

Disagreement Looms Over Controls Plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two key Republicans disagreed today over whether to give the incoming Eisenhower administration standby power to control prices and wages.

Chairman Caperhart (R-Ind.) of the Senate Banking Committee said he favored enactment "of standby controls to operate for the duration of the Korean War."

But Chairman Wolcott (R-Mich.) of the House Banking Committee, in a separate interview, said such powers are not needed and "would swing like a sword over the head of business."

The two banking committees handle economic controls bills in Congress.

This conflict developed in the

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DULLES OK — The Senate Foreign Relations Committee Thursday gave its unanimous approval to President-elect Eisenhower's choice of John Foster Dulles as secretary of state.

The vote came only a minute after Dulles had completed two hours of testimony before the committee. The senators did not bother to close the hearing room doors to take the vote.

Spud Market 'Feels Better'

A "better feeling" in the potato market continued to spark buying and shipping through this week, with prices ranging all the way from \$3.25 at the lower end to common prices of \$3.50 for better spuds reported.

And once again there were reported top offerings as high as \$3.75 heard in the valley during the past few days.

Shipments yesterday dropped considerably from the record high of 116 Saturday, but still maintained a fairly respectable count — 79 carloads. A year ago yesterday only 26 cars were shipped to market. So far this season 6,279 cars have been shipped, only nine cars fewer than last year's shipments up to the same day.

Local experts estimated 10,500 to 11,000 cars of potatoes were grown in this area this year.

Idaho, too, was reported fast-moving stock.

On Jan. 7, Idaho potato men shipped 323 cars, on Jan. 8, 287, Jan. 9, 378, Jan. 10, 315 and Jan. 11, 289. To date Idaho has shipped 1,721 carloads of potatoes.

Nationally shipments continued to advance this past week over the week previous — 5,900 to 4,400. Total shipments of late spuds this year well ahead of a year ago, amounting 71,000 this season to 64,000 shipped by this time last season.

Oregon's total shipments were running nearly 700 ahead of last year's, according to the Oregon State College weekly potato crop review. Last week Oregon shipped 1,400 cars compared with 230 the week previous.

Terminal market prices were stronger, despite heavier shipment the report showed. Klamath russets on San Francisco broker's sales advanced a dime last week to U.S. No. 1's, 3-inch minimum, with a few sales reported at \$4.00 and others as low as \$4.10.

The price range on Oregon russets on the Portland wholesale market widened from \$4.50 to \$4.75 last week to \$4.40 to \$5.00 this week. The Idaho Falls market was reported steady and advanced a dime in sales f.o.b. shipping point.

U.S. No. 1 washed medium to large russets ranged from \$3.60 to \$3.85, with most sales bringing \$3.85 and \$3.95 and occasionally \$4.00 per hundred pounds.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity and Northern California: Cloudy Thursday night and a few snow flurries Friday. High Friday 48, low Thursday night 36.

High temp yesterday 34, low last night 18, Precip yesterday .04, since Oct. 1 5.05, Normal for period 5.61, Same period last yr 9.51.

Passenger Train Station; 41 Injured

Sen. Weiker (R-Ida) was at the station when the accident occurred and said his first thought was that someone had "tossed a bomb."

The train smashed through the stationmaster's office at the outer side of the concourse, a favorite meeting spot for travelers. It went on through a news stand, scattering magazines, souvenirs and tobacco items.

Then the 150-ton locomotive and one car plumed through the reinforced concrete floor in to a baggage storage room in the basement.

Passengers estimated its speed variously at between 30 and 50 miles an hour.

The concourse separates the train sheds from the station proper. It usually is crowded with early-morning commuters, but the crowd at 8:45 o'clock Thursday morning did not begin to compare with the thousands who will be jamming the station beginning this weekend.

Nathan Lickerman, Chicago business broker and a witness to the crash, said the scene reminded him of "the fall of Rome as I have seen it in the movies." The train howled into the station "like a hurricane," he added.

The horn, blaring continuously from far out in the railroad yards, warned employees the train was out of control. Word was flashed to employees in the news stand and stationmaster's office. Workers and bystanders rushed to safety.

Otherwise, a station official said, the loss of life would have been "appalling."

wake of President Truman's final major message to Congress—218-page annual economic report from the President and his three-man Council of Economic Advisors.

Republican congressmen generally thrust aside most of Truman's parting report and said they look for President-elect Eisenhower to guide the nation to a stable prosperity not "based on war."

But Democrats who specialize in economic affairs praised the report and said GOP economic policies of the past 20 years, if put into effect now, would pitch the country into an economic tailspin.

On controls, most Republicans and many Democrats said they expect wage-price curbs to die no later than April 30, when the present controls law expires. Thus, the big question was whether legal machinery should be provided for restoring controls should a spurt of inflation threaten the economy.

