

TROOPS FIRE ON PALESTINE MOB

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
AS a thriller, the "ghost rockets" over Sweden surpass our Jap balloons. We could never quite convince ourselves that paper balloons, drifting in the air currents, could amount to much.

Rockets, in these days, are another matter.
THE latest on the rockets is an eyewitness account, published in a Stockholm newspaper yesterday. The eyewitness is described as a "trained observer of meteorological and astronomical phenomena" who was gazing at clouds through field glasses when suddenly a "nightmarish, torpedo-like object, with a tapered tail that spewed glowing blue and green smoke and a series of fireballs" streaked across his vision and exploded in a blinding flash.

He says in his published account: "I was completely dazed and had visions of doomsday." (He thinks the things are set up to explode and destroy themselves so they can't be found and checked upon. The Jap balloons were supposed to have been equipped with some such device, but apparently it seldom worked.)

WE suspect Russia, of course—partly because of her extreme secrecy about everything. But if you were a Russian, with all of Siberia to practice in, would you tip off your experiments by shooting your flame-spitting gadgets OVER SWEDEN?

IT'S barely possible that the trained Swedish observer might have seen a meteor in the fog and the cloud. Still, the fact remains that the Jap balloons, whose first closely-censored reports sounded screwball enough, were real.

IN many ways, it's a screwball world we're living in right now.

Students at Georgia Tech, dissatisfied with their seats allotted to them in the football stadium this fall, THREATEN today that unless the situation is remedied to their satisfaction they'll sit on the playing field on November 9, and thus force the calling off of the Tech-Navy game scheduled for that day.

When this writer went to college (much too long ago) a threat like that would have resulted in mass suspensions. In those prehistoric days, the naive idea still prevailed that DISCIPLINE is essential in our training for citizenship if the democratic way of life is to be made to work.

DON'T blame these embryo citizens at Georgia Tech TOO much. They're merely following the principle which we describe as "monkey see, monkey do."

What is happening, throughout our country and throughout the world, is this:
We're developing the TECHNIQUES OF CONTROVERSY to a point of super-efficiency, but are doing little, if anything, to develop the techniques of CO-OPERATION.
BUT this column (as happens too often) is slipping off into the quagmires of philosophy and moralizing—which most people loathe. So let's get back to the news.

HERBERT HOOVER, who in these days sees much and says little, breaks his accustomed silence long enough this morning to tell a Salt Lake City reporter that we (Americans) should:

1. Conserve our economic resources, improve our equipment and REDUCE OUR SPENDING.
"We MUST end our reckless spending," he adds.

2. In national defense we should hold (for ourselves) the atomic bomb until there is real co-operation for lasting peace, which must include general disarmament in the world—allies as well as enemy countries. "We

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Ex-Official Tells About WAA Politics

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (AP)—William Gilreil, discharged war assets administration official, testified today he once was instructed to get rid of a subordinate and replace him with a man favored by Senator Myers (D-Pa.).

Gilreil formerly was WAA sales manager in Philadelphia. He told the house surplus property committee that his immediate superior had told him that "if I was smart, I would fire the man acting as my assistant and move in the one who is now my successor. He identified the former as Paul Wingate and his successor as Joseph Muldowney and then added:

"I was told last fall that Senator Francis E. Myers was interested in having Muldowney put on the pay roll."
Earlier Gilreil said he had been fired because he had failed to respond to wishes of the democratic party organization in Philadelphia and the state chapters.

"If I was 'in' politically I would still have a job," he declared.
Gilreil said that his immediate superior, whom he identified as C. K. DuMars, told him forcefully to oust Wingate and make way for Muldowney.

"He told me to throw 'him (Wingate), the hell out of there," Gilreil said.
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Briton Says U. S. Sources Assist Jews

HAIFA, Palestine, Aug. 13 (AP)—British troops fired tommyguns and rifles today into a crowd of rioting Jews who were trying to storm through tanks, trucks and soldiers in protest against the deportation to Cyprus of 1000 illegal Jewish immigrants.

Three persons, including a 13-year-old girl, were reported killed, and seven wounded. Several policemen and soldiers were injured by stones, bottles and other missiles hurled by the Jews, who had been exhorted by the outlawed Hagana radio to "storm the streets."

Jews in the major cities of Palestine called a strike at 5 p. m. to continue until tomorrow morning, and convened mass meetings.

LONDON, Aug. 13 (AP)—A spokesman for the British colonial office specifically named "American financial sources" as responsible for "encouraging and directing" illegal immigration of Jews into Palestine.

The spokesman made the statement when asked by a reporter to describe the "very large financial contributions" which, a British government statement said last night, were financing a mass exodus of European Jews to the Holy Land. The government's statements announced Britain's decision to end illegal immigration and to convey to "Cyprus or elsewhere" any immigrants arriving illegally.

