

# ITALIAN REDS GET POLL WARNING

**In The**  
By FRANK JENKINS

ITALY today is preparing for the big election tomorrow that could change the map of the world. We read, among other things, that "public security forces" (police) to the number of 300,000 to 400,000 will guard the polls to see to it that voters are not intimidated.

HERE is a cynical thought, based on past performance:  
If the communists lose, they'll squawk. They'll assert that the police (now controlled by the non-communist ministry of the interior) prevented communists from voting.  
(The odd part of it is that they will really believe what they are saying. They'll know that is what THEY WOULD HAVE DONE if they had controlled the police.)

AS its final windup of the campaign, our side (Britain, the U. S. and France) makes a THIRD demand on Russia for a yes-or-no answer on the question of returning Trieste to Italy. The practical effect of the demand is to call on Moscow to quit stalling and put up or shut up.

We're obviously pleased with our Trieste campaign strategy. We're sure it was a smart move. We think it put Russia on the spot. Besides, we THOUGHT OF IT FIRST.  
Recent dispatches indicate that our state department thinks the Italian election is in the bag and there isn't much doubt that Washington thinks the Trieste stratagem helped tremendously.

TRIESTE has unquestionably been "smart" politics. But that is about all that can be said for it. We need to go much farther than smart politics if we're going to be the leader of the world. First of all, we've got to be SINCERE AND GENUINE.  
Smart politics may win the Italian election in the present pinch, but in the long pull it will be the sincerity and the genuineness of America, as reflected in her foreign policy, that will win for us the leadership we must have if we are to accomplish what we need to accomplish in the present-day world.

INCIDENTALLY, we've so far put about two billion dollars into relief of Italy. Most of that was spent before this critical Italian election came along. From a victor to a vanquished enemy, that isn't bad.

UNITED NATIONS, through its security council, today calls on the Jews and the Arabs to quit fighting in Palestine, but it doesn't tell them what will happen if they don't.  
Suppose you went up to a couple of citizens who were fighting it out in the street and told them piously to call it off. What would happen? They'd probably go on with their fight.  
One fears that is what will happen in Palestine.

THE new five-power Western European bloc (Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg) today forms an INTERNATIONAL CABINET to enforce the military, political and economic provisions of their union.  
Defense ministers of all five nations will meet whenever it is necessary to carry out the military provisions of the treaty they signed at Brussels in March. The five foreign ministers will meet at least every three months—often if necessary.

WHY this united action?  
They all realize that in the present emergency they must hang together or they will hang separately.  
In the same spirit, the United States of America was formed out of 13 weak independent, "sovereign" colonies.

## Angus Show To Open Sunday

Sunday afternoon will mark the show day of the first Pacific Coast Aberdeen Angus association sale and sale to be held in Klamath Falls.  
Association directors and the sale committee arrived at the Wilma hotel Friday night and held a meeting Saturday morning. Sunday morning will be the women's auxiliary breakfast at the hotel and the cattle show will start at the fairgrounds at 1 p. m. with Ed Biagini judging the entries.  
Monday an elk barbecue will be held at the fairgrounds at 11 a. m. for consignors, buyers and friends. Sale of the registered bulls and females will proceed in the pavilion at the fairgrounds at 1 p. m. with Earl O. Walters wielding the auctioneer's hammer.

## Five Power Western European Bloc Forms International Cabinet To Enforce Charter

PARIS, April 17 (AP)—The five-power Western European bloc formed an international cabinet today to enforce the military, political and economic provisions of their union.  
Foreign ministers of France, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg designated their ambassadors in London to meet at least once a month with a British representative. They also set up a permanent military committee to meet at London.  
Defense ministers of the five nations will meet whenever it is necessary to carry out military provisions of the treaty signed at Brussels last month.  
The five foreign ministers will form a permanent consultative council to meet at least once every three months.  
The foreign ministers, in a day-long conference in the French foreign ministry, heard reports sent by Paul-Henri Späak, premier and foreign minister of Belgium, on their recent talks in Washington.  
The council of European ministers under the Marshall plan, the world's newest political and economic legislature, called its first working session here today.

