

LOCAL MEN THOUGHT DROWNED

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

By a ratio of a little better than four to one, the British labor party today votes in favor of peace-time conscription to back up the nation's foreign policy.

Britain's labor party is strongly socialistic, but realizes that if you are going to have a foreign policy that counts for anything you must have gun handy with which to back it up.

SUCH are the bare bones of the laborite vote, which was taken as a show of hands at a party conference. There was more back of it, however, than a mere declaration that foreign policy must be backed up by military force.

There is a radical element in the British labor party. This radical element is strongly communist. It has been complaining that Britain's foreign policy is too closely aligned with that of the United States and too antagonistic to Russia. This element has been speaking out strongly of late. It has aroused fears in this country that Britain might be headed toward splitting off from us and going along with Russia.

Today's vote weakens that fear.

THE action taken at the labor party conference went even farther. It defeated decisively a motion to permit British laborites to join the British-Soviet society. It was charged on the conference floor that the British-Soviet society is dominated by communists.

So, on this motion as on the other, British labor turned away from communism.

ONE of the real issues in present-day Britain came clearly into the open at the party meeting, where a resolution calling for creation of an ELECTED house of lords was offered. Members of the house of commons are chosen by ballot, as members of congress are here. Members of the house of lords hold their places by hereditary right.

That is an official survival of feudalism in Britain. Many of Britain's present troubles track back to this survival. It is reasonably obvious that the labor party is becoming increasingly determined to get rid of these traces of the old feudalistic order.

It seems probable that upsetting these remnants of feudalism in Britain would tend to bring British and Americans closer together rather than otherwise.

ON this side of the water, as on the other, we move toward a foreign policy better backed by military strength. President Truman this morning asks congress to approve a broad program of military cooperation with all WESTERN HEMISPHERE nations, including standardization of armaments.

STANDARDIZATION of armaments sounds like a fancy term. It is really very simple.

It means use by Western Hemisphere nations of guns and ammunition and other weapons that are interchangeable. Any hunter knows that if he is to do efficient shooting his ammunition must fit his gun. He might be loaded with shells like

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Police Probe Beating Case

MILWAUKEE, May 26 (AP)—Wisconsin police officials who for 25 days have sought a trace of 8-year-old Georgia Jean Weckler, today were alerted for the assault of a 6-year-old Milwaukee girl, brutally beaten and raped here yesterday.

The mangled 6-year-old, found amid bloodstained debris in an old garage, remained in critical condition today at county emergency hospital.

Meanwhile 50 miles west of Milwaukee, where Georgia Jean vanished from a lane of her farm home May 1, Jefferson County District Attorney Francis Garity said he would discuss with Milwaukee police the possibility that the two cases were related. No inkling of Georgia Jean's fate has been uncovered.

It's moving day on N. 11th street for a family packing up right on the dot at 9 o'clock this morning. Charles Wilson and Ronnie Albers are taking out household goods to the van. It's today's 9 o'clock Special with Wes Gudertian at the lens.

WEATHER
Max. (May 25) 87 Min. 55
Precipitation last 24 hours .00
Normal for date 1.15
Last year 1.31
Forecast: Cloudy, possible showers

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KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, MONDAY, MAY 26, 1947 (Telephone 8111) No. 10943

Farmer Killed In Auto Smash-Up

Chief Urges US Military Cooperation

WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP)—President Truman asked congress today to approve a broad program of military cooperation with all western hemisphere nations, including the arming, training and organization of the armed forces of Latin America and Canada.

Declaring that world developments in the past year give "still greater importance" to close hemisphere collaboration than a year ago—when similar legislation was proposed—Mr. Truman asked prompt congressional action.

Standard Arms

A key segment of the program is the standardization of armaments throughout the hemisphere, and the transfer of U. S. military and naval equipment to the sister governments by "sale or other methods."

"This government will not, I am sure, in any way approve of, nor will it anticipate in the indiscriminate or unrestricted distribution of armaments," Mr. Truman said.

The White House forwarded the message to congress for Mr. Truman who is in Missouri where his mother is ill.

The president assured the legislators: "It is my intention that any operations under this bill, which the congress may authorize, shall be in every way consistent with the word and spirit of the United Nations charter."

Mark Clark Back In U. S.

NEW YORK, May 26 (AP)—Gen. Mark Clark, back from Europe to become sixth army commander, last night accused Russia of not cooperating in Austrian rehabilitation and said the Soviets fostered communism in their zone by giving communists more food and higher wages. He spoke last night on a (CBS) radio program, "We the People."

"As far as the attitude of the Austrian people is concerned, free elections held throughout the nation resulted in an overwhelming vote against Soviet influence," Clark said.

"But since the first election in the Soviet zone, extra food, higher wages and better rations have been given to Austrian workers who joined the communist party."

