

PHONE STRIKE END HOPE DMS

In The Day's News

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HERE is an interesting little item in the news:

D. I. Jackman, a delegate to the Newfoundland national convention, proposes in St. John's (Newfoundland's capital) that a delegate be selected to interview the United States government regarding possible terms of admission as the 49th American state.

NEWFOUNDLAND is an island (about the size of Virginia) off the Atlantic coast of Canada. It is an English colony, governed by a British commission. As a matter of fact, it is the oldest of the English colonies, having been set up as such in 1728.

In the general shrinkage of the British empire, Newfoundland is beginning to worry about its future. Delegates have already been chosen to confer in London and Ottawa on three possibilities—remaining as an English colony, ruled by a British commission; assuming dominion status; or joining Canada.

The proposal to join the United States is a "W" thought. It arises, probably, out of the more or less obvious PRESENT fact that little countries are a help less lot.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S place in the sun (such as it is) is based upon the fact that it is the jumping off place for trans-Atlantic planes bound for Europe by the northern route. If you ever dropped down through the fog to a cold, damp landing there, you won't be too enthusiastic about it as our 49th state.

THIS little Newfoundland item is interesting as a contrast to a dispatch from Moscow today, which relates that the Soviet trade union newspaper asserts that the new course of American foreign policy has "alarmed the progressive public of the Near East, who see in it a design of the United States to seize an economic, strategic position in the Near East and Mediterranean basin."

Trud adds, according to the Moscow dispatch, that Americans in this area are PUSHING OUT the weaker British.

ALSO today, the Moscow radio broadcasts what it says is an appeal by a "democratic group in the Nationalist government of China urging the council of foreign ministers of United Nations to investigate American seeking policy in China."

The Soviet broadcast charges that the United States is trying to make China an AMERICAN COLONY during the stress of civil war.

RUSSIA'S story, you see, is that we are hell-bent on "imperialism," that our design is to W.U.E. THE WORLD, that in the Near East, in China, and everywhere, we are reaching out for power and territory.

ON the other side of the fence, Representative Angell, of Oregon's Multnomah county district, says in Washington today that the United States is facing a critical financial era. He adds: "Uncle Sam is reaching the bottom of his financial barrel and he can't finance the world."

Angell is talking about our proposal to aid Greece and Turkey. He says it is realized in congress that what we are proposing in Turkey and Greece is only a start and that how far we will go from there can not now be determined.

He thinks congress should go slow in approving the President's program until it can be determined just what will finally be required.

SO far as the American PEOPLE are concerned, any assertion, from anywhere, for whatever purpose, that we are reaching out for the whole world is an absurdity. There is nothing the American people

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Agricultural Income Hits Record High

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Klamath basin's agricultural income rose to an all-time high of \$29,129,037 in 1946, it was disclosed today by County Agent C. A. Henderson in his annual estimate made as the potato marketing season approaches its close.

The 1946 figure showed a surprising increase of about \$3,000,000 over 1945—a fact which the agent attributed mainly to gains in barley, livestock and small crops.

Basin Agricultural Gain	
1923	\$ 2,837,500
1930	5,722,250
1936	10,889,000
1942	16,364,537
1943	22,773,300
1944	24,816,900
1945	26,076,661
1946	29,129,037

seeds. But potatoes, long the basin's No. 1 farm crop, showed a decline in value to \$8,620,000 as compared with \$10,229,627 in 1945.

It was the biggest grain year in regional history. With Hanchen barley leading the field, grain values boomed to \$7,969,801, or only about \$700,000 under potato value. The Hanchen barley figure was \$6,495,246, as compared with \$3,765,313 in 1945.

Livestock values boomed to a total of \$7,272,600 in 1946, compared with \$6,730,100 in 1945. Livestock breakdown for 1946 and 1945, respectively, shows: Sheep, \$406,400, \$381,600; beef, \$4,360,000, \$4,059,500; dairy, \$819,200, \$887,500; hogs, \$490,000, \$300,000; poultry, \$972,000, \$926,500.

