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Battle Against Totalitarianism Held Big Issue

WASHINGTON, March 12 (AP)—President Truman called on congress today to battle totalitarian aggression by sending \$400,000,000, men and materials to Greece and Turkey.

In an historic, personal address to a joint senate-house session "in this fateful hour," Mr. Truman said he was "fully aware of the broad implications" of his foreign policy of helping free peoples resist subjugation by outside pressure.

He mentioned communism but did not name Russia in his address. He said one "fundamental issue" now figured also in the war against Germany and Japan, and named it:

"The creation of conditions in which we and other nations will be able to work out a way of life free from coercion."

To spearhead United States policy in this direction, Mr. Truman asked:

1. \$400,000,000 for the two Mediterranean states fringing the Soviet sphere of communistic influence.
2. Authority to detail military and civilian personnel to Greece and Turkey to supervise the aid furnished.
3. Special authority for "the speediest and most effective use" of supplies, equipment and money.
4. Projected a request for more money and authority if "needed" to support free peoples who are resisting attempted subjugation.

Violation Charged

Again without specifying Moscow, Mr. Truman charged violation of the Roosevelt-Stalin-Churchill agreement in Poland, Rumania and Bulgaria. And he said communists lead the "terrorist activities" against the tottering Greek government.

Facing congress from the speaker's dias in the house chamber, Mr. Truman outlined his policy:

"I believe that it must be the policy of the United States to support free peoples who are resisting attempted subjugation by armed minorities or by outside pressure."

"I believe that our help should be primarily through economic and financial aid which is essential to economic stability and orderly political processes."

His words were spoken against the background—only a few hours earlier—of the Soviet Union's decision to recall its ambassadors to the United States and Britain for an undisclosed purpose.

Mr. Truman told the legislators it was the "gravity of the situation" which brought him before them.

Profound Effect

Should Greece disappear as an independent state, he went on, it "would have a profound effect upon those countries in Europe whose peoples are struggling against great difficulties to maintain their freedom and independence while they repair the damages of war."

As for Turkey, he said its future "is clearly no less important to the freedom-loving peoples of the world than the future of Greece."

Maintenance of its national integrity, Mr. Truman added, "is essential to the preservation of order in the Middle East."

Mr. Truman did not say how he would divide the \$400,000,000 between Greece and Turkey. It has been reported, however, that \$250,000,000 would go to Greece and \$150,000,000 to Turkey.

The president added:

"In addition to funds, I ask the congress to authorize the detail of American civilian and military personnel to Greece and Turkey, at the request of those countries, to assist in the tasks of reconstruction, and for the purpose of supervising the use of such financial and material assistance as may be furnished. I recommend that authority also be provided for the instruction and training of selected Greek and Turkish personnel."

Authority Asked

"Finally, I ask that the congress provide authority which will permit the speediest and most effective use, in terms of needed commodities, supplies and equipment, of such funds as may be authorized."

As congress received Mr. Truman's message Russia recalled her ambassadors to London and Washington for "consultation."

This sudden order last night for return to Moscow of Nikolai V. Novikov, Soviet ambassador in Washington, and Georgi Zarubin, diplomatic chief in London, remained officially unexplained.

Barracks Talks Still Stalled

SALEM, March 12 (AP)—The ways and means subcommittee studying the proposal for the state to operate the Klamath Marine Barracks as a vocational school met yesterday without reaching a decision.

O. I. Paulson, state vocational education director, told the committee that operation of the school would not interfere with other vocational schools in the state. He asked the committee to appropriate \$620,652 for the school for the next two years.

Dutch Air Force Plane Missing

BATAVIA, Java, March 12 (AP)—A Netherlands East Indies air force Dakota carrying 24 passengers and two crewmen was officially reported missing today on a flight between Batavia and Bandung, Java.

The Dakota (a name used by the Dutch and British for the American-built DC-3) was last reported near Bandung at 9:30 a. m. (9:30 p. m. Tuesday eastern standard time). Dutch aircraft searched the area until dusk without result.

Reds Ask China To Take Dairen

TIENSIN, March 12 (AP)—The pro-government republican Daily News reported today from Mukden that Soviet authorities had sent formal notification to the Chinese government to take over immediately in Dairen.