The Truman report cautioned against premature lifting of controls. It cited rapid price rises of the past in arguing that standby powers are needed in these tense times.

More broadly, the document sounded this theme: Prospects are bright for unparalleled prosperity throughout 1953 but the country faces one of its most serious threats of depression when defense spending tapers off next year.

House Democrats embroiled that idea today with advance blame the Republicans for any economic dip. They said prudent planning along the economic lines of the Truman administration would prevent a recession.

"But if the Republicans carry out what they've been preaching for the past 20 years, it would be disastrous," said Rep. Spence (D-Ky.), who was chairman of the banking committee in the last Congress.

Rep. Rains (D-Ala.), another committee member, said "if they start playing with the monetary policy like they say they will I'm afraid they'll tip the scales right over to a depression."

Spence and Rains said they referred to statements from Republican leaders calling for use of indirect economic controls to raise interest rates and reduce money supplies to curb inflation.

O'Hair Fights Adler Election

A petition has been filed with the County Court asking an investigation into whether the office of coroner of Klamath County should be declared vacant.

The petition was signed by Keith O'Hair, who operates O'Hair's Memorial Chapel, and who unsuccessfully ran for the post of coroner at last November's general election.

The coroner is Dr. George Adler, who has held that position for 20 years. Dr. Adler was re-elected in November, drawing 10,554 votes to O'Hair's 6,976.

The basis of the O'Hair position is that Dr. Adler did not take his oath of office and otherwise qualify to hold the office (post \$3,000 bond) on the first Monday in January, the date new terms in office are supposed to start.

All other elective county officers were sworn in on that date. Dr. Adler said he was ill that day and for several days that week, so he postponed taking the oath of office until the second Monday in January, Jan. 12.

O'Hair's petition also charges that Dr. Adler has never filed with the county clerk his certificate of election, and never been officially declared by the County Court as the county's official coroner.

State election law provides that the county clerk issue to each elected official a certificate of election, but the law isn't specific on whether the certificate is to be returned for filing.

The petition also charges that a certain person has since Jan. 5 attempted to act as deputy coroner with the knowledge and consent of Dr. Adler, although there is not on file with the county clerk any written copy of an appointment of a deputy coroner by a qualified coroner of Klamath County.

Dr. Adler's deputies for many years have been Willard Ward and Clarence Ward, who operate Ward's Funeral Home. Clarence Ward's latest appointment, on file at the Courthouse, is dated March 19, 1949 and Willard Ward's latest appointment is dated Jan. 14, 1953 (yesterday).

The petition asks that the County Court make an investigation as to whether there is now a qualified coroner, and asks that if the finding is that there isn't, that no fees or expenses be allowed to any person purporting to act in that capacity, and that unqualified persons be prohibited from acting as coroner or deputy coroner.

A provision of state election law stipulates that "refusal or neglect to take the oath of office... within the time prescribed by law" is cause for vacation of office.

Another section of the state election law, however, says that an officeholder shall serve until his successor is elected and qualified. In this instance, Dr. Adler is his own successor.

At any rate, the County Court has asked Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton for an opinion.

Thief Captures Shank's Mare

TACOMA (AP) — It had to happen sometime—somebody stole Shank's mare.

Guy Shanks of Puyallup, reported to County Detective Archie Truman his 7-year-old white mare had been stolen from the pasture.

The mare, he said, was of little value. He had offered her for sale for \$100 and had no takers.

Huge Soviet Spy Ring Broken by US Officials

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200 Planes Take Part In Attack

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SEOUL (AP)—Allied fighter-bombers flashed through heavy anti-aircraft fire and attacks by Communist MIGs today in blasting the Sinyang rail network. It was the 11th aerial assault on the supply hub in seven days.

At least 11 Red fighters jumped a flight of slower F84 Thunderjets streaking in at less than 1,000 feet to bomb bridges. Allied pilots reported no damage from the MIGs.

More than 200 fighter-bombers from four Air Force wings and one Marine air group pounded five key bridges on the main supply route from Red Manchuria to Communist armies at the front.

It was the fifth daylight raid since Friday, when the Air Force began the series of night and day assaults. A reconnaissance pilot reported today, "The whole area is beat up."

B26 Invaders hit the badly battered target area last night.

THE FIFTH — The Fifth Air Force reported U. S. Sabre jets destroyed two MIGs, probably destroyed a third and damaged two others in three dogfights during the day.

One Red jet was downed and one damaged near Suho Reservoir — northeast of Sinyang — in a morning clash. The other claims resulted from separate air battles north of Sinyang in the afternoon.

The MIGs that jumped the Thunderjets near Sinyang apparently slipped down from their base at Antung, Manchuria, when the Sabres wheeled the progressive pattern to this "beastly" MIG's presence by enemy.

