

GERMANY REFUSES REPARATIONS

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
Queen Elizabeth is visiting today in Northern Ireland—which remains British. As she enters the city of Belfast, the lights go out—presumably as a result of sabotage by extremists from over the border in the Republic of Ireland, or Eire.

At the same time a railroad bridge near the border is bombed out, apparently with the idea of discouraging Irish from Eire from coming to Belfast to see the queen.

The ruckus between Ireland and England started some 800 years ago when England's Norman kings decided they needed more land to reward their followers with and barged over into Ireland to get it. Note to the Kremlin:

These land-grabbing enterprises (such as your seizure of your behind - the Iron - Curtain satellites) arouse hatreds that go on for a long, LONG time and often cause untold grief to the grabber.

I imagine the present-day English would give almost ANYTHING if the rapacious descendants of William the Conqueror had left the Irish alone.

Maybe you'd better take a hint from England's history and let your satellites go while the going is good.

Incidentally, this might be a good time to clear up some geographic divisions that are pretty hazy in the minds of most of us.

The United Kingdom (of which Northern Ireland is a part) is composed of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Great Britain is composed of England, Scotland and Wales only.

Today's Korean note:
Our Eighth army says this morning that during the month of June (with negotiations for a truce in a critical stage) the Reds lost 35,000 men (killed and wounded). During the same period, they fired at us a million and a half artillery and mortar shells—double what they fired in May—and one of their heaviest concentrations of fire since the Korean war began.

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You name it. It's always hard to figure out why the communists do what they do.

Our federal government winds up the 1953 fiscal year nine and one-third billion dollars in the red. There are two reasons why it happened. We spent too much and we took in too little.

How come?
Well, shrewd politician Harry Truman had a finger in the pie. In the final days of his administration, he committed us to huge expenditures. At the same time, he estimated that the federal government's INCOME would be three and a half billion dollars MORE than it actually turned out to be.

The general result is that our deficit for the fiscal year just ended is the second largest in our history.

You've probably noted from the news stories, the pictures and the broadcasts that Harry, who has been visiting in Washington for the past few days, is happier than the proverbial kitten and wears a grin that spreads from ear to ear.

He has reason to be happy. He succeeded in putting the new administration in a bad hole.

ADDITIVE USE
Sought In Subs

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of Defense Wilson Thursday had a strong plea from the Senate Small Business Committee to try out AD-X2, the controversial battery additive, in Navy submarines.

Another cabinet officer, Post on his desk a demand from the same committee for an explanation of why the Postoffice Department issued a fraud order which denied use of the mails to Jess M. Ritchie, who makes AD-X2.

The fraud order came out Feb. 27, after the National Bureau of Standards tested the product four times and declared it useless. The order was suspended—but not revoked—three days later, at the request of Commerce Secretary Weeks, who supervises the standards bureau.

Sen. Thye (R-Minn.), chairman of the Small Business Committee, has been pursuing his own inquiry into AD-X2 for two weeks. Several witnesses testified that the substance pepped up tired-out batteries in which it was used. But Dr. Allen V. Astin, director of the Bureau of Standards, said laboratory tests proved it worthless.

Astin was forced to resign last spring by Weeks on grounds the bureau had not given AD-X2 a fair or thorough examination. The ouster raised an outcry from scientific circles, and Weeks temporarily reinstated Astin, pending outcome of an investigation by a special committee of the National Academy of Sciences.

FUND GROWS
PORTLAND (AP)—A fund to increase city employees' wages was increased to \$300,000 Wednesday when the City Council voted an additional \$150,000 into it.

The action was made possible when the council received \$194,000 as the city's share of an amount exceeding anticipated personal property tax collections for the last fiscal year.

Views Differ On Ike's 'We're Doing Fine'

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower's claim that his party is showing it can take over responsibility and get a progressive program before the people Thursday brought Democratic jeers of "What program?"

But Sen. Ferguson (R-Mich.) said this session of Congress may gain a coveted place in history "by not passing too much legislation."

He said spade work being done for a transition from Democratic to Republican philosophies of government will show legislative results next year on social security expansion, an international trade program, revised tax structure and many other measures.

"We Republicans are working out the basic changes in government we promised in last year's campaign," Ferguson said. "I agree with the President that good progress is being made along that line."