Small seeds, which have been growing steadily in value in basin agricultural figures, took another jump. Total return was \$1,664,464 in 1946, a nice gain over \$945,942 in 1945.

The total of farm crops for 1946 was \$21,856,437, as compared with \$19,346,561 in 1945. Agent Henderson, who used his figures as the basis of a talk to the Rotary club today noon, pointed out that weather conditions, while favorable to growth of potatoes, also helped develop insects and pests which cut the value of the potato crop. He emphasized the necessity of care in handling and grading Klamath potatoes.

Reds Oppose Saar Merger

MOSCOW, April 11 (AP)—Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov blocked tonight insistently attempts by France to get immediate approval by the council of foreign ministers of an economic merger of the Saar with France.

U. S. Secretary of State Marshall and British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin had agreed to the creation at once of a commission to work out details of such a merger. Molotov, however, under constant verbal pounding by the French foreign minister, Georges Bidault, repeated his insistence that the Soviet Union wanted time to think over the proposal.

Molotov also told the four-power council that the Soviet Union opposed the French proposal for an independent Ruhr. He said such a step would amount to dismemberment of Germany and create hostilities within the country.

PINE SHIPMENTS UP
PORTLAND, April 11 (AP)—Shipments of Western pine lumber increased last week but production and orders declined, the Western Pine association reported today.

9 o'clock Special

This is just routine, says Mary Hertog as she takes Lombard's mail from the post office early in the morning. Our 9 o'clock photog found Mary a willing subject at the post office this morning even though he was a little bit late.

B-29's Take To Air In Practice

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Tornado Victims Survey Damage

Wallace Hit By Solon For "Disservice"

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—Senator Eastland (D-Miss.) told the senate today that Henry A. Wallace is "performing a great disservice to the American people" by speeches abroad opposing President Truman's Greek-Turkey aid program.

Wallace, Eastland declared, "has attempted to induce the friends and allies of his country to desert him."

Saying that Wallace was invited to France by communist leaders, Eastland added:

"No American citizen has the moral right to conspire with foreign peoples in order to undermine and to weaken the hand of his country."

The least that can be said is that Mr. Wallace is performing a grave disservice to the American people when he attempts to induce Great Britain to desert the United States and thereby force us to sail the perilous seas alone."

Eastland's reference was to Wallace's expressed attitude that Britain should not take sides in differences between the United States and Russia.

Eastland said that people abroad do not realize that Mr. Wallace does not enjoy the confidence of the great majority of American citizens, that his policies have been repudiated in this country, adding:

"To use an old proverb, if his activities are not inspired by the devil they serve him equally as well."

Basin Gets Warm Weather

Klamath folk welcomed clear, blue skies and warm sunshine that shot the mercury up several degrees higher Friday than in recent days. The barometer at the CAA weather station registered 26.25 this morning, indicating more good weather in store for this area.

Spring was in there pitching all through the northern California-southern Oregon area, according to morning weather reports. The forecast for Saturday is optimistic with fair weather and higher afternoon temperatures, although it may be windy.

At 10:30 a. m., today, the thermometer registered 48 with promise of rising during the day. Thursday's high was 52, but Thursday night was chilly with a minimum of 25 degrees.

Row Looms On Police Force

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., April 11 (AP)—Several important areas of disagreement remained today as the highly secret military staff committee, charged with organizing an international police force, rushed a first report for the United Nations security council.

Sources considered extremely reliable said that the committee of admirals and generals from the five major powers would take a formal vote on the entire report just before passing it to the council April 30. On the basis of the present situation, these sources said, the vote would be four to one, with Russia in the minority.

Regardless of the actual vote, the Soviet Union stands opposed to the majority on two major points, with little chance sighted for breaking the deadlock in committee.