(At Nanking, however, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Liu Chieh said there had been no developments on Dairen. He added that the ultimate disposition had been decided but no definite date had been fixed for the transfer.)

Even if the Russians should withdraw from the city, Chinese reports indicate the government would have a stiff time in taking over the city since Chinese communist forces have cordoned off the Kwangtung peninsula with a line between nationalist-held Pulantien and Dairen.

Stockman Asks Indian Credit

WASHINGTON, March 12 (AP)—Immediate credit of \$1000 would be granted to each Indian on the Klamath, Ore., reservation under a bill introduced yesterday by Rep. Stockman (R-Ore.).

The money would come from tribal funds—part of the capital reserve held for the Klamath and Modoc tribes and Yachoskin band of Snake Indians on the reservation.

House Passes Conservation Bill

200 Illegal Jews Flee Into Desert

JERUSALEM, March 12 (AP)—Two hundred illegal Jewish immigrants disappeared into southern Palestine near the barren Negev (southern desert) early today after escaping from a refugee ship which ran the British blockade and drove aground near Gaza.

The British army announced that 400 of the estimated 800 refugees aboard the vessel were rounded up on the beach and placed in a hastily-erected compound near Iadud, a few miles from Gaza, while another 200 was said to be still aboard the craft, identified as the 400-ton Susanna, out of Italy.

Authorities said those held would be trucked to Haifa during the day and transhipped to-night to Cyprus detention camps. Extraordinary precautions were taken to guard the route to Haifa in order to prevent a possible attempt to free the immigrants.

Earlier, a party of five or six Jewish undergrounds, striking in a commando-like raid under cover of heavy machine gun down, blasted the headquarters of Jerusalem's martial law area, killing a British soldier and wounding eight, three of them seriously.

Lease Land Bids Read

A large group of hopeful bidders sat in the large room at building #1 of the bureau of reclamation's offices at the naval air station this morning as the chief clerk read off the bids on the 64 units of farming land to be leased by the bureau in the League of Nations and Frog Pond tracts in the Tule lake basin.

As the clerk read off the amount of the bid on each unit, two assistants checked off and marked the bids on an abstract. Approximately 180 bids are being read. The audience constantly changed as bidders, hearing bids higher than their own on the individual units, realized that they had lost out and left.

Immediately new bidders took their place to jot down the bids and check them off against their own.

Reading and marking the abstract are expected to be completed by tomorrow, Thursday, and the awarding of the units will take place then.

Bidders had the opportunity of bidding on any or all of the units to be leased. Some of the bids were for only four or five units, others were for the entire 64 units.

Hoover Shys Off Food Head Job

WASHINGTON, March 12 (AP)—Former President Herbert Hoover said today that "under no possible circumstances" would he accept the job of administrator and coordinator of United States relief abroad.

"At my time of life, I have reached the stage of advice and consultation," he told White House reporters after conferring with President Truman.

Boards Ponder 'Competitive' Pay Scale Proposed By Committee Of Teachers

By LOIS STEWART

A proposed salary schedule which, if adopted by the local school boards, will place Klamath Falls schools on a competitive basis with other institutions in the state and country, is being thoroughly studied following submission of the schedule by a teachers' salary committee. Both boards continued study of the schedule Monday night and a decision may be reached within a week or 10 days.

The proposed schedule was submitted six weeks ago following weeks of concentrated study of all available schedules of Oregon, California and Washington schools and the recommendations made by the Oregon Education association, the National Education association and the CIO branch of the teachers' group.

Under the schedule as submitted to boards of districts 1 and 2 which govern the policy of the Klamath Falls elementary schools (No. 1), and Klamath

Red Party Ouster Bill Draws Fire

WASHINGTON, March 12 (AP)—Secretary of Labor Schweikert's proposal to outlaw the communist party in America stirred congress today.

Rep. Kersten (R-Wis.), heartily seconded the idea after Rep. Hattley (R-N. J.), chairman of the house labor committee, promised to introduce a bill to kill the party.

But a member of the house committee on un-American activities, who didn't want his name used now, said there might be two objections:

1. Delicate dealings with Russia might be upset.
2. Outlawing the party might merely drive it underground, instead of keeping it at least partly in the open where its enemies can fight it more easily.