**WEATHER**  
Max. (April 17) 55 Min. 35  
Precipitation last 24 hours 0.07  
Stream year to date 0.97  
Last year 7.15 Normal 5.56  
Forecast: Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday.

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## Down The Chute For The Big Angus Show



One of the cows of the 12 registered mixed bulls and cows to be unloaded Friday afternoon at the fairgrounds for the Angus show and sale Sunday and Monday. These cattle belong to the Charles Ryan Rancher Angus at Anderson, Calif. Ryan holdings were formerly located at Butte Falls, Ore.

## Demo Candidates For State Offices Tax Tax Problems

Oregon's income tax law and proposals to divert the tax fund's \$30,000,000 surplus for additional uses came in for some major discussion Friday night when a full slate of democratic candidates for state office mingled with local democrats at a rally in the city library building.  
Visiting politicians included Lew Wallace, candidate for governor; Manley Wilson, candidate for the U. S. senatorial nomination; Byron Carney and A. M. Silverman, rival aspirants for nomination to the office of secretary of state, and Walter Pearson, candidate for state treasurer.  
Gist of their remarks on the income tax surplus:  
Wallace—Divide the income tax fund surplus among counties and municipalities to relieve local property tax burdens. Use it where it will actually offset property taxes.  
Pearson—Sees a \$60,000,000 surplus at the end of next year. Turn the surplus into the general fund, or return to counties and taxpayers. Pearson said the state has no right to hoard a surplus and call for more taxes.  
Henry Semon, Klamath county legislator and democrat. Doubts that legislature has power to tap income surplus, but says that if the supreme court rules that the surplus can be used, some of the state's financial problems for the next two years will be solved.  
The two democrats who are out for secretary of state, Carney and Silverman, stayed clear of the tax discussion.  
Lew Wallace assailed Oregon's withholding tax, voted by the last legislature, as comparable to the poll tax in Alabama, Mississippi and other Southern states in that it takes money from low-income persons the income tax law itself was not supposed to touch.  
Manley Wilson, IWA newspaper editor and candidate for U. S. senator, classed himself as a "Roosevelt democrat" and declared that the social gains made in the past 15 years under democratic administration were being threatened now by a republican congress. Wilson is a serious, fluent speaker who has spent four terms in the Oregon legislature.  
Friday night's meeting saw a turnout of some 60 local democrats, including many candidates for local office. E. P. (Pat) Ivory and Frank X. Sexton presided over the session.  
Local democratic candidates each were allotted a few minutes to state their campaign platforms, and among those appearing were Mrs. Wally Moss, speaking for her sheriff candidate husband; Tom Bustin, candidate for the legislature; Mike Williams, R. A. LaLonde and Sid Herbert, candidates for sheriff; Guy Bellant, candidate for commissioner; Otis Metaker, candidate for assessor; Chet Langlet, unopposed for treasurer; Jesse Smith of Merrill, presidential elector, and Pat Ivory, candidate for delegate to the democratic national convention.

## Sea Lion Moves Up Into White Collar Society

SAN FRANCISCO, April 17 (AP)—A sea lion who lives near the San Francisco beach has moved up—uncomfortably—to the white collar class.  
He did it simply by sticking his head through a floating toilet seat.  
The sea lion is one of the big herd that inhabits seal rocks, a few yards off the beach.  
Where "Buster"—that's what Cliff House hotel balcony observers call him—found the bathroom fixture is a mystery. The admittance is of the horseshoe type, and a gleaming white.  
Spectators can't agree on whether he's wearing it by choice, or can't get the thing off.  
Other seals at first shunned Buster, then clustered around to nibble enviously at his new collar.  
The SPCA, coast guard and navy all pondered the problem of what will happen to Buster now, but reached no conclusion.  
Dr. Robert T. Orr, curator of mammals of the California Academy of Sciences, said the collar ought to be removed, but there's a chance Buster will get along all right anyway—barring a nervous breakdown.  
The major handicap: Buster can't swim so fast after food.  
Remark: The SPCA: "How would we get out there to get it off?"

