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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
 WHAT is to do with Western Germany is the pressing problem of the moment. (We must accustom ourselves to the thought that when and if this problem is settled others will arise. In the thick volume of world history, this is a chapter of change and flux.)

UP for decision is the proposal of the western nations to re-establish Western Germany as a self-governing national unit. France is scared. Always Germany has been the ogre in the French picture. Always in the past when Germany gets strong France has suffered. If the French consent to make the Germans strong again, it will be solely because they now fear Russia more.

Even the Western Germans grumble. They say the plan is being imposed on them—that they have no hand in it themselves. The answer to them, of course, is that losers can be choosers. The Germans gambled again for world conquest and lost.

Russia is out to make a hash of the whole business. WE need leadership—wise, clear-headed, competent leadership. Never within the memory of those of us now living was the need for such leadership greater.

Here in America, we will get the kind of leaders WE THE PEOPLE choose. If our choice is bad, we will pay the penalty.

FIELD MARSHAL JAN CHRISTIAN SMUTS, retiring prime minister of South Africa, tells an audience in the university city of Cambridge, England, that "the battle for Europe has begun and must not end before final victory is attained."

He says the communist "fifth column technique" is the greatest menace to the western world. He urges **FIRMNESS** as the way to meet it.

WHAT is the communist "fifth column" technique? It isn't anything new. It is extremely old. **DIVIDE AND CONQUER** is the essence of it. If you can divide your enemies and get them to fighting each other, you can usually get what you want.

Smart men discovered that fact many, many centuries ago. The thought that the communists among us (whose numbers are insignificant) can conquer America seems absurd. As of now, it is absurd. But if they can get us all split up into factions, every faction fighting every other faction, they can conquer us.

The Greek civilization, in its time the finest the world had seen, failed and vanished from the world because the Greek city-states never could learn to get along with each other. Their enemies divided them and conquered them.

MIHAI of Romania and Anne of Bourbon-Parma are finally married—in Athens. The guests include the king and queen of Greece, ex-Queen Helen of Romania (Mihai's mother) and other members of royal families.

The ceremony was a glittering one. Crowns were borrowed from the Greek royal house (which still stands after the hurricane that has swept away so many royal houses). The crowns weren't actually placed on Mihai's and Anne's heads. They were held directly over them by attendants.

Hope, you see, springs eternal in (Continued on Page 2, Column 2)

HST Hints At Speeded Up Campaign

By ERNEST B. VACCARO
 OLYMPIA, Wash., June 10 (AP)—President Truman punctuated his long distance attack on congress today with a broad hint of a more extended speaking campaign "when things warm up, and we get into politics."

The chief executive joked with a trainside audience at Everett last night about "his bi-partisan, non-political trip of mine."

Upon receiving a nod and reel from the crowd and being invited to enter a salmon derby, he said he didn't know whether he would be successful as he didn't know the conditions—but if he did enter he would do "my damndest" just "like I do everything else."

Return Talked
 To audience after audience, in trainside and other appearances, the president suggested the possibility of his return later to discuss the issues of the campaign.

And before audience after audience, he has attacked congress for failing to go along with his pricing, housing and farm recommendations.

His remark to reporters at Spokane that the present congress is the worst in his memory—he first said the worst since the first one met—drew immediate response from republican congressmen. House Republican Leader Halleck of Indiana countered by saying, "There are a lot of people who think Mr. Truman is the poorest president we have had since George Washington."

The president arrived here at 1:30 a. m. (PST) this morning and was weakened less than three hours later to be advised of the death of Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach in Washington, D. C.

"Deepest Grief"
 Mr. Truman, who served with Schwellenbach in the senate, said he learned of his death "with deepest grief."

"He was my warm, personal friend. He was a great senator, a great judge and a great secretary of labor."

The disastrous Columbia river flood, the effects of which he will (Continued on Page 2, Column 2)

Solons Back Forest Roads

WASHINGTON, June 10 (AP)—Congressmen from 25 states lined up today in support of a \$20,000,000 grant for forest highways.

Rep. Barrett (R-Wyo.), spokesman for the group, said it would ask the house appropriations committee to include the money in the last deficiency appropriations bill.

Many congressmen have contended that the amount allowed for forest highways in the regular agriculture department appropriation bill will be wholly inadequate during the year starting July 1.

The house allowed \$5,300,000 and the senate voted \$5,300,000. The agriculture bill is now before a conference committee of the two houses, but the committee cannot approve more than the highest voted by one branch—\$5,300,000.

Barrett told a reporter the additional \$20,000,000 sought for the forest highways in the next 12 months has been approved by the budget bureau for inclusion in the deficiency appropriation bill.

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For Regatta Queen



Pretty Beverly Young became queen of the 1948 Upper Klamath lake regatta last night, when Fred Ehlers, president of the Junior chamber of commerce, placed a crown on her dark hair. Picture shows coronation ceremony.

Beverly Young Will Reign As Queen Of Boat Regatta Sunday

Dark-haired Beverly Young, one of the youngest contestants in the Junior chamber of commerce regatta queen contest, last night walked off with the crown and the ensuing royal gifts at the coronation ball held in the armory.

