

WALLACE IN ATOM LEAK PROBE

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IN China, the communists are chasing the nationalists from one capital city to another. Chengtu is the temporary seat of nationalist authority. The reds are approaching Chengtu.

This morning's dispatches relate that "inhabitants of towns and villages in the path of the red drive are in a ferment of excitement and fear" . . . residents are moving in every direction for safety . . . some are fleeing into the countryside from towns . . . others are rushing into towns from the countryside . . . in Chengtu schools are closed because students have fled to their homes.

IN Chungking, this story is loose (as yet unverified):

A number of students, carrying banners welcoming the nationalists and denouncing the communists, went out to hail the approaching reds last Wednesday. Through a mistake, they entered the nationalist lines. Troops, angered by the banners, opened fire.

Rumors of the number killed range from 20 to 300.

SUCH is the picture of the death of a nation.

Why is nationalist China dying? I don't know. I'm too far away. I've never lived there. You have to live among people to know them.

But this must be true: CHINA FAILED TO STAY STRONG AND UNITED.

NATIONS that fail to stay strong and united come eventually to the pass that nationalist China has reached. No lesson of history is clearer than that.

It took more than a thousand years for it to come about, but Rome reached that point — and then fell apart, as nationalist China is falling apart.

And for the same reason: It failed to stay strong and united.

WHAT is the rule for staying strong and united?

This, I think, is it: DO YE UNTO OTHERS AS YE WOULD THAT OTHERS SHALL DO UNTO YOU.

ONE of the tragedies of our materialistic age is the widespread belief that the Golden Rule is an idealistic beautiful thing, but that wouldn't work in practice.

That isn't true. The principle of the Golden Rule is as practical as bread and butter. If we ALL lived by it, we would all be better off MATERIALLY. Employers would have more profit. Workers would have more wages. The time we now waste in CONFLICT would be used PRODUCTIVELY — and in raising standards of living production is what counts.

AND IF EVERYBODY, ALL OVER THE WORLD, FOLLOWED THE PRINCIPLE OF THE GOLDEN RULE, THERE WOULD BE NO WAR.

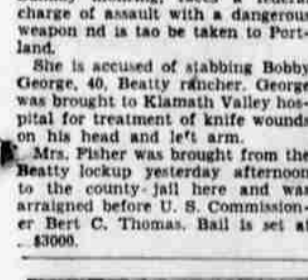
War wrecks everything.

Woman Faces Federal Stab Charge

Imogene Fisher, 42, held in connection with a knife attack on Beauty Sunday morning, faces a federal charge of assault with a dangerous weapon and is to be taken to Portland.

She is accused of stabbing Betty George, 40, Beauty rancher. George was brought to Klamath Valley hospital for treatment of knife wounds on her head and left arm.

Mrs. Fisher was brought from the county jail yesterday afternoon to the county jail here and was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Bert C. Thomas. Bail is set at \$3000.



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Weight Race, Dead Heat

KEY WEST, Fla., Dec. 6 (AP)—President Truman weighed in today at 177 pounds as the White House disclosed officially that his pre-Thanksgiving weight-reducing contest with two husky aides ended in a "dead heat."

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It's Hot South Of the Border

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 6 (AP)—Suffering from chilblains? Ply the poor Argentinians. Forty of them were treated here for sunstroke yesterday.

It was hot for even though summertime has started. Temperatures got up to 100.78 degrees Fahrenheit.



MEET THE CHIEF—Roy Rowe, former city fire marshal and long time member of the department, Monday night was named Klamath Falls' new fire chief. His duties began this morning. Rowe is pictured as he walked up the steps of the city hall. Appointment was made by Mayor Robert A. Thompson and the city council on recommendation of the civil service commission. Rowe now goes through the required six months' probationary period. He is Klamath Falls' third fire chief since establishment of the department, preceded only by Keith K. Ambrose and E. A. "Chuck" Taylor. Others served in the capacity of acting chiefs.

Recreation Director Sam Smith, city dad and Auditor J. Paul Matthews locked horns last night on the recreation department's portion of the city budget audit report.

However, after some two hours of frequently warm discussion, it was evident the situation was not so "serious" as appeared in the surface.

The council decided that Smith and Auditor Matthews should get together today and iron out what small difficulties remained. Matthews was also asked to report back to the council at its next meeting, and the matter was held open until that time.

"Friendly" In opening the hearing Mayor Thompson stated that it was to be held "on a friendly basis."

Councilman Alfred Condrey followed the mayor's remark stating that according to his knowledge of the charter the recreation director was directly responsible to the mayor and council.

Refuting Condrey's statement Smith quoted a city ordinance adopted on January 1, 1947. The ordinance stated that the recreation committee composed of the mayor, the city engineer and six private citizens might hire a recreation director and employ as seemed necessary.

