

PAULEY TO RESIGN ARMY POST

In The Day's News

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Klamath and News

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By FRANK JENKINS
PRESIDENT TRUMAN, in his economic message to congress today, stands pat on his ten-point proposal for artificial control of our economy until it can catch up with itself.

He asserts flatly that "stand-by" (gun behind the door) price control, wage control and rationing authority are "needed, needed badly and needed promptly." He adds: "The American people are keenly aware that inflation is the dominant problem in our affairs."

Truman can then say: "Well, I asked you to do something. You refused. Now look at the mess."

Maybe he doesn't want price and wage control and rationing. But in demanding these things from a congress that probably won't give them, he is employing fairly shrewd political strategy.

IN the "good old days," this would have been merely a familiar game that we would all have played with huge enjoyment. Our Presidential campaigns have been among our most cherished relaxations. We've enjoyed them even more than football, baseball and going fishing.

FOR example: The President's air policy commission says in Washington this morning that our government should add billions of dollars to air power spending estimates in order to CREATE A FORCE CAPABLE OF DEALING WITH A POSSIBLE ATOMIC ATTACK ON THIS COUNTRY BY JANUARY 1, 1953.

WITH the atom bomb for the moment in our sole possession, why do we need to spend added billions for new air power?

THE answer to that question is grimly plain: WE MUST BE ABLE TO DELIVER THE BOMB ON A CHOSEN TARGET.

SO much for the OFFENSIVE side of atomic warfare. On the defensive side, we must be able to prevent a possible enemy from dumping bombs on us. In the light of present (generally known) knowledge, a defensive air force that can stop the enemy before he gets to us is about all that can help.

SUCH is the stage on which the Presidential campaign of 1948 is being played for us.

KFJI To Carry Grid Banquet
Football award ceremonies in tonight's 10th annual Lions football banquet honoring the Klamath Pelicans and Henley Hornets will be aired by direct wire over station KFJI from the Willard hotel dining room at 8:30 tonight.

Hitchcock, Semon Political Filing Breaks Ice, County Officers Declare
The father (in a cartoon) was giving his son the lowdown on a few things. Said he:

"Son, the only fair way for me to explain it is to say that the republicans are represented by the elephant, a big, honest beast of burden, while the democrats are represented by a scrawny jackass."
"Be that as it may, the political broth is beginning to simmer in Klamath county."
Yesterday's announcement by Phil Hitchcock and Henry Semon that they would stand for nomination for state senator and state representative respectively apparently started the ball rolling. Several other office-holders were no longer reluctant to state their intentions when asked whether they intended to seek re-election.

Arabs Pledge Palestine Assault

Petrillo Acquitted Of Charges

CHICAGO, Jan. 14 (AP)—James C. Petrillo, purdy chief of the AFL musicians union, was acquitted today of a charge that he violated the Lea act aimed at curbing his powers, and his attorney declared "the Lea act is dead."

Petrillo, looking grim in a blue serge suit and white shirt while waiting for the decision in court, burst into smiles. Later he happily told reporters:

"I guess it puts a different light on the situation. The broadcasters have been telling me I cannot force them to hire more musicians than are needed. Now I can ask for additional musicians as long as they perform actual services."

Petrillo's attorney, Daniel Carmell, a Chicago AFL leader, told reporters:

"The essence of this decision is that the Lea act is dead. The act, also known as the anti-Petrillo law, was passed by congress to limit the 55-year-old Petrillo's broad union powers. The government contended Petrillo violated the law by attempting to force a Chicago radio station, WAAF, to employ more union musicians than it said it needed."

Judge La Buy, in his eight-page written opinion, ruled:

1. Petrillo did not know that the radio station did not need additional employees.
2. He requested the station to hire the three additional employees "— record librarians—because he thought they were needed to perform actual services."
3. His "demand" that they be hired "was unaccompanied by threat of the use of force, violence, intimidation or duress."
4. The station was "not inconvenienced by reason of the dispute" which continues in progress as an AFL musicians strike.
5. Petrillo was not shown to have been guilty of "union racketeering or feather-bedding," through any attempt to compel hiring of more employees than were needed. He only sought "to obtain honest employment for additional musicians."

Tule Fire Lights Sky
A mid-January fire in tules and sagebrush southeast of Klamath Falls yesterday and last night brought many telephone queries to The Herald and News as the sky was bright with a brilliant glow.

