

# VAUGHAN DENIES BRIBE CHARGE

In The Day's News

## Herald and News

WEATHER  
Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair today and Thursday. High today 82. Low tonight 45. High Thursday 85.  
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By FRANK JENKINS  
THIS sentence leads off a dispatch this morning from Belgrade, capital of Yugoslavia:

"Spreading rumors of Soviet army troop concentrations near Yugoslavia's frontier accentuated speculation today over the Russian denunciation of Premier Marshal Tito."

(Moscow yesterday denounced Tito for the EIGHTH time, sending him a note in which it called him an "ally of the Western powers"—which is about as nasty an insult as Moscow can lay its tongue to.)

WATCH It—but don't get too much excited.  
When one gangster calls another gangster a crook EIGHT TIMES IN A ROW it makes good newspaper reading. But when the big gangster really means business, he is apt to shoot quick and talk little.

IT'S said that the most likely development is that Tito will meet up with an accident in which the verdict of the coroner's jury will be that he came to his death at the hands of parties unknown.

IN St. Louis the other day an animal lover (name of Leonard D. Putney and described as a roofing company executive) died and it will be left \$100,000 to PROMOTE THE STERILIZATION OF HOUSEHOLD PETS.

F. Forster Buckley, secretary of the Humane Society of Missouri, describes the will as "the silliest thing I ever heard of."

WELL I should say so!  
It wouldn't be so silly if it stood alone. Somewhere in California the other day (I forget the place and the exact circumstances) somebody died and left a fair-sized house and some other property to a dog and five cats.

What are we coming to?  
I SUPPOSE that at this point somebody will arise to remark with considerable heat that if the time comes in America when a man (or a WOMAN) let's not forget that in this country more than half of all our wealth is in the hands of women) can't bequeath his property for ANY purpose, he chooses to bequeath it to it won't be America any more.

I reckon that's right.  
Still, when people can think of no better use for their money after they die than promoting the sterilization of household pets and setting up dogs and cats as the owners and occupants of houses that the sure would be better used to raise human families in, it indicates that a lot of people are taking a narrow and biased view of our civilization and the purposes for which it has been developed.

As I recall my history, things like that are signs of a DECAYING civilization.  
STRIKE FOUGHT  
DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 31 (AP)—The Detroit Board of Commerce sought today to head off a strike of Ford workers throughout the nation. It published full-page ads in Detroit newspapers declaring "Another Ford strike, at this time, would threaten the economic stability of the nation."

### Red Officer Voluntarily Goes Home; Fled To U.S. Last Fall; Fate Weighed

VIENNA, Austria, Aug. 31 (AP)—Soviet Pilot Anatole Barsov voluntarily returned today to the Red army from which he fled as a political refugee last October.  
In a brief ceremony at the zonal demarcation line, American authorities handed him over to a group of Russian officers.  
The transfer was made on the bridge linking Lins in the U.S. zone with Urfahr in the Russian zone. The transfer took place only a few miles from the American airbase where Barsov and two other Russian airmen crash-landed in a twin-engine bomber last October 9.  
Before formally turning Barsov over to the Russians, the Americans gave him a final chance to change his mind. The Russian flier stuck to the decision he had made July 28 when he told the Soviet embassy in Washington he "repented" his desertion and wanted to go back to Russia.  
Barsov was flown here from the U.S. on August 24. This morning American army authorities received instructions from the state department to return Barsov to the proper Russian authorities.  
Barsov and his navigator Piotr Pirogov flew their bomber from an airbase in the western Ukraine after what they said was more than a year of planning. They were accompanied by a Russian sergeant who was handed back to Soviet authorities at his own request.  
The two officers were taken to the United States last February.  
In a news conference at Lins after the plane crashed here Barsov said he was opposed to the communist ideology although he had been a candidate for party membership. He said all Russian officers must apply for membership or face serious investigation.

### \$3.25 Barley Price, Year's Top, Quoted

A price of \$3.25 a hundred on No. 1 barley was quoted here today, the highest quotation of the harvest season so far.

The \$3.25 is on grain delivered and loaded on the car for shipment. Price delivered to the mill and not loaded would be about \$3.20 a hundred pounds.

Prices on the malting grain have advanced from about \$2.80 in two weeks but one buyer said it was probable that the peak had been reached. Some big growers able to store grain until next summer may receive up to \$3.60 but the price will include what the buyer considers the value of storage.

