

FRAN OFFERS TO SET ASIDE CASE

Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

HEADLINE day passes without an explosion. Iran offers to let UNO put the Iranian case back into the refrigerator provided Russia will give assurances that her troops will be withdrawn from the country UNCONDITIONALLY by May 6.

Russia tells UNO that troop withdrawals from Iran are not conditional on other negotiations over matters such as oil and the like. (Both thus comply with UNO's demand for an answer of some sort by today.)

John M. Hightower (a quite well-informed young man) says in a dispatch from New York this morning: "This was probably the BREAK that everybody has been working for."

THE relief we all feel at this development is admittedly the same as when we go to the dentist's office to have an aching tooth pulled and FIND THE DENTIST OUT.

The Iran issue is an aching tooth. Sooner or later, something will have to be done about it.

Will, if we can postpone the thing until the world is in a somewhat less explosive condition, the chances of getting out of the jam without shooting will be better.

At the present moment, people in a staggering large area of the world are hungry and homeless and have no jobs and no future. In such a mood, they have little to lose and maybe something to gain out of a ruckus.

So, if we can postpone decisions for awhile it may be easier to find SOLUTIONS. Every doctor knows there are times when a little delay is good for the patient.

GREECE is a fairly good example of the state of the world. Nearly 25 per cent of her buildings are destroyed. Nearly 50 per cent of her families are homeless or living in temporary shacks. Agriculture (always Greece's mainstay) is badly out of joint. Some 450,000 Greeks are dead by war, pestilence and starvation. Her economic level, never very high, is at one of its lowest points in history.

So don't blame the Greeks if the recent election they favored to return to a monarchy headed by King George II. In their minds, monarchy is associated with BETTER TIMES in the past. It isn't unnatural that they should be willing to return to ANYTHING that might bring back some semblance of better times.

We're all human, you know.

NOT only America but most of the world is in the kind of a fix where it seems to the average man that a period of peace and prosperity might be worth ALMOST ANYTHING it might cost. People are apt to feel that way as long as they have ANY hope left.

When they lose ALL HOPE—look out!

PRESIDENT TRUMAN tells his news conference that production for civilians "is higher today than ever before in the nation's history and is still going up."

That is hopeful, for it indicates that a majority of Americans are basically sound. In spite of all the industrial shooting, they have been going ahead steadily building up PRODUCTION—which, after all, is the only cure for what ails us.

At the other end of the scale, hearing so much about is just temporary pain-killer.

It illustrates something else—which all thoughtful news-writers are acutely aware of.

NEWS SPECIALIZES ON THE UNUSUAL. The unusual is often bad.

So, you see, the picture you get from the headlines in the papers and the news commentators on the air is apt to SEEM WORSE than the facts warrant.

HAVING admitted the beam in our own eye, let us now call attention to the mote in yours. If you are rigidly honest, you will perhaps admit that when you read the papers you are apt to look at the headlines telling of crime, scandal and corruption and sometimes even overlook the always large volume of CONSTRUCTIVE, hopeful news in the papers.

States Push Stocks Ahead

By The Associated Press

Five states and parts of 18 others will observe daylight saving time beginning April 28, while the remainder will continue on standard time.

Among the cities which will shift their clocks ahead one hour are New York, Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Kansas City, Newark, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Salt Lake City, Omaha, Phoenix and Portland, Ore., will not change.

Tidal Wave Death Toll Now At 176

Weary Searchers Find 7 More Bodies At Ravaged Hilo

By DON WHITEHEAD

HONOLULU, April 3 (AP)—The multi-million dollar debris of a tsunami wave ravaged Hilo yielded seven more bodies today as weary volunteers, spurred by a threat of contagion, continued their unceasing search.

The earth-quake-born disturbance—now subsided—took possibly 176 lives as it pounded shores from the Aleutians to Hawaii, to California and to Peru.

The territorial government of these hardest-hit islands, rushing the roundup of 4000 fresh diapers and huge stocks of food for desolated Hilo, found time to elicit a pledge of U. S. priorities for the vast rebuilding task ahead. Damage rose into millions of dollars, and most insurance policies did not cover wave destruction.

Territorial Toll
The territorial toll of 79 dead and 85 missing included: Hilo and the island of Hawaii 55 dead and 73 missing; Kauai 12 and six; Maui seven and five, and Oahu five and one. All bodies had been identified.

Added to these were 10 presumed deaths in the Aleutians and one each in California and Peru.