It also showed that the director was under immediate supervision of the committee.

Funds Jumble After that was settled the council turned to consideration of apparent discrepancies between the department's estimated budget revenue and the actual revenue for the fiscal year. The estimated figure amounted to over \$29,000 and the "serious" as appeared on the sur-borhood of \$8000.

Smith told the council that such a large estimation was necessary under the present budget system. Smith said that no money the department received in the way of donations or in token as labor, materials or equipment could be spent unless estimated in the budget.

Such a high estimation he remarked was necessary to carry out projected of the department for the year.

Actually the donations of labor, equipment and materials to the department during the year under question amounted to \$18,612.40, said Smith. According to his figures the budget was over estimated only \$859.64.

Source It was further stated by Smith that never under any circumstances had the recreation committee spent any money until it was seen from what source the money would come.

The other major point of contention was alleged overages and shortages in handling of swimming pool and softball league funds. The audit report estimated there was a difference of \$500 between receipts in the police judge's office and of Smith's office.

Smith presented for the council's inspection all records of money taken in and tickets handled for a two-year period. After comparison of various receipts and totals by Smith and the auditor, Matthews remarked that the figures were close enough for his satisfaction. He added that further examination of the receipts would probably iron out the apparent difficulties.

Joint Study Smith then suggested that he and the auditor meet to go over the books further, and the council concurred in this suggestion. However, Councilman Condrey asked that Matthews make a report back to the council and that the matter be held open for discussion next Monday.

Condrey also requested that Police Chief Hamilton be present at the next council session to discuss the police department's portion of the audit with councilmen and auditor Matthews.

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Advisors Flock To HST's Side

KEY WEST, Fla., Dec. 6 (AP)—Presidential advisors came thick and fast today to swim with President Truman and help him draft all-important messages to congress.

They left the chief executive with a personal housing problem. And no navy man under the rank of captain felt secure in his berth as bunks were provided for the incoming guests.

The overflow spread to the presidential yacht USS Williamsburg, anchored near the temporary "White House" at this naval submarine base, and to "Quarters L," another residence of this naval submarine station.

Chow Crowd All thought of feeding all of them at the president's quarters was abandoned and each had a different place for chow.

The gulf, where the president takes his daily swim, seemed big enough to accommodate everybody, and the beach afforded plenty of room for the viley ballers and sun bathers.

Presidential Press Secretary Charles G. Ross identified five of a number of Administrative Assistants Charles S. Murphy, Donald Dawson and George Elsey and Brig. General Wallace H. Graham.

President's Assistant John R. Steel-But White House associates said others got off the incoming planes at Boca Chica airport, eight and a half miles away.

Merriment They drove over to the submarine base to join in the vacation merriment. They are here to help the president with his "state of the union" message which will deliver to congress in January, as well as with the budget and economic messages which will follow it.

Clark M. Clifford, the president's special counsel, has started the first rough drafts of the "state of the union" message which will amount to other things call for:

- 1. Repeal of the Taft-Hartley act.
- 2. Completion of legislative action on expanded social security.
- 3. Enactment of the Brannan farm plan.
- 4. Enactment of the president's national health program.
- 5. Passage of all the civil rights proposals the president advocates.

More Taxes Truman has indicated also that he will seek additional taxes to wipe out the anticipated deficit of more than \$550,000,000.

Mrs. Truman and Margaret are moving out tomorrow from the bulging White House. Margaret is going to New York to continue her vice studies. Mrs. Truman is returning to Washington.

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Political Chaos Rocks China As Reds Push Ahead

Rail Chief Young Seeks to Settle Soft Coal Strike

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (AP)—Robert R. Young, head of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, today entered the soft coal dispute in the role of an intermediary.

Young, a C & O spokesman said, met at his offices with two leading operators' spokesmen and then left for a reported meeting elsewhere with United Mine Worker officials.

The railroad spokesman said he did not know where the expected conference would take place.

Present at Young's office were George Love, president of Pittsburgh Consolidated Coal company of Pittsburgh, and Joseph P. Bouth, chairman of the board of the Pittston Company of New York, a holding company.

Lewis? Whether John L. Lewis, the UMW chief, would join the conference was a question mark, the spokesman said. He added: "We're hopeful something may come out of it, but frankly we don't know."

He described Young's interest in getting the disputants to sit down and talk over their problems as stemming from the railroad's position as the nation's "largest coal originating line." The spokesman explained that 70 per cent of the C & O business related to coal and that it serves directly more coal mines than any other railroad in the United States.