Gandhi Completes 31 Hours Of Fast
NEW DELHI, Jan. 14 (AP)—Mohandas K. Gandhi, 78, has completed 31 hours of his fast without complication in his effort to force communal peace in India and Delhi, attending doctors reported tonight.

Missing Yacht Found Safe
MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 14 (AP)—A yacht with 10 persons aboard including Windsor T. White, 81, of Cleveland, O., and Roe Emery, 73, of Denver, Colo., motor executives, arrived in port here today after being overdue since Monday, the coast guard said.

Late Spud Bulletin
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 14 (AP)—Potatoes: 20 broken, 15 unbroken cars on track; arrivals—California 5, Oregon 6; market barely steady; Klamath Russets No. 1-A 4.75-5; Long White No. 1-A 4.10; No. 1 Baker 4.30.
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 14 (AP)—Potatoes: 24 broken, 29 unbroken cars on track; arrivals—California 10, Oregon 1, Idaho 13, Utah 3; 15 cars arrived by truck; market steady; Idaho Russets No. 1-A 4.70; Deschutes No. 1 Bakers 6.20.

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Training Said Under Way Now

DAMASCUS, Syria, Jan. 14 (AP)—Defense Minister Ahmed Sharabati says a trained Arab "people's army" will launch a direct frontal attack next month to sweep Zionism from Palestine. Some Arab sources here believe February 15 may be D-Day.

Sharabati said in an interview last night the attack will be made "with men and arms in an honorable war to preserve the rights of our Arab brethren." He said full scale training and arming are in progress, and declared there will be "no bombing in the dark."

Military observers denied a "people's army" already is in the Palestine fight, and said the recent invasion of Palestine from Syria was a Fadi tribal sortie led by Prince Faur Faur. There are an estimated 600 Fadi tribesmen living along the Syrian-Palestine border.

Fawzi Bey al Kaukji, chief of the volunteer fight against Zionism, who said he had been in Palestine "several times" in the last month, declared:

"In one month you can witness the results of our preparations. This is war. We propose to sweep Zionism from Palestine with superior military force."
Informed Arab sources expressed the opinion that political and military leaders were trying to coordinate activities for a February 15 D-Day, but conceded that was only a "tentative" date.

Reports that the Arabs planned to establish a Palestine government either inside or outside Palestine were denied by Jamal Hussaini, deputy chairman of the higher executive.

Hussaini said the Arabs proposed to organize a national council elected by local Arab committees of Palestine communities. The council would be composed of 100 or 110 delegates headed by a 10-man council to direct national affairs and sponsor unification of the fight against "attempts to dismember our homeland," Hussaini said.

Krug Pledges Oil Freeze
WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (AP)—Secretary of Interior Krug said today that if congress grants stand-by price control power he immediately will order a 60-day "freeze" of retail and wholesale prices for coal, fuel oil, gasoline and all other petroleum products.

Krug also told the senate banking committee that if the administration is given allocation and rationing authority, he believes it will be necessary to allocate and "possibly" ration fuel oil and gasoline.

Jake Bird Gets 60-Day Stay
OLYMPIA, Jan. 14 (AP)—Jake Bird, convicted slayer scheduled to hang early Friday, today was granted a 60-day stay of execution by Governor Wallgren.

Irate Gardeners Laying For Deer
HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 14 (AP)—Public complaint over prowling deer reached a crescendo today and at least one woman has her rifle ready.

Airport Formally Signed Over To City Of Klamath
The municipal airport, formerly the naval air station, was officially signed, sealed and delivered by the war assets administration to the city of Klamath Falls this morning.

Appointed



Col. Ralph A. Tudor (above) and Paito Alto, (below) were named as chief engineer of the newly created division of San Francisco bay toll crossings.

Ike's Silence Held Threat

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower may risk any chance for the ultimate backing of regular republican organizations in several states if he fails to stamp out the independent presidential draft movement now under way.

The army chief of staff has said several times that he has no interest in politics. But thus far he has not otherwise repudiated moves by the Draft Eisenhower league to put delegates into a number of GOP primaries.

While this move has the backing in New Hampshire of Sen. Charles Tobey, Eisenhower enthusiasts elsewhere seem likely to be drawn from persons outside of and often at odds with the regular GOP organizations in the states concerned.

