



STRATEGY MEET—Western diplomats are pictured in Geneva as they gathered to discuss strategy prior to the resumption of the Big Four foreign ministers conference on Berlin. Left to right: Giuseppe Pella of Italy, British Foreign Secy. Selwyn Lloyd, Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville of France, U. S. Secy. of State Christian Herter and German Foreign Minister Heinrich Von Brentano.

\$278,069 in Illegal Welfare Funds Recovered

Portland (UP) — The recovery division of the State Welfare Commission has recovered \$278,069 in illegally obtained welfare payments since August, 1957, the office of Roy Terry, head of the division, said Tuesday.

Cash collections in welfare fraud and related cases totaled \$20,085 in June, passing the \$20,000 mark a month for the first time.

The collections were expected to receive the attention of the interim committee created by the 1959 legislature to investigate the welfare program.

Court Judgments — In addition to cash collections, the division has obtained \$106,688 in court judgments and \$64,033 in promissory notes in Multnomah county alone. The judgments and notes call for payment to the state.

Terry said the cash collections did not indicate the full scope of the division's activities. He said several "freeloaders" had been frightened off the welfare rolls, and many fathers had been persuaded to support children who were on welfare.

The division has 972 cases pending in court, most of them calling on parents for child support money.

Such change, it is held, would eventually result in higher tax returns for the government, a more liquid stock market, and more stock financing by industry to rehabilitate and expand its plants.



DENYING he owns any part of welterweight champion Don Jordan, Mickey Cohen nonetheless attended the big fight in Portland, Ore. He poses here in pajamas.

Horses Nearing End of Career at Army Barracks

Santa Maria, Calif. (UP) — Twelve horses who have been assigned to rounding up cattle and escaped prisoners at the Army's disciplinary barracks near here will lose their jobs on Aug. 1.

That's when the barracks will be closed, most of its inmates transferred to Fort Leavenworth, Kans., and its personnel assigned to other Army duties.

For the horses, it will very probably mean the end of their military careers, since the only other horses left in the Army are those used for military funerals and parades in Washington.

To Get Physical — As for the possibility of working for some other branch of the government, the 12 horses here will be given a physical to determine whether they are fit for further duty. If so, they will be turned over to a property disposal officer for transfer to any agency that can use them. If not, it may be the end of the trail.

At the disciplinary barracks the horses have been employed primarily to apprehend prisoners who have "walked off" the premises. But they have also been ridden by inmates assigned to herd the 500 head of cattle on the DB's vocational training farm.

No Special Treatment — Less than a year ago, the horses proved their worth in rounding up fugitive prisoners. One inmate attempted to flee on horseback through the maze of canyons near the barracks seeking to reach U.S. highway 101. But guards, also on horseback, picked him up within a matter of hours.

The 12 horses — one mare, 10 geldings and a colt — have received no special treatment although they are the largest and probably the last troop of Army "calvary."

Until two years ago, it was customary for the horses to appear with their Army riders in parades in the nearby communities of Lompoc and Santa Maria. But even this activity was discontinued. There just doesn't seem to be anything a GI horse can do in this missile age.

Baseball has become as popular in South Africa as British cricket and soccer.

Jobholders Set All-Time Record — Washington (UP) — The number of American jobholders rose to an all-time high of 67,342,000 in June, the government reported Tuesday.

This was 121,000 more than the previous all-time high of 67,221,000 set in July, 1957.

The government also reported that job-seeking students and June graduates boosted the total number of unemployed to 3,982,000 in June, up 593,000 from May. But unemployment declined among adults 25 years of age and over.

The rise both in employment and joblessness was mostly seasonal, the Labor Department said. Farm employment spurred by 823,000.

HILTS Holiday Visitors Named

By MRS. M. F. CAVIN
Hilts — Mr. and Mrs. Marins De Meyer of Eureka were Fourth of July week end at the home of Mrs. De Meyer's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Eastman, and Paula and her mother, Mrs. Agnes Cunial.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McFerrin and son, Terry, of Redding were guests of Mrs. McFerrin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Spannaus, several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold King have been recent guests at the M. G. King home. While here both families visited in Klamath Falls with relatives. On the Fourth of July the group drove to Lake of the Woods and to Ft. Klamath for a picnic and to Crater lake on Sunday. When leaving Mr. and Mrs. Harold King and family went on to Portland and Eugene to visit other relatives.

