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The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Willard Schendorf, AP radio commentator, thinks the chances of a revolution in Russia are pretty slim. He adds: "It has been said that no dictatorship can be overthrown from within. Certainly, the many opportunities for a revolution in Russia have come and gone, and no revolution has been successful."

Let's put it this way:

Under the sprawling, patched-together-by-force Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the people have all their grievels and the grievances, BUT THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALL THE GUNS.

Under such circumstances, revolution is difficult.

Mr. Schendorf goes on:

"The critical time was right after the Russian revolution (in 1917) when the communist government was beset by opposition at home and the need to make an armistice ending World War I with Germany. The Germans then exacted such severe terms from the communists that the treaty was strongly opposed in Russia and efforts were made (including the shooting of the German minister to Russia) to start a new war that would overthrow the Bolsheviks."

Given that didn't work. The army was tired of war, and stuck by the Bolsheviks, giving them all the guns.

This treaty with the Germans is known as the treaty of Brest-Litovsk that took Russia out of World War I is illuminating as to communist methods and philosophies.

Lenin SIGNED IT WITHOUT EVEN READING IT, explaining later that he had no intention to live up to it any longer than he HAD TO, so why take the trouble to read it?

That incident explains vividly why it is so difficult to deal with the communists. It's always difficult to deal with people who can't be trusted.

If you cherish hopes of a revolution in Russia, you'd better concentrate on hoping that a situation might arise in which the Russian army would go over to the side of the people. Something like that appears to have happened in Egypt, but as yet we don't know whether it is going to be better for the Egyptians or worse.

Senate Republican Leader Bill Knowland predicts this morning that the members of congress will compromise their differences and adopt a new farm program that will embody most of President Eisenhower's recommendations, including flexible price supports.

That lends some interest to the annual meeting of the National Council of Farm Cooperatives, now on in Chicago. Reactions of the delegates to the President's flexible price support proposal are said in the dispatches to be "mixed." Representatives from the Midwest, the East and the Far West, for the most part, have approved the flexible support idea.

Farm leaders from the South and the Southwest are generally opposed.

The South and the Southwest are the cotton country. We have cotton coming out of our ears. But the cotton areas are demanding an UPPER cotton acreage. They want to go on growing more cotton at guaranteed high prices and piling it up higher and higher in the warehouses.

The rest of the country will be more or less relieved if they GET THEIR DEMAND FOR AN UP, for we are already beginning to wonder what they will grow on the land if they take out of cotton production if they have to reduce their acreage. They might take a notion to grow crops WE now are growing, thus adding to overproduction of OUR crops.

That situation illustrates some of the difficulties involved in putting over a new farm program.

CONVICTED

SEOUL (AP) — Two Koreans were convicted Tuesday of betraying Maj. Gen. William F. Dean to the Communists in 1950. One was sentenced to death and the other to life imprisonment.

BAGS OF KLAMATH POTATOES, packaged from the Kiwanis-sponsored 4-H Club winners' U. S. No. 1 yield, went along with Spud King Rex Porterfield to be presented in Washington, D. C. Handing over the last bag was John Van Doren, new Kiwanis Club president. From left, in the picture are Van Doren, Rex, Jim Porterfield, Bryant Williams and Barbara L. Jones, stewardess of the United Air Lines plane which carried the trio to San Francisco, the first leg of their flight to the nation's capital.

A KISS FOR LUCK was Mrs. Bryant Williams' farewell at the airport as her husband departed with Potato King Rex Porterfield and his brother, Jim Porterfield, on the Kiwanis Club-sponsored 4-H Club winner's junket to Washington, D. C., bearing prize Klamath U. S. No. 1 potatoes for presentation at the capital.

VISIT

WASHINGTON (AP) — Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia will visit Washington in May and then tour the United States.

A White House announcement of the trip Tuesday said the Emperor will be the President's guest here for several days probably from May 19 through 21.

FIRST TIME

WELLINGTON, NEW Zealand (AP) — A reigning British monarch—Queen Elizabeth II—opened the 100-year-old New Zealand Parliament Tuesday for the first time. The ceremony was almost identical with royal openings of the mother of parliaments, the House of Commons in London.

Rex Porterfield Having Busy Time On Trip East, Gives View Of First Day

Editors Note: Rex Porterfield, Kiwanis 4-H Club Potato King, writes from San Francisco. The first stop on the trip to Washington, D. C. (Bryant Williams and Rex's brother, Jim are making the trip with him).

