

STEEL BOARD READY FOR ACTION

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IN the summer, we have hot weather, mosquitoes and politicians. The mosquitoes bite and the politicians give out with stuff like this: Senator Brewster, of Maine, chairman of the Republican senatorial campaign committee: "The administration has nothing but the oil pump-priming answer to any recession in business. The country tried that in the 30s, and after \$9 billion dollars had been spent there still were eight million unemployed."

Senator McGrath, of Rhode Island, chairman of the Democratic national committee: "Some Republicans are whooping it up for a depression because they think it would make a nice political issue in 1950."

Well, maybe the depression issue would be a good issue for the Republican party. It governed the country longer during the nation's worst depression than any other party. It has the experience."

SUPPOSE, with a depression (or a recession, or a disinflation, or a price readjustment; whatever you choose to call it) in the wind, the owners of a partnership grocery store got together to decide what ought to be done to meet the situation and could put off nothing better than the above-quoted waddle.

What would happen?

HECK, you know what would happen. THE STORE WOULD GO BROKE.

SOMETIMES, in my gloomier and more cynical moments, I'm pretty sure that unless you can get a different breed of politicians this country will go broke.

FOR nearly 70 years, the sale of liquor was banned in Kansas. For the past 32 years, the state non-dry law made possession of as much as a thimbleful of the stuff punishable by a jail sentence.

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HERE'S a safe conclusion: Kansas didn't like the law that forbade sale of liquor. It won't like the new law that permits sale of liquor. There is NO satisfactory way to handle liquor by law. We can't seem to get along with it, and we can't seem to get along without it.

When you come right down to it, use or misuse of liquor seems to be pretty largely a personal problem.

BACK in Cheboygan, Michigan, the other day a motorist on one side of the river started over to the other side. The bridge had a lift, to enable boats to pass. Just as the motorist started over, the lift started to rise.

He was in a hurry. He raced his car up the inclined plane, JUMPED THE FOUR-FOOT OPENING in the center, and landed on the other side with an impact that blew out all four of his tires.

HERE'S an idle, hot-weather query: What do you suppose he DID WITH THE TIME he risked his neck to save?

Danes Deny US Naval Base Rumor

COPENHAGEN, July 18 (AP)—The Danish foreign ministry denied any knowledge today of a small American naval operating base in a fjord near the southwest tip of Greenland, as reported by official quarters in Washington.

The Greenland administration authority, a government agency, took the same view.

"I think there must be some misunderstanding here," an agency spokesman said.



FIREMEN STOP BLAZE — Picture shows firemen putting out blaze in a house at 208 Eldorado Sunday night. The small residence, occupied by Mrs. Pearl Enough Foster, was badly charred but interior furnishings were saved. (Story, page 10.)

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Bridges Asks Hawaii Arbitration

"Walking Man Of Oregon" To Vie With "Big Red" To See Whether Horse Or Man Is Better Walker

LEBANON, July 18 (AP)—The townspeople here are going to see next Sunday whether the "walking man of Oregon" can out-stride a horse over a 7 1/2-mile course at the community's new race track.

Last summer, the gentry and their ladies hereabouts were all agog over a horse vs. man tug-of-war. The horse won in that event.

The "walking man of Oregon" is 64-year-old Paul Smith, Mill City, who earned the title in 1928 when he finished nineteenth in a walking spree from Los Angeles to New York.

The horse is "Big Red," owned and to be ridden by Ralph Smith, Linn county rancher. Smith, who is no kin of the Mill City entry, will also aboard his son, Donald, age 19.

They will begin at 8 a. m., Sunday, July 24, around the half-mile track of Lebanon meadows. It will take 150 laps to finish. Smith, on foot, expects it will take him about 11 or so hours. Smith, on horseback, believes "Big Red" can make it in about 10 hours.

"Four legs are better than two, anytime," insists the owner of "Big Red."

The sponsors, riders of the Santiam Wranglers, aren't taking sides, officially. But you can get odds from innumerable fans.