There are approximately 80,000 acres planted to barley in the Klamath basin this year, a decline of some 20 per cent from last season when the top price was around \$2.80. Quality of the grain overall is good.

Oats this morning were quoted at from \$2.40 to \$2.50 a hundredweight bulk for 38-pound test grain, a figure well above the government support price of \$2.00. Oat acreage is figured at about 14,000.

The price on wheat is from \$3 to \$3.15 per hundred pounds, net to the farmer in bulk. Acreage on both wheat and oats came up this year corresponding with the drop in barley planting and the county agent's office figures that about 17,000 acres were planted to wheat in this area.

Spud-digging probably will not start until around September 25 and the crop is coming along well despite the summer frost that blackened many fields. One buyer here estimated that the starting price on this year's spud crop, some 17,000 acres, will be from \$2 to \$2.25. Present Los Angeles market is \$2.90 a hundred pounds but that includes commissions and shipping expenses.

The freight car situation for grain shipment was reported not good this morning but is expected to loosen up by the end of the week. Storage space is filling rapidly and shipments are not keeping pace with the harvest.

### Week's Food Prices Down

NEW YORK, Aug. 31 (AP)—The Dun and Bradstreet wholesale food price index this week declined to \$5.78 from \$5.86 the previous week, and was 16.2 per cent below the year-old level of \$6.90.

The index represents the total cost at wholesale of a pound each of 31 foods in general use.

Higher in wholesale cost this week were wheat, corn, oats, beef, butter, coffee, beans, eggs, potatoes and steers.

Lower were flour, rye, barley, hams, bellies, lard, cottonseed oil, cocoa, peas and lamb.



CHANGING OWNERS—Thinking it over is Yamsey, grand champion Hereford of the junior livestock show who became the property at last night's sale of William Serruys, Klamath Falls. Smiling at halter is pretty Marianna Hellekson, Bonanza, who put pounds per day on the steer preparing for the honor he received.



INDIFFERENT TO IT ALL—Snubby, grand champion of the show Berkshire hog raised by young Ferrell Wilson, is shown with his new owner, Bill Bratton of Bratton Packing company. Nice eating goes with this boy.

### City To Test New Type Parking Meters

After wintry blasts had proved the city's parking meters to be entirely too anemic to stand the gauntlet, city dads decided to do something about it, and preparations now underway for the installation of 50 additional clockers of a new type winds up almost a year of solving meter problems.  
The new meters, due for shipment next week, will up the total meters in the city to 102. The bulk of the revenue from the trial meters goes into city coffers.  
The council also outlined a big job for the meters when it stipulated that meter money would pay for Klamath Falls' new business district lighting system which the California-Oregon Power company hopes to have in by late November.  
The 50 new meters, for which posts are already set, will be installed on Esplanade from Main to Wall and on Main from Esplanade to Broad.  
Of the 102 trial meters, 40 of them are hand-operated, the rest automatic.  
The 50 new meters will bring the clockers in the city to a total of approximately 760.  
The long-range program of the council is to settle on a new meter—four companies now have them in on a trial basis—and replace some of the old meters each year until the complete change-over is complete.

### Junior Show Sale Brings In \$28,668

Klamath's 14th junior livestock show auction sale put \$28,668.40 in the hands of boy and girl exhibitors last night.

While the total was under last year's all-time high, the actual margin over current market prices was higher than the 1948 figures. That beef animals sold for \$36.20 per cwt. last night which was 45 per cent over the current Portland market price for fed steers. Last year, the average price was \$45.20, but that was only 31 per cent over the Portland fed steer quotations.

The sale drew a capacity crowd to the sales ring at the county fairgrounds, which followed the giant barbecue staged by the sponsoring Rotary club in the grandstand. More than 1500 exhibitors, parents, buyers, Rotarians and their wives ate barbecued beef, beans, spuds and an assortment of trimmings at the annual feed.

Sixty-five head of beef brought \$22,080.05, and Marianna Hellekson's grand champion steer, Yamsey, sold for \$1 a pound, or a total of \$1040. Bill Serruys was the buyer and the entire beef will be donated to the Shrine hospital for Cripp'd Children at Portland.

Thirty-nine sheep sold for \$2587.65, or an average of \$66.31 per cwt. The 100-pound South-down fat lamb, entered by Josephine Colwell of Keno road, was bought by Sears, Roebuck and company for \$3.25 per pound.