Week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Whitaker and family were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Seipert of Chico.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Simmen and children, Marsha and David, returned home Saturday after spending several weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Simmen in San Ramon.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Hartman, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. George Arleson of Ashland spent the Fourth of July week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Hayer in Bandon.

Mrs. Charles Hoyt and daughter, Charla, of Medford visited Wednesday and Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith and daughter, Jan, spent Independence Day week end at their cabin on Evans creek.

Mrs. Elsie Kalvett of Sacramento, was a Fourth of July week end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Luper and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Vande Weghe and daughter, Yvonne spent the Fourth in Prospect at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orris Wolff and children.

Among those attending the parade and fireworks in Ashland the Fourth of July were Mr. and Mrs. John Marin, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vieira, Mr. and Mrs. Don Ward and daughter Gayel; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Cavin and Marcia; Mrs. Robert Ferguson and children, Mrs. Margaret Ferguson and Janet; Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Cavin and Janet; Mr. and Mrs. Italo Marin and family; Mr. and Mrs. Roland Rainwater and family; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haynes; Mr. and Mrs. S. Marin and family and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Luper and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Fox and daughter, Dorothy, spent the Fourth at their cabin on Beaver creek and had as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Frumeyer and Cindy; Mr. and Mrs. Cal Sharp, and Mr. and Mrs. Mel Barron and Miriam.

Others spending the Fourth on Beaver creek were Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Thompson and daughter, Marilyn, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Laustlot and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vieira and girls, Mr. and Mrs. David Adams, Mr. and Mrs. David Sage, David Jr. and Bobby, Shirley Lemos and Barbara Rainwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Chase and children spent the Fourth of July week end on Montgomery creek, near Redding.

A dinner held Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Wiley honored the birthday of Mrs. Mel Barron. Other

Unemployment Claims Decrease

Salem (UP) — The Oregon Employment Department said Tuesday that 2,631 people filed new claims for unemployment insurance benefits last week. This was a drop from 3,142 the previous week.

The claims load resulted from several lumber and logging companies shutting down for annual vacations and workers with too little seniority to collect vacation pay, filed for unemployment benefits. A large grain milling firm also shut down temporarily because of lack of orders.

A few canneries completed their strawberry harvest, but laid off help were expected to be employed in the bean season which usually starts in mid-July.

Salem (UP) — Creation of a new position of county relations representative on the State Tax Commission staff and appointment of Berkeley DeVaul to fill the job has been announced by Dean Ellis, commission chairman.



'I'VE GOT GUARDS' — "They'll never get me in the madhouse again, I've got guards around me," shouts Louisiana Gov. Earl K. Long during press conference in Fort Worth, Tex., where the ailing executive is vacationing.

Hemorrhage Blamed For Portland Death

Portland (UP) — An autopsy showed Tuesday that Ebyln Weeks, 43, a Klamath Indian, died of a cerebral hemorrhage of the temple region. His body was found July 6 in Delta park. The sheriff's office said it had not been determined whether the injury was caused by natural or criminal means.

PRISON BILL SIGNED — Washington (UP) — President Eisenhower has signed a money bill allotting \$1 million to begin construction of a new federal prison for hardened criminals near Marion, Ill. The bill provided \$648,941,000 to operate the state and justice departments and the federal courts in the current fiscal year.

MAIL TRIBUNE, Medford, Or. Wednesday, July 13, 1959 13

Salem (UP) — The cities of Lebanon and Vernonia will each receive supplies this week that could make up an emergency 200-bed civil defense hospital, the State Civil Defense Agency has announced.

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Dividend Tax Credits Latest In Washington Drive on Thrift

By ELMER C. WALZER
UPI Financial Editor

New York (UP) — The Washington drive against thrift continues with dividend tax credits the latest target.

A few days ago the Senate tacked on a amendment to abandon dividend tax credit to the bill continuing the 92 per cent Korean war corporate income tax rate. The amendment was subsequently dropped.

Now, it is learned, another drive will be made to abandon the corporate tax credits. These are an exclusion on the first \$50 of dividends and a 4 per cent credit on the remainder of dividends received by stockholders.