An estimated 4000 Hawaiians were homeless.

Pacific fleet headquarters reported it was in radio contact with all Pacific islands on which there were U. S. naval installations, and that it had no reports of any loss of life. The army also had no reports of deaths.

DA-Judge Tiff Grows Hotter

By HALE SCARBROUGH

The open split between Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg and District Attorney Clarence A. Humble, opponents in the coming judicial election, was widening today as both men stated to the press their view of recent criminal case dispositions in circuit court.

Humble said yesterday that the judge's action in throwing cases out of court was an attempt "to discredit the district attorney" and today Vandenberg said "I am not interested in the record of any man in this court. I'm interested only in that the indictment be proper, be proven in court and that the state of Oregon and the defendant have a fair trial."

Comments from the two candidates ran like this:

Been Upheld
Going back to the A. W. Downs trial, which was dismissed by Judge Vandenberg because of what was termed a "faulty indictment," Humble said that the indictment used was a statutory form and would have been upheld in the supreme court.

"The court has ruled repeatedly that a statutory indictment, set up by legislation, is in good form," Humble stated.

Of the Nettie Belle Lusk contributing to the delinquency of a minor trial, which was dismissed when 14-year-old Florence Lusk refused to testify because she might say what would incriminate her, the district attorney said that the girl could not possibly have been prosecuted for what testimony she might have given.

She had had a hearing in (Continued on Page 2, Column 2)

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5 MEN BREAK FROM STATE PEN

RR Workers Given Hike Of 16 Cents

CHICAGO, April 3 (AP)—Two arbitration boards today awarded wage increase equivalent to 16 cents an hour to approximately 1,220,000 railroad workers represented by 18 brotherhoods.

In each case the wage hike was retroactive to January 1, 1946.

A six-man board awarded 16 cents an hour to members of 15 unions of non-operating employees, numbering some 1,000,000 who originally asked for 30 cents an hour.

Their spokesman, Bert M. Jewell, said immediately the award was "wholly unsatisfactory" and they would demand more.

The public and union members of the non-operating board signed the award but the two railroad management members did not. There was no immediate explanation.

A three-man board awarded an increase of \$1.28 a day for a basic day, equivalent to 10 cents an hour for an eight-hour day, to about 120,000 members of three operating brotherhoods, the firemen and engineers, conductors and switchmen, who had asked for \$2.50 a day.

Richard F. Mitchell of the Iowa supreme court, chairman of the board in the operating case, signed the award, but Carl J. Goff, Cleveland, assistant president, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, signed it but marked his signature "dissent." Goff said he would have a statement later.

High Surf Danger Over

KETCHIKAN, Alaska, April 3 (AP)—Rumor and tidal wave scares were squelched last night for Alaskan and Aleutian residents as an official press release was issued by the commander of the Alaskan sea frontier at Kodiak, saying in effect there is no further danger.

The statement said that all observations indicate "the force of the tidal wave is completely spent in all sections of the Aleutians."

No further effect or recurrence of the wave is expected, the release added, and it said the navy "denies all responsibility for the groundless and panic breeding rumors widely disseminated with such harmful effect both in Alaska and in the Continental United States."

The Associated Press did not carry such rumors.

The navy statement asked that "in the future all concerned with the dissemination and publication of news relative to naval installations in the Alaskan-Aleutian area refrain from action until official and accurate reports have been received."