Sinyang is 60 air miles southeast of Antung—no distance at all for a jet—and some 40 miles north of Pyongyang, the Korean Red capital.

Capt. Larry L. Kuris of East Troy, Wis., reported eight MIGs jumped his flight from the right and three from the left as he made his bomb run. He said his plane was hit by flak but he pulled up and headed the flight for home with the MIGs still firing.

Red Papers Blast Doctors

MOSCOW (AP) — Moscow newspapers renewed editorial attacks against nine Soviet doctors and their alleged foreign backers accused of plotting to shorten the lives of Russian political and military leaders on Western orders.

(The Soviet press had remained silent Wednesday on the arrest of the group—most of them Jews—accused of killing Andrei A. Zhdanov and Alexander S. Scherbakov and of trying to murder other Russian leaders through improper treatment. The silence, in contrast to the trumpeting play given the original announcement Tuesday, aroused widespread Western speculation.)

All Thursday editorials called for heightened vigilance against foreign spies and demanded the strictest security in the handling of state secrets. The government newspaper Izvestia declared that the "imperialists are stubbornly trying to create in the Soviet Union their 'fifth column.'"

Klamath County YMCA Plans Development for Community

Klamath County's Young Men's Christian Association is on the verge of taking a real step toward growing up.

Starting the last week this month it will seek to enroll as many local Klamath people — men, women, boys and girls of all ages — as it can interest in what it offers. And the Klamath community might do well to look the offers over.

The "Y" is a private agency which tries to support itself, and it does that primarily through its memberships. The more self-supporting it becomes, the more it becomes the property of those who support it.

The "Y" has as its purpose just one thing, as Exec. Secy Paul Campbell points out—the full development of the personality of individuals, in body, mind and spirit, toward Christian living. But it has on hand here now numerous physical facilities to assist it in its goal.

The YMCA's building on Pine Street near 7th is not far away from its ultimate goal of usefulness. Already it's recreation facilities and club rooms are in full use a good part of the time. There is a special room for wrestling up-

stairs, another for weight lifting, basketball, there is a "hunch" basketball floor, a mineral cutting and polishing laboratory downstairs, and on the main floor pool and snooker tables, ping pong and club rooms.

YMCA Pres. Ray Bigger has announced a construction program which is actively underway now to complete the building's interior is contemplated to ultimately include handball courts and a health service—steam room, masseur and all.

A kitchen and snack-counter are being constructed now. A rifle range is in full use in the downstairs area, and a photography dark room is in the process down there. Locker rooms are being set up, and already shower rooms are being put to use.

The enrollment program of the "Y" is slated to begin Jan. 25 with a "YMCA" Sunday. Ministers of the Klamath Ministerial Association have indicated they will use the "Y" as subjects in Sunday sermons, and afterwards the YMCA is slated to hold an open house from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.—the first really official open house in the history of the Klamath County YMCA.



MR. AND MRS. ELTON SMITH (left) get congratulations from Bob Smith (right) on Elton's being named the outstanding young Klamath County citizen of 1952. Bob Smith was the 1951 winner. Scene was the Willard Hotel banquet hall at last night's joint dinner meeting of the junior and senior Chambers of Commerce.

Chamber Taps Elton Smith For Award As Man of Year

Elton Smith, 25-year-old member of the U.S. National Bank loan division here, last night received the Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award emblematic of being Klamath County's outstanding young citizen of 1952.

The award was made at the annual joint dinner meeting of the senior and junior chambers in the Willard Hotel banquet hall.

James T. Brand, justice of the Oregon Supreme Court, addressed the meeting on "Foundations of Prosperity." Justice Brand, who was a judge in the Nazi trials at Nurnberg, Germany, following World War II, gave first hand accounts of how despotic government curbed free enterprise and

Underwear Overture

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP)—The conductor of Santa Monica's symphony orchestra, Arthur Lange, had just reached a crescendo in a rehearsal of the Romeo and Juliet Overture when it happened.

The maestro, who has been directing lately, pointed his baton at the brass section, stood on his toes, whirled the baton upward, outward, then down, and as the sounds of cymbals, horns and drums rent the air, his trousers fell to the floor.

He stooped, pulled the trousers back up over his royal bish shorts, and went on with the overture. He missed only two beats.

But the many women in the violin section noted that the conductor's knees were still somewhat knobby.

thus shedding property as it is known in this country.

Smith, the 1952 winner, was selected by a secret committee of Jaycees for the honor. Identity of the winner was known only to committee members until the moment of the award presentation. Bob Smith, Oregon Tech dean and winner of the DSA for 1951, made the presentation.

