



BOOK-BURNING REBUTTAL—Martin Aerson, chief consultant to the State Department's information chief, displays some of the anti-Soviet books he says are available in the U. S. overseas libraries. Karl Baarslag, research director for Senator McCarthy's investigating subcommittee, had charged that the libraries "just don't go in for anti-Soviet literature."

### Drill Nearly Gets Ship

TOKYO (AP) — A 3,000-ton British freighter steamed through a U. S. Navy maneuver area in the Japan Sea during fleet maneuvers and narrowly escaped destruction or serious damage, the Navy said.

A "single shell, bomb or mine" exploded near the freighter San Eduardo, the Navy said, as it sailed toward the Communist Chinese port of Chinwangtao from Japan.

Early reports from the Japanese Coast Guard said the freighter was fired on by U. S. warships and might have been sunk.

The Coast Guard report was based on a radio message from the San Eduardo saying it was "under shell fire."

Scene of the incident was about 25 miles southwest of Tsushima Island, midway between Japan and Korea.

The Dai Do Shipping Co., Japanese agent for the vessel, said it was bound for Dairen, Manchuria.

Lloyd's Shipping Register lists Hong Kong as the freighter's home port and Wallem and Co., as its owners. The vessel was built in 1917.



RAY BIGGERS, is vice-president of the Shrine Club, sponsor for the Shrine-Polack Brothers Circus that will play to Klamath Falls audiences at matinee and night performances at the Fairgrounds, August 10-11.

— Photo by Guderian

### De Gasperi Faces Defeat

ROME (AP) — Premier Alcide de Gasperi, Italian government chief for nearly eight years, today appeared on the verge of defeat in the forthcoming parliamentary vote of confidence.

The once-powerful coalition of center parties behind his pro-Western government is melting away. If deputy's stick to their party's announced lines in the showdown in the lower chamber early next week, his eighth government will be thrown out before it gets started.

The nearest blow came early today from the small Republican party, which in the past had been an ally of De Gasperi's Christian Democratic party.

Republican leaders announced they had "invited" their five deputies to abstain from voting in the confidence ballot on the new Cabinet's policy.

Earlier the Democratic Socialist party, another member of De Gasperi's 4-party center bloc in the last elections, announced that its 19 deputies also would abstain.

Only the Liberal party still was to be heard from, and its 14 votes would not be enough to give De Gasperi a majority against the combined left and right opposition.

De Gasperi would be voted down 287-279, as party plans stand at present.

President Luigi Einaudi likely would ask another Christian Democrat to try forming a government if De Gasperi is kicked out. The President could call a new election if a government can't be formed.

### Roads to Beetled Area to be US Paid

PORTLAND (AP) — Access roads for the salvage of beetle infested timber in Western Oregon will be financed by federal funds included in an appropriation bill, the Industrial Forestry Association was advised Thursday.

Sen. Gordon wired W. D. Hagenstein, association forester, that House and Senate conferees had agreed on \$14,500,000. This is a million dollars more than the House had approved.

Hagenstein said the added funds were put into the bill in order to take care of the Oregon timber.

### Ike Urges Bridges To Reconsider Aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower wrote Sen. Bridges (R-NH) Thursday saying "grave consequences" would follow a major cut in his estimates for foreign aid.

The House has passed a bill cutting the governments request by more than a billion dollars and it is now before Bridges' Senate Appropriations Committee.

The President wrote Bridges to bring to his "urgent attention my deep concern" with the mutual security bill now before the Senate group.

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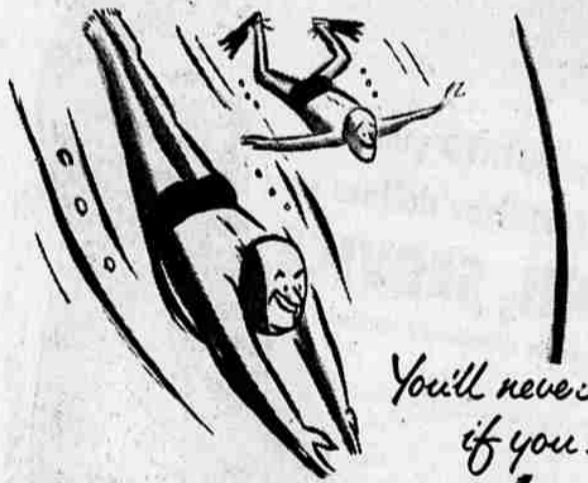
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