It was in answer to questions by Kersten that Schweikert told the house labor committee yesterday:

"I think communists should be excluded from any type of public activity, including the right to run for office, to sit in chambers of commerce and to hold office in trade unions. They have advocated the overthrow of our government and they should not be allowed to have any part in government."

Tulelake Farm Selection Set

Rich Tule lake farm lands will be selected tomorrow, Thursday, as the 86 winners in the first land opening for World War 2 veterans pick out their future homes in the order their names appear on the winning list.

The selection of farms will get under way at 8 o'clock in the reclamation bureau offices at the airport. Eighty-five men and one woman will watch the map carefully as the veterans step up to the map and make their selection.

Saturday will be a field day for the homesteaders as the city of Tulelake entertains the newcomers during the day. At 12 o'clock noon, there will be an informal luncheon at the American Legion hall put on by the auxiliaries of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. The Tulelake grade school band will play selections and a brief welcome address will be given by the Rev. Hugh Bronson. Two or three original homesteaders will speak, and Charles K. Wiese, master of ceremonies, will introduce the new homesteaders. Dick Moore is chairman of this committee.

A number of prizes will be given the homesteaders by the committee and each homesteader will be given a number which corresponds to a gift in a Tulelake store.

At 5 p. m. Saturday the Sportsman's hotel will be the host to homesteaders at a buffet supper. More than 100 are expected to attend the affair.

Former Nazis Out of Courts

WIESBADEN, March 12 (AP)—The American military government announced today that 70 members of German denazification courts in the state of Hesse had been exposed as former nazis themselves and removed from their posts.

The reported removals occurred at intervals in the period between August 2, 1946, the announcement said.

Held In Slaying



LOS ANGELES, March 12—Frank Funk, 52, is shown here as he surrenders personal effects at the jail, where he is held on suspicion in connection with the slaying of Mrs. Mae Lorena Preston. Deputy Sheriff J. P. Estes looks on. —AP wirephoto.

Men Held On Suspicion In L.A. Double Murder

LOS ANGELES, March 12 (AP)—The sheriff's office booked two men on suspicion of murder early today after fingerprints identified the second of two women found brutally slain yesterday, the third and fourth such victims in Los Angeles and vicinity in two months.

Sergeant Robert F. Carney of the sheriff's bureau of investigation said fingerprints identified a red-haired woman found along the San Gabriel river near Norwalk, strangled and with her head battered, as Mrs. Mae Lorena Preston, 46, of nearby Bellflower, Calif.

Sheriff's Capt. Gordon Bowers said he had booked Frank Funk, 52, a cement contractor, and his son, Myron, 23, a foundry moulder, of South Gate, near Bellflower, and Norwalk, on suspicion of murder after they told

Police Find Girl's Body

FRESNO, Calif., March 12 (AP)—The tortured body of nine-year-old Esther Lee Lewis was found today beside a slough near the farming community of Sanger. Undersheriff John Ford said it was "horribly mutilated."

It was the fifth mutilation slaying in California in two months.

The little girl disappeared yesterday on her way to school, but this was not known until she failed to return yesterday afternoon.

She normally walked from her home to a school bus stop about a mile away.

Her body was found beside a dry slough of Kings river, about half way between her home and the bus stop.

of being friendly with Mrs. Preston although denying they knew how she was killed.

Deputies, checking Mrs. Preston's residence, found it unlocked and encountered the elder Funk there. Bloodstains were in the house.

The other woman slain yesterday was Miss Evelyn Winters, 42, for years a film studio legal secretary who of late had been drifting, without permanent residence. Her mother, Mrs. Harriett Winters, 70-year-old baby sitter, said her daughter had become a barroom habitue.

Miss Winters' body, nearly nude, and the head beaten, was found near a string of freight cars along the railroad right of way only a short distance from the city hall. Its discovery was reported by George Franklin Wickliffe, 28-year-old transient of Joplin, Mo., who was booked on suspicion of murder.

Police Lt. Charles King said Wickliffe had traces of lipstick on his mouth and quoted him as explaining that when he found the woman he thought she was asleep or intoxicated and discovered she was dead only when he kissed her.

Truman Takes 4-Day Rest

WASHINGTON, March 12 (AP)—President Truman left the capital at 1:55 p. m. (EST) today for a four days' rest at Key West, Fla., after delivering a historic foreign address to congress.