Palestine Sealed Off
Britain sealed off Palestine today against illegal Jewish immigration, clamped a rigid curfew on the tense port of Haifa and began transporting uncertified Jewish refugees waiting to enter the Holy Land to internment camps in Cyprus.

Coupled with the government's announced intention to shift to Cyprus the terminus of "the underground railway to Palestine," was an accusation that a highly-organized, Zionist-financed organization planned and assisted in the movement of refugees, thereby attempting "to force the hand of the British government" in future Palestine policy.

Jewish reaction was prompt and bitter. One Jewish leader predicted the step would cause "much more suffering—but it won't stop the stream of immigrants."

The British press soberly expressed unqualified approval of the move, and appealed again for American aid in solving the explosive problems of the Holy Land. Arab leaders hailed the announcement as "good news."

First Potato Shipment Out
The first carload of Klamath potatoes from the 1946 crop left for California markets last night.

It was the second time in the history of the basin potato industry that a carload of potatoes has been shipped prior to August 20. In 1941, a shipment went out on August 7.
Last night's carload was shipped on the Great Northern from Klamath Falls by the Cal-Ore Packing company and the potatoes were grown on the Col'well brothers farm on the Keno road. The shipment was made up of Bliss Triumphs and Pontones. The potatoes are now in full swing on the Col'well place and more shipments are expected before August 20.
Ross Aubrey, state-federal inspector, said he expected shipment of Nettle Gems to begin before September 1.

City Council Pushes Plan For Manager

Last-minute action aimed at placing a city managerial question before the public on the November ballot was taken by the city council at its regular meeting Monday night.
The group moved for an adjourned meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. when the council will meet with Klamath citizens to consider putting a city managerial measure in the fall election.

After some discussion between Mayor Ed Ostendorf and council members present, a committee of eleven men was named, at the mayor's request, to meet with the council to study the plan. One more man was to be appointed to the committee by the mayor before the Tuesday night meeting.

In the meantime, the council instructed the city attorney to prepare a resolution and ballot title for the measure so that they can be adopted at the adjourned meeting if the plan meets with approval. Any action to bring the matter to a vote will have to be taken by 5 p. m. Wednesday, deadline for the placing of issues on the ballot.

Charter Amendment
The proposed resolution would be a charter amendment granting authority to the mayor and council to hire a city manager who would act as the general coordinator for the city. His duties would be designated by the mayor and council.

The committee appointed to meet with the council along with any other interested citizens are Merle West, Mitchell Tillotson, Frank Jenkins, L. L. Lombard, Charles Thomas, Roy Premo, Jack Keating, John Houston, Tom Watters, Mrs. Nelson Reed and Ed Dunham.

Prior to this action Mayor Ostendorf indicated that he was in favor of appointing a committee to study managerial systems in other towns. This would mean waiting until a special vote in the spring to put it before the public.

Councilmen present at the meeting were Harvey Martin, Charles Van Doren and Rollin Cantrall.

MacArthur To Retire In Year, Says Officer
MEDFORD, Mass., Aug. 13 (AP)—Licut. Col. Joseph A. O'Hearn, former member of General MacArthur's staff, predicted today in an interview that MacArthur would retire "within a year."

O'Hearn, who is home on sick leave, said the Japanese now "think more of MacArthur than they do of their own emperor."

Eyewitness Tells Of 'Ghost Rocket'

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LaFollette In GOP Contest

By The Associated Press
A three-way gubernatorial contest and Senator Robert M. LaFollette's bid for republican nomination after 12 years as a progressive lent sparkle today to Wisconsin's primary.

With the LaFollette senatorial scrap spilling over into the arena of national politics, the Wisconsin balloting outshone the selection of GOP candidates for governor and senator in Vermont and a free-for-all for the democratic nomination for governor in South Carolina.

LaFollette carried into his battle nearly 21 years' experience in the senate and a name lustrous in Wisconsin politics for two generations.
But his attempt to force his way back into the republican fold, which he deserted to organize the progressive party, got no welcome from the state machine.

There a LaFollette victory would weaken Chairman Tom Coleman's clutch on the state republican organization. And it would shunt the senator into a position wherein he could help pick Wisconsin's 24 delegates to the republican national convention in 1948.

Howard Hughes Leaves Hospital
LOS ANGELES, Aug. 13 (AP)—Howard Hughes, plane designer and movie producer, who suffered multiple injuries last July 7 when an experimental plane crashed in nearby Beverly Hills, is recuperating at "the home of a friend."

Good Samaritan hospital attendants said Hughes left last Saturday, taking with him his nurses and other attendants. Hughes' physician, Dr. Verne Mason, declined to say where Hughes is staying.

Volunteers Wanted
Klamath Falls 20-30 club today put out a call for old-timers to ride the club's float in the Centennial parade August 22.