The grand champion hog, entered by Farrell Wilson, Malin, weighed 180 pounds and brought \$2.77 per pound. Bill Bratton of Bratton's Packing company was the buyer.

Satisfactory Prices  
Prices bid in the spirited auction last night were regarded by sale officials as highly satisfactory. They reflected the lower market values prevailing this year, but the margin over commercial levels was evidence of continued support by the business community for the youngsters exhibiting at the annual FFA and Four-H show. Last year's total sales ran to approximately \$42,000.

Support here was favorable in comparison with other junior sales. It was reported that the champion steer at the Marion county show last week sold for 38 cents a pound, compared with the \$1 paid by Serruys for the Hellekson steer.

Charles K. Weise of Tulelake again cried the junior livestock sale here.

The Henley Sheep club, led by I. W. White, won the Rotary sweepstakes trophy for the best all-around livestock club in the county. Malin beef club, led by Earl Wilson, came through for the second year in a row to win the Bertram cup for the best herd of five steers. The Henry Semson award of a \$100 savings bond went to Marianna Hellekson as the best individual Four-H livestock breeder, and Catherine Dearborn of Bonanza won the Marshall Cornett award.

The winning livestock judging (Continued on Page 2)

### SP To Take West Coast Off Oct. 2

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 31 (AP)—The Southern Pacific today announced temporary discontinuance of the West Coast, passenger train operating between Sacramento and Portland, effective October 2.  
It was explained that the new Shasta Daylight, recently inaugurated, and the Cascade would provide adequate for the winter passenger load.  
West Coast discontinuance will leave Klamath and other main line points with three trains each way a day. Only one will provide full mail service and Klamath chamber of commerce indicated an attempt will be made to prevent mail service curtailment. A detailed story on schedules will appear tomorrow.

### Sports Bulletins

RIGEL BEATS STRANAHAN  
ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 31 (AP)—Skee Rigel of Tulsa defeated Frank Stranahan of Toledo, 3 and 2 today in the match that highlighted the third round of the 49th annual national amateur golf championship tourney.

MACDONALD SMITH DIES  
GLENDALE, Calif., Aug. 31 (AP)—MacDonald Smith, for 40 years one of the world's greatest golfers, but never a big-time winner, died today of a heart attack.

## President's Aide Says FBI Probed Him On 'Tax Fix'

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31 (AP)—Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan told the senate's five percent inquiry today he had been investigated by the FBI and had received a campaign contribution from a lawyer who talked to him about a pardon for a convicted liquor black marketer.

This testimony from President Truman's military aide high spotted a sometimes hectic session. Another dramatic development came when Senator McCarthy (R-Wis.) withdrew an earlier statement expressing belief that Vaughan had not profited personally from any of his "deals."

Vaughan made clear he cooperated with the FBI in its investigation of a charge that he had accepted a bribe in an income tax filing case.

And Vaughan's assistant at the White House, Col. C. J. Mara, said flatly the FBI had exonerated his boss.

Both Vaughan and Mara also denied under sharp questioning that the FBI scrutiny concerned a charge that Vaughan had taken money from liquor interests in return for efforts to get them more rationed grain.

As for the campaign contribution, Vaughan said he didn't think it "could have been over a couple of hundred dollars." And he denied it had any connection with the parole matter.

McCarthy said yesterday he had had the feeling all along—and still felt—that Vaughan did not get anything out of his efforts for himself. Today he asked that the part of his statement about how he feels now be stricken from the record.

It was McCarthy who led Vaughan through testimony about the tax fixing, grain allotments and clemency affairs.

Vaughan testified that J. Edgar Hoover, FBI director, had telephoned him that he had been "accused of accepting a bribe for a promise to fix an income tax case."

He said he opened his financial records to the FBI and added that agents went to Kansas City and New Orleans in connection with the case.

Vaughan said the inquiry started with a request from a "member of the press." He did not name him.

But Mara, called to the stand to expand on the report, said it was Columnist Drew Pearson.

Mara added that Peyton Ford, top ranking assistant attorney general, told him Vaughan had been "completely exonerated."

McCarthy named the liquor interests involved in the alleged reports as "Schenley" and "Costello." He said Frankie Costello, reputed New York gambling kingpin; William Hella, horse owner and race track figure; and Phil Kastel are partners in a liquor concern.

Yesterday Vaughan had denied any of the democratic campaign contributions he received came from Costello. He said he did get a contribution—he thought it was around \$2000—through Hella.