By REX PORTERFIELD

"Gosh, things happen fast. When we got to the airport they started taking pictures. People kept coming until someone said there were

150 people out to see us off. I was so excited I didn't even tell Mom goodbye.

This was the first time I ever rode in an airplane and when we first took off, my seat came up aways, but I hung on. Miss Barbara Jones (stewardess) was swell. She even asked for some clippings on the stories we get on our trip.

Max Campbell, captain of the plane, took Jim and me up front and showed us the cockpit when we stopped.

Guess I have to wait a while to fly one of these planes because there were about 250 things to check before you take off.

After we got out of Klamath Falls aways, we had supper. The stewardess gave us a little pillow and a tray of food. The tray contained Swiss steak with string beans and a salad. For dessert we had a cake with some cream smeared on it. Luck was with me; I didn't spill anything.

When the plane started down, my ears started popping and if the stewardess hadn't given me some gum, I know something would have happened.

After we had been in the air a while, it was fun. I looked out and watched the cars down the highway and they looked like ants. Jim got all mixed up in what way we were going and asked Miss Jones which was south. She didn't think anyone knew because they all pointed in different directions, but I didn't care.

When we landed in Oakland and San Francisco there were more airplanes on the field than there are cars in Bonanza.

After we landed in San Francisco, we took a limousine to our hotel. The driver of the limousine was sort of an odd guy. He started out by trying to give Bryant too much change which is very unusual. After we got going, he started singing and driving like the dickens. By the time we reached the hotel I began to wonder how many fenders we had collected along the way.

After we had put our suitcases in our rooms we decided to go to the Sir Francis Drake Hotel which isn't very far away and get a view of the city from the Starlight Room. The city looked very pretty.

On our way back to the hotel we drank some orange juice at a little stand. The orange juice tasted pretty good.

We stayed in the St. Francis which is a nice hotel, except the television in our room wasn't very good.

Ice Skating Out Tonight

"Because of the action of some thoughtless people, there probably will be no ice skating at Moore Park tonight."

This announcement was made this morning by Park and Recreation Director Bob Bonney.

Bonney said that the department had been working all season to obtain ideal skating conditions. By 8 o'clock Monday night, workers had finished flooding the pond in preparation for tonight's skating. Soon after that, Bonney said, some thoughtless persons went on the ice with sleds and skates, threw snow on the pond, in general caused havoc with the ice. Subsequent freezing left three inch humps on the pond, which, unless they can be removed or frozen over, will mean no skating tonight.

Bonney said the department is doing its best to remedy the situation.

Announcement will be made later this evening on the possibility of skating tonight.

Cowboy's Feet Getting Bigger

DENVER (AP) — Take it from a man who knows, cowboys' feet are getting bigger.

"Yes sir," says Theron Brooks, sales manager for one of the Southwest's oldest manufacturers of cowboy boots, "the cowboys of yesteryear didn't begin to fill the boots of the modern-day range rider."

Brooks said cowboys of the early 20th century rode their horses wherever they went and, as a consequence, their feet took an average 5½ size.

Today's cowpokes currently average a size 9½ boot.

Brooks represents the H.J. Justin & Son, Inc., boot firm of Fort Worth, Tex.

Northeast Snow Eases; Cold Slated

NEW YORK (AP) — The northeast Tuesday dug out of its worst snowstorm in five years, as clearing skies brought a forecast of increasingly cold weather.

The storm, which started Sunday afternoon, caused at least 60 deaths and deposited up to a foot of snow in some sections.

The Weather Bureau here said the storm was moving in a northeasterly direction along the New England coast and out to sea.

However, the bureau warned that a wave of freezing air was waiting to move in on the area from the Northwest and Canada as soon as the snowstorm is gone.

Sleet extended as far south as North Carolina yesterday. There was snow in Georgia.

North of Washington, D. C., the sleet coated heavy snowdrifts with a treacherous icy surface, crippled traffic and brought accidents on roads, streets and sidewalks. Adding to the death toll were sledding mishaps and heart attacks as many persons bucked the snow and sleet afoot or tried to shovel it.

Today, this was the state-by-state death toll:

Washington D. C., area, 4; Maryland, 2; Pennsylvania, 16; New Jersey, 15; New York, 5; Connecticut, 7; Rhode Island, 2; Massachusetts, 6.

Snow flurries still drifted down on parts of the area early today, but the Weather Bureau said it would end in the New York City area in the forenoon and somewhat later toward Boston as the storm moved out to sea.

