

HILLSIDE EVACUATED AFTER FIRE

In The Day's News

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BY a vote of 82 to 13, the U. S. senate approves the North Atlantic treaty under which the nations of Western Europe, plus the United States and Canada, agree to go to each other's help if any of them is attacked.

It involves the principle of the immortal Three Musketeers—"one for all and all for one." Its purpose is to strengthen the countries that are opposed to communism.

LET'S try to think straight about this business.
If you lived in a remote community where one big brute with screw ideas threatened everybody else, the rest of you would lay plans to gang up on him if he tackled ANY of you, wouldn't you?

ASK yourself this question:
If Russia should attack the United States, would you rather go to Moscow? Or would you feel better if we had the help of these other countries with whom we will be associated in the new treaty?

LET'S turn the situation around.
If you were Russia, how would you prefer to go about finishing off your opponents? You'd rather pick them off one at a time, if they were foolish enough to permit that, wouldn't you?

There is an old conqueror's rule that covers that point. It goes like this: DIVIDE AND CONQUER.
Every world conqueror since history began has tried to follow that rule. Split up your opponents and knock them off one at a time. It's easy when it can be done that way.

LET'S not fool ourselves.
Down deep in our hearts, we'd rather stand off to one side and LET OTHER PEOPLE DO THE FIGHTING. But we just don't seem to be constituted that way.

HERE'S another point:
If Kaiser Wilhelm had KNOWN beyond all question or doubt, that America would be against him he might not have started World War I.

SO much for the treaty—which, so far as we are concerned, is signed, sealed and delivered. The next step will be the arming of our friends in Europe. (Continued on Page Two)

London Dock Workers Call Off Strike

LONDON, July 22 (AP)—Striking dockers who have crippled the port of London for 23 days voted today to return to their jobs Monday.
The vote came at a huge mass meeting in Victoria park, where the committee leading the walkout recommended that the men call it off.

A member of the strike committee told the men of the decision.
An average of 12,000 dock workers have been on strike since the stoppage began June 27, in sympathy with the striking Canadian Seaman's Union. By the time the strikers get back to work Monday they will have lost about 400,000 pounds (\$1,600,000) in wages. As the decision to return to work was made, some 15,000-odd dockers were idle.

The stoppage tied up vital British export cargoes, hampering Britain's drive to overcome her severe dollar crisis. Troops, concentrating on unloading food ships, have prevented any severe shortages in British food supplies.

In the house of commons, Labor Minister George Isaacs was asked if the government now would call off the state of emergency the government had proclaimed because of the strike. He replied the cabinet "really must wait until Monday, until we see what has been the effect of today's decision" by the workers.

The strike began when the Canadian Seaman's union (CSU) black-listed two Canadian ships, the Argos and the Beaver, in London. The CSU dispute with the Canadian shipowners has grown into a jurisdictional battle between the CSU and its rival, the International Seafarers union, which has manned some ships on which the CSU had called strikes.

Blonde May Unravel Cohen Shooting Case

LOS ANGELES, July 22 (AP)—Sheriff's deputies today sought a mystery blonde who may have put the finger on Mickey Cohen in the attempted assassination of the filmland gambler.

The first reported break in the ruthless shooting came last night when Lawrence E. Vaale, a resident in the shooting area, told deputies he saw the blonde and three men flee, from just below his bedroom window, moments after the shots Wednesday morning.

Det. Sgt. R. T. Hopkinson said Vaale reported he heard the shots and the sound of men running. He looked out his bedroom window and saw a 1949 sedan parked with motor running. One man was at the wheel, one in back and a third standing on the sidewalk.

Then the blonde woman, wearing a dark suit, came running and said:
"Come on, Chuckie, let's get out of here."
The two jumped into the car and it sped off. Vaale said he was able to detect the first two numbers of the license. He said he had seen the man named "Chuckie" and the car in the neighborhood a week earlier.

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WEATHER
Klamath Falls: Fair today and Saturday; high today 89, low tonight 46; high Saturday 78.
Max. (July 21) 81 Min. 47
Precipitation last 24 hours 0.47

Spark From Incinerator Held Cause

All Hillside hospital patients were housed today at Klamath Valley hospital after a fire that damaged the roof of the Hillside building yesterday afternoon.

