

INDIAN SCHOOL COST ISSUE UP

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

As these words are written, the news from Italy is scant, but grave. Police squads, swinging clubs, charge surging crowds singing the communist anthem. The crowds cheer and hoot, but DISPERSE.

WHAT we need to know, in order to guess what will happen in Rome, is whether the people will GO BACK TO WORK if given sufficient police protection to make them feel that it is safe to do so.

WHAT Western Europe needs and must have if it is to return to normal living is PRODUCTION OF THINGS. Things can be produced only by human labor applied to natural resources. Want-waving won't do the trick.

The communist purpose is to keep people from working, so that in time they will become so hungry and desperate that they will accept EVEN COMMUNISM.

WESTERN governments, meeting in Portland, heard from Francis Russell, director of the U. S. state department, that getting Western Europe back onto its feet would take "only about three per cent of the American economy."

The dispatches don't make clear what he means by the American "economy," but presumably he means production. Obviously if he gives away three per cent of our production we could bring the countries of the western part of Europe back to something like their pre-war status, we would have done well by ourselves.

ANY merchant knows that when his customers become temporarily unable to pay their bills he has to carry them until they get back onto their feet and CAN pay. All sensible merchants know that such an enterprise is a good gamble.

That, basically, is what the United States is proposing to do, under the "Marshall" plan with its customers in Western Europe.

IF the governments of Italy and France have the stamina to maintain law and order, so that their people can get back to working and producing things, we shall all feel greatly encouraged as to the prospects of the Marshall plan and will be more inclined to back it up.

SPEAKING of production, a dispatch from San Francisco this morning tells us that Oregon, Washington and California will probably produce more lumber this year (in spite of car shortages and other difficulties) than in any year since 1926.

Housing is one of our great and crying needs. Lack of houses is probably causing more all-around grief and ill will than any other shortage. The only way to build enough houses is to PRODUCE ENOUGH BUILDING MATERIAL.

For years, the politicians have been wailing wails and shouting "abracadabra." It hasn't helped much. Producing enough building materials WILL HELP.

THERE was a highly significant little dispatch from Seattle the other day. It told of receipt there of 1000 TONS of food and clothing that had been contributed by generous people to fill a ship to be sent to Europe to help the needy.

You may have doubts about the Marshall plan. You may fear that the politicians, here and abroad, will get hold of it and waste our substance. We have plenty of evidence to the effect that OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY is often handled carelessly and inefficiently.

BUT you can't be doubtful of the wisdom and the honesty and the sincerity of 1000 tons of DONATED food and clothing.

Back of that lies willingness to work and sacrifice—which, after all, is the ROOT of all real help to others.

"Peep Hole" Drivers Warned
"Peep-hole" drivers were warned today that operating motor vehicles without proper vision is in violation of the law.

During cold weather, windshields on cars are wont to frost over and many drivers scrape clear only enough space for them to see through. This is the cause of numerous accidents and although this section has been fortunate in having few serious crashes due to weather thus far in the season, there has been a noticeable increase in damaged cars.

Riot Squads Called Up In Italy

ROME, Dec. 12 (AP)—Jeep-borne police riot squads, swinging clubs, charged surging crowds today in the heart of strike-bound Rome, as throughs chanted the communist anthem "Red Flag."

Police quickly cleared the crowds, in the Piazza Colonna, from their concentration point below the windows of the Italian foreign office. The crowd gave way, jeering and hooting.

AP Men Hit
Two Associated Press photographers from the United States, J. Walter Green and Frank Noel, were struck on the head by police clubs, but suffered no serious injury. They continued working after identifying themselves.

Rome's general strike, now in its second day, appeared to have loosened its grip somewhat, despite the determination of the communist-controlled chamber of labor to pursue it to the bitter end. Strong-arm police measures weakened the strikers' effectiveness as Premier Alcide de Gasperi's Christian democratic government pressed for a settlement.

The most vigorous police action was at the Piazza Colonna, and leftists were angered and embittered. At one point, Pietro Nenni, the leader of the socialist pro-communist wing, and Giuliano Pajetta, a communist member of the constituent assembly, were mixed up in a fracas after attempting to remonstrate with police. Neither was injured.

Indians To Name Officers
KIAMATH AGENCY, Dec. 12 (AP)—Election of members to the Klamath Indian tribal business committee and enrollment board will be held on the reservation December 16, it was disclosed at yesterday's general tribal council session.