Aside from this minute relief, dividends are subject to double taxation — once as income to the corporation and again as income received by the stockholder.

If the dividend credits were removed, it is estimated that three million small stockholders would be hit hardest because their holdings of stock are so small the dividend exclusion makes their dividends tax free.

The Stockholders Army — A total of 9,940,000 other individuals would be forced to pay higher taxes if dividends were fully taxed. These are the stockholder army — 9,490,000 plus three million, for a total of 12,490,000 shareholders of American industry revealed in the recent stock exchange survey.

The trouble with this giant group, of course, is that it isn't organized much more than the 120 million owners of life insurance policies who recently had to stand glumly by and witness a 55 per cent tax increase on insurance companies — a tax that will make insurance cost more through reduced dividends, and on new policies through possible increases in premiums.

Dividend credits were voted in 1954, and here is what has happened since that time: — Corporate dividends have jumped \$3 billion annually. — Government tax income on dividends has risen instead of fallen. The rise in the past two years has been \$400 million. — Share ownership has risen 45 per cent to 12,490,000. — Investment has increased sharply in common stocks. — Stock financing has risen moderately, and bigger increases are anticipated.

Small Tax Relief — Each of these is attributed to the small tax relief. The Senate move to eliminate the tax credits came suddenly and without warning. Some groups, notably the New York Stock Exchange, and Stockholders of America, took prompt action, and are credited with helping force abandonment of the plan.

The next attempt to tax stock investment thrift will find a much bigger array of artillery to combat the taxers. So far the groups hit by anti-thrift taxes are the ones feared least by politicians at election time. With a stockholding army of 12,490,000 persons, growing at a rate of 100,000 a month, things may be different in the future.

Some day perhaps the life insurance policy holders, and those millions who have savings accounts, as well as the near 13 million shareholders will really become vocal — and then the taxers will be in trouble.

Abolish Double Taxation — Wall Street experts are convinced that double taxation of dividends ought to be abolished in an honest tax bill. They don't expect such reformation. But they do advocate increases in credit rather than elimination of this stimulus to thrift. A sounder program than the present one, it is held, would be a \$100 dividend tax exemption and a 10 per cent tax credit on the remainder of dividends received by stockholders.

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APPLEGATE VALLEY County Roads Completed

By MAUDE ZIEGLER
Applegate Valley — Crews from the county road department of completing section of highway in the valley, including a four-mile strip from Buncomb to Yale creek, according to Gall Buffington, local road maintenance foreman. Oil matting, or a coat of crushed rock and oil is being used on the Little Applegate strip.

Last month a two-mile stretch of asphalt paving was applied to the road below Cooper, and in a few weeks a ceiling coat will be added to this, which completes the paved highway on upper Applegate to Cooper store, Buffington said. A four-mile stretch of asphalt is being finished on Thompson creek, extending from the White place to the Josephine county line.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rametes and family of Little Applegate spent the week end at Crescent City and Brookings.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Tweedy left last week for a month's vacation trip to Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams, accompanied by Mrs. Williams' mother, Mrs. Etta Hess, drove to Ft. Jones, Calif. Saturday, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steiger, son-in-law and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Williams.

Fifteen members of the Medford Trail Riders' club spent July 4th in this area, spending the night at Yale camp ground. Sunday they made the trip to Cinnabar lookout, where Mr. and Mrs. Ike Coffman of Jacksonville are on duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Offenbacher are vacationing in their trailer house at southern Oregon lakes this summer. They spent some time at Wilson lake and are at Diamond lake at the present. Their home is occupied this summer by Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Loganbeel of northern California.

Mrs. Lora A. Scott and family of Santa Susana, Calif. are new residents of the community, having purchased the Rhodes property on upper Applegate.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morris and son and daughter of Oakland, Calif., have returned home after spending a week here with Mrs. Morris' mother, Mrs. Harry Helms.

Mrs. Glenn Saltmarsh attended an annual family reunion of her brothers and sisters and other members of the Hamilton family at Hawthorne Park in Medford July 5. Sixty-four members attended the event, some coming from Oklahoma, Los Angeles and Seattle.

Miss Bonita Hard is spending three weeks at the home of her sister, Mrs. Bill Fitzsimmons, at Griffin creek.

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