Up to a foot of snow piled up in some places yesterday. Philadelphia had 10 inches, its heaviest in seven years. New York recorded a 9.6-inch blanket as of midnight, the most since a 15-inch fall in 1949.

Temperatures plunged, hitting 27 below zero in one spot in Maine.

Paynes Slate Golf Trip

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Payne, 1707 Kane St. will be among the spectators at the Bing Crosby Invitational Golf Tournament which opens Thursday at Pebble Beach, Calif. They are leaving Klamath Falls Wednesday.

While in California, Dr. and Mrs. Payne will be guests of friends in Carmel. The surgeon will return to his offices in the Medical Dental Building on Jan. 21.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through Wednesday; colder Tuesday night. High Wednesday 32; low Tuesday night 15.

High yesterday	29
Low last night	17
Precip last 24 hours	.04
Since Oct. 1	6.54
Normal for period	5.43
Same period last year	6.46

KLAMATH BASIN POTATO SHIPMENTS

Shipped Today	Same Day Last Year
51 cars	0 cars
Total For Season	
5416 cars	6015 cars
1953-54	1952-53

KATHLEEN DOUGHERTY, 5038 Cottage, was on her way to school this morning when the nine o'clock photographer caught her in the lens.

Mercury In Oregon Area Going Down

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Temperatures skidded to well below freezing throughout the Pacific Northwest early Tuesday and the forecast called for more nippy weather.

A chilly 13 was reported by a volunteer neighborhood observer in Spokane where the official reading was 21, lowest of the winter.

Ellensburg was the apparent Northwest cold spot with 14. Harrington, eastern Washington's traditional ice box, had 19, Missoula, Mont. 15, Burns, Ore., Colville, Wash., and Yakima, 21.

Lewiston, Idaho, which prides itself on mild winters, had 22, Ephrata 28, Walla Walla 26, Seattle 29 and Portland 31.

The temperatures seemed colder because readings have been "well above normal" for this time of year, the weather bureau said. The normal low is about 19, the high 29 for the Inland Empire.

Below-freezing temperatures were forecast throughout the area Tuesday night as a high pressure area over Canada funnelled a mass of cold air in over the Pacific Northwest.

Eastern Washington was due, the weather man said, for the lowest readings Tuesday night, with the mercury expected to dip down to 10 and 20 degrees above east of the Cascades.

For Eastern Oregon, the forecast was for temperatures ranging from 10 to 25 degrees.

In Western Washington, Tuesday night temperatures ranging from 18 to 28 were expected in the interior and from 28 to 34 along the coast. Western Oregon was expected to have low temperatures of from 24 to 34 degrees Tuesday night.

Paradoxically the first cold snap of the winter brought sunshine to most of the Pacific Northwest for the first time this year and for the first time since last year.

But old Sol apparently was saving his strength for the spring and summer days ahead because the high temperatures Monday ranged in the 40s and in many places frost which had formed Sunday night remained on grass and shrubbery all day Monday.

Avalanches Hit Austria Hardest

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — More than 100 persons are dead or missing in a major avalanche disaster in the Vorariberg region of Austria, police at Bregenz reported Tuesday.

The toll was announced as other vast snowslides throughout central Europe's mountainland claimed at least 23 dead and 44 missing.

The avalanches roaring down the Alps severed communications and isolated hundreds of villages. Officials said it might be days before the full toll is known.

Police said that more than 50 of the victims of the Vorariberg disaster were missing in the village of Bions. Twenty three houses in the town, in the great Walser Valley near the Swiss frontier, were covered by a huge series of snowslides Monday.

The avalanches blocked the small Lutzbach River and many of the missing were feared drowned in the dammed-up waters.

The other 50 persons listed as dead or missing were from scattered villages in Vorariberg Province, police said. The reports indicated that the sudden avalanches may add up to the nation's worst snow disaster. Only three years ago more than 124 people were buried alive in a similar catastrophe.

GAINING

The threat appeared to be mounting throughout most of the mountain area. Rising temperatures were melting the snow, bringing the danger of fresh disasters.

The slides — ancient foes of Europe's hardy mountain folk — cut a wide swathe of death and destruction through tiny picture postcard villages in the Austrian Tyrol, the Bavarian Alps, Northern Italy and Switzerland.

Thousands of foreign tourists and winter sports fans were isolated.

Rescue squads toiled by lantern light through the night in frantic efforts to dig out people buried by huge masses of melting snow which, carrying tree trunks and huge boulders in their wake, thundered down over their homes. Often the weary workers had to stop as grