

RED HORDE SWARMS ON CANTON

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
POLITICAL news from London: Prime Minister Attlee turned down demands for a general parliamentary election this fall and decided that his Labor government would ride out Britain's economic crisis.

WHAT does it mean?
It means this: Attlee thinks (or at least hopes) that Britain's financial situation will be better next spring than it is now. If that turns out to be true, his party's chances of winning will be better next year than they would be now.
We must always remember that to ALL parties in ALL countries STAYING IN POWER IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ANYTHING ELSE IN THE WORLD.

IN our own country, both major parties (Democratic and Republican) are all churned up over what to do for the farmer. There are two factions in congress, and these factions cut across party lines. One wants to guarantee farm prices at a permanently high level. The other wants to guarantee prices at a high level through next year WHEN THERE WILL BE AN ELECTION and then lower the guarantee.

The house has passed a more or less permanent "high parity" law and the senate has passed a law providing high parity for 1950 and sliding (downward) parity after that.
President Truman is said to be all for the permanent high parity law.

IT amounts to this: Our politicians in Washington are out to BUY THE FARM VOTE. The Democrats are FLYING IN POWER NOW AND WANTING ABOVE EVERYTHING IN THE WORLD TO STAY IN POWER. They want to buy the farm vote immediately. The Republicans want to put the Democrats in a hole now, so that they can buy the farm vote later and GET INTO POWER.

That is the situation in a nutshell. When understood, it helps to explain the political juggling that is going on in Washington these days.

BAD?
It certainly is bad. When any country reaches the point where pressure groups can push the government around and make it jump through hoops, that country's better days are ending and its bleaker days are coming around the corner.
Rome proved that for us fully some 15 centuries ago.

OUR congress has reached the point where it is willing to pass laws to vote us all rich now and to pass other laws to pension us all later.

The TRAGEDY of it is that most of the members of congress know that these things won't work. Knowing that they won't work, they still vote for them in order to keep their jobs and stay in power.
Rome reached that cynical point. Having reached it, ROME BEGAN TO DECLINE. Some half a dozen centuries later, Rome fell and the Dark Ages followed.

IT isn't as if this situation had crept up on us without warning. A century and a half ago, Lord Macaulay, the great British historian and political philosopher, saw it coming and warned us of it. Not in these words, but in effect, he said to us:
"Your American system, which is the best the world has ever seen, will work until the time comes when pressure groups arise and make the discovery that through (Continued on Page 2)

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WEATHER
Klamath Falls and Vicinity: Fair today through Friday. High today 58. Low tonight 32. High Friday 58.
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House Refuses to Approve 'Sliding Scale' Farm Bill

Air Force To Have Its Innings

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (AP)—The house armed services committee agreed today to hear the air force next week in reply to the navy's bitter criticism of its B-36 bomber program. Secretary of Defense Johnson also will testify then.
Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) and Secretary Johnson held a long conference this morning. Afterwards Vinson announced the schedule for the next phase of the committee's inquiry into military policy.

Big Names
Vinson said that beginning next week the committee will hear Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Gen. Omar Bradley, Secretary of Air Symington and air force officers.

Then, he added, "Secretary Johnson will give the committee and the country" his views.
Johnson, as civilian boss of all the armed services, is caught squarely in the cross-fire of the angry controversy over military policy.

Harsh Words
He also has come in for harsh words from some congress members because, by executive order, he has cut back appropriations that the lawmakers made for the navy.
Vinson publicly accused Johnson yesterday of making "a grandstand play" by economizing on navy funds. He said the committee "is to have a lot to say about this."

Medford Game Sellout Seen

At noon today there were less than 50 reserved tickets left at the chamber of commerce for the Klamath-Medford game Friday night on Modoc field. A sell-out for the annual high school grid classic was assured.

Pre-game activities will include a rally bonfire tonight, Thursday, at 7 p.m. on Conger field. The public is invited to join the enthusiasm and Mayor Robert A. Thompson will act as master of ceremonies.

Parade Tomorrow
Early Friday afternoon a gala parade will be staged on Main street by Klamath students. The line of march will include floats, marching groups, the KUHHS band, Pep Peppers, stunts, the K club and other features.
Kickoff time for the Pel-Black Tornado game is 8 p.m. Friday.



A POE VALLEY FIELD, which escaped heavy summer frosts, is yielding out at an average of 450 to 475 sacks of Klamath Netted Gems. This is considered one of the top fields of the entire Klamath basin and planting was done this spring by Karl Dehlinger and Duane Blackman on 30 acres leased from Rex High directly across from the High residence on the Poe valley road. Certified seed was used in the planting and these fine spuds, heavy and of good contour, were being picked yesterday by Madeline Glenn, 5627 Leland drive, one of the picking crew on the acreage.