The pretty Klamath Union high school junior was crowned at the ball by Fred Ehlers, Jaycee president, who also presented her with the bouquet, corsage, Bulova wristwatch and Arvin radio which went with the title.

The contest was based on the number of regatta buttons sold by the 10 candidates. Miss Young sold 126 discs.

Beverly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Young, 1614 Nimitz, will reign over the regatta events, to be held Sunday starting at 1 p. m. on Upper Klamath lake.

A number of Klamath Falls firms donated gifts to the contestants. Kohn's Flower shop presented candidates with floral gifts for the ball. Evergreen studio gave portraits and Lady Klamath Beauty shop handled individual hair styling for the girls.

Roger's Jewelry company was the donor of the queen's watch and Adair's Furniture store furnished the radio. A luggage gift from The Luggage shop and a manicure set from Castleberry's Drug went to Delores Rice, second place winner. A Proctor Never-Lift iron and an Eversharp pen and pencil set from Derby's Music company and Underwood's Camera shop respectively were presented to Mary Lou Stanberry, third place contestant.

Mary Lou Case, in fourth place, received a billfold from The Cameo shop and a silk scarf from Miller's Department store, while a cosmetic kit from Lee Hendrick's drug store and a pair of nylons from Leons went to Pat Kennett in fifth place.

Pat MacMillan, in sixth place, was presented with cologne from Your Store Inc., and a pair of nylons from Leons. LaPointe's presented a silk scarf and Leons a pair of nylons to Nancy Slusher, seventh place winner, and a plastic beach bag from Payless Drug and a pair of nylons from Craigs went to Lou Ann Chase in eighth place. Dorthea Cogdill, for ninth place, received an album of recordings from Harwin's jewelers and a pair of nylons from Craigs.

The remainder of the regatta days

Diamond Highway To Open Sunday

Barricades across the Diamond lake highway will be removed early Sunday morning permitting travel into that area. It was announced today by the Oregon state highway department.

Tom Edwards, state highway maintenance engineer, said he had not been over the road for a week but at that time there was considerable snow. The ice has gone, however.

It is understood that private interests plowed the snow from the summer homes area last week-end.

The road is now open from the Meador side with the last of the snow plowing completed today. The plows went through five-foot drifts to clear the route, Edwards said.

Fishing season at Diamond lake, which opens next Tuesday, June 15, is expected to see considerable traffic over the road.

US Plane Flies Much Faster Than Sound

WASHINGTON, June 10 (AP)—Air Secretary Symington said today the air force research plane XS-1 several times has flown "much faster than the speed of sound."

Symington told a news conference that so far as he knows no other plane has achieved supersonic speed, that is, faster than sound travels.

The first and only pilot to fly the XS-1 beyond the so-called sonic wall is Capt. Charles E. Yeager, 25, a fighter pilot who destroyed 13 German planes while serving with the air force.

Yeager, a native of Myra, W. Va., is a test pilot assigned to the air materiel command at Wright Field, Ohio.

House Group Kills T-E-W Housing Bill

WASHINGTON, June 10 (AP)—The house banking committee defeated today, 14 to 12, a democratic effort to revive the senate-passed Taft-Elliender-Wagner housing bill that provides for public housing, slums clearance and farm home aids.

Two republicans—Hull of Wisconsin and Stratton of Illinois—were reported to have joined 19 democrats in support of the T-E-W bill.

The vote left the house republican leadership in at least temporary control of the housing legislation.

The democrats sought to overthrow the substitute housing bill offered by Banking Chairman Wolcott (R-Mich.) and present to the house instead the T-E-W bill sponsored by Senator Taft of Ohio, a republican presidential aspirant.

Chinese General Has 8 Doubles

NANKING, June 10 (AP)—Chinese have been puzzled by reports of one-eyed Communist General Liu Po-cheng being seen on successive days in widely separated areas of China's central war front. The official Central News agency had an answer today.

Liu, said a Kai-feng dispatch, is using eight doubles.

Each has one eye missing.

Dies



LOUIS SCHWELLENBACH

Schwellenbach Dies Following Long Illness

WASHINGTON, June 10 (AP)—Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach died today.

The White House announced Schwellenbach passed away at 4:40 a. m. at Walter Reed hospital. He had been ill several weeks.

He was 53 years old and had been labor department chief since June 30, 1945.

Mrs. Schwellenbach was at his bedside at the time of his death.

The White House said death resulted from "cardiac failure which complicated his recent illness."

Truman Notified

President Truman, now on the west coast, has been notified of his death.

No funeral arrangements have been made, the White House statement said.

Schwellenbach was a former democratic senator from Washington state and federal district court judge. He succeeded Frances Perkins, one of the original members of the late President Roosevelt's cabinet.

Illness had prevented Schwellenbach from taking an active part in recurring labor crisis of the last several months. Last April he took a cruise to Havana in an effort to regain his health but was removed from shipboard in New York harbor on his return. He was taken to a hospital on Governors Island for treatment of a respiratory infection.