Gen. Feldman Alden Waitt

Two Generals Suspended On Charges Of Contract Handling Irregularities

WASHINGTON, July 18 (AP)—An investigation of army contract handling was still underway today. It has led thus far to the suspension of two major generals and a congressman's demand that President Truman send his military aide to the sidelines.

The inspector general's office has orders from Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray to continue its probe of Maj. Gen. Herman Feldman, the quartermaster general, and Alden H. Waitt, chief of the chemical corps.

Both were relieved of duty Saturday after a senate investigating committee produced evidence which Gray said indicated they exhibited "a lack of judgment and sense of propriety."

On the heels of this development, Rep. Shafer (R-Mich.) demanded that the president suspend Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan, White House aide.

A member of the house armed services committee, Shafer said in a statement that Vaughan was "implicated in the same case" with Feldman and Waitt. He gave no details but said the aide's conduct "has been, to put it mildly, in the poorest taste."

Eben Ayers, assistant presidential secretary, was asked at a news conference for comment on Shafer's demand.

"I haven't heard the president mention it," Ayers said.

Speaker Rayburn, after Mr. Truman's regular Monday conference with congressional leaders, was asked if the president made any reference to the matter.

Rayburn said the president did not.

None of the generals has commented on the developments.

Their names were mentioned in a recent newspaper story telling of agents who allegedly use their influence to obtain government contracts for fees of five per cent.

ILWU Chief Pledges To End Strike

WASHINGTON, July 18 (AP)—Harry Bridges, head of striking longshoremen in Hawaii, and an employers' representative agreed to meet with a government mediator tonight in an effort to end the 79-day old Hawaiian dock strike.

Senator Douglas (D-Ill.), who has had long experience in the field of labor relations and labor economics, suggested the meeting at a hearing before the senate labor committee. Bridges accepted immediately and the committee also approved.

James P. Blaisdell, attorney for the seven stevedore companies whose operations have been halted by the strike, said he lacked power to commit his firms, but later agreed to call in from Honolulu a representative who could negotiate with Bridges.

Bridges told the senate labor committee today that the union will end its crippling shutdown of island ports if President Truman will appoint an arbitration board.

Stevedoring operations, on which the island's vital shipments of sugar, pineapples and other commodities depend, have been closed down by a 79-day strike of Bridges' International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union.

James P. Blaisdell, attorney for seven Hawaiian stevedoring companies, told the committee that Bridges is fighting for establishment of the principle of arbitration.

If that is won by the union, the attorney said, "collective bargaining is done in Hawaii."

Domination Felt

"You have to realize the complete domination of the territory of Hawaii by Mr. Bridges' union," Blaisdell testified. He said the employers have been willing to accept a 14-cent hourly wage increase recommended by a fact-finding board appointed by Governor Stainback of Hawaii. The union rejected it.

The senate committee is considering a bill by two California senators — Knowland (R) and Downey (D) — to permit appointment of an arbitration board of President Truman.

Bridges objected to some details of the Knowland-Downey bill, but said:

"On behalf of the ILWU I am authorized to state that if a board of impartial citizens is established by the president of the United States for the purpose of arbitrating the issues in dispute in the Hawaiian strike, the striking workers are prepared to immediately call off the strike, return to work, and accept the decisions of such a board."

Senator Morse (R-Ore.) said he agreed that the Hawaiian situation is so serious as to fall within the intent of the Taft-Hartley act — "even though I'm opposed to the Taft-Hartley law and the injunction."

"I believe use of the act would create greater problems than it would solve by breaking the strike," Morse said.

"If it is ever going to be applied, it should be applied here."

The Show Just Can't Go On . . .!

DALLAS, Tex., July 18 (AP)—The final performance of "Bloomer Girl" at the Starlight opera stopped abruptly last night when the leading lady ran screaming off the stage.

The cause of it all was a bug, which hit Miss Nanette Fabray in the face and then fell down her bosom.

Miss Fabray was wearing a low-necked, hoop-skirted costume of the 1860's.

She had begun singing "Sunday in Cierro Falls" in the second act when the bug struck. She turned her back on the audience, shouted to the wings—"I can't go on. I can't go on"—and began screaming.

Charles R. Meeker Jr., managing director of the show, came on stage to cancel the performance.

Jap Testifies At Trial Of Tokyo Rose

SAN FRANCISCO, July 18 (AP)—A young Japanese, wartime supervisor of Radio Tokyo, testified today that Mrs. Iva Toguri D'Aquino, as "Tokyo Rose," committed what the government charges were eight open acts of treason against the United States.

The prosecution of the 33-year-old woman, born in Los Angeles, moved swiftly through testimony in the morning session.

The main witness was Kenkichi Oka, 38, born in Sacramento. He went to Japan in 1939, he said, because of his family's business, and in 1940 became a citizen of Japan.

The government contends Mrs. D'Aquino, as an American citizen, broadcast enemy propaganda to U. S. troops willingly and voluntarily. The defense argues she did it under the threat of force by the Japanese police and army.

Oka testified he was production supervisor for the "Zero Hour" show; that George Mitsushio was his superior; that the purpose of the broadcast was to cause war weariness in allied forces and to lower their morale.

He said he, Mrs. Toguri, Mitsushio and several others were present when the Mitsushio outlined the purpose of the program.

US Improving Armed Forces In Far North

WASHINGTON, July 18 (AP)—New indications of quiet moves by the United States to improve its military outlook in the far north were disclosed today in official quarters.

Among the projects is work on a small naval operating base located in a fjord at Gronland, near the southwest tip of Greenland.

This little-known installation is used to provide limited repair and general supply service to ships operating in that area, the navy says.

So far as is known, this is one of the most northern of the navy's secondary bases in the Atlantic and Arctic regions.

Increasing emphasis is being placed on the possibility of air attack on the United States across the polar regions. Thus both the navy and air force have been intensifying efforts to maintain patrol of those regions.

Car Upsets, No Fatalities

TULELAKE, July 18 — Three occupants of a speeding automobile escaped with only severe bruises and cuts after it over-turned on a county road two miles east of Tulelake at 12:30 a. m. Sunday.

Injured were Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Brown, Malin, and Michael Mitrovich, 32, Sacramento, Calif., driver of the car. Mitrovich, who is a salesman for the Berven Carpet corporation, San Francisco, suffered bruises and cuts about the head.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown, passengers in the car, were badly bruised and cut about the head and body, and Mrs. Brown has a severe right ankle sprain.

Officer Marvin Daniels of the California highway patrol who investigated stated that the car was apparently traveling at a high rate of speed when it struck the crest of a high bridge, skidded for 400 feet and then rolled over several times and came to rest on its top.

The 1948 sedan was demolished. The injured were treated by a local physician.

Mitrovich will appear in justice court probably later this week to answer to a charge of reckless driving filed by officer Daniels.

Bomb Blast In Barcelona Kills One

BARCELONA, Spain, July 18 (AP)—Two bombs exploded here last night, one of them killing a man and injuring nine other persons in a fjord near the main square, the Plaza de Catalunya.

Two large time bombs were discovered early this morning in the largest hotel in Barcelona and removed by artillery officers before any damage was done.

The first bomb last night shattered windows near the square. Two of the nine injured were women who were hurt so critically they were not expected to live.

The second smaller bomb exploded several hours later, about three miles from the first. No one was injured. The blast was in a garden near the Pedrales palace, the residence of Generalissimo Francisco Franco when he visited Barcelona last month. There were several bomb blasts during his visit to the city.

The time bombs were found today by cleaning women in a balcony reading room in the hotel.

Locusts Said In Lake County

LAKEVIEW, July 18 (AP)—Sea-gulls are joining the fight against locusts invading Lake county from Nevada.

