

Acheson Declares U.S. To Defend Austria Freedom

By RICHARD O'REGAN
 VIENNA, Austria (AP) — U. S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson said Monday American troops will remain in occupied Austria until its independence is assured.
 He blamed Russia for the failure of the Big Four to write a treaty of independence. To a news conference of Austrian and Allied newsmen, he said, "Make no mistake about it. Of the four powers in Austria, three want to go home."
 Acheson is making a two-day state visit to this crossroads country of East and West. He came here from Berlin.

His visits to the two Communist-ruled cities are aimed at bolstering the courage of their people by reaffirming Western support for their objectives. In the case of Austria it is the completion of a treaty of independence, long blocked by Soviet delaying tactics.
 Just before the news conference Acheson called on Dr. Theodor Koerner, aged Socialist president of Austria, with a message from President Truman pledging that the U. S. would do everything within its power to restore "final freedom" to Austria.
 Austria is still under four-power occupation. The U. S., Britain and France have a total of 25,000 troops and the Russians an estimated 40,000 in this strategic nation.

to experience seven years of occupation. This business of troops and occupation is something Americans do not enjoy. We regret the necessity of it. We want to terminate it as quickly as possible. American troops will remain in Austria, however, until the freedom of Austria is assured."
 Acheson said also that the United States would continue to seek admission of Austria to the United Nations as a full-fledged member. But he said U. N. membership will not create a treaty or insure one.
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OFF FOR A GALLOP in the wide open spaces is this group of boys and girls, guests at the Rafter M.D. ranch near Chiloquin, operated during the summer for young folks, by Dr. and Mrs. M. W. Poole and Robert Moiso. The camp opened July 27 and will run for five weeks. Accommodations are made for sleeping and eating and overnight pack trips, horseback riding, swimming and fishing. The ranch is a member of the American National Camping Association.

Pay Hike Due Army Workers

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army Air Force wage board Monday announced pay increases for 38,000 civilian employees of the two branches of the armed services.
 The increases, all for hourly-paid workers, ranged from three cents to 25 cents an hour.

The largest group affected are 16,723 workers at Army and Air Force installations in the Salt Lake City, Utah locality.
 They will receive 12-cent increases effective for the first pay period after May 27.
 These hourly increases were also announced for workers at the following localities:
 Boise-Mountain Home, Idaho, 331 Army and Air Force employees, 17 cents after June 2.
 Pasco - Kennewick - Richland, Wash., 576 Army workers, 23 cents after May 27.
 Pendleton, Ore., 1,187 Army and Air Force workers, 17 cents after May 27.

BALLOON FOUND
 SALEM (AP) — A giant stratosphere balloon was found near Hubbard Sunday.
 The balloon, carrying research equipment, was launched by General Mills of Minneapolis, possibly from the Tillamook launching site, but that was not certain. It was found by Albert Lindenau, Gervais farmer.



WEST COAST SHOWS are playing at the Division Street circus grounds sponsored by the Klamath Basin Rodeo Association. Here a group of the show's pretty performers take time out from rehearsal to take care of the usual Monday household chores.

Last Trip For Sternwheeler

PORTLAND (AP) — The sternwheeler Claire took old-time steamboatmen to their annual meeting at Champoux Sunday, and it may be the last upriver run for a sternwheeler.
 There still are three in service here, but all are relatively new, powerful craft too big for the locks at Oregon City.
 The Claire had 155 aboard for the trip. And now that it's over she is going to be retired. Maybe she'll be turned into a shop and maybe she'll be dismantled, Western Transportation Co. reports. But she is through as a river tug.

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Death Takes Mrs. Franks

Mrs. Jessie Iona Franks, 53, 2504 Crest Street, died here yesterday following a long illness.
 Her son, Donald Jr., arrived home only Friday on leave from his Navy ship, which had just docked in San Francisco.
 Mrs. Franks, native of South Dakota, had resided here for the past eight years.
 Besides her son and the widower, Donald Sr., Mrs. Franks is survived by four daughters, Mrs. LeVon Sladich and Mrs. Vivian Hartley, both of Klamath Falls; Mrs. Beverly Matney, Henley; and Mrs. Evelyn Casper, Eureka.
 Funeral services are to be conducted at the graveside in Klamath Memorial Park tomorrow, 2 p.m., by Jehovah's Witnesses. Ward's Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

STORM LASHES PACIFIC

MANILA (AP) — A typhoon with winds of 90 miles an hour near the center is moving westward across the Pacific some 750 miles east of the Southern Philippines, the Weather Bureau reported Monday.
 The big storm, which still is increasing in intensity, was reported moving west-northwest at 14 miles an hour.

Cow Injures Nine-Year-Old

Nine-year-old Audrey Schorr Jr., 1918 Ogden, was attacked and slightly hurt Sunday morning by a tethered milk cow near his home, his mother reported to State Police.
 She said the youngster was walking along the road when the cow, tethered on a long rope alongside the road, came out and hooked the boy with her horns. His left leg was hurt.

Scientists have found it impossible to give an exact definition of a living organism.

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