

**In the Day's News**  
By FRANK JENKINS

Senator Humphrey of Minnesota is much in the news these days. So let's quote him again.

Returning from a trip to Moscow, in the course of which he spent eight hours talking to Khrushchev, sizing him up, trying to determine whether he means business or is bluffing, the senator from Minnesota, who is also a member of the important senate foreign relations committee, says he thinks the Berlin situation is "fraught with danger."

So—  
Let's take another look at this Berlin business.  
Here is it in a nutshell:

1. Russia has said that on June 1 she will turn the Eastern sector of Berlin over to the East German communists—who, presumably would proceed to take over West Berlin, which is now occupied by U.S. British and French forces. The Kremlin added that it might make the turn-over BEFORE June 1 unless the WEST COMES TO TREMS.

2. Russia warns that if the Allies (the Americans, the British and the French) try to force their way through German communist territory to red-encircled West Berlin it will be considered by the Soviet Union and the satellites allied with her under the Warsaw pact as an ACT OF WAR.

3. U.S. officials say the Western powers are firmly agreed on the necessity to REJECT IN BLUNT TERMS Russia's demand that the Western Big Three pull their troops out of West Berlin

**THE BIG question:**  
Is the irresistible force about to meet the immovable body?

**HERE'S THE probable answer:**

If Russia is ready for war, there will be war. If Russia isn't ready, there won't be war. Whenever Russia is ready for World War III, there will be war. Regardless of what we do—short, of course, of absolute surrender on our part if an excuse is needed, Russia will provide the excuse.

**WHAT to do?**

Well, we can RUN from Berlin. But I don't think Americans are willing to run from West Berlin if we run, our name will be mud throughout the world. Nobody will any longer have any faith in us. No AMERICAN is ready to stand for that.

So—

There remains this:  
We must STAY SO STRONG that Russia won't dare to tackle us.

That's about the size of it.

**Try and Stop Me**  
By BENNETT CERF

THE DAY BEFORE elections in Vermont, a girl called a Burlington newspaper office and anxiously inquired, "Can you recall the name of the Democratic candidate for governor in tomorrow's election?" The clerk admitted, "I don't believe our paper knows there is a Democratic candidate. Why don't you call Democratic headquarters?" There was a brief pause, and then the girl admitted sheepishly, "This is Democratic headquarters."



The day before Thanksgiving, one turkey strutted up to another and said, "When our blasted owner's looking the other way, let's make a break for freedom."  
"Count me out," answered the first gobbler. "On a day like this, you don't catch me sticking my neck out."

The crooner whose last four records had sold over a million looked out at his swimming pool one morning, and rang for his butler. "Jeeves," he yawned, "the pool needs restocking. Order a couple of dozen blondes."

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**GRANDVIEW Classes Start At School**

By LILLIAN KNIGHT  
Grandview—The new Williston school entered its second week of operation Monday with an enrollment of 289 students. Most of the school's supplies are on hand and classes are operating pretty much on schedule.

The cafeteria, gymnasium and auditorium will be ready for operation soon after the first of the coming year. The playgrounds are not ready but breezeways give the children their outside exercise and fresh air.

The faculty includes principal Robert Bacuss; first grade, Mrs. Virginia Ferguson and Miss Marjorie Shelton; second grade, Mrs. Jane Snodgrass and Mrs. Roberta Wade; third grade, Mrs. Maxine Mee and Mrs. Delores Gander; fourth grade, Mrs. Dorothy Morris and Mrs. Freda Peterson; fifth grade, Mrs. Barbara Doolen and Mr. William Esselstyn; sixth grade, Mrs. Ruth Kaye and Mr. Vernal Goodrich. Custodians are Perry Strom and Lloyd Clay. Cooks are Mrs. Virginia Wicker and Mrs. Pauline Worrel.

Calvin Dalton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dalton, Valley View dr., received his discharge last month from the Marine corps and is now home working with his father in his business. Funeral services were held Dec. 3 for two-year old Robert Larch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Larch, Roberts rd. Besides his parents he leaves one brother, and a grandmother, Mrs. Angeline Larch, of Medford.

The new baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Preston Jr., Roberts rd., born Dec. 1 and weighing 3½ pounds, has

been named Shelley Renee. The little girl has one brother, John 11, a maternal grandmother, Mrs. Eula Miller, of Albany, and a paternal grandmother, Mrs. John Preston, Sr.

Pollette Lea is the name chosen for the new baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Meyers, Lone Pine rd. She was born Nov. 26 and weighed 6½ pounds. She has one sister and a paternal grandmother, Mrs. Daurice Meyers, Ashland ave. Her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bart Shepherd, Applegate valley, spent a week during the Thanksgiving holiday at the Meyers home.