Sen. Taft of Ohio, the majority leader, said he agrees with the President that it isn't necessary for all of the Republicans to go along on everything that Eisenhower proposes.

Ex-Salem Head Dies at 59

PORTLAND (AP)—A former general manager of the Salem News-Register died here Wednesday night.

He was Albert C. (Biddy) Bishop, 59. He suffered a fatal heart attack while at work at an automobile dealer's office.

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14-Year-Old Confesses Knife Deaths

SHELBYVILLE, Ind. (AP)—A husky 14-year-old Wisconsin youth has admitted the fatal stabbing of a newspaper publisher and his wife at Sturgeon Bay, Wis., but he says, "I don't know why I did it."

"I know it's too late to be sorry," the 6-foot, 185-pound youth said yesterday as he signed a statement admitting the slaying of Sumner Harris, 53, publisher of the Door County (Wis.) Advocate, and his wife Grace, 50.

Shelby County Sheriff Robert Melzer said the statement was made by James A. Duranty, who was arrested here early yesterday morning by two policemen who found him sleeping in a restroom at the Courthouse.

Durant was booked at police headquarters on a charge of vagrancy, after telling police he was Joe Mead and that he lived in Michigan.

His identity was not established until shortly before dawn, when Sheriff Melzer was called to investigate the report of an abandoned car in a ditch 3½ miles northeast of here.

The car, a late model sedan with Wisconsin plates, contained two suitcases, a suitcase and an eye-glass case with the name "Harris" written in ink on the inside cover.

The sheriff confronted the boy at the left with the eyeglass case and a suit coat which matched the tweed trousers he was wearing. Then he admitted his identity, the sheriff said, and stated:

"I don't know why I did it. Something up there told me to do it." He pointed to his head.

Melzer said Duranty signed a statement after Wisconsin authorities were notified of his arrest. A first degree murder warrant already had been issued against the boy in Wisconsin.

The sheriff said the boy's statement told of how he went to the Harris home Monday evening and knocked on the door. He said he attacked Mrs. Harris as soon as she answered the door, attempting to gag her with his hand.

His statement said she broke loose and he chased her into the kitchen but she got free again and tried to telephone police. He grabbed a knife and stabbed her several times, Duranty said, "I think she must have died instantly."

He denied he abused her sexually, the sheriff said. Reports of the slayings said the woman's clothing had been ripped almost completely off.

Durant said Harris returned home about two hours later, and he said he jumped at the publisher. "I dropped the knife while fighting with him," he boy related, "and he made a lunge for it." He said he recovered the weapon and stabbed Harris, "I don't know how many times. I think he died right away too."

Melzer said the boy then told of returning home and writing the note. He then went to the Harris garage, took their car and drove through Michigan and to Indiana.

Durant waived extradition and was to be picked up today by Door County Sheriff Hallie Rowe.



MARJORIE FLAUGH was in town from Merrill this morning to do some shopping.

Kenneth Hated To Get Out Of Bed, Stopped It

GLOUCESTER, England (AP)—Kenneth V. Wherratt really did hate—with a purple passion—to get out of bed in the morning.

One day in 1950 Kenneth, then 15, decided he simply wasn't going to do it any more.

Kenneth didn't get up the next morning, or the next, or the one after that, or in fact until Wednesday when the police came.

Police had been summoned by neighbors, who wondered whatever became of Kenneth. They found Kenneth snug in bed, engrossed in a comic book.

His mother said there didn't seem to be anything wrong with her son, now 18. He just wouldn't get out of bed.

The police removed Kenneth to a hospital where the tentative verdict of the doctors was: "Sane and healthy, but suffering from chronic inertia."

But the hospital doctors decided to keep Kenneth around for a while for observation. The nurses tucked him snugly away again in a nice soft bed.

ADLAI, POPE TALK
VATICAN CITY (AP)—Adlai Stevenson, 1952 Democratic candidate for President, was received by Pope Pius XII Thursday.

Bootleg Case Successes

Wakeman Not Among Licensed Holders

By LYLE DOWNING
After 25 minutes of deliberation a District Court jury late Wednesday found William D. Wakeman, Klamath Falls taxi driver, guilty of selling a pint of whiskey to a state undercover agent.