Polling places will be set up in Chiloquin, Sprague River and Beatty.

The business committee has eight places open, and the candidates include Boyd Jackson, June Poltras, Wade Crawford, Jessie Francis, Fredman Kirk, Dorothy McNulty, Evelyn Cheralde, Gilbert Nelson, Lawrence Witt, Ida Crawford, Eldred Gray, Jesse L. Kirk, Selden Kirk, James Johnson, Wernie Foster, Dice Crane, John Copeland, Joe Ball and George Dufault.

Candidates for the three places on the enrollment committee are Dibbon Cook, James Johnson, Boyd Jackson, Jesse L. Kirk, Eddie Cookman, Lawrence Witt and Wernie Foster.

Among timber matters discussed at yesterday's general council session was a request by the forest service for \$13,000 over and above its allocation of \$84,000 for administration, and the request was approved.

GOP'S Agree On Price Plan
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—The senate republican policy committee agreed today on an anti-inflation program pointed at voluntary action to reduce the cost of living. Details were withheld.

Chairman Taft (R-Ohio) of the policy group said a statement of principles will be issued tomorrow after it has been checked with the house republican policy group and a conference of all GOP senators.

Although Taft declined to discuss the GOP proposals, he said the statement would include three of four proposals which are a part of the house committee-approved Wollcott bill.

Democrats are organizing a drive to put some of President Truman's anti-inflation proposals into the republican measure, which already has come in for criticism from GOP ranks.

However, a high-placed republican told reporters the republican bill may be handed to the house on a "take it or leave it" basis that would bar any floor revisions.

If this plan is adopted democrats would have no opportunity to offer amendments embracing Mr. Truman's proposals for limited authority for price and wage controls and rationing powers.

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Chest Campaign Roars Over Goal

Underground Strikes In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Dec. 12 (AP)—The Jewish underground struck hard with bomb and gun today at Arabs in five parts of Palestine and when dusk descended on this Moslem Sabbath, 21 persons had been killed for a total of 194 since partition was announced.

At least 18 of the dead were Arabs whom Irgun Zvai Leumi said it had struck down in "retaliatory" blows at Tihah, Gaza, Haifa, Yezur and Shafar. Three bodies were found burned in a British overseas airways truck seized by Arabs tonight at Lydda village. At least 40 Arabs were wounded.

Irgun said actually the casualties were much higher and asserted in a pamphlet:

Arabs Warned
"We warned the Arabs repeatedly before we struck. Retaliatory acts will continue. If the British continue to interfere and permit the Arabs to import arms from abroad, we will strike them too."

Throughout the Middle East, where Arabs were astir over the partition scheduled for next year, 310 persons had been killed.

Except for the underground acts, violence seemed to subside a bit under appeals from political and religious spokesmen and tightened British security measures.

Scattered firing went on all day in the besieged Jewish section of the old city of Jerusalem where troops and police patrolled the narrow, winding streets. The highland light infantry moved into the area at dusk after police blocked the Jaffa gate.

The heaviest death list was at Tihah near Haifa, where Jewish commandos killed a dozen Arabs and wounded six with grenades and automatics.

Reds Renew U.S. Attack
LONDON, Dec. 12 (AP)—American officials reported tonight Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov had renewed his bitter attacks on the western powers in the foreign ministers council today and Secretary of State Marshall told him in response.

"It is very difficult to have any respect for the dignity of the Soviet government."

First information on today's reported stormy meeting was that Molotov offered no compromise on outstanding issues before the council, but instead lambasted the policies of the western powers in Germany.

American informants said that British Foreign Secretary Bevin commented to the council, when Molotov had finished, that what had been said was a whole series of insults and complete untruths and Molotov might at least have the courtesy to thank the other ministers for sitting through such a statement.

Russians Hold Up Supply Train
BERLIN, Dec. 12 (AP)—Fifteen heavily-armed Russians held up and broke into a U. S. army supply train recently on the road to Berlin in the Soviet occupation zone, the American provost marshal's office said today.

A report made by American train guards to their commanding officer said the Russians were intoxicated. No shots were fired and although the Russians broke the seals on nine cars in the 53-car train no loot was taken, the report said.