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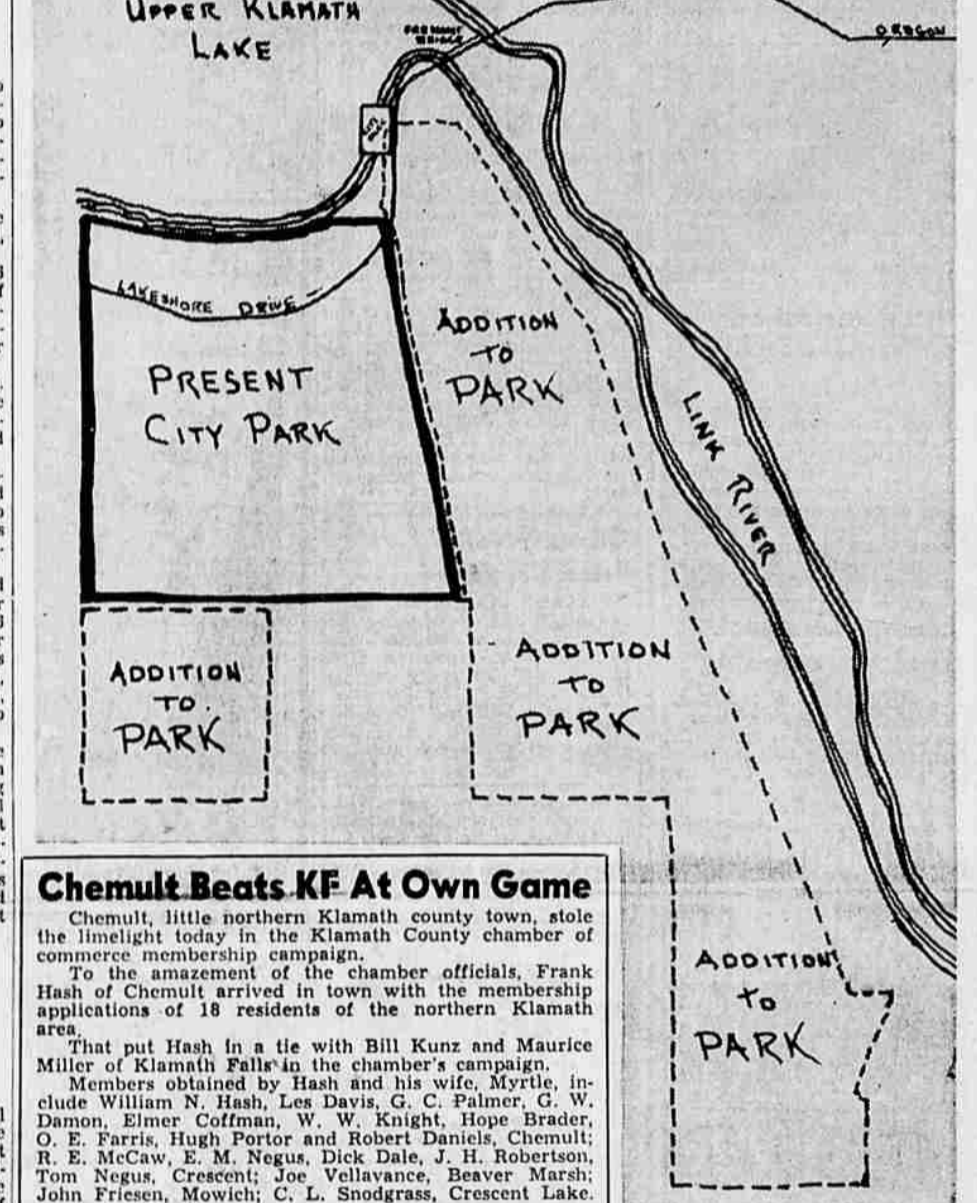
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Land Given For Moore Park Extension

Clara A. and Mary L. Moore have presented to the city land for an extension of Moore park, shown in the above map within the dotted line boundaries.



Klamath Donated Tract Of 250 Acres As Moore Park Addition

The city park board announced today that Clara A. Moore and Mary L. Moore have given to the city of Klamath Falls a tract of 250 acres as an addition to Moore park.

The new area adjoins the original park boundary on the south and extends along the hill overlooking Link river nearly to Riverside school. It is covered with timber, brush and Klamath wild plum and will greatly increase the primitive area of the park.

The original donation of land for a city park was made in 1926 by Rufus S. Moore, his wife, Clara A. Moore, and Mary L. Moore, the widow of the late Charles S. Moore, and included 114 acres of land. Before this grant was made, Rufus S. Moore asked the opinion of his friend, John McLaren, "the little gardener with the green thumb" who planned and executed the landscaping of Golden Gate park in San Francisco. McLaren, who always worked with nature and obtained a natural effect, saw the possibilities of the site and declared it a wonderful location for a park.

With a wide frontage on Upper Klamath lake, the ground rises to the south over open meadow and timber and affords an exceptional panorama of the lake and mountains to the north. The natural features of the park have been exploited in developing the original area, and during the summer thousands of visitors enjoy the wide lawns, picnic grounds, tennis courts and a system of paved roads and forest trails.

The gift of the additional land, just announced, which will increase the primitive area of the park, will be developed by the park board by working with nature, preserving the native shrubs and flowers and protecting and encouraging wild life. Foot paths and trails will make this area accessible to visitors, who will find Indian paint brush, lupin, wild orange huckleberry, purple larkspur, shooting star, wild columbine, pentstemon and many other wild flowers in their natural setting. The Link river canyon is a great fishing place for the white pelicans, and ducks, geese and other wild fowl are plentiful.