He was accompanied on his personal plane, the "Sacred Cow," by Adm. William D. Leahy, personal chief of staff, and several aides.

Another plane carried 39 other members of the party, including secret service and newsmen. The chief executive is making the trip on orders of his personal physician.

Pelicans Play Lebanon Tonight

Klamath's basketball Pelicans, champs of district 4, go to bat tonight on McArthur court in Eugene in the first round of state prep school tournament play against the Lebanon Warriors, district 7 titlists. The game will begin at 8:45.

Don Neal, sports announcer for KFLW, is in Eugene and will bring a play-by-play description of all Pelican games to his Klamath basin listeners, starting with the contest tonight.

Hale Scarborough, sports editor for The Herald and News, will cover the series for the newspaper.

This year's appearance in the state tournament is the first for the Pelicans since 1943, when the Klamath boys won the state basketball championship. Wayne Scott coached that 1943 team, and is also leading this year's squad.

In The
By FRANK JENKINS

PRESIDENT TRUMAN this morning asks congress for 400 million dollars to be sent to Greece and Turkey (along with the necessary men and materials) to aid in establishment of "economic stability and orderly political processes" in those countries.

He adds (in explanation of his dramatic announcement of what amounts to an important NEW American foreign policy):

"I believe it must be the policy of the United States to support free peoples who are resisting attempted subjugation by armed minorities or by outside pressure."

HE concludes (solemnly):

"In this fateful hour, I am fully aware of the broad implications . . . of this policy."

NOWHERE in his address does he mention Russia by name. He does mention communism by name, asserting that communists LEAD the "terrorist activities" against the tottering Greek government.

ACCENTING the gravity of the situation, Russia—only a few hours before the President spoke—had recalled her ambassadors in Washington and London for "consultation" in Moscow.

WHAT does it all mean?

For an answer, get out your map. Study on it the position of Greece and Turkey—which are friendly to Western ideas of democracy and freedom of the individual. You will find them ALONE in eastern Europe—surrounded on every side by Russia or by Russian satellites.

That is to say, they are the last remaining outposts in Eastern Europe of Western ideals of democracy and freedom.

THEN take another look at your map.

Note that Italy is divided only by the narrow Adriatic sea from Greece. Observe that France borders Italy to the west and that Belgium adjoins France to the north.

The best present judgment of most competent observers is that Italy, France and Belgium are teetering on the fence, but leaning oftenest to the communist side. If Turkey falls to communism (as Red by Russia, Greece will fall. If Greece falls, France may fall. If France falls, Belgium may fall.

It could be like a row of dominoes when the end one is pushed over.

THEN glance at Spain. If France should fall to communism, Spain would be isolated.

Spain is neither "fish, flesh nor good red herring." Its present government is a fascist dictatorship. If the present government falls, it will fall almost certainly to the communists.

Under no circumstances are we warranted in thinking of Spain as an outpost aid to Western democracy.

REMEMBER then that Britain, which HAS BEEN the bulwark in Europe and most of the Old World of our way of life, is tottering. She is letting India go. She is letting Egypt go. She is cutting her navy to a shadow of its former size and power. She has just made the humiliating admission that she can no longer finance support of Greece and Turkey.

She is having all she can do to keep herself alive.

HERE is where we sit:

We are faced by a world system (communism) that runs contrary to our ideals of the way of life we want to lead. Russia is still the great mystery. We don't yet know whether Russian communism is to be static or DYNAMIC. That is, we don't yet know whether Russian communism will rest with what it has or will GO ON THE PROUD. Until we know, we will be fearful of further Russian expansion. GREAT Russian expansion might follow the fall of Greece and Turkey. Holding Greece and Turkey might prevent such great expansion.

Willard Rankin Escapes Death

TULARE, Calif., March 12 (AP)—The propeller of one plane sliced another two yesterday, plummeting two fliers to their deaths.

Pilot of the second plane, identified by sheriff's officers as Willard Rankin, son of the late Tex Rankin who was killed two weeks ago in a crash at Klamath Falls, landed his damaged craft at the airport. He was uninjured.

The plane cut by Rankin's propeller was flown by Allen Richardson and Robert Young, Tulare, who were taking photographs of Rankin's plane when the accident occurred.