Nobel Peace Prize Goes To Scotsman

DUNDEE, Scotland, Oct. 13 (AP)—Lord Boyd Orr says he will use the money from the 1949 Nobel peace prize, nearly \$22,000, to promote peace and world government.
"The important thing in the world today is to get the nations to cooperate," he said last night. Boyd Orr, a bushy-browed Scotsman, believes wars can be prevented by creation of a world federal government and by raising more food to prevent hunger.

Farmer
The Norwegian Parliament's Nobel committee announced the award last night. Boyd Orr is a food expert and practical farmer. He formerly headed the United Nations food and agricultural organization.
The prize, awarded from a fund set up in 1896 by Alfred B. Nobel, the inventor of dynamite, amounts to 156,289.82 Norwegian kroner (\$21,889.30). It is awarded to persons deemed outstanding in promoting peace among nations.

Jury to Get Commie Case

NEW YORK, Oct. 13 (AP)—The government's case against 11 high U. S. communists named the jury today when the government's completed its summation shortly before noon.
Federal Judge Harold R. Medina's charge was expected to take about two and one half hours.
The 11 communists, who form the communist party's American politburo, are charged with conspiring to reorganize the party in 1945 to teach and advocate the violent overthrow of the government.

Two Bodies Found; Rancher Surrenders, Saying 'I Hurt Them'

TOLEDO, Ore., Oct. 13 (AP)—The bodies of two brothers were found sprawled beside a bushy trail northeast of here last night after a middle-aged rancher told the sheriff "I hurt them."
Dead of bullet wounds were Melvin Longyear, about 25, and his brother, Charles Longyear, about 22.
Held in the Lincoln county jail without charge is Norman Homer Edwards, 50.
Sheriff Tim Whelp said Edwards telephoned him at home shortly after 6 p. m. yesterday and said he wanted to see him. The sheriff drove to his office and there met Mr. and Mrs. Edwards.

U.S. Pushes Strike Peace Negotiations

By The Associated Press
Government-prodded negotiations to end the 25-day-old coal strike continued today—despite another blunt refusal from the United Mine Workers to renew their contract for two years.
UMW Vice President Thomas Kennedy says the union is willing to "continue in these meetings until we get a contract."
Steel Scene
The government's conciliation director, Cyrus S. Ching, hoped to get leaders of the CIO-United Steelworkers union and industry officials back at the bargaining table.
Ching planned to meet today with representatives of the Bethlehem Steel company in New York.
The two strikes have made idle nearly 900,000 workers and continuation of the work stoppages threatens to idle additional thousands.

'90 Percent' Champions Spurn Senate

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (AP)—The house today refused to accept the senate's bill to set up a flexible system for farm price supports. It stood by its own measure continuing the present program of 90 percent of parity props for major crops.

After weeks of debate, a coalition of senate democrats and republicans yesterday pushed through on a voice vote the farm support bill sponsored by Senator Anderson (D-NM), former secretary of agriculture.

Opposite Optimism
They substituted it for the one-year continuance of wartime-level price supports voted by the house in mid-July. Leaders of the coalition said they are confident the house will accept the senate version eventually.

Farm-minded house members talked equally optimistically about forcing senators to take their one-year extension of existing price props at least for 1950—a year when all 435 house members and more than one-third of the senators must face the farmers and other voters.

Both the senate and house bills peg their proposed price supports to percentages of parity. Parity is a price for a farm product deemed to be fair to the farmer in relation to the cost of things he has to buy.

Diphtheria Shots Rushed To Medford

Three Klamath Falls drugstores late Tuesday pooled their sources of diphtheria anti-toxin and rushed it to Medford where another case — the first in the county since 1930 — was reported today by Dr. A. Erin Merkel, Jackson county health officer.

Two children have died of the disease, a teen-age boy and a teen-age girl. The latest person struck is a 17-year-old aunt of the girl who died.

Precautions
Mothers here, who have learned of the diphtheria condition in the valley city, were urged not to be alarmed but there are certain precautions which can be taken, local doctors observed.

A great percentage of Klamath Falls children have been inoculated against diphtheria, many even before school age. If the inoculations were given at an early age, doctors suggested a booster shot of toxoid, or administration of the Schick test which permits the doctor as well as the patient to learn whether or not the child remains immune.