OPA Decontrol Measure OK'd

WASHINGTON, April 3 (AP)—An amendment to the OPA act to require removal of price controls in various fields as supply comes into balance with demand was approved, 20 to 3, today by the house banking committee.

The action would place squarely on President Truman the decisions as to when various controls shall be eliminated by stripping OPA of a large part of decontrol authority.

Approval of the amendment proposed by Rep. Brown (D-Ga.) came after the committee rejected, 15 to 9, a substitute amendment by Rep. Wolcott (R-Mich.), senior republican on the committee. This would have left decontrol decisions largely in the hands of industry advisory committees.

The Brown amendment, which would provide for abolition of price controls not later than June 30, 1947, is still subject to action by the house and senate.

Mahoney Named To Trial Post

WASHINGTON, April 3 (AP)—Appointment of Willis Mahoney, Oregon democrat defeated for the senate in 1944 by Guy Cordon, to be special assistant to Joseph Keenan, chief prosecutor of war criminals in Japan, was announced by the war department today.

Mahoney has maintained a law office here with Keenan for many years. He will leave Friday for Japan.

WEATHER NEWS

April 3
Max. (April 3) 46 Min. 31
Precipitation last 24 hours .01
Stream year to date 11.19
Normal 9.32 Last year 7.83
Forecast: Light showers.

3 Captured; Police Seek Remaining 2

SALEM, April 3 (AP)—Two more of the five young convicts who broke from the state penitentiary last night were recaptured here today.

Gordon D. Jones and Wayne Le Roy Long were found hiding under a holly bush on 14th and Chemeketa streets by Police Chief Frank Minto and Patrolman George Edwards.

One of the men, Henry Floyd Brown, 18, serving 10 years for assault with a dangerous weapon in Clackamas county, was arrested here late last night.

The five men sprang a bar over a window on the prison's first floor and scaled a 12-foot fence last night. Two gasoline-filled jars with rag wicks, which Warden George Alexander said were apparently intended to be thrown at the guard tower if the guard had noticed the men, were found near the fence.

Roads Blocked
The quintet escaped while returning to their cells after the weekly prison show. After their absence was discovered at the night check, police blocked roads leading out of Salem and began scouring the vicinity.

The escaped prisoners, besides Brown, were: Byron Neal Dyson, 21, serving life term; Glenn Wilson, 21, serving 11 1/2-year term; Wayne Le Roy Long, 21, serving eight-year term; Gordon Donald Jones, 15, serving 11-year term.

No Clue
Warden Alexander said the 100 guards and police officers who were searching for the men didn't have even a clue on which to work. He said "we've had just a bunch of bum rumors."

The five men went over the fence in full view of a guard stationed in a tower on the prison wall. Alexander said that the guard in the tower was inexperienced, having worked only a few days.

Secretary of State Robert S. Farrel Jr., and State Treasurer Leslie M. Scott, head of control members who went to the prison last night after the break, said the bricks in which the bars had been set had been loosened. They suspect a convict who had been washing the windows with loosening the bricks.

Patterson Backs Draft Extension

WASHINGTON, April 3 (AP)—Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson told senators today the present "world emergency" will last through 1946 and urged a year's extension of selective service beyond May 15.

His appeal was backed up by Secretary of Navy James V. Forrestal who told the senate military committee "we cannot be ungrateful of the facts that the world is not at peace."

Firing Squad Drops Homma

MANILA, April 3 (AP)—Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, a black hood over his head and a white target over his heart, died before a U. S. army firing squad early this morning, calm and silent to the end.

The stocky Japanese, who was General MacArthur's foe in the 1942 battle of the Philippines, died for ordering the death march on Bataan and condoning widespread atrocities in the Philippines.

Mrs. Homma was reported ill of typhus in Tokyo Imperial University hospital. The Hommas' daughter, Michiko, told Kyodo news agency:

"The news of the execution of my father took a weight off my mind as I have pitied and grieved because of father's irritation in awaiting execution."

Dies at 1 A. M.
The execution took place at Los Baños, 20 miles south of Manila, at about 1 a. m. It was there that Lt. Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita had been hanged in disgrace. Homma had headed the Japanese in victory in the Philippines—Yamashita in defeat.