"I am convinced that to be firm and definite in our relations with the Soviet Union does not increase the chances of war, but on the contrary reduces them."

Army Takes Over In Nicaragua

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, May 26 (AP)—The army took over the government today.

(Travelers reaching Guatemala said the national guard had taken over the government without opposition and that Managua was quiet. Communications companies posted notices in Guatemala that messages to Nicaragua were subject to delay. Plane service to Managua was normal, however, Pan-American Airways said.)

Mrs. Truman No Better

GRANDVIEW, Mo., May 26 (AP)—President Truman expressed amazement today over his mother's vitality as she still clings to life.

Mrs. Martha E. Truman has been growing weaker steadily at her rural home here.

The president, speaking at nearby Kansas City where he spent the night, told reporters: "There's no change this morning. I talked to my sister. She's just about the same. Amazing vitality."

In mid forenoon after a telephone to Grandview from Kansas City, Presidential Press Secretary Charles G. Ross said he had nothing to add to what the president said earlier. Ross talked with Brig. Gen. Wallace H. Graham, the White House physician.

Pacific Port Tie-Up Looming

SAN FRANCISCO, May 26 (AP)—The CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union said today a "lockout" threatened a tie-up of Pacific coast ports June 15.

The issue arose in the union's rejection of shipowners' demands for a three-month extension of the present longshore contract which expires in mid-June.

The ILWU had demanded a full year's extension, which in turn had been rejected by the shipowners, represented by the Waterfront Employers association.

Persons Miraculously Escape 325-Foot Plunge



This car, nestled against a huge pine tree, crashed 325 feet down the Sand Creek grade of the Dalles-California highway north of Fort Klamath late Sunday afternoon. State police opine the driver went to sleep while en route to his home at John Day. A wrecker operator is getting ready to haul the car out. Story on page 1.

Sky Watched For Showers

Cloudy skies and sultry weather, with indications of rain in the offing. Throughout the state, Oregonians wished for rain on powder dry forests and farm lands in one of the driest seasons in many years. The forecast for this area for Tuesday is clouds with possible thunder storms in the mountains.

The entire northwest sweltered through unseasonably high temperatures over the week-end with only slightly cooler weather slated by the weatherman for Tuesday. Clouds and a slight breeze this morning gave some relief from the heat, which reached 87 degrees Sunday afternoon at the CAA weather station and went even higher on some unofficial thermometers. Sunday's maximum was the season high, with the same temperature recorded on May 1 of this year. The mercury stood at 70 at 11:30 a. m.

Crops in Oregon and Washington are suffering from lack of moisture, and in the Klamath country farmers are irrigating grain and potatoes to bring the crops up. A lower yield is anticipated because of forced irrigation in the case of grain unless rain should relieve the situation, according to the county agent's office.

In some sections of eastern Oregon, the dry weather has forced some premature ripening of some crops, forcing growers to call for harvest help earlier than normally.

No fires were reported to Klamath Forest Protective association headquarters over the week-end, and lookouts today said that weather in mountainous country looks favorable for storms.

Ex-Officer Faces Charge

LOS ANGELES, May 26 (AP)—The arrest of William Kenrick Evans, 36, former army lieutenant-colonel, on charges of appropriating and selling for about \$100,000 a supply of gold coins confiscated from Japanese on Formosa was announced today by U. S. Attorney James M. Carter.

He said Evans denied selling the coins, contending that he turned them over to Chinese military authorities. Evans was a member of the first advance party which went into Formosa at the end of the war.

Union County School Vote Due

LA GRANDE, May 26 (AP)—Voters in four Union county rural school districts will go to the polls June 16 to decide whether to consolidate with the Union school district, Board of Education Head C. K. McCormick said today.

Students from the four districts, which have been inactive for several years, are now attending the Union schools.

Joanne Bennet Wins Scholarship

"Congratulations—a national scholarship to Vassar college. Air mail letter follows!"

This was the thrilling wire received late Sunday night by Joanne "Jody" Bennet, valedictorian of the 1947 Klamath Union high school senior class, who won a scholarship to Vassar following competitive college board examinations six weeks ago. Seventy others took the exam in which seven scholarships were given to major colleges in the nation. Contestants were from the entire Pacific coast.

"Jody" is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bennet, 1170 Crescent. The scholarship is for four years "or more," depending on the scholastic standing of the student. "Jody" will leave early this fall to enter Vassar at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Trio Narrowly Escape Death In Mountain Wreck

Three persons narrowly escaped death at 4:20 o'clock Sunday afternoon when their sedan plunged 325 feet down the almost vertical bank of the Sand Creek grade. The car came to rest against a huge pine tree. The accident occurred seven miles north of Fort Klamath on highway 97.