Where Fire Threatened Industrial Plant



This sawdust bin at the rear of the Shasta planing mill on South Sixth street charred in a fire that broke out there about 7 o'clock last night. City and county firemen quickly checked the blaze, and damage was slight, as this picture taken this morning shows. The fire was in the center of an industrial district.

Roll-Back Plan Proposed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Specific proposals for price ceilings and roll backs under President Truman's request for standby anti-inflation powers were submitted to congress by Secretary of Labor Schweinfach.

Replying to republican demands that the administration spell out its anti-inflation program, Schweinfach said price controls would be limited to commodities:

1. That basically affect the cost of living and which are essential items.
2. That are basic to the costs of agricultural and industrial production.
3. "Essential to effectuation of the foreign policy of the United States."

Moreover, Schweinfach said a maximum price should be set only when:

- (1) The commodity is found to be in short supply; or (2) the price of such commodity has risen unreasonably above the price prevailing in June, 1947.

Maximum prices lower than the highest price prevailing between June 11 and June 18, 1947, may be established under Schweinfach's proposals to make allowances for decreased costs or market declines.

BULLETIN

ROME, Dec. 12 (AP)—Reliable informants said Rome's communist-controlled labor unions had voted to end the capital's violent two-day strike at midnight tonight.

Fire Damages Sawdust Bin At Shasta Planing Mill

Fire last evening damaged a sawdust bin at the rear of the Shasta Planing mill on S. 6th near Altamont drive.

The blaze burned through the upper part of the bin, which is located behind the mill within a few feet of the burner, but city and county firemen checked the flames before much damage was done and before the industrial plant proper, was seriously threatened.

The fire was believed to have started in a switchbox in the lower part of the structure, where it was discovered by a night watchman. The city fire department was first notified, and as a city fire truck pulled out, the municipal department notified the county firemen, whose headquarters is just across Sixth street from the scene of the blaze.

Fire Chief Keith Ambrose explained later that an industrial fire of this nature gets the attention of the city fire department, even though it is outside the city limits. The Shasta mill, which is operated by the Spangler-Palmerton interests, is well outside the corporate limits of the city.

Incidentally, simultaneously with the industrial fire alarm, the department received a call to the Valley hotel. Smoke from a defective refrigerator had filled a room there, but there was no blaze, firemen reported.

Wreckage Held To Be Army Ship

PENDLETON, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—Confirmation was expected today from army officials that the wreckage found in the Blue mountains near Meacham was that of an army airplane.

R. B. Asbury of the civil aeronautics administration office in Portland said fragments of the wreckage bore army serial numbers from a plane resembling a twin-engine Beechcraft.

He said the fragments were brought out by Henry Davenport, a Silverton, Ore., hunter, who found the wreck scene last month. Davenport also found a leg bone and part of a skull, Asbury said.

Two army investigators from McChord field near Tacoma, were expected to make their report today.

County Asks Higher Pay From Tribe

By HALE SCARBROUGH

The matter of tribal payments to Klamath county as tuition for Klamath Indian students going to county-financed schools came before the tribe in general council on the reservation yesterday and also before the county court and school board members in a session at the courthouse this morning, with a seeming accord being reached that the Indians will have to pay more money for schooling than they have in the past.

The tribal council yesterday tabled a motion that \$96,000 be paid to the county school system to adjust inequities in the cost of education, but will appoint a six-man committee to get together with the school board and iron out the problem.

In a nutshell, the problem is that education in Klamath county costs the taxpayers \$1.01 per school child per day, while some 240 Klamath Indian children have been attending county schools for only 20 to 30 cents a day, paid by the tribe.

Tribe Agrees
The Indian general council has adopted the point of view that its contribution to education is not sufficient and apparently wishes to pay its share of the cost, not to "thumb a ride" with Klamath county taxpayers to get their children provided with schooling.

A meeting is called for Monday at the courthouse between the Indian committee and the school board, to work out an education payment plan acceptable to both the Indians and Klamath county, which would have to be okayed by congress.

The problem of education is one facet of the entire Klamath Indian reservation set-up which was investigated last summer by a senate sub-committee.

The agreement that the Klamaths are not paying their share for education is one of the few matters on which the two rival factions on the reservation are in accord.

Crawford Chosen
Wade Crawford, former Klamath tribal delegate to Washington and proponent of liquidation of the reservation, said at the hearing today he would be in Washington for the next regular session of congress, beginning in January, to carry on the fight for passage of senate bill No. 1222.