Travelers said here that great flights of gulls were moving into the area, most of them apparently coming from Albert lake.

Members of the Order of Antelope, returning from their annual meeting at Hart mountain, said they drove through swarms of locusts east of the mountain.

'Wolf Man' Dies In Scotland

PERTH, Scotland, July 18 (AP)—The man who said he could talk to wolves is dead.

Announcement was made today of the death in a nearby hospital Friday of Douglas Stuart Spens Stewart, 77.

Stewart, a fellow of the Zoological Society, became known as the wolf man of the London zoo.

A tall Scotman with a beard, he said he could talk to wolves and understand them. He tamed them and owned four himself.

"To me," he once said, "wolves are just like human beings, very intelligent and lovable when you get to know them."

One Injured In Knifing Scuffle

ROSEBURG, July 18 (AP)—Frank Henry of Cottage Grove is recovering in a Eugene hospital from knife wounds inflicted during an altercation at the Hayhurst dance hall, east of Yoncalla, early Sunday morning, according to State Police Sgt. Lyle Harrell.

Sergeant Harrell said he was told the knifing took place when Melbourne Crites, Roseburg, guitar player, objected to the attention his wife was receiving from Henry. Crites was to face charges here today in justice court.

'Eighter From Decatur' Issue To Be Thrashed Out By Texas Town's Council

DECATUR, Tex., July 18 (AP)—All over the world dice players have been crying "eighter from Decatur," the county seat of Wise.

Now the Decatur city council has taken it up.

The council will decide tonight whether it wants to put its official stamp of approval on this fame the North Texas town has among craps-shooters looking for a point of eight.

"Mainly, we're going to decide about that sign," Mayor Syl Harwich of Decatur said.

He was referring to a fading big signboard near the railroad station which proclaims:

"Eighter From Decatur, the County Seat of Wise."

Tourists stop by the sign and have their pictures made in craps-shooting poses. This sort of tomfoolery

Textbook Probe Draws Criticism

PULLMAN, Wash., July 18 (AP)—Washington State College President Wilson Compton has complied with the request of a house investigating committee on textbooks. But he protested the committee's actions.

In a letter to Rep. John Wood (D-Ga.), Compton said he was sending lists of textbooks and supplementary readings now being used in literature and social science studies at WSC, as requested.

But he told Wood, "Your request is unwarranted and unwise."

"Unless the committee wishes to engage in some sort of censorship of ideas it should not undertake a promiscuous investigation of this kind. One of the soundest teachers I ever had, a man totally devoted to the American system of constitutional government, used as one of his required texts 'Das Kapital' by Karl Marx," wrote Compton.

Baseball Scores

NATIONAL LEAGUE

BOSTON, July 18 (AP)—Ewell Blackwell and Ed Ewart limited the Boston Braves to three hits today at the Cincinnati Reds took the odd game of a three-game series, 6-1. The Braves' tally was Tommy Holmes' fourth homer of the season against Blackwell in the fifth inning.

Cincinnati — 005 000 001—6 15 1
Boston — 000 010 000—1 3 0

Blackwell, Ewart (5) and Howell; Holford, G. Elliott (3), Barrett (6) and Livingston.

St. Louis — 100 000 120—4 9 1
New York — 000 001 42x—7 12 2

Brazle, Staley (7), Wilks (8) and D. Rice; Kennedy and R. Mueller.

WEATHER

Klamath Falls and Vicinity: Fair today with considerable high cloudiness tonight and Tuesday. High today 91, low tonight 69, high Tuesday 86.

Max. (July 17) 86 Min. 69
Precipitation last 24 hours .00



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YUP—HOLLYWOOD — This two-ton plaster leg, 34 feet from top to toe, is being installed atop a hosiery mill in Hollywood and already is known as the film capital's "most sensational leg." It is a copy of Actress Marie Wilson's curvy gam, will be lighted by eight spotlights.