Francisco, April 17 (AP)—Four U. S. marine fliers forced down in a flight over North China was confirmed by the Chinese communist radio today.  
The red radio, heard by the Associated Press listening post near San Francisco, said the plane and its crew were taken into custody April 5 near Kiao-shien on the Shantung peninsula, north of Tsingtao. There was no mention of any injuries. Said the broadcast:  
"A thorough investigation is being made into the landing of the American plane which was taking part in the military reconnaissance over liberated areas that has been constantly carried on since the American marine corps airforce arrived in Tsingtao."  
The marine corps reported previously the airman were on a routine navigational flight over red territory when engine failure forced them down.  
The fliers are 1st Lt. Harold W. Hawkins, Kalamazoo, Mich.; M. Sgt. Thomas J. Shaw, Winfield, La.; 2/Sgt. Robert C. White, North Fork, W. Va.; and Cpl. Robert R. Lewis, Petersburg, N. Y.

## Sliding Fun, But Kinda Tight

PORTLAND, April 17 (AP)—Thomas R. Constans, 9, yielded to impulse and slid down a bannister at a Cub Scout meeting last night.  
It took the combined efforts of a chisel, a janitor, a squad of policemen and a crew of firemen to get his knee loose from the place where it became lodged between bannister and wall.  
Action Spurred On Alcohol Plant  
PORTLAND, April 17 (AP)—The Portland chamber of commerce voted yesterday to renew efforts to get the Springfield alcohol-from-wood plant in operation by private owners.  
The first move will be to call a conference of interested Lane county, Willamette valley and Portland representatives to discuss the project.

## Lewis Asks Order Ban

### Racial Segregation Ban In Draft Law Has House Group In Disagreement

WASHINGTON, April 17 (AP)—House armed services committee members today shied away from putting a flat ban on racial segregation into a draft law.  
They also showed reluctance to write in any deferment for scientists, technicians or engineers.  
Both matters, several members told reporters, should be left to administrators of the law.  
As it stands now the bill before the committee would give the president wide authority to defer men because of occupational or professional skills.  
Ceiling Boosted  
Aides said the committee tentatively has decided to boost the army's manpower ceiling from 782,000 to 837,000. And the army, preparing for a possible increase in strength, prepared to poll reserve officers to learn how many are willing to return to active duty.  
Gen. Omar Bradley, army chief of staff, told the committee this week that the 837,000 figure would be needed to keep up with the air force if that service is expanded from 55 to 70 groups.  
The senate appropriations committee will begin hearings next week on a \$3,198,100,000 house-approved bill to start the air force toward the larger figure.  
Report Monday  
Another senate group, the armed services committee, will hear Secretary of Defense Forrestal present defense estimates on Monday.  
Chairman Gurney (R.-S.D.) had his own estimate last night on the cost of expanding the air force. He said after a meeting of committee Republicans that the bigger air arm would boost defense spending by \$4,000,000,000.  
"If that is done we probably will get into deficit spending," he said.  
Forrestal has opposed a 70-group air force because he said it would cost too much and would throw the other services "out of balance."  
The draft bill sponsored by Chairman Andrews (R.-N.Y.) of the house armed services group would boost the air force to 502,000 men, the air force to 550,000 and the marine corps to 110,000.  
All these figures are higher than those proposed in the administration draft bill submitted by Forrestal.