Kerron Away
Dr. Seth M. Kerron, Klamath county health officer, was in Gilchrist today on a preventative health project and could not be reached for a statement. An excellent school program has been carried on in Klamath Falls, it was observed, in the inoculation against the dread disease.

Those interested here observed that the Medford cases may be the result of some single source such as milk, or an individual carrier. Diphtheria is a contagious disease and simple precautions may eliminate danger.

Anti-toxin was being flown into Medford for inoculation of school children there, and the appeal to Klamath Falls druggists was met instantaneously.

2 Die in Poker Holdup Attempt

MUNCIE, Ind., Oct. 13 (AP)—Two men were slain and five others were wounded, one seriously, early today when two gunmen attempted to hold up a poker game in a downtown cigar store.
The gunmen fled after firing more than a score of shots at the 19 men who, Police Chief Harry Nelson said, were playing cards in the rear of the store.
Nelson identified the dead man as Theodore Raines, 43, a Muncie restaurant owner, and Deway Wills, 54, an unemployed laborer.

Chiang's Forces Flee as Commie Troops Approach

HONG KONG, Oct. 13 (AP)—Telephoned reports from Canton said Nationalist forces tonight abandoned the South China city. Plans for all organized resistance ended within the provisional capital. Entry of communist troops is now awaited.

Gunfire was reported around North station, about three miles north of Canton. The source—Nationalists, Red guerrillas or regular communist troops—was not known.

Perhaps sooner than expected, Canton suffered the same fate as other major Nationalist cities which have fallen to the communists with little or no resistance.

The South China city sprawls out on the left bank of the Pearl river. It is an old and shabby trade center 111 miles northwest of Hong Kong, with a population of nearly 1,000,000. The Nationalists set up their capital there last spring after they quit Nanking.

A million Cantonese waited, tensely, nervously, for the transition period.
Communist troops last week reported driving directly down the Canton-Hankow railroad to within 30 miles of Canton.

As yet, Hong Kong has heard no reports of Nationalist resistance. Instead, 80,000 government troops in the Canton region face isolation by encircling Reds and by insufficient shipping to escape to the sea.

The British massed troops near the border separating British Kowloon territory and China proper, but they did not expect trouble.
The Nationalist government fled to Chungking. Acting President Li Tsing-chen left by plane for Kewlin in neighboring Kwangsi province where an army of some 200,000 has been salvaged out of recent setbacks.

Li has been feuding with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, and there was speculation that he might go on to the new refugee capital.

Floyd Woolever Lost Hunting, Finds Way Out

Floyd Woolever, 64-year-old veteran deer hunter reported lost in the woods south of Bly, walked in to Bly early this morning a few minutes before a search party of friends would have started looking for him.
He had been lost, spending the night in the woods, but at daylight was able to make his way into Bly.

Failed To Return
Woolever, who resides at 2275 Almont, was hunting yesterday with Levi Stevens, 1330 Worden, an old hunting companion, and Frank Owen, 1806 Portland, in the Robinson springs area. He had left camp at daybreak yesterday and did not return at dark.

His companions reported to state police he was missing about 8:30 last night.
This morning a party of about 65 men, many of them employees of the state highway department where Woolever is employed, headed out toward Bly but Woolever came in before the search was started.

Boys Die Beneath Overtaken Piano
CORTLAND, N. Y., Oct. 13 (AP)—Doug Stebbins, 4 and his brother, Roy, 3, were crushed to death yesterday when an upright piano their mother was moving toppled over.
The children had been playing on the living room floor in their home.

Their distraught mother, Mrs. Andrew Stebbins, ran a quarter of a mile before she found two neighbors to help her right the piano. The boys were pronounced dead on arrival at a hospital.

Precedent
Attlee's announcement set a precedent. It is the first time a prime minister has used an official statement to say "no" to an election.

Ever since Britain devalued the pound from \$4.83 to \$2.80 on September 18 there has been a rash of predictions that Attlee might ask an early vote of confidence from the people.

Meet the People



COFFEE HOUR in this country is getting as traditional as afternoon tea in England. A fellow just has to have his coffee, as evidenced by the enjoyment of the brew on the part of Willis Robinson.



TRAPPED IN DEBRIS—Miss Coyle Keen, 20, of Frostproof, Fla., her face contorted by pain, awaits rescue from wreckage in which she was trapped when 80-mile winds toppled the Sheridan hotel's 60-foot chimney in Minneapolis. The masonry crashed through the roof of the three-story west wing, where the girl had a room. She suffered head cuts and a possible fracture of an ankle. She was enrolled in a school for airline hostesses.