Although the blaze was quickly extinguished, the locally unprecedented evacuation of all hospital patients, totaling 28, was decided upon as a precautionary measure and carried out in orderly fashion through the late afternoon.

What might have been a major disaster was averted by quick discovery of the roof fire and prompt work by the city fire department. Ambulances and taxicabs were employed on the removal project. No one was injured.

Fire Chief Henry Akin and Fire Marshal Roy Rowe expressed the opinion that the fire started from a spark from the incinerator chimney. It appeared that the shingles caught fire and the blaze dug through the shingles into the empty attic space.

The theory that defective wiring caused the blaze was struck out when it was discovered there was no wiring near the section where the blaze started.

The department, employing seven men on duty and calling seven more off shift, had the fire quenched within 15 minutes after it broke out at 3:17 p. m.

A section of the roof about twelve foot square was burned and the attic was considerably damaged.

Water Damage
However, the principal damage was due to the water that seeped down into the second and first floors of the hospital.

Unofficial estimates on damages late today ranged from \$5000 to \$20,000.

Sixteen of the 28 patients in the hospital, the more aggravated cases, were moved by Kaler's ambulance. Others were taken to Klamath Valley hospital in taxis and private cars.

Special tribute was paid to Hillside hospital personnel for the efficient manner in which they carried out their parts in removal of the patients.

On the other end, employees of Klamath Valley hospital worked with dispatch in settling the patients. The Klamath Valley hospital was about half full when transferring of the patients got underway.

Hillside patients who were moved included two fracture cases, three that underwent major surgery at Hillside Friday before the fire, and four with serious heart ailments.

Baby Born
In addition to the work of getting the patients comfortably settled during all the excitement a baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Veidon Mathews of this city, 23-year-old Grace Shary underwent major surgery as the result of a car accident near Lakeside Tuesday (Continued on Page 2)

Warrant Issued For Arrest Of Ex-Convict In Double Death In Cascade Range

TACOMA, July 22 (AP)—Discovery of the bullet-pierced bodies of an elderly Tacoma couple in the Cascade mountain foothills led today to a first degree murder warrant against a missing ex-convict neighbor.

Henry pickers found the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Easley last night on a log-strewn trail off the Naches pass highway about 50 miles southeast of here. The 62-year-old man and his wife, 67, had been missing several days from their blood-stained home.

Chief Deputy Prosecutor Martin I. Potter announced the issuance of the murder warrant this morning against John Summers, 32, formerly of Kirkville, Mo.

He said a search was being launched throughout the west for the armed suspect. Justice of the Peace Charles L. Weisheit issued the warrant.

Summers, dark-haired and handsome, was released less than a month ago from the state prison at Walla Walla. He had served 18 months for forgery. Deputy Prosecutor Potter said he had a previous Illinois prison record and a long list of records.

Officers said the search was centering around Yakima, at the eastern end of the cross-mountain highway, and along possible routes to Missouri. Summers worked in the Yakima farm area for a few days after his release from prison.

Discovery of the bodies last night ended a two-day mystery over the Easleys' disappearance.

Capt. John Kenders, chief of the Pierce county sheriff's detective division, who reported the gruesome discovery, said the bodies had been left on the ground, bound in blankets and sheets and covered by a tarpaulin.

Brush and debris had been thrown atop the canvas in an effort to hide the scene.

The bodies were found by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gill, who live at the nearby Naches tavern, and their two children. The couple said they became suspicious when they found the road blocked off and log-covered. Later, as they made their way down the road they found the pile of debris.

They thought at first a bear, killed in the vicinity last week, had been buried there. When they asked at the tavern later they were told the animal had been thrown in the river. Kenders said, and so decided to investigate further.

They had removed only several (Continued on Page 2)



FIREMEN ON ROOF of Hillside hospital yesterday afternoon rip shingles out to get at the blaze. City firemen had the fire extinguished within a short time after the alarm was turned in at 3:17. Crowds flocked to the hospital site to watch fire-fighting operations. All Hillside patients were evacuated as a precautionary measure.

UAW Makes Final Move For Strike

DETROIT, July 22 (AP)—Final moves are under way to enable the 410 United Auto Workers to pull the Ford Motor company production employees out on a wage strike.

Michigan's labor mediation board is preparing for a secret strike poll of the 75,000 Ford workers in this state.

A strike to back up current wage and contract demands—including \$100-a-month pensions—already has been approved in a UAW-conducted vote among 108,000 Ford employees.