## 22 British Killed In Train Wreck

CREW, England, April 17 (AP)—A Glasgow-London mail train plowed into a stalled express near here today, killing 22 persons and injuring 28 others in the splintered wreckage of seven passenger coaches.  
Survivors said a passenger had stopped the express 29 minutes before by pulling an emergency cord. They did not say why.  
The wreck—worst since Britain's railways passed into government hands January 1—occurred at 12:40 a. m. British summer time (3:40 p. m. EST Friday) near Winsford, Cheshire.  
A British railways press officer said the mail train hit the rear of the London-bound express. Winsford is about 150 miles northwest of London.  
Coaches Wrecked  
Seven coaches of the passenger train were wrecked and four coaches of the mail train derailed.  
The survivors said the mail train tore through the coaches at high speed.  
Rescuers, working by improvised lights, dug into the wreckage for injured, who could be heard screaming. Water was sprayed to protect rescuers from possible fires as they hacked through the torn coaches with acetylene torches.  
Doctors administered morphine to sufferers who could be reached through the debris. A temporary morgue was set up near the crash scene.  
The railway press offices said both main lines probably would be blocked for 24 hours.

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## Lurline Back In Service

LOS ANGELES, April 17 (AP)—The luxury liner Lurline cut through Pacific waters today en route to Honolulu with an echo of gayety and ship's whistles from her first postwar sendoff.  
Bon voyage parties jammed the 26,000-ton Matson liner, rebuilt at a cost of \$18,000,000, before she cast off from pier 158 at Los Angeles-Los Beach harbor crowds watched from the docks.  
Ships in the harbor let go with a whistling salute as the Lurline sailed away. She cleared the harbor light at 11 o'clock last night with Capt. Frank Johnson, senior master, on the bridge. The ship carried 722 passengers, its capacity, and a crew of 444.  
Reconverted from wartime troop transport service, the Lurline is now completely air conditioned and is sumptuously equipped and furnished. Raymond Looney, New York designer, was aboard receiving congratulations for his planning of passenger facilities.

## This Youngster Had Tough Time

LEBANON, O., April 17 (AP)—David Ullman, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ullman, tumbled off his new tricycle last Sunday and broke his right arm.  
Wednesday he was climbing on a chair in his home and tumbled again. This time he broke his left collarbone.  
Now he's got chicken pox. Pretty soon they're going to itch, and how can he scratch.

## System Players At It Again

LAS VEGAS, Nev., April 17 (AP)—Two young men with a system are playing the legal roulette tables profitably, again.  
Playing \$1.50 on the nine on each spin of the wheel, the University of Chicago graduates, Dr. Roy Walford, San Diego, and Albert Hibbs, Chillum, O., each 23, were reported about \$500 ahead so far.  
Last November they won \$8000 at Reno.

## Haskins Takes Over Roseburg Hospital

ROSEBURG, April 17 (AP)—Dr. John L. Haskins, chief of the mental hygiene clinic of the veterans administration at Portland, will become acting manager of the Roseburg Veterans hospital Monday.  
He will succeed Dr. George M. Melvin, manager for the past six years, who will be transferred tomorrow to the Jackson, Miss., veterans hospital. Melvin will complete 30 years service with the government in July, and expects to retire to Guilford, Miss.