Pioneers were asked to call Centennial headquarters, 8294, and volunteer to ride in the 20-30 float.
The parade committee today was lining up an old pump and fire engine of the vintage of 1849 which is at Jacksonville and may be brought here for the parade.

H. G. Wells Dies At 79 In London

LONDON, Aug. 13 (AP)—H. G. Wells, the world famous author, died today at his home in London. He was 79.

His secretary said Wells died "peacefully at 4 p. m."
The statement, on which the secretary would not elaborate, added:

"He had been in failing health for a considerable time. The funeral will be private."
Herbert George Wells had used science as a vehicle in turning out stories and fantasies which were best sellers on both sides of the Atlantic. One of his most monumental writings, however, was an outline of history.

Attacked Monarchy
His last noteworthy action was on July 5 when he loosed an attack on the British monarchy, in a question over whether the royal house was involved in large sums of money which Benito Mussolini paid to Sir Oswald Mosely, the British fascist.

Wells died at his home in Hansover terrace in Regents park. He was reported seriously ill as long ago as May of 1944. He had suffered from diabetes for years.
He wrote well over 50 books which dealt with science, sociology, political economy, romance and fancy. His outline of history perhaps was his most lucrative work, being translated into nearly every language. Over 500,000 copies were sold in the United States in one year alone.

Meat Packer Against Curbs

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 (AP)—Wesley Hardenbergh, president of the American Meat Institute (packers), argued today against revival of meat price ceilings on the grounds that the industry is rapidly meeting public needs.

This return to "order" in the business, he told the OPA price decontrol board, contrasts with "the chaos created by four years of price control."
Hardenbergh said a query of meat advertisements in cities throughout the country recently showed consumers are buying meat at "prices generally in line with OPA's ceiling," plus the subsidies OPA formerly paid to help keep retail prices down.

"Today the consumer increasingly has opportunity to go into stores and come out with meat—without drawing a number without standing in line, and without being robbed by the black market," Hardenbergh said.

Youth Breaks Leg In Fall From Car
Mike Colbert, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Colbert, 303 S. 8th, slipped off of the running board of a car at Diamond lake Sunday and fractured his right leg. He was climbing out of the rumble seat of the car when he slipped.

State police brought the boy to Klamath Valley hospital where he will remain for several days. Young Colbert was with a group of six boys who had driven to the lake to spend the day.

FDR Memorial Survey Afoot

A survey of the California redwood region for a possible Franklin D. Roosevelt memorial forest is being made under the direction of Hamilton K. Pyles, until recently acting supervisor of the Modoc national forest with offices at Alturas.

Pyles was assigned to the survey job after Rep. Helen Gahagan Douglas of Los Angeles introduced a bill in congress providing for the creation of a forest honoring the late U. S. president. The bill has been referred to the committee on agriculture.

Forest service experts will study the economic and social effects of the proposed forest on local industries and population in Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino and Sonoma counties. The bill contemplates eventual acquisition of about 2,000,000 acres of non-agricultural redwood land to be dedicated as memorial units.

Red Scientist Hints At Atom

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13 (AP)—Prof. Semyon Alexandrov, Russian observer at Bikini, had a look today at the University of California cyclotron where the atom bomb was conceived.

Its significance, however, he unanswered in view of his observation that Russia expected to have an atom bomb of her own.
At a reception yesterday for the 21 United Nations observers returning from Bikini on the USS Panamint, the professor told newsmen that Russia expected to have atomic tests, too—"in the measurable future."

Asked point blank if Russia has an atom bomb, Alexandrov replied in English:
"I have been out of touch with my country, but we are much closer to the end of this project as (than) many people think we are."

And where would Russia hold its tests?
"Somewhere in Russia. Far enough away so it won't be dangerous to the populace or to wild life."

'Vagabond' Plane Awaiting Owner
Police are holding for an unknown owner a yellow and black-trimmed cabin monoplane, slightly damaged in a crack-up on Crescent Sunday, which the aviator can have by calling at the city hall booking desk.

The plane is a model one-lunger named Vagabond. The wing was knocked off a nd broken in three pieces when it careened out of the blue and slammed into a tree at 1138 Crescent. The only other damage is a broken tip of one propeller blade.

The ship has a wingspread of about five feet and shows expert craftsmanship by some youngster. Its one-cylinder engine still works despite the crash—police had it tuned up.

Ambulatory Victim Baffles Patrolmen
PORTLAND, Aug. 13 (AP)—State police had a long search but finally found the victim of an accident.
A witness reported seeing the man hit and he thought—probably killed.
After an all-night hunt, police learned that the victim was only bruised, was picked up by a bus driver and relayed to his home by another driver.

Reparations Share Asked By Romania

PARIS, Aug. 13 (AP)—Romania, first of the Soviet-conquered German satellites to address the peace conference, proposed today that she receive reparations from her former allies, Germany and Hungary.