That poll showed that they are 7 to 1 in favor of a walkout, if necessary, although they were idle for 24 days in a speed-up strike that shut down Ford plants in May.

But the state balloting is necessary to comply with terms of Michigan's Bonine-Tripp labor law.

Notice Filed
In other states, the strike vote conducted by the union is ample authorization for a walkout, and Ford workers may be called out by the UAW executive board at any time.

The UAW filed a 10-day strike notice with the mediation board yesterday, but said it would take no walkout action until the vote was completed. That may require two weeks, Board Chairman Noel P. Fox said.

Once such a vote is taken, there will be no legal barrier in the way of a strike.

Economic obstacles, too, are being cleared away by the union. Last week at Milwaukee, the auto workers international convention approved a special assessment which could build up a \$10,000,000 strike fund.

Atlantic Pact Approval Opens Way For Truman's Arms-To-Europe Program

WASHINGTON, July 22 (AP)—Overwhelming senate approval of the North Atlantic treaty cleared the way today for President Truman's formal request that America help arm its European allies.

The White House announced that the president will send the proposed program to congress Monday. Vice President Barkley said it will be pressed for passage at this session.

Barkley, who attended a cabinet session, said the administration hopes to pass both an authorization bill and an appropriation to finance the arms program before it quits around September 1.

He said he does not expect as much debate on the arms program as occurred in the senate during consideration of the pact, which the

SP Strike Postponed

The Southern Pacific trainmen's strike, called for 5 p. m. tonight, has been postponed pending the outcome of deliberations of a president's emergency board.

Appointment of the board to look into the facts of the situation followed the strike call last week, and is in accordance with the railway labor act.

Officials of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen have posted notices of the strike's postponement, and said today that they hope all trainmen will help spread the information so that the situation will be fully understood tonight. Trainmen, they said, will report to work as usual.

Horse Player Has 'Dead' Cinch

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 22 (CP)—Walter Walker, a Vancouver printer, had a dead cinch running in the sixth race at Exhibition park Wednesday.

It was the first bet of his life and he was sure of a killing.

The horse he backed, Gold Bay, ran true to her dead-cinch form. She dropped dead in the back stretch.

Cordon Votes No On Pact

WASHINGTON, July 22 (AP)—Senator Cordon (R-Ore.) was the lone Pacific Northwest senator to vote against approval of the North Atlantic pact yesterday.

Senators Cain (R) and Magnuson (D) of Washington and Morse (R) of Oregon voted with the majority.

On amendments, all of which were better: the lineup differed.

All Northwest senators opposed a reservation by Senator Watkins (D-Utah) that would have made a congressional declaration of war optional rather than mandatory if a member of the pact was attacked.

All also opposed another Watkins proposal to deny an obligation on the part of this country to use armed forces without approval of congress.

Administration Tackles Job Of Salvaging Small Part Of Vetoed Farm Plan

WASHINGTON, July 22 (AP)—A crushing house defeat of its controversial farm plan set the administration to work today on salvage operations in the senate.

With a powerful combination of democrats and republicans in control, the house late yesterday voted 239 to 170 to kill a proposed "trial run" of the farm subsidy plan of Secretary of Agriculture Brannan on eggs, potatoes and wool.

The coalition was led by Rep. Gore (D-Tenn.), normally an administration follower. It triumphed despite a plea from Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex.) to give the Brannan plan a try.

Instead, the house voted 383 to 25 to continue for another year the rigid wartime farm price supports at 90 per cent of parity. Parity is a computed price intended to give farmers a purchasing power in fair relationship to the cost of things they must buy.

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, July 22 (AP)—Senator Morse (R-Ore.) told the senate today that the waterfront strike in Hawaii may spread to all West Coast ports and possibly to all major ports of the world.

Morse said he expects the legislature in Hawaii to pass legislation aimed at ending the three-month strike there.



UNIQUE BEAUTY SPOT—Herald and News Photographer Wes Guderion stopped at the head of Wood river this week to catch this outstanding view of the central feature of the Kimball Memorial park, which will be dedicated in public exercises Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Springs from mysterious source give Wood river a start as a full-fledged river in the wide, brightly-colored pool shown in this picture. The spot may be reached by taking the old route of US 97 (now Oregon 232) a short distance north of Fort Klamath junction. (See today's editorial for further description).