## Compromise Of Election To Stop Vote

Called "Spy"  
By FRANK O'BRIEN



ROME, April 17 (AP)—Italy's interior minister held out a threat today to suspend the week-end's fatal election "if the liberty of the vote should be compromised."  
The election tomorrow and Monday, seating the first parliament of the Italian republic, will test whether Italy is to line up with Russia or the west.  
A popular front led by the communists has striven to oust a moderate coalition government under the Christian democrats.  
Guards Posted  
Public security forces variously announced as between 300,000 and 400,000 guarded the election-eve peace the country over today.  
Mario Scelba, whose interior ministry controls police, said in his last campaign speech here last night:  
"The government will be on the watch. If the liberty of the vote should be compromised, it would not hesitate to take the most radical measures, even the suspension of the elections."  
He repeated his oft-made charge that Genoa's communist mayor had issued 30,000 false voting certificates, three to Soviet employees of the Genoa Russian consulate.  
Removed Fear  
But he said the government's recent show of strength had "removed fear" from the minds of Italians. He said measures have been taken "to assure that the election will take place in an atmosphere of freedom."  
The speechmaking campaign ended, apparently in peace, last night and a 32-hour pre-election cooling-off period began under a cabinet decree forbidding further political meetings.  
The authoritative Rome newspaper Messaggero quoted Christian Democratic Premier Alcide De Gasperi as saying in a Naples interview last night he thought his party would do better this time than in the constituent assembly election of June 6, 1946.  
In that election, it polled 35.2 per cent of the vote and elected 207 of 555 deputies.  
Both De Gasperi and Communist Leader Palmiro Togliatti spoke in the windup of campaigning.  
Western leaders and the Vatican have urged votes against communism.  
Police sought hidden arms last night through wide sectors around Rome, Naples and other big cities.  
No incidents had been reported serious enough to prejudice the voting. But with reports the front has slipped in recent weeks, rumors have thickened that the communists would try to lighten the vote to their advantage by some means of intimidation.

## Youths Held For Tearing Up Sign Posts

Fourteen teen-age boys with an eye for destruction were turned over to juvenile authorities late Friday night by state police after they admitted knocking down more than a dozen state highway sign posts and ripping out a service station air hose.  
B. J. Haudek, operator of the Pioneer store near Keno, called police and told them a car filled with young boys had been at his service station late Friday night and they had pulled out the air hose. The car then sped away.  
En route to the Keno area, the investigating officer saw numerous sign posts splintered and torn from their bases. Near Keno the four were apprehended and at first said they knew nothing about the signs. The officer found white paint on the car fender and later obtained admissions from the quartet.  
Police said previous reports had been received on two of the four and one had had his driver's license revoked in juvenile court on two occasions.

## Homestead Eligibility Discussed

Questions of eligibility of homestead applicants were brought up and answered at a public meeting recently at the U. S. bureau of reclamation.  
The meeting, conducted by R. R. Best, district manager USBR, concerned proposed land opening procedure for future openings on the Klamath project.  
C. E. Brissenden introduced Best and J. G. Lindley, regional supervisor of operation and maintenance; T. B. Williamson, regional settlement officer and A. D. Harvey, agriculturist in charge of the 1947 opening who assisted in answering questions which were brought up.  
Ted Case, Klamath county service officer and George Van Buskirk, VFW 20th district service officer, were concerned with the size of acreages which would constitute farm experience for a veteran.  
Veterans preference remains the same in future land openings.

## Youth Survives Second Smash-Up

PORTLAND, April 17 (AP)—Robert Jayne, 19, survived his second brush with death last night in a motorcycle-truck collision that killed a partner.  
The cycle driver Herbert Nunley, 19, Portland, was killed outright.  
The more fortunate Jayne walked away from a hair-raising crash a week ago in which his automobile went out of control, snapped off a street sign, hit a billboard and utility pole, and rolled 60 feet down an embankment.  
Jayne, who suffered only a scalp cut when the cycle skidded into the truck, said, "from now on, I'll walk."

## Communist Plot In Mexico Out

MEXICO CITY, April 17 (AP)—A communist plot to wreck all telegraph lines in Mexico was revealed today. An important government official confirmed the fact but for the present, the communications office is making no comment.  
The official who told of the plot said Secretary of Communications Agustin Garcia Lopez immediately ordered measures to prevent any sabotage and also punishment of the plotters.  
It could not be learned how many persons are involved or whether there have been arrests.

## Constellation Crashes In Ire, Killing 30



Thirty persons, 19 of them Americans, were reported killed in the wreck of a Pan-American World Airways Constellation, "Empress of the Skies," at Shannon airport, Ire. There was one survivor, Mara York, a Californian. Photo shows general view of wreckage. The plane, bound from London to New York, crashed while trying to land.