Injured, but not seriously, were three John Day, Ore., residents, Wayne Phillips, 23, driver of the car, Mrs. Frances Ogilvie, 19, and Odessa Keerins, 39.

State police, called to the scene, said Phillips had fallen asleep at the wheel. Mrs. Ogilvie was in the seat asleep and Keerins, seated by the driver, was also thought to have been napping. The car took over the top of the hill and started its precipitous plunge. Phillips injured his wrist and suffered from bruises. Mrs. Ogilvie has a broken right arm and a severe cut on the top of the head, and Keerins has a broken left arm and body bruises. The car was demolished and was not moved until midnight last night.

The Klamath Ambulance Service brought the trio into Klamath Valley hospital. Phillips, a garage employee at John Day, was released as was Keerins but Mrs. Ogilvie will remain for further treatment, hospital authorities stated.

The three had been visiting in Klamath Falls and were en route home to John Day. State police officers were told by Phillips that he had had no sleep the night before the crash.

Evans, a bachelor, had leased lands south of Tulelake for the past nine or 10 years but his lease ran out last year. This year he went into business with Ayres. He has lived on the land and also in Tulelake and Klamath Falls. His only known relative is a sister, Mrs. Edith Insley of Roseburg. The body is at Ward's.

In the meantime, Patrolman Wilson said he was completing his investigation of the crash and will contact his superiors including District Attorney Charles Lederer of Alturas, Modoc county, before filing charges against young Blumenthal, a veteran.

"Blumenthal is a respectable citizen and is at liberty until charges are filed," Wilson said. "Justice of the Peace W. Loudon of Roseburg said at the present time but charges will be placed as soon as possible."

Wilson observed that this was the first fatal accident in Modoc county since the east-west road crash which took the life of Leonard Essman on October 15, 1945.

Girl Injured In Accident

Three-year-old Gloria Foster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foster of Beatty, was seriously injured when accidentally struck by a car early Sunday evening and brought to Klamath Valley hospital by Special Indian Officer Willis Pankay who witnessed the accident.

The child has possible internal injuries and is under observation. It is understood that a group of Beatty residents were enjoying a picnic, and a woman driver, with a child in the front seat, had her attention diverted for the moment by her youngsters and struck Gloria who was in the road. The car was traveling at a speed not more than 15 miles per hour, it is understood. Gloria is badly bruised but has a good chance for recovery.

Remorse Leads To Repayment

Remorse over taking 12 packages of gum and six candy bars from Waggoner Drug company drove a Eureka, Calif., woman to repaying to Walt Waggoner a crisp \$1 bill which arrived in the Monday morning mail.

Said the woman: "I used to take things before I got religion but now I've seen the light. I am returning you \$1 for 12 packages of gum and six candy bars which I took from your store."

Walt has bought a ticket to the Shrine sponsored dance and crippled children with the bill.

Memorial Shaft Gets Paint Job

The Memorial shaft, which occupies a corner on the courthouse lawn, was painted Saturday in preparation for Memorial Day observances.

The work was done through the courtesy of Roper and Roper and with material furnished by the Klamath county court.

Details of the Memorial Day program are rapidly being worked out by the Allied Veterans council and all veterans are urged to be in full uniform that day.

Second Man Injured In Accident

George Evans, 50-year-old Copeck bay lease land operator, died at Hillsdale hospital at 7:50 o'clock this morning from injuries received early today in an intersection collision three miles south of Tulelake on the Alturas highway.

Injured was Evans' companion and co-operator of the lease lands, William Harvey Ayres, 43, 736 Doty.

Driver of the second car, Charles Blumenthal, 29, employee of the Elbes Potato company, which California State Patrolman Gerald Wilson said struck the Evans' car broadside at the intersection of an unnamed county road and the highway, is at liberty until charges are filed. Blumenthal was uninjured.

Left Klamath

Both Evans and Ayres left Klamath Falls at 5:15 this morning en route to their holdings. At the time of the crash a plane was dusting grain in a nearby field and Patrolman Wilson was of the opinion that both drivers might have been watching the plane at the time of the accident.

As the Blumenthal car, going west on the county road, struck the Evans car southbound, the Evans car went out of control, skidded some 80 feet before it crashed into a Great Northern wig-wag signal and overturned in a drainage ditch. Evans was pinned under the car and Ayres thrown some 60 feet. The wig-wag was demolished.

Assistance Given

Dan Crawford and Max Naylor, both of Tulelake, came on the scene and freed Evans and Mrs. Della Fralry, nearby ranch woman, brought blankets to cover the injured. The Evans car was completely demolished. The Tulelake ambulance, operated by Mayor Ralph Fausett, brought Evans to Hillsdale hospital where he was admitted at 7:30 a. m. He expired 20 minutes later but had regained consciousness prior to his death. His injuries included a crushed chest and head hurts.