Judge D. E. Van Vactor set 10 a.m. Monday as time for sentencing. It is expected Defense Attorneys George Proctor and Edwin E. Driscoll will file notice of appeal to the Circuit Court.

The trials of Wakeman and Wesley E. Ray, another taxi driver, also charged with selling whiskey to an agent of Oregon Liquor Control Commission, were marked by prolonged arguments by counsel over legal technicalities.

The charge against Ray was dismissed Tuesday when the state failed to prove that a bottle of liquor in evidence contained intoxicating liquor. In the Wakeman trial which followed, the prosecution proved that whiskey was involved by having Undercover Agent Dean Morris of Portland, sample the liquor before it was brought into the courtroom.

In a bid for a second dismissal, the defense contended that the prosecution failed to prove that Wakeman wasn't a licensed liquor vendor.

To show that Wakeman was not licensed to sell liquor by the bottle, Deputy District Attorney Joe Thalhoffer called to the witness stand Carl E. Stone, Oregon Liquor Control Commission inspector. Stone brought a record of all the

liquor licenses in the Klamath Basin. "My records do not show that Mr. Wakeman has a license to sell intoxicating liquor," he testified.

Judge Van Vactor refused to admit Stone's records as evidence when they were not the original records of liquor licenses granted in this area. Stone said the original records were in Salem.

When he took the witness stand in his own defense, Wakeman made no claim that he was a licensed liquor vendor. He denied that he ever sold liquor during his career as taxi driver. He said he had never seen Undercover Agent Morris before he came into court.

Morris had testified that he purchased a pint of whiskey from Wakeman shortly after 3 a.m. May 14.

George Clark, manager of the Yellow Cab Co., produced a dispatcher's report to show that Wakeman was answering a call at the time he was supposed to have been at the taxi office selling Morris liquor. Clark explained that a dispatcher clocks drivers in and out of the cab stand and keeps an accurate report of all taxi calls.

He declared his record showed Wakeman was not at the stand when the liquor agent was supposed to have gone there and purchased a pint of whiskey.

Members of the jury were Carlene Van Buskirk, Dorothy L. Dehlinger, Harry Lanphear, L. A. Pemberton, Howard L. Brehm and Fred A. Lewis.

Museum Pickets Better Than What's Inside
NEW YORK (AP)—Four Metropolitan Museum employees were scheduled to do some "fancy" picketing today.

The students and guards want a \$500-a-year wage boost over their present pay, which ranges up to \$3,400.

Yesterday a spokesman for the employees said the quartet will do their picketing garbed as a caveman, toga-clad Greek, knight in armor, and soldier of the Continental Army.

Bright, Clear Fourth Coming
PORTLAND (AP)—Bright, clear weather is shaping up for Oregon over the Fourth of July week end.

This forecast came from weather observers here Thursday, just one day after they totted up the dismal results of June, which was the wettest June in six years and the coolest since 1901.

The money was way below par, said observers, noting there was only one clear day in Portland, five partly cloudy and 24 completely cloudy. As a result there was sunshine only 27 per cent of the time possible, compared with the normal 58 per cent.

The mean temperature was 59.4 degrees, compared with the normal 63.8.

For the coming week end forecasters said there might be morning clouds, but the sun should shine the rest of the days in both Eastern and Western Oregon.

PAY RAISED
LONDON (AP)—The Communist Hungarian government has approved pay raises for coal miners, Budapest radio announced Thursday.

The move followed reports of slowdowns in the mines and other symptoms of unrest in the Communist nation.

SOVIET SOLDIERS EXECUTED
BERLIN (AP)—The West Berlin newspaper Telegram said Thursday 18 Soviet soldiers were executed by firing squads last weekend for refusing to fire on German rioters in Magdeburg during the June 17 workers' revolt.



JUDGE CHARLES COMBS

Lakeview's Judge Combs Dead at 70

LAKEVIEW — Circuit Judge Charles H. Combs, 70, died shortly before noon Wednesday at St. Charles Memorial Hospital, Bend. His death followed a heart attack. He entered the hospital last week.

Judge Combs, born in Michigan, was a graduate of the school of law at the University of Michigan. He came West to Lakeview in 1910 where he served as district attorney of Lake County for 18 years before his appointment to the bench in 1942.