That is the proposed measure which would dissolve the reservation and give the Indians their citizenship.

Crawford will not represent the tribe as a whole. He was defeated as a candidate for tribal delegate several months ago. But he said that some 150 Indians who share his views on the reservation problem had banded together and would send him to Washington to represent them. Crawford believes that congress will take some action toward loosening the Indian service restrictions on the Klamaths at the January session.

Forest E. Cooper, Lakeview attorney, presided over today's meeting and he also said he thought congress was ready to go ahead with some measure of freedom for the Klamath tribe.

Cooper said that the Klamath reservation was getting to be known as a "hot spot" among the staff of the Indian service, and that a call for volunteers among the service staff had gone out to handle top administrative posts on the Klamath reservation.

"But word has gone down the grapevine that the Klamath reservation is a hot spot," he said.

B-29 Breaks Up In Crash Landing
SPOKANE, Dec. 12 (AP)—A B-29 with three engines on fire crashed landed in a field and broke into three pieces near Medical lake, Wash., last night. All but 10 crew members escaped serious injury.

The Superfort was from the Spokane army air field and had just taken off on a long-range navigational flight. The engine fires were extinguished by crew members before Medical lake firemen arrived on the scene.

Fred Hauer, a rancher living nearby, said he saw today's plane bounced into the air four times as it swept over the ground and once sailed over a country road in the vicinity.

Two crew members were treated for minor facial cuts and bruises.

It was returning from the west coast.

G. V. White said he saw the plane explode and burst into flames from his home two miles away.

"It wasn't more than two seconds before it hit the ground," he said.

Robert Hall, who lives about two and a half miles from the scene of the crash, said he heard the plane "laboring real loud" and saw "a flash in the sky."

Fargo would not speculate on the crash. The ceiling was reported at 1700 feet shortly after the crash, which the army said occurred at 6:05 p. m. (CST).

Hundreds of persons flocked to the scene near the Mississippi-Tennessee state line.

The largest portion of the plane came to rest about three-fourths of a mile away from the nearest road and ambulances had to traverse a muddy field.

The mutilated bodies were taken first to Kennedy Veterans hospital and then sent to private funeral homes.

Scientists Backing Man In Tug-Of-War Between 225 Men And 1900 Pound Horse

WATERLOO, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—The tug-of-war between a 225-pound man and a 1900-pound horse will come off here tomorrow and as the hour drew near the man was getting increasing support among the betting farmers of this community.

Learned physicians took cognizance of the event, to be run off at 2 p. m. on the rodeo grounds here tomorrow, and their almost unanimous advice was: "Don't bet on the horse."

Being scientists and not addicted to that sort of thing, they didn't advise betting on the man, either, but they made it sound almost like a shoo-in for 225-pound Chester Fitzwater.

In the contest Fitzwater will be lying back on the ground, holding onto a 300-foot rope. His feet will be braced against a wood block.

At the other end, trying to pull Fitzwater erect, will be Baldy, a 12-year-old, 1900-pound plow horse, owned by R. W. Wallace.

Farmers of this community, 20 miles east of Al-

10 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

MERRY CHRISTMAS

BASKETBALL

Pelican Court — Friday, 7:30 P. M.
Probable Lineups (First Game)

Grant	Pos.	Astoria
16 Rivenburgh	F.	Korpela
14 Ferrell	F.	Morse
11 Hall	C.	Logue
13 Marineau	C.	Kittilson
12 Crowley	C.	Syvonen

Grant reserves: 5—Patterson; 9—Bonowitz; 6—Hays; 8—Keller; 3—Dickey. Astoria reserves: 10—Hansen; 16—Franciscovich; 11—Erickson; 19—Simonsen; 13—Fransen.

(Second Game)

Klamath	Pos.	Oregon City
3 Kenneth	F.	Hoffman
5 Barnes	F.	Sanetel
15 Lust	C.	W. Van Pelt
10 Dawes	C.	Spies
8 Zarosinski	C.	Schniable

Klamath reserves: 4—Stringham; 7—Edwards; 12—Elliott; 13—Whitney; 20—Torgerson. Oregon City reserves: 4—Cook; 6—Snook; 9—Ruby; 10—Ruminski; 13—C. Van Pelt.