Ayres was moved to his lease land operations and brought to his home here by his neighbor rancher, L. B. Holzhouser. Mrs. Ayres said her husband was resting comfortably this afternoon and his injuries were not serious. He is a veteran of World War II and Evans of World War I.

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A local resident since 1932, the well-known lumberman was considered one of the leaders in the lumber field.

Private funeral services will be held at the Portland crematorium Tuesday at 3 p. m., with Bishop Benjamin Dagwell, a close personal friend, officiating.

Briggs was born at Saginaw, Mich., October 28, 1879, and was educated in the Saginaw schools, Lawrenceville prep school and Michigan College of Mines.

Shrine Dance Ticket Goes For \$100

State Senator and Governor pro-tem Marshall Cornett of Klamath Falls exchanges a check for \$100 with Jack Schulte, acting chairman of the Shrine crippled children's dance committee, for the No. 1 ticket issued for the local dance to be held Saturday evening at the armory. Cornett is the immediate past potentate of Hillish Temple Shrine.

Lost In Odell



Odell Lake Searched For Missing Pair

Still unrecovered today are the bodies of two Klamath Falls men who are believed to have drowned in big Odell lake while on a fishing trip late Saturday. Their boat, fish baskets, coats and other items have been recovered and the lake is being searched today for a trace of the men.

Missing are Harold Hadley, 36, deputy collector of internal revenue, and Leonard Callier, 39, local navy recruiter. Sheriff Lloyd L. Low said that unquestionably the men had drowned, although an investigation yesterday failed to turn up any actual witnesses to the tragedy.

Search Hampered

Cloudy weather and choppy water hampered the search being carried out today by friends of the two men and other fishing parties on the lake.

Hadley and Callier had gone to Chilcoquin Friday and planned a fishing trip at Odell with Edward Praulx, editor of the Chilcoquin morning, the two drove to Odell to Praulx's cabin. Praulx and Fred Cosper were to join them late Saturday.

They had intended to use Praulx's sea-boat, a big boat, but it had been in dry-dock all winter and had a leak. So Saturday morning Hadley and Callier borrowed a 12-foot boat from the Adkinson and Meisner dock and put on a 5-horsepower motor.

Return To Cabin

Apparently, Sheriff Low said, the men fished Saturday morning, returned to the cabin at the north-west end of the lake for dinner and went out on the water again. A motor in the cabin was still warm when Praulx and Cosper arrived late in the day.

Hadley and Callier disappeared sometime Saturday afternoon. Sunday morning the boat, still upright but half full of water, was found at a point south of Kelley's point. A heavy tow chain on the prow of the boat was dragging and caught between rocks on the bottom. A safety cushion was located near the boat.

Billfold Found

Three other fishermen, Tom Edwards, Ray Betzer and Clair Jones, all from Klamath Falls, found a billfold floating in the water toward the middle of the lake. It contained Hadley's fishing license, other papers and some currency, but these men did not know of the significance of their find until they returned to shore later Sunday.

In the vicinity where the billfold was located other searchers found a small, light-colored, cap and an ear, all floating, leading to the surmise that the two men went down in 30 to 60 feet of water. The motor, lost off the boat, has not been found.

Sheriff Low received a call to the lake early Sunday morning, and went up with Deputy Marion Barnes, Allen Fletcher and Harry McConeh. Taking along a drag, however, the sheriff said, water conditions and the sloping bottom made it impossible to use the drag.

Deep Water

The place where the men are believed to have drowned down is between the shore and the "blue" drop-off where the bottom falls off sharply to several hundred feet deep. Sheriff Low said that the men would have been treading in the shallow water. He said that if the weather were clear they might be able to spot the aluminum-colored motor on the bottom and get more ideas where the accident took place.

Searchers walked the shore between the spot where the boat was found and the cabin without finding the bodies.

Praulx and Cosper said that they arrived at the lake about 6:20 p. m. Saturday, and became worried when Hadley and Callier didn't come off the water at sundown. They went out on the lake in a short search foray with Jack Meisner, then went to the resort at the other end of the lake on the chance that the men might have stopped there.

Finally deciding that the men might have camped on shore for the night, Praulx and Cosper went to bed at the cabin.

Hope faded for the two men when the boat was found early Sunday morning. Some of their fishing gear was still in it. Searchers surmised that the boat must have tipped over and shipped some water, spilling the men out, or it might have gone all the way over and then been forced upright again by the men before they went down in the cold water.

Hadley and Callier were well known here. Hadley resided with his wife, Mercedes, and daughter, Constance Joan, 9, at 1530 California. An army veteran, he saw service in

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