He is survived by: widow, Clara, Lakeview, two sons, William, Lakeview, and Don, Summer Lake, daughter Betty, Portland.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

Truce Talks Stalled Out

SEOUL (AP)—President Syngman Rhee's price for an armistice—U. S. assurance of a unified Korea—temporarily stalled the U. S.-South Korea "little truce talks" today.

Neither Rhee nor President Eisenhower's envoy, Walter S. Robertson, would comment after their sixth secret meeting this morning, but a reliable source said the talks are stalled while both sides consider their stands.

No time was set for the next meeting.

Rhee apparently is demanding unification or more war, and the U. S. is holding out for unification by negotiation.

Farmer Wouldn't Stop Hanging The Family Wash

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP)—Police today probed the story of a middle-aged farmer who yesterday reported shooting his wife after she told him to stop hanging out the laundry and "make love" first.

Joseph L. Gaugier, 51, told police he was busy with the washing chore Monday night when his wife Decia, 48, asked him to stop and "make love." He said he refused and Mrs. Gaugier struck him with a hot level.

Gaugier said his wife then ran into the house and fired several .33 rifle shots at him through the window. When she wouldn't stop, he explained, he went to a closet, got his gun and fired at the window twice.

Gaugier said he heard a thud and found his wife dead on the porch with a bullet through the eye.

He said he wandered around his farm for a day deciding whether to give himself up.

Sheriff Capt. James Cunningham said the story would be difficult to verify.

Rhee Defended By Educator

PORTLAND (AP)—An educator and former Oregon man who is on route to see Syngman Rhee defended the South Korean president here Wednesday.

Dr. Robert T. Oliver, Pennsylvania State College professor, said, "I hate to see the American people get the idea Rhee is the enemy in Korea, that the Communists will be reasonable if given the chance."

He denied that Rhee is obstreperous, saying Rhee is "caught in a terrible dilemma and is trying to pull Korea out of a tragic trap."

Oliver said, "We should remember that Rhee is one of many people... trying to fight and defeat Communism. We, at the moment, have differences as to method, but we should not forget we are in the fight for a common cause."

Oliver, born in Sweet Home, is a graduate of Pacific University and lived in the Portland area 25 years before moving east in 1935. He said he will leave Portland by plane Friday at Rhee's invitation to discuss the current truce problems with the South Korean president.

12 Time Buyers Of TV Sets Among Bankrupt

PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon bankruptcy filings for the first half of 1953 were 24 per cent more than in the same period of last year, Estes Sheddor, federal bankruptcy referee, reported here Wednesday.

He said this compares with a comparative national increase of only 18 per cent.

At least 75 per cent of Oregon bankruptcy filings are by wage or salary earners, most of whom have suffered or fear garnishment, Sheddor said.

He reported at least a dozen recent Oregon bankrupts were persons who had been buying television sets on time.

All Plays Shown In Connecticut Will Be Good

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP)—Gov. John Lodge has signed into law a measure that will prohibit Connecticut theaters from barring critics who pan their plays.

Beauties And Beasts Ready For Rodeo's Opening Today

By WALLACE MYERS
Wild-eyed arena stokers and the cream of the nation's cowboys were ready today for the opening here tonight of the famed Klamath Basin Roundup rodeo.

Don Kirkpatrick and J. C. (Doc) Hunt, in charge of the Grand Entry, said the show would get under way at 7:30 sharp. All participants in this event must be on hand by 7.

Evening performances are scheduled for tonight and tomorrow with an afternoon show the Fourth of July.

Last year's rodeos here attracted a star-studded entry list said to be the biggest collection of rodeo cowboy acts ever to compete in a July rodeo. And this year, Hodo Secy, Kenny Cook says there will be even more top performers. "Every big name in professional rodeo circles is apparently going to take part," he said.

Among champions, past and present, entered this year are Bill Linderman, current world's champion, and Gene Rambo, three times world champion. In all, some 30 new and old champions in various events are to participate.

Challenging the riders and ropers will be fine rodeo stock from the Christensen Brothers outfit in Eugene.

At the public address mike to keep the audience expertly informed will be Pete Logan, who scored a big hit in his first appearance here last year. Logan rates a championship in his own right. He has regularly handled the big rodeos in Boston, New York, Houston and San Antonio.

He came out of semi-retirement to handle the show here last year and agreed to return this year.