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Four KUHS Queens Vie For Title



One of these pretty maids will rule over the annual 20-30 invitational track meet slated for April 26. Each girl represents one of the four KUHS classes and the queen will be selected on votes resulting from ticket sales. The other three will serve as the queen's attendants or princesses. Left to right, Sandra Moore, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore, freshman candidate; Beverly Young, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Young, sophomore candidate; Pat McMillan, 17, daughter of Mrs. Estil Wirtz, and Helen Eckert, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Eckert, junior and senior candidates.

Lake Hotel Offered As Teen-Age Club Location

Problems of the Teen-Age club appeared to be ironing out today with an offer made directly to the club of use of the Lake hotel lower floor, Main and Pine, by Mrs. A. Smith, owner of the centrally-located structure.

Mrs. Smith made the offer originally to the recreation committee, according to Robert Banister, director of the Teen-Age canteen at the army, but this offer was turned down last year. Following recent difficulties at the canteen which were aired through the press, Mrs. Smith decided to repeat her offer and the idea was accepted with enthusiasm by the Teen-Agers and sponsors alike.

This does not mean that the building is accepted, as it is yet necessary for the adult supervisory council to meet with the youngsters, make full investigation of the cost of remodeling the lower floor, discuss problems of financing and sponsorship, before the center can actually be maintained.

Jack Linman, chairman of the adult advisory council, announced today that his group would meet with the student council of TAC, on Monday night at 8 o'clock in room 210 of Klamath Union high school. At that time the offer will be made officially by Mrs. Smith and all implications fully discussed.

Linman urged all interested parents to attend and especially those who have any advice or criticism of TAC operations.

"We are particularly anxious that parents who have objected to the Teen-Age canteen at the army be present to present their side of the story," Linman said.

"At Monday night's meeting we will have to go into many phases of Mrs. Smith's generous offer, as she understands. We must get some definition of authority and responsibility, discuss legal angles, get a competent architect to give us costs of renovating the building, talk over problems of financing, construction costs and many other points," Linman said today.

Mrs. Smith discussed the matter with Banister yesterday and advised him that she planned to remodel the upper floor of the hotel into business offices and would renovate the exterior. She will also make an extension on the rear of the building so the youngsters can build a stage and rest rooms, and Mrs. Smith said she would "back" installation of a fountain.

In Mrs. Smith's letter to The Herald and News she advised: "The location is free from any undesirable elements and the entire first floor may be theirs (TAC) for the remodeling of that floor. The adult and junior council may write their own binding contract. It may be theirs rent-free for as long a period as they desire."

"I am not in a position to finance the remodeling to suit their needs myself, but I give it with no strings attached."

Mrs. Smith has two sons, Newton and Stanley, the latter first president of the original Teen-Age club at Eugene.

Many parents have objected to the location of the Teen-Age canteen in the army, according to Banister, who also expressed appreciation to the army board for use of the building, only location in the city available for use of the Teen-Agers.

Toll Reaches 132 Persons Known Dead

WOODWARD, Okla., April 11 (AP)—The tornado-lashed Panhandle area of Texas and Oklahoma counted its known dead at 132 and estimated the injured at 1305 as rescue crews searched for additional casualties in the ruins of the hardest hit towns.

The property loss, inflicted on the rich cattle and wheat area by the violent winds of Wednesday night and early Thursday, ran into the millions of dollars.

Field kitchens, emergency stations and other facilities were set up to care for the thousands of homeless. Bulldozers rumbled through the debris-cluttered communities, clearing the wreckage.

Relief Offered

Relief supplies continued to move into the stricken area by plane, truck and train. Restoration of communication and power facilities was progressing.

This was the casualty toll as listed by the Red Cross midwest area headquarters in St. Louis: Woodward, 85 dead, 1000 or more injured.

Higgins, Tex., 34 dead, 232 injured.

Glazier, Tex., 13 dead, 40 injured.

White Horse, Okla., none dead, 30 injured.

Gray county, Tex., none dead, three injured.

Woodward, where 100 blocks of buildings were leveled, had more than 2000 homeless out of a population of about 5500.

The property loss here was estimated at more than \$5,000,000 by Alex Geismar, vice president of a Woodward bank.

