

COAL PENSION STRIKE SPREADS

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THE 16 Western European nations that we are trying to build back to a state of health and strength meet today in Paris in what the correspondents describe as "an atmosphere of world crisis" and vote unanimously to include Western Germany in the Marshall plan.

WHY?
The answer is blunt and simple: Germany has always been a COMPETENT nation. If we are to check the spread of communism over the world, we've got to have competent fighters on our side. France, whose vote was included among the unanimous 16, fears Germany hereditarily, but she fears Russia and communism MORE.

CONSIDER these 16 nations. TO THEM FIRST, they are closest. Yet they are willing to get together to FIGHT to stop communism.

SWEDEN is getting nervous. General Helge Jung, commander of her armed forces, says last night in a report to King Gustav that Russia's "brusque" methods are alarming. He adds that more money, materials, man-power, and industrial capacity are needed to bring Sweden's "soup preparedness" to a higher level.

WHAT does he mean by "brusque methods"?
Czechoslovakia knows. When the crisis came there, ARMED MEN APPEARED AT STRATEGIC PLACES in Prague. That was the end of it. Thereafter Czechoslovakia was COMMUNIST.

GENERAL JUNG doesn't want that to happen in Sweden. As a soldier, he knows that only adequate military force can stop it. Hence his advice to King Gustav.

IN the face of the loss of liberty, Western Europe, you see, is beginning to think realistically.

THE next BIG MOVE is expected to come in Italy, whose crucial election will occur on April 18. Here is what the communists will aim at in Italy:

They will try to get their hands first on whatever ministry handles the POLICE. The present Italian police system will then be converted into a SECRET POLICE system.

That will clear the way for the appearance of armed men at strategic spots at the psychological moment.

IN Oregon, Leslie Scott withdraws this morning as a candidate for the republican nomination for governor.

He says the cost of making a campaign is somewhere from \$25,000 to \$50,000, and under Oregon law he can spend only \$1500 of his own money. Presumably, he doesn't want to be obligated by spending other people's money to get nominated and elected.

POSSIBLY a campaign for the office of governor of Oregon does cost from \$25,000 to \$50,000. If so, it's TOO MUCH.

The chances are the bulk of it is wasted. If a good, competent man just went out and told the people he wants to be governor and why, and

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WEATHER

Max (Mar. 15) 47 Min. 30
Precipitation last 24 hours trace
Forecast: Partly cloudy.

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Meat Packing Plants Picketed

Copco Brass Says Power Outlook Fair

Encouraging information on the power supply situation in this territory was given last night to a group of Klamath men by John Boyle, vice president and general manager of the California Oregon Power company. Boyle indicated that the mid-coast region is better off than areas both to the north and south, but said that California's situation, where the shortage has been acute, has excellent chances of improvement in the near future.

Land Winners All Accepted

The 44 veterans of World War II who drew homesteads in the Coppock bay area Monday have all been accepted, according to E. Laton Stephens, district operations superintendent of the U. S. bureau of reclamation.

Reds Demand Ransom Fee

SHANGHAI, March 16 (AP)—Chinese communists are reported to have demanded \$120,000 ransom for four American marines they captured Christmas Day.

Lucky Homestead Winners Dream Of Work On Newly Acquired Tulelake Farmlands

The excitement which centered around the famous pickle jar at 44 homesteads drawing of the Coppock bay area, continued today as lucky winners and their families could "scarcely believe" their luck.



FRANCES JEANNE IVORY

Another Array Of Candidates For Sheriff



Guy Barton—Rep. Frank Steele—Demo. Larry McClane—Demo.

Grain Growers To Decide On Inspection Station

Grain growers of this area will be asked Wednesday, March 24, to decide if they want to establish a grain inspection station here or to continue with the system of having their grain graded at Portland or some other distant market.

Snapp Slated For Battle With Hostak

Jack Snapp, who is making his first search for the pot of fistic gold at the end of the rainbow, and Al Hostak, who has already found fortune twice and is trying for the third time, meet tonight in the Portland civic auditorium for a 10-round bout which will put the winner considerably farther along on the trail.

Armed Forces Reach Accord

WASHINGTON, March 16 (AP)—Defense Secretary Forrestal said today a "general accord" has been reached by the high command on military tasks of the army, navy and air force.

Rescue Try Undecided

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, March 16 (AP)—Whether to attempt to recover the bodies of 30 victims of last Friday's disastrous Northwest Orient Airlines plane crash remained an unanswered question today.

'Cussedness' Fire Cause

WASHINGTON, March 16 (AP)—A new cause of forest fires has been found "pure cussedness."

Last Ditch Try By HST Falls Flat

CHICAGO, March 16 (AP)—Picket lines formed at the nation's meat packing plants today as 100,000 CIO employees were called out on strike despite a last-minute effort by President Truman to settle the wage dispute.

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Snow Covers High Roads

A snowstorm in the mountain area leading out of the Klamath basin left a heavy fall on the Willamette pass, on Sun mountain, and a lighter coat on Hayden mountain of the Greensprings highway.

Child Bride Breaks Into News Again

ASHLAND CITY, Tenn., March 16 (AP)—Tennessee has a new 12-year-old child bride, it was disclosed today.

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