Thirty minutes after Homma died, Lt. Gen. Hikotaro Tajima was hanged for the atrocity slaying of three American naval fliers in May, 1944.

THAT'S IT!

Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel said that a typical German army staff meeting could be summed up in these words: "Hitler arrived, talked and left."

Reds Must Promise To Pull Troops

May 6 Designated As Deadline For Russia Withdrawal

NEW YORK, April 3 (AP)—Iran offered today to let the United Nations security council shelve the Iranian case temporarily provided Russia would give assurances that Russian troops would be withdrawn from the country unconditionally by May 6.

The council, having received last minute replies from both Iran and Russia to its inquiries of last Friday on the state of negotiations between them, then adjourned at 11:46 a. m. EST until 11 a. m. tomorrow.

Russia said that troop withdrawals from Iran were not conditional on other negotiations with Iran over such matters as oil and the like.

Gromyko Absent
Troops will be out of the country within a month and a half, the council was informed in the message from Ambassador Andrei Gromyko, who however continued his boycott of the Iranian discussion by not actually attending the meeting.

Iran, in a letter from Ambassador Hussein Ala, advised that negotiations with Russia, in accord with a council decision at London, had failed, that Russian interference in Iranian affairs had continued, that Russia had made demands parallel with her troop withdrawals—but that above all Iran wants a friendly peaceful settlement of the situation.

American Secretary of State James F. Byrnes asked Ala what he would suggest. The action-packed meeting, expected to produce dramatic results of one sort or another ever since the council voted its inquiries to Moscow and Tehran and adjourned last Friday, had reached its apparent climax.

Answer
"If the Soviet representative," Ala said, "would be willing to withdraw the condition of unusual circumstances which he attached to the withdrawal of troops and give the security council assurance of withdrawal of all Soviet forces from Iran effective May 6 at the latest, Iran would be willing not to press for further consideration of the matter before the security council at this time, provided the matter was retained on the agenda."

This was possibly the break that everybody had been working for. Evidently to avoid letting it get tied up in parliamentary snags of the kind which so many council meetings have produced, Dr. Quesada suddenly stopped all discussion by adjourning the council until tomorrow.

KF Man On Jap Defense Counsel

YOKOHAMA, April 3 (AP)—Two Japanese, charged with responsibility for the beheading of a B-29 bombardier and the bayonetting of the dead body of another, will go on trial before an eighth army military tribunal Friday.

Defense counsel includes Lt. Richard F. Igl, 2034 Fremont street, Klamath Falls, Ore.

The defendants are Capt. Masaki Mabuchi, charged with ordering the execution of Lt. Darwin R. Emery of Denver, and Lt. Jutaro Kikuchi, accused of bayonetting the dead body of another B-29 flier.

Richard Igl is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Igl, and the husband of Phyllis Collier Igl, all of Klamath Falls.

Prices Of Dairy Products Likely To Be Raised Soon

WASHINGTON, April 3 (AP)—Retail prices for milk, butter and cheese are "quite likely" to be increased soon, government officials predicted today.

Both OPA and the agriculture department have recommended increases, and their proposals are being studied by the office of economic stabilization, according to these officials who withheld use of their names.

"The whole question of how much the increases may be is still very much up in the air," said one official, "but in the case of milk a jump of about a half-cent a quart looks about right."

An increase of that amount for milk, he added, would mean a hike of about six cents a pound for butter and about three cents for cheese.

There has been no decision whether any milk price increase will be nationwide. There is a possibility it may be authorized only for the so-called deficit producing areas—the south and the Pacific and Atlantic coast areas—but not in the midwest, the center of dairy production.

OPA and the agriculture department have recommended dairy product price boosts primarily to try to check declining production and, if possible, to increase output of fluid milk.

A secondary reason, officials said, is a decision that something has to be done about strikes and threats of strikes in the industry. In the last few weeks OPA has received scores of applications for price increases, many of them prompted by imminent work stoppages.

Rather than an emergency area-by-area basis, the government has decided there probably will have to be a fairly general price adjustment.

Officials said milk production is dropping off principally because increased labor and feed costs are causing farmers to trim their dairy herds.

"It seems pretty apparent that price increases are warranted to offset these higher prices," an official said.

He added that in the case of butter, the basic trouble is that cream is being diverted to other more profitable products. To change this, OES is considering an order that would put cream for manufactured products under price control for the first time.

Another possibility is the restoration of wartime controls which restricted the use of cream.