George Tatarescu, Romanian vice premier, also lauded Russia's claims of \$300,000,000 reparations against Romania as moderate, and opposed proposals of the western allies on economic phases of the draft treaty of peace for Romania.

Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov told the conference that "fascist Italy bears a tremendous responsibility" but that "does not mean that Italy should lose her importance as a power in the Mediterranean."

Speaking in response to pleas for leniency expressed Saturday by Premier Alcide de Gasperi of Italy, Molotov paid tribute to the "historic services rendered by Italy."
The head Ethiopian delegate, Ato Akilou Habte Weld, following Molotov, answered the applause which greeted him with the remark:

"At this touching moment I can not help remembering another scene in which Italian fascists hissed the monarch before the League of Nations."
In his five-minute address the Ethiopian delegate recalled that "Italy used Eritrea and Somaliland as bases for her attack against Ethiopia."

He said allied troops during the war told natives of those countries that "these territories will never go back under Italy."
To return them to Italy would be "an act of international immorality," he said.

Russians Ask Strait Rights

MOSCOW, Aug. 13 (AP)—Soviet Russia announced today she had proposed to Turkey that the Black sea powers take full authority in drawing up a new treaty governing the Dardanelles and that the USSR and Turkey should organize defenses of the straits jointly.

The Russian note said the 10-year-old Montreux convention, whereby Turkey was granted the right to militarize the straits "does not correspond to the interests of security of the Black sea states and does not guarantee conditions preventing the use of these straits with aims inimical to the Black sea powers."

The note was made public by the Soviet foreign office. The Soviet government newspaper Izvestia said it had been presented to the Turkish government in Ankara last Thursday and that its contents were disclosed simultaneously to Britain and the United States.

Indian Awarded Jail After Auto Accident
Grover Cleveland Edecker, 28, who was arrested after an accident at Sixth and Pine Saturday afternoon, was sentenced to spend 142 days in the county jail by Justice of the Peace J. A. Mahoney in justice court yesterday.

Edecker was given 125 days for reckless driving, 12 days for running a stop sign and five days for having no operator's license. He pleaded guilty to all three counts.

Labor Front Stirred Again As New Strikes Rear Heads

By The Associated Press
The nation's labor front, comparatively quiet since settlement of a series of countrywide post-war strikes, began stirring with new activity today.

The CIO imposed embargo disrupted the flow of news to and from the United States, strike by AFL workers curtailed bread supplies in Chicago and Philadelphia, a strike which both union and company spokesmen called a "surprise" closed a hat manufacturing plant in Philadelphia and white collar workers threatened to quit work in International Harvester company plants.

At the same time, however, a threatened strike against the Campbell Soup company was averted by federal conciliators, a strike which closed the Packer and Car company, was averted, pressmen ended a weekend strike against the Springfield (Mo.) Newspapers, Inc., and a strike settlement restored normal water service to East Liverpool, O., industries.
The foreign news embargo,

Mountains Rise On Fairgrounds



The set for the Centennial pageant is taking shape out at the county fairgrounds, as this picture shows. Note the mountain background for the stage, partially completed. Beyond that, in the above picture, lies a real mountain—the south slope of Hogback, and closer at hand the tree-studded suburban area.

Month's Free Spending On West Coast Reveals Pattern Of Inflation Spirals

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13 (AP)—The far west spent \$10,000,000,000 last month, on a conservative estimate.
The estimate was based on the cashing of checks totaling \$8,265,150,000 in 31 cities in the Salt Lake-Seattle-San Diego triangle. That figure was reported today by the federal reserve bank.

The rest of the 10 billion estimate for July was spending by check in hundreds of smaller communities, and total cash spending for all purposes. The latter is figured at 10 per cent of the check total, but probably runs higher in view of the large supply of currency.

Total spending ran more than three times that of the 1939 month, just before the war storm broke in Europe. There is the basis for one's own estimate of inflation, for whoever cares to make it: triple the spending on a smaller quantity of goods (not to mention quality). The smaller quantity was emphasized by the dearth of automobiles, a business that normally absorbs a large amount of money, and in 1939 took around \$211,000,000 for new passenger cars in California alone.
Per capita spending was about \$714 last month, compared with around \$292 in July, 1939. The increase in population since 1939 went with an increase in spending of better than \$2,000,000,000 a month, at last month's average for roughly 3,000,000 new westerners.
Bank reports indicated that checking deposits hit a July high mark of around \$8,885,000,000. That was well over \$2,493,000,000 for July, 1939.
The roughly equal rate of expansion of funds and spending indicated price inflation was more closely connected with the amount of funds than with the rate of spending the average dollar, the latter having slowed slightly. The slowing in at the rate of turnover of the average dollar suggested buyers, by their own restraint, may have exerted a strong force to