As a case in point, one republican in close touch with the situation said privately that Eisenhower has had a better-than-fair chance for darkhorse support from the powerful Pennsylvania republican organization at the June Philadelphia convention. But, this party member added, the general may forfeit that chance if he does not disavow immediately a move in his behalf there.

Planners OK County Survey

The newly-set Klamath county planning commission is unanimously in favor of a county-wide survey of the type the city council and chamber of commerce have recommended, Vern Moore, chairman of the group, said today.

A survey, if it undertakes, would cover such problems as traffic, zoning for residential and industrial building and the like and would form a basis for future community planning. The chamber of commerce has gone on record favoring a county survey, as has the city planning commission.

Moore said that most of the first meeting of the county planning group was devoted to a discussion of the proposed survey, and all members of the commission were agreed that such a perusal of the community's possibilities should be made.

The group also went on record in favor of widening Crest street some 20 feet to provide good access across between S. 6th and First cross street, and the fairgrounds.

Wally Hector, county engineer, was asked by the group to make a survey of his own on S. 6th street and to recommend a uniform distance buildings should be set back from the street to clear up the "ragged" look of the area.

The county planning commission, set up by statute, has considerable authority, Moore said, and intends to work hand-in-hand with its city counterpart, particularly in reference to the suburban area.

Move Said Planned At Job Start

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (AP)—Edwin W. Pauley today prepared to resign from government service with a hot advance denial that he was smoked out by Harold E. Stassen's public speaking of his record as a grain speculator.

The California oil man, former democratic national committee treasurer and a close friend of President Truman, announced that he is quitting as assistant to Secretary of the Army Royal "some time this month."

In a memorandum to the press distributed by the army last night Pauley declared this is in accordance with plans he made known soon after taking the job last September 3. Thus Stassen, he said, cannot "claim credit for bringing about my resignation."

The statement came two days after Stassen, a candidate for the republican presidential nomination, called on Mr. Truman to answer this question:

"Does a man who has admitted under investigation that he made approximately a million dollars (\$832,762) to be exact, in personal profit, by speculating since the war in increased prices of food and commodities, belong in the position of assistant to the secretary of the army for procurement and industrial mobilization?"

Pauley said he told a Washington newspaper last September 16 that he planned to stay in the army department "for only three or four months" and "I said very much the same thing in a public statement December 15."

The December 15 statement was issued after a senate appropriations subcommittee seeking evidence that government "insiders" have made money in commodities called Pauley as a witness.

Pauley said then he never used any inside information in his trading and had begun to get out of the market as soon as he took the appointment under Royal.

He said he had counted on staying only three to four months and "when I have finished the job I will leave; not before."

French Reds Spark Battle
PARIS, Jan. 14 (AP)—Communists resumed a bitter fight today for the vice presidency of the French national assembly, charging that attempts to deprive the largest socialist party in the assembly of that post would be unconstitutional.

Marcel Cachin, the communist interim chairman of the assembly who suspended the session yesterday when a majority of the deputies attempted to deprive the communists of the vice presidency, reconvened its reorganization meeting. Fear had been expressed that he might refuse to do so. The communists have threatened a boycott of all assembly offices.

The session yesterday had ended in turmoil. Deputies shouted, sang and engaged in fist fights. The meeting was suspended by turning out the lights after non-communist deputies refused to leave.

Non-communists have asked France's socialist president, Vincent Auriol, to help them in their dispute over the division of offices in the more powerful of France's legislative houses. The final say on the constitutionality of any act of the legislature rests with the assembly itself.

Dismissal Of War Crimes Proposed
TOKYO, Jan. 14 (AP)—Dismissal of war crimes charges against 20 Japanese—including five ministers in the Tojo cabinet—has been recommended by Chief Prosecutor Joseph B. Keenan, it was learned authoritatively today.

Keenan declined comment on the report, but neither would he deny he made the recommendation to the war crimes section of the U. S. department of the army in Washington.

An informed source said Keenan's reasoning is that trial of the 20 defendants would be anti-climactic, lengthy and expensive and would necessitate a complete new tribunal, buildings have already been given to the city by the WAA.

Government expenditures on buildings and improvements over the entire airport project, including plant and fire trucks to six coat trees and the barbed wire fence surrounding the airport.

One of the provisions in the deed stipulates that during a national emergency, the government shall have full unrestricted and immediate possession and control of the field and facilities.

A second provision states that the airport and facilities must be kept in good condition to assure efficient operation at all time in accordance with civil aeronautics authority rulings.