Elton Smith is currently chairman of the Klamath Community Chest campaign. Last year he also headed the American Cancer Society drive here; was a division leader in the Red Cross membership campaign; and was co-chairman with Mrs. Earl Sheridan of the Klamath chest X-ray program which set new state records for per capita participation.

Smith is a Washington native but has resided in Klamath Falls most of his life. He went through grade school here and was graduated from Klamath Union High School. He left his post at the U.S. Bank to enter the Army in World War II and spent two and one-half years in the service. He was in the European Theater for almost two years and left the service as a sergeant. Returning here he resumed his work at the bank.

He is married and he and his wife, Wanda, have two children, Linda, 10, and Randel, 6. Their home is at 2530 Darrow.

At the head table last night were: J. W. Kerns Jr., retiring president of the senior chamber; Mrs. Kerns; George Davis, new president of the senior chamber; Mrs. Davis; Gail Osborn, retiring president of the junior chamber; Mrs. Osborn; Rex Dye, new president of the junior chamber; Justice Brand and Mrs. Brand; Bud Chandler, who emceed, and Mrs. Chandler.

Jaycee Duane Baker and Dick Barlow were singled out for special service certificates by retiring Jaycee Pres. Osborn.

Senior Chamber Pres. Davis likewise honored that body's Board of Directors.

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Crackdown Due For AWOLs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army high command has ordered its area commanders to take more vigorous action against soldiers who desert in this country or go absent without leave.

The treatment includes arrangements to ship them overseas, if qualified for service there, from prisoner stockades.

A Pentagon spokesman Thursday confirmed issuance of the order as a follow-up to the Jan. 6 statement by Lt. Gen. Anthony J. McAuliffe, the Army's assistant chief of staff for personnel, regarding desertions.

Missing Plane Search Grows

YREKA — Aerial and ground search for Dr. David M. Clough, well known Yreka physician, has been launched here. The doctor has not been heard from since shortly after he took off from Etna, in his private plane last Friday evening.

Dr. Clough, flying alone, took off from Etna about 6 p.m. Friday. At 6:57, he radioed the Civil Aeronautics Authority station at Red Bluff and reported his plane flying east of Redding. He has not been heard from since.

Dr. Clough filed no flight plan and apparently did not tell anyone his destination. His wife, also a pilot, thought the doctor might fly to Gridley, where they have friends, but he is unreported there.

The doctor's plane is a Cessna 170, a 4-place ship. Planes of the Siskiyou Aero Squadron began searching yesterday.

The Klamath Air Search and Rescue Unit was alerted late this morning to begin the first part of the operation to search for the missing Clough craft.

Persons who may have seen or heard a plane in trouble or answering its description are asked to call Menti-Newum Aircraft, KASRU headquarters, at 5580.

The craft was silver and single-engine, and could have possibly come through this area from the South on Friday, Jan. 9.

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Red Envoy Reported As Mastermind

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States Thursday accused a Soviet embassy official of master-minding a trans-Atlantic spy plot against U. S. military secrets. Two Americans studying in Vienna under the G. I. Bill of Rights were indicted as his agents.

In Vienna, U. S. sources said a third American had been arrested there and that "substantial numbers" of others probably would be picked up, at least for questioning in the final unmasking of an international Soviet espionage ring. Here in Washington, the State De-

partment demanded that Russia, immediately recall Yuri V. Novikov, second secretary of its embassy here. He is accused of directing the ring.

AGENTS — Attorney General McGranery announced that two of Novikov's alleged agents—Otto Wacker and Kurt L. Ponger, both of New York City—were seized by U. S. military police in Vienna Wednesday. They were put aboard a plane and are now en route back here to stand trial as accused spies.

U. S. sources in Vienna said a third American had been arrested here. He was identified as Walter Lauber, a student.

The plane carrying Verber and Ponger was due here late Thursday. They were accused of espionage in a sealed indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Tuesday. The indictment was opened with word that they were in custody.

Novikov was named as a conspirator with them but, having diplomatic status, he was not made a defendant.

The indictment sketches the charges only in broad fashion but these are the general allegations: That Novikov got Verber and Ponger to agree several years ago to act as Soviet agents, to take jobs where they would "be in a position to deliver U. S. secrets to the Soviet, and to receive 'instructions, directions and messages' from Soviet officials.

CONSPIRACY — That they have been acting in Austria in accordance with this conspiracy with Novikov.

The first specific charge in the indictment goes back to 1949 when Verber was already in Austria and accuses him of soliciting informants on U. S. secrets.

In the same year, Verber is alleged to have taken information about a U. S. Air Force installation. It is also alleged that he "took, obtained and received" an intelligence report.

Among specific counts against Ponger is one that he went to



THE SPECIAL TRIO above is comprised of (l to r): Allen Wallin, 2102 Eberlein; Julia Lee Chaney, 2338 White; and Dan Barnett, 1414 Mitchell.