Mine Report Upheld Today

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—Dr. R. R. Sayers, bureau of mines director, upheld today an inspector who permitted a Centralia, Ill., mine to continue operation although it was found to be "very hazardous" five days before a disastrous explosion.

Sayers said in a statement prepared for a senate public lands subcommittee, investigating the blast which killed 111 men March 25, that Inspector Frank Perz "exercised reasonable judgment."

Sayers did not get an opportunity to read the prepared statement to the subcommittee before it recessed until April 16 to await a report on the Centralia mine case from a joint federal-state of Illinois board.

He said "the final report contained 52 major and minor recommendations for correcting conditions which did not comply with the mine safety code."

Casualty List: Sprained Wrist

LOS ANGELES, April 11 (AP)—Southern California's latest earthquake—first big one in a year—covered a lot of territory, but when results were all in—a Pasadena woman was the lone reported casualty. The shock tossed her off her porch, spraining her wrist.

Two distinct quakes, followed by tremors of a lesser, settling nature, shook some 60,000 square miles yesterday morning, reaching as far as Las Vegas, Nev., and Phoenix, Ariz.

Fire Razes Navy Buildings At Treasure Island Site

SAN FRANCISCO, April 11 (AP)—Treasure Island, which glittered as the site of a prewar exposition and then became a camouflage-painted naval base, was a scene of charred, water-soaked ruins today.

Fire struck the man-made island in San Francisco bay late yesterday. It destroyed five navy buildings and equipment at an estimated loss of \$500,000. For a while the entire installation was threatened.

The bay's largest assembly of equipment in history brought the fire under control after a three-hour fight. While it raged, huge clouds of smoke billowing into the sky were visible nearly 50 miles away.

Thirty-four persons, 29 navy men and five civilian firemen, were injured, none seriously.

Final Offer Turned Down By Workers

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—Secretary Schweilenbach promised a quick reply to a request by telephone strike leaders today for a face-to-face meeting between officials of the union, the American Telephone and Telegraph company and the labor department.

Schweilenbach told reporters he intended to talk with Joseph A. Beirne, NFWF president, during the day but the time was uncertain.

If the union proposal is refused, the union proposes to go to President Truman with "our complete story."

A. T. & T. had no immediate comment.

Street Repair Planned Here

Plans for an extensive street repair and improvement project occupy a prominent place on the city's summer work docket. Mayor Ed Ostendorf said today that the city hopes to do twice as much work on streets as in recent years, aiming at making them cleaner as well as in better condition.

Supplementing the regular street budget for the new fiscal year, beginning July 1, is \$34,000 allotted to the city from the state highway fund. The amount is considerably higher than previously, the mayor stated, which should enable the city to handle the expanded program.

Of that figure, some \$20,000 will be used for patching and repaving. The city budget committee began work recently on forming the new budget and the amount to be set aside for street improvement has not yet been determined.

Included in street plans is a program of summer-long grading of unpaved streets on the fringes of town and in the residential districts to keep them in constant good shape, the mayor said. He added that paved streets downtown and in residential areas will be cleaned off all during the summer months.

Work Under Way In Rogue River National Forest

Reports on 1947 spring activities started on the Rogue River national forest were made today by John Sarginson, district ranger.

Limited somewhat by the present employment ceiling, crew work started this week on the Klamath district, Sarginson advised. This is one of the earliest starting dates in several years, according to the district ranger.

Thirteen men, the district quota for April and May, are located at a camp established at Pelican guard station. Ansel Pearce is in charge, with Dalton Jones as cook and Richard Stepe, tractor operator.

At the present time the crew is machine-piling logging debris and doing roadside cleanup along the west side of the highway, north of Rocky Point. As the territory opens up the crew will maintain the roads, trails and telephone lines. Work in this general area will continue until about the middle of May when the camp will be moved to the Seven Mile area on similar work.

Felling operations on the Finney Logging company sale started this week where power sets will be used, supervised by Har-

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