We check the Russians carefully," said Tsatos. "We must be careful that they are indeed tourists. We have had long experience in guarding against the Communists."

Apartment Dwellers Flee Portland Blaze

Portland — (UPI) — Occupants of apartments on the second floor of a two-story building were evacuated temporarily early today when a fire broke out on the first floor.

No injuries were reported. Damage was estimated at \$20,000, principally to stores on the ground floor. The blaze was believed to have started in a shoe store.

Four alarms were turned in. Firemen controlled the blaze in half an hour.

Charges Split Hawaiians in Statehood Bid

Washington — (UPI) — Newly-arrived members of a Hawaiian delegation set out today to try to unlock the Congressional door to statehood for their territory this year. But charges of politics split the islanders and made their task doubly difficult. Congress is not in a mood to act this year anyway.

The delegation, headed by Hawaii's Republican Gov. William F. Quinn, arrived here by plane Sunday with a party of other Republicans.

To Hurt Chances

John A. Burns, a Democrat and the territory's non-voting delegate to Congress, promptly charged the group was "politically partisan" and said it would hurt Hawaii's chances for statehood now.

He said the delegation was called here by Interior Secretary Fred A. Seaton, with whom the group planned to confer today.

Quinn called for an all-out effort "to conquer the parliamentary inertia" blocking action on Hawaiian statehood in the House and Senate. He declined to predict whether Congress would grant statehood this year but said "we've got an excellent chance."

Could Muster Strength

Quinn said if a vote were taken this week Hawaii could muster the same strength for statehood Alaska did in its successful bid one week ago.

Nevertheless actual prospects for Hawaiian admission to the union this year were considered dim. Leaders of both houses have explained it is too late in the session for the necessary maneuvering to get a statehood bill through. Chances are considered much better next year.

Crash Victim To Return Home Soon

John Day, Ore. — (UPI) — Mrs. Patricia Davis, Fresno, Calif., hospitalized here with injuries suffered April 21 in a plane crash, is doing fine and expects to return to her home around the middle of July, her private nurse said today.

Mrs. Davis is scheduled to undergo further surgery Friday of this week on her left leg so she can be fitted with an artificial limb. Her left foot was amputated after she suffered severe frostbite during a three-day ordeal of waiting by the wreckage of a light plane in the snow while her husband sought help.

She is expected to return to Fresno about July 18 or 20, her nurse said.



MARRIAGE ON ROCKS—Actress Mammie Van Doren and her bandleader husband Ray Anthony have announced they plan to end their three-year marriage because of "conflicting careers." Mammie is shown here as she departed New York by plane for film work in Europe.

Man Sets Up Housekeeping on Own Burial Plot

Shamokin, Pa. — (UPI) — Maximilian Yoncoski, a 79-year-old former coal miner, has gotten things down to essentials by setting up housekeeping on his own burial plot.

Ten years ago Max had a little trouble with his wife, so he sold his house and moved to the cemetery, bringing only an old upright piano and a dog. Here the Polish immigrant's way of life seems to prove that a home is what you make it.

Using materials scavenged from the surrounding woods, he built a tarpaper and rag shack around his piano. He brought in a couch to sleep on and a wood-burning stove to cook on, and retired for life.

In his regular interviews with curiosity-seeking reporters and photographers, Max says he likes his hermit's life fine. People, he says, are nothing but trouble.

No Chopin

In this neighborhood he can sing and play the piano all night and get no complaints.

He can sit around the house all day and stay out all night without becoming the subject of gossip.

And when he wants to sleep, there are no disturbances to keep him awake. The only noise in the area is made by his six dogs — the one he brought with him turned out to be female.

Yoncoski seems to derive a maximum of contentment amid a minimum of comforts in his ramshackle home. His self-imposed exile is solitary, and, except for a few visits to town for provisions, he has little contact with other persons.

He spends his days tending the graveyard, planting trees and the flowers gathered from the surrounding woods, raking leaves and mending the fence.

It would be a nice touch to report that the old coal miner relaxes with the soulful playing of Chopin's music, but the fact is, that Max just bangs at the keys until he is exhausted, then goes to his couch, spiritually renewed.

Japanese Freighter Avoids Radioactivity

Aboard the Meiwa Maru in the western Pacific — (UPI) — The Japanese freighter Meiwa Maru moved away today from dangerous radioactivity

from the U. S. nuclear testing grounds.

Another vessel, the Chowa Maru, reported from a spot 300 miles northwest of the Meiwa that it also ran into radioactivity.

The freighter was 900 miles southeast of Bikini Atoll on Sunday when it detected radioactivity of 400 counts per minute per liter in currents flowing from the direction of Bikini and Eniwetok.

Today the vessel was moving out of the contamination zone believed to extend 900 miles downcurrent from Eniwetok.

Geiger counter instructions aboard the ship said a count of 400 was highly dangerous when contacted by the skin over a one-week period.

The ship's crew apparently suffered no injuries.

About 75 per cent of the current consumption of gasoline is used to move ordinary traffic along America's paved city streets and the network of intercity highways.

Peach Trees Get Crew Cut Look

Hudsonville, Mich. — (UPI) — Peach trees on the Herbert De Kleine farm have a crew-cut look because of a mowing machine-type device which clips the tops of trees on his Hudsonville farm.

De Kleine, a high school vocational agriculture instructor, made the device from a hay mower, boom, pulleys and cables. It is mounted on the rear of a tractor and operated through a series of hydraulic control devices.

"We only use it for two or three days, but when we do it saves us three to four weeks of work," said De Kleine. "We can't afford to pick peaches up in the top of the tree any

from the U. S. nuclear testing grounds.

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