Committee OK's Pay Up For Services

WASHINGTON, July 18 (AP)—The senate armed services committee today approved a pay raise for the uniformed services.

The vote was 9 to 1 to accept the bill already passed by the house. The measure, estimated to cost \$300,000,000 a year, would raise the pay of almost everybody in military uniform.

Individual boosts would range from 3 per cent for lower ranking enlisted men to 27 per cent for brigadier general.

Although the committee endorsed the bill, Chairman Tydings (D-Md.) said he doubts the bill will pass the senate "unless savings to offset its increased costs result from other legislation now pending before congress."

Tydings and some other senators have taken the stand that military pay should not be raised unless savings are made in other costs of the armed forces. Backers of the uniformed bill contend it would permit savings of up to a billion dollars a year.

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Freedom House Awards Slated

NEW YORK, July 18 (AP)—The 1949 Freedom House awards will go to David E. Lillenthal, U. S. atomic energy commission head, and Gen. Lucius D. Clay, former U. S. military governor of Germany.

Former Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, Freedom House president, announced the winners yesterday. The awards will be presented at ceremonies October 12.

"For 1949," Patterson said, "we are making a break in our precedent by giving two awards instead of one as in previous years."

Previously honored have been Columnist Walter Lippman, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Bernard M. Baruch, Sumner Welles, Gen. George C. Marshall, U. S. Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, and Wendell L. Willkie, who was named posthumously.

Short Causes Fire In Truck

A fire reported on East Main street across from Lucas' Furniture store shortly before noon today turned out to be a small blaze in a truck caused by a short in the vehicle's wiring.

The truck was owned by Frank Lowell of Lowell's Lockers and was driven by Don Stroud. City firemen answered the call and said slight damage was done.

Pickets Fail To Halt Unloading

HONOLULU, July 18 (AP)—CIO pickets failed to halt the first ship unloading by a new non-union stevedoring firm.

Police arrested 96 pickets Saturday trying to stop 39 men from boarding the Isthmian Steamship Co.'s Freighter Steel Flyer. And yesterday Hawaii Stevedores, Ltd. organized only last week, used tens to get 70 workers on the ship without crossing the pier entrance picket line.

The Steel Flyer, however, lost 73 AFL members of its 45 man crew. They walked off after the striking CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union cancelled their picket line passes.

Wheat Meets

CORVALLIS, July 18 (AP)—The first of four meetings to acquaint wheat growers and county commission with the wheat acreage allotment program was held in Salem today.

Other meetings will be held in Medford Tuesday; Bend, Wednesday; and Pendleton, Friday.

Kansas Deserts 'Bone-Dry' Rule For Package Sale In Stores; Most Still Unhappy

By J. E. LAWSON

TOPEKA, Kas., July 18 (AP)—Kansas will go on sale legally in Kansas this week.

It will mark the end of an era of colorful crusading and multi-million dollar bootlegging business in this long-time stronghold of prohibition.

For almost 70 years the sale of liquor has been banned in Kansas by the state constitution. And for 32 years the state bootleg dry law made possession of so much as a thimbleful of liquor punishable by a jail sentence.

But, last November Kansans voted 422,294 to 258,310 to repeal prohibition.

After a two months' struggle, mainly to retain local option, the legislature passed a liquor control act. It wiped the bone dry law from the statute books.

Then followed four months of feverish work to establish a control and licensing setup.

Late today, the state liquor controller will mail out licenses for more than 200 privately owned stores to retail liquor or high per cent beer. Beer of less than 3.2 per cent alcohol was legalized in 1937.

Despite the seemingly radical change for a traditionally dry state, no wild binge is in the making.

Saloons and public drinking are barred. Liquor will be sold only in packages at stores licensed solely to sell intoxicants.

Kansas' desertion of prohibition leaves liquor illegal only in Oklahoma and Mississippi.

Disgruntled Kansans who had hoped to have drinking in hotels and restaurants and on trains legalized, say Kansas merely is being transformed from the "wettest dry state into the driest wet state."