**Miniature Town Built for Children**

El Centro, Calif.—(UPI)—The Naval Auxiliary Air Station here is building a miniature town for children, believed to be the first of its kind in the country, and hopes to have it ready for a Christmas opening. Called "Tiny Town," the model of a small American city is being constructed on a 100 by 50-foot lot on the base. It is being financed by stock sold at \$1 a share to civilians and military personnel throughout the area.

The town is for the children of Navy personnel in the Imperial valley. It is designed "to teach them to get along with each other, to respect authority and to practice good citizenship." It will be equipped with a post office, garbage, barber shop, bank, police station, fire house, theater, church, school, drug store, a candy bar and a cafe.

**Quick End of New York Paper Strike Unexpected**

New York—(UPI)—Federal Mediation Chief Joseph F. Finnegan said today "the picture is not a bright one" for quick settlement of the strike of newspaper deliverers which has halted publication of New York City's nine major daily newspapers.

Mayor Robert F. Wagner offered his help to the mediator today but said he would stay out of the negotiation picture until he was called on—"I don't want to rock the boat."

**In Constant Touch**  
Finnegan said he would keep in constant touch with the mayor and "if the time comes when the mayor can help, I intend to take him up on his generous offer."

Finnegan, director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, came here from Washington Sunday to join regional mediators in attempts to settle the strike, which began last Tuesday.

He breakfasted with Wagner before a meeting with negotiators for the striking Newspaper and Mail Deliverers Union. He was to meet with the publishers later before calling a joint meeting. **Speculation Refused**

Finnegan told newsmen after the breakfast meeting that it would be "premature" to speculate on when the strike might be settled. "Severe losses have been sustained by the publishers and they seemed to take a pretty stiff attitude yesterday," he said.

**Hospital Treats 'Borderline' Group**

Denver—(UPI)—A newly-organized hospital is treating a "borderline group" of mentally ill patients in Denver without locks or restraints. Colorado State Rep. John E. Streltzer, president of the National Mental Health Center, said his patients are persons too sick to be at home but not sick enough to be placed behind locked doors.

"In severity of illness these patients are on the borderline between those who are easily able to function in spite of their problems and those who have lost the ability to deal adequately with everyday problems," Streltzer said.

He said it was frequently found that these patients would have little hope of getting well if they were to continue living without medical aid. The National Mental Health Center, Streltzer said, tries to help the patients understand themselves better so they can more satisfactorily cope with their difficulties.



WINNING HALF of multi-million dollar estate of Mrs. Cora Binkley Nidever, Fresno, Calif., oil heiress, Charles C. Binkley, 73, Montpelier, Ind., her half brother, says he has received many marriage proposals, has no plans.

The National Geographic Society has grown from 165 members to 2,175,000 in seventy years.

Preliminary work has started on a vast irrigation project in Dora Ismail Kahn district of West Pakistan.

**Aging Council Plans Report**

Committee reports on housing, recreation, health and employment will be given at the monthly meeting of the Rogue Valley Council on the Aging Thursday afternoon.

The meeting is planned for 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the senior activity center, 601 East Jackson st. Frank Glonning, chairman, will preside.

Improvements in the facilities of the senior center will be planned and the program for the new year discussed, a spokesman said. Plans for the annual meeting in January will be made also and a nominating committee appointed to select officers for the new year.

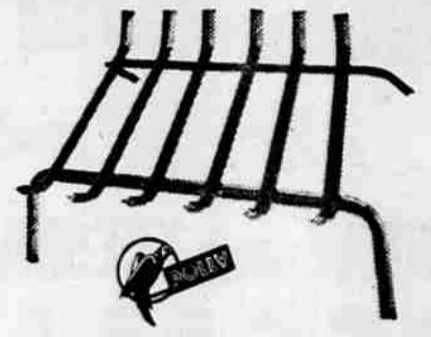
All former members are asked to attend and anyone interested in the improvement of opportunities for retired people in the county is welcome to attend also, the spokesman said. The newly organized Friendly Visitors group which has been visiting patients in nursing homes since Nov. 19, volunteer workers at the senior center and members of the 50 Plus clubs are especially invited, the spokesman added.

**Eggs Dispensed by Vending Machines**

Ripley, N. Y.—(UPI)—A new method of merchandising eggs by using roadside vending machines has proved a boon to western New York poultrymen.

Farmer John N. Wolf said the vending machines cut down on interruptions in routine farm duties and make it possible to sell eggs at night or when the farmer and his family aren't home.

Each machine holds 100 dozen eggs of two sizes, medium and large. Quarters, dimes and nickels are used to operate it. The device has a refrigerator unit to prevent spoilage in the summer and is electrically heated in the winter to guard against breakage.



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