### Reds Rumored Massing Near Yugoslavia

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Aug. 31 (AP)—Spreading rumors of Soviet army troop concentrations near Yugoslavia's frontier attended speculation today over the new Russian denunciation of Premier Marshal Tito.  
(Diplomatic officials in London said British and U. S. restrictions on the sales of military equipment to Yugoslavia may be eased to bolster Tito's regime.)

Officially there was no confirmation of troop movements nor of talk that Yugoslavia may seek United Nations intervention in her blossoming dispute with Russia.

The United States embassy was taking things calmly and showing scant signs of anticipating a showdown now in the Yugoslav-Russian dispute.

### Aid For China Asked By Legion; Brown Hits Economic 'Squeeze Play'

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 31 (AP)—The American Legion called on the United States today to support "any patriotic groups or organizations of Chinese" who would fight communists.

The resolution, drafted by the Legion's foreign relations committee, was adopted unanimously. A contrary proposal, reported under discussion early this week, to "write off" China as lost was not offered.

The Legion's national commander declared the organization's major 1950 fight will be against government economy which "threatens to strangle" veterans benefits.

Commander Perry Brown of Beaumont, Texas, in his report to the 31st national convention called for strong opposition to "economy at the expense of the veterans."  
He said "the disabled veterans... are being caught silently in a squeeze play which threatens to strangle their rights under the law."

The commander said these "jolting developments" must be corrected. "Blashes in veterans administration appropriations."

### Korea Seeks U.S. Military Defense Aid

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31 (AP)—The ambassador of Korea appealed to President Truman today for military aid to help meet any possible attack by the Soviets.

Declaring "we are right on the spot," the ambassador, Dr. John Myun Chang, told newsmen that an attack on the new republic "appears most likely."

"We need very quick action by the United States," he said after a 15-minute conference with Truman.

He told reporters that he had conveyed a message from his president asking arms and ammunition as quickly as possible.

"We feel that there might be some imminent danger of attack from the North and we should be well prepared for it," the ambassador went on. (The communists occupy northern Korea.)

### Typhoon Hits Jap Cities; Damage High

TOKYO, Aug. 31 (AP)—The second half of Tokyo's worst typhoon in 11 years roared across this teeming area tonight killing at least five persons, injuring 35 and losing 14 ships in Yokosuka harbor.

TOKYO, Aug. 31 (AP)—The worst typhoon in 11 years whipped across crowded Yokohama and Tokyo tonight.

Giant seas lashed the coast. High waves accompanied an 80 mile an hour wind.

Widespread damage was feared in coastal areas.

First Japanese reports said a steamer with 50 passengers aboard was lost off the China coast across Tokyo bay. More than 200 fishing boats were swept away from the western shore of Sagami Bay.

Japanese police reported one dead and four injured at Odawara. Forty homes in Odawara were destroyed and 600 flooded. The town is on a river in the flats near the bay.

The barracks of the U.S. Fifth Cavalry regiment on a peninsula between Sagami and Tokyo bays were damaged. No troops were reported hurt. But soldiers were alerted to move to safer ground if the typhoon got worse.

The center of the storm was passing inland. That means the second portion of the blow will begin when the dead calm of the center passes. Both Tokyo and Yokohama were in the path of the center.

The main railroad line south of Yokohama was washed out. Famed Shonan beach drive, on sand dunes 15 feet high, was washed out in many places by tides which moved 500 feet inland.

No serious damage was reported immediately in Tokyo, where Gen. MacArthur and his occupation staff make their headquarters.

"Reductions in VA personnel."  
"Proposals to merge all federally-operated hospitals which would mean the destruction of the VA as an exclusive veterans' agency."  
"Moves to dilute veterans' preference in government employment."  
Elsewhere in his report, Brown called attention to the fact that "veterans of World War II shot ahead" in Legion affairs last year.

"A majority of the 1949 department conventions," Brown said, "elected younger men as state commanders for 1950 and World War II post commanders became almost the rule on the community level."

"The convention is expected to pick a World War II veteran to succeed Brown as commander."

Brown called on the Legion to stand rightly for a policy of re-education of our atomic bomb secrets until such time when these can be turned over with full confidence to the United Nations."

And, he said, the Legion must continue its fight "to eliminate the (UN) veto in all matters involving aggression, in the limitation of world arms production and in the establishment of an adequate and effective world peace force."