"We're anxious to get the railroad back working," he explained. Meanwhile, a 10-man union group headed by Thomas Kennedy, UMW vice president, went into session with 10 anthracite operators at the hotel Waldorf-Astoria to talk over a new hard-coal contract.

Ralph E. Taggart, president of the Philadelphia Coal and Iron company, headed the employer group.

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Mrs. Chambers Takes Stand Against Hiss

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (AP)—While Alger Hiss and his wife watched impassively, the wife of the government's chief witness in Hiss' second perjury trial took the stand today and backed up her husband's story.

Short, slight Mrs. Whittaker Chambers was the witness. Wearing a plain green dress and plaid jacket, she appeared slightly pale. Frequently she closed her dark eyes, behind spectacles, as though trying to recall details.

But she testified so fluently that Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard cautioned her "not to give the content of conversations" that occurred 12 or more years ago.

As in Hiss' first trial, which ended in a jury disagreement, Mrs. Chambers testified that she and her husband were close friends over a long period with Hiss and his wife, Priscilla, when Hiss was a high state department official.

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Former FDR Aide Said Key Figure

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (AP)—The house un-American activities committee eyed former Vice President Henry A. Wallace and many others today in a suddenly revived hunt for people who pushed wartime uranium shipments to Russia.

Wallace commuted a statement that he was involved in false, and a part of "an unremitting effort to tarnish the name of Franklin D. Roosevelt."

All-Out Chairman Wood (D-Ga.) promised there "isn't going to be any avenue left untouched" as the house committee digs into the story that persons in high places helped Russia get uranium and atomic information.

For the sake of the American people, Wood told reporters. "The story must either be corroborated or disproved."

Much of it is old, particularly the part about several shipments of uranium compounds to Russia back in 1943, by way of Great Falls, Mont., and the Alaskan air route.

But now big names are being brought into it: Wallace, who was fired from the cabinet by President Truman for siding too much with Russia in international policy, and Harry L. Hopkins, the late intimate and advisor of President Roosevelt.

And tomorrow Wood's committee will question Gen. Leslie Groves, retired, who ran the wartime atom bomb project. Committee officials said there may be 40 or 50 additional witnesses. But there is no indication yet when Wallace might be called.

Broadcaster Fulton Lewis Jr., said last night that it was Wallace who "ordered the atomic materials sent to Russia" over Groves' objections.

Denial "Sheerest fabrication," Wallace retorted from New York.

It was a former air force major, George Name Jordan, who brought Hopkins' name into the atomic tale. He did it first in a broadcast with Lewis Friday night and again in testimony to the committee yesterday.

While he was stationed at the Great Falls air base during the war, Jordan said, Hopkins told him personally by telephone to hurry up atomic shipments to Russia and keep quiet about it.

The son and numerous former associates of the wartime lend-lease administrator scoffed at Jordan's story. Louis J. Russell, senior investigator for the house committee, said he knows of no evidence involving Hopkins in the atomic shipments.

Youth Killed In Wreck

CORVALLIS, Dec. 6 (AP)—Ronald A. Dixon, 17, Junction City, was killed and two others were badly injured when their car crashed into a mud bank about two miles south of here at 1 a. m. today.

Injured were Floyd Cotrell, 20, Monroe, and Phyllis Carson, 15, believed to be a Corvallis resident. Attendants at Good Samaritan hospital here said both are expected to recover.

Police said the car in which the trio was riding, driven by Cotrell, came west on Richland lane, a country road leading to highway 99W. The lane ends at the turn, plunging on across the road and into the bank on the West side.

Meet the People

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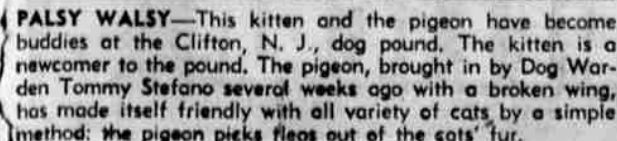
16 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT



BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS!

HOLIDAY GARB—President Truman, vacationing at the Key West, Fla., naval base, wears a jaunty cap, a sporty shirt and carries a cane as he strolls in the brilliant sunshine on the station's grounds.

STORM WARNINGS SEATTLE, Dec. 6 (AP)—Southeast storm warnings were ordered along the Washington and Oregon coasts at 9 a. m. today, southward to Cape Blanco. Southeast winds of 35 to 50 miles an hour were forecast for the Washington coast this afternoon, with 30-to-40 mile winds along the Oregon coast.



PALSY WALSY—This kitten and the pigeon have become buddies at the Clifton, N. J., dog pound. The kitten is a newcomer to the pound. The pigeon, brought in by Dog Warden Tommy Stefano several weeks ago with a broken wing, has made itself friendly with all variety of cats by a simple method: the pigeon picks fleas out of the cats' fur.