A much-anticipated event tonight will be the debut of the newly organized All-Basin High School Band, adopted as the official Roundup band. This collection of approximately 80 musicians and majorettes from Southern Oregon and Northern California high schools has been welded together by Lela Jackson, director of the Klamath Union High School Band. The band members are all volunteers, many of them from the Tulake and Dorris areas. Jensen has been rehearsing the band for several weeks.

The band, playing from a special stand on the opposite side of the arena from the Fairgrounds grandstands, will offer a concert prior to the opening of each of the three rodeo shows. Saturday, the band will be featured in the big Fourth of July parade to start up Main from 2nd Street at 10 a.m.

The annual fireworks display, presented by the Klamath Mercantile Association, is to be touched off under supervision of Fire Chief Roy Rowe immediately following tomorrow night's rodeo. (a) fireworks will be fired from Gems Speedway, directly across from the Fairgrounds so as to afford the rodeo audience good visibility.

Saturday morning's parade, according to the entry list, is certain to be the biggest such event ever staged in the area. Besides an unprecedented number of entries from throughout the Klamath Country and several distant points, there will be the big band and many queens of former July celebrations here. Among these ex-queens (known as "Goddesses of Liberty" in early days and now as "Roundup Queens") are: Mollette Reames Jennings, 1938; Leta Nelson Kirkpatrick, 1939; Mrs. Ann Rogers, 1938; June Grigsby Grimes, 1937; Nollie McCarthy Schoonover, 1937; Esther Collman James, 1941; Faith Hunsaker Brock, 1943; Joyce Copeland, 1949; Helen Bertram Wampler, 1950; Mary Brown, 1951; Marianne Helleson, 1952.

This year's queen, Catherine Dearborn, and the seven princesses, will, of course, have a major spot in the parade.

All ex-queens were invited to participate but only those listed above volunteered.

Claim French Occupation 'Exploited'

BORN, Germany (AP)—The West German Parliament Thursday refused to approve repayment of German debts to France, declaring the French had "cheated" the Germans through economic exploitation during the postwar occupation.

In a bitter burst of anti-French sentiment, the Bundestag (lower house) rejected a bill providing repayment to France of \$11,640,000 under the 18-nation London debt agreement signed last February.

The vote was 148 to 135, with 18 deputies abstaining.

It was the sharpest anti-French action ever taken by the four-year-old Parliament.

It followed by a few hours bitter attacks against the French over the disputed Saar territory. Numerous speakers accused the French of tearing away this coal-rich territory from Germany and virtually annexing it in violation of international agreements.

The Bundestag declared it considers the Saar territory an inseparable part of Germany and that it wants the Saar's "de facto separation" by France abolished.

Under the London agreement, Germany promised to pay off \$3,370,000,000 in debts piled up from the end of World War I. Britain and France have ratified the agreement, but the U. S. Congress has not yet acted.

The Bundestag approved the bill to repay the U. S. Britain and other countries.

Jets Surprise Red Tank Bevy

SEOUL (AP)—U. S. Sabre jet fighter-bombers surprised 30 to 40 Communist tanks in a camouflaged valley just behind the Western Front today and saturated the area with 1,000 pound bombs.

Black smoke filled the valley, making an accurate count of wrecked tanks impossible, the Fifth Air Force said.

Not since early in the war has a comparable concentration of Red armor been spotted so near the front in Korea.

The front was relatively quiet Thursday. South Korean troops drove Chinese off a dominant knob on Finger Ridge during the night, the Eighth Army said.

There was little fighting on Lookout Mountain and Virginia Hill on the Eastern Front, the scene of vicious see-saw battles in recent days.

Cloudy skies curtailed aerial activity, but the pilots of 22 Sabre fighter-bombers had no complaints about the weather, as they returned from their tank-busting mission in which they dropped 44 bombs.



WHEN THE PHOTOGRAPHER visited the rodeo field office at the Fairgrounds yesterday he found these five professional rodeo men preparing for the show here tonight. The men are (l to r): Sherman Sullins, San Diego; Lee Thorn, Pendleton;

Bill Hartman, Seattle; Harry Christensen, one of the Eugene brothers supplying stock for the rodeo; and Sonny Tureman, John Day, currently in second place in the contest for national bareback champ.