President Truman's personal physician, Brig. Gen. Wallace H. Graham, attended him then.

Truman Eyes Boeing Strike

OLYMPIA, June 10 (AP)—President Truman will be asked tonight to help end the 48-day-old strike at the Boeing Airplane company.

The request will be made during a conference between the president and Harold J. Gibson, president of the striking aeromechanics union (Ind.). The conference was arranged by Gov. Mon C. Wallgren.

Gibson said he would present the chief executive with a petition which he said has been signed by several thousand Seattle residents, business men, civic officials and labor leaders.

High Tides Add Danger Of Breaks

PORTLAND, Ore., June 10 (AP)—Flash floods and high tides heaped new threats on the water-weary Pacific Northwest today. The swollen Columbia and Fraser rivers built their three-week flood siege toward new heights.

Three cloudbursts and a five-hour downpour sent tons of water hurtling into the raging Columbia and more farmland was added to some 650 square miles already under water. The weather forecast: showers and thundershowers.

High Tides
 High tides rolled in from the Pacific, threatening anew more than 11,000 harassed defenders of almost swamped dikes guarding Oregon-Washington and British Columbia lowlands where the Columbia and Canada's Fraser rivers meet the sea. Leakage along the levees increased steadily.

The death toll for 22 days of flood was 32—upped two by the drowning yesterday of a 10-year-old boy and a railroad division engineer.

The Red Cross in Portland said 335 still were unaccounted for in the Memorial Day flooding of Vancouver—war housing city of 18,700—and it issued a "critical list" of 121 names. The relief agency said it has exhausted all means—relatives and Vancouver neighbors—of locating the 121.

Damage—already in countless multi-millions—mounted steadily.

Flash Flood
 A cloudburst in British Columbia swept a flash flood last night that swept away 15 miles of Canadian Pacific railway track in the Kootenai district of the Columbia's headwaters. The washout was between Balfour and Procter.

Columbia floodwaters edged upward in the smelter city of Trail, B. C. All beer parlors, clubs, liquor stores and pool rooms closed as an urgent call was issued for more volunteer flood-fighters. Sidewalks were awash at spots on the main thoroughfare. Water stood five feet deep in the palm room of the Crown Point hotel.

Two cloudbursts washed Washington areas draining into the Columbia.

One, near Spokane in the eastern part of the state late yesterday, sent a five-foot wall of water over a highway, flooded homes and devastated wheat fields and gardens.

Another struck last night in the (Continued on Page 2, Column 4)

Lakeview Child Treated Here

A year and a half old Lakeview child, Wayne Martin, was released from Hillside hospital Wednesday after receiving extensive treatment for a lacerated left eye, the result of a dog bite.

The little boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Martin of 129 S. Jay, Lakeview, was brought here last week after a puppy had struck his face. Wayne's father is employed as a lumber handler of American Box company.

Merrill Notice

Mrs. Howard Dewey has been appointed correspondent of The Herald and News at Merrill. The newspaper will appreciate Merrill's people giving their news to our office.

Mrs. Dewey succeeds Mrs. Isabel Barry, who is too busy with other work to continue as correspondent. The Herald and News appreciates the fine service of Mrs. Barry, and a special article written by her will appear in the near future.

Apples And Security Rewards In Bond Campaign



Klamath Lumber and Box corporation employees are the first group of this kind to go over 30 percent on payroll savings in the Security Bond campaign, and this picture shows them getting the prize—two boxes of fine apples. In the picture: H. E. Getz, Virgil Tater, Charles H. Wilcher, Harry C. O'Farrell, Norman Hansen and Fred Weber, employees long of Klamath Falls, and Elton Thompson, Security Bond payroll savings chairman.

Lusty Nominating Conventions In America Today Are The Outgrowth Of A Quiet Little Whig Meeting 140 Years Ago



Teddy Roosevelt walks from the 1912 GOP convention (inset) to the Bull Moose third party conclave (background). A high point in convention history, it was also notable for an unexpected shout from the platform: "Where is the blankety-blank preacher?"

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(First of Series of Four Articles)

WASHINGTON — In any other country than the United States, upcoming republican, democratic and third party political conventions in Philadelphia would be considered brawls, riots or even minor revolutions, with certain circus and holiday week overtones.

This curiosity did not develop full-blown at the birth of the republic. The founding fathers never intended it would be this way. The first three presidential candidates were hand-picked. Leading citizens, congressional caucuses and the state legislatures just picked out somebody who would be good. There was enough talent around in Washington, Adams and Jefferson so that they couldn't go wrong.

The first national nominating convention was held in New York 140 years ago. It was entirely a secret affair. A small group of federalist or whig party members met in a closed meeting. They were described as men of "culture, education and means."

Model
 Without asking the advice of any of the voters, they picked a couple of now-forgotten men named Pinckney and King as their candidates. Madison and Clinton licked the pants off them.

But what the whigs did in 1808 was to serve as the model for the first real political party convention—an open federalist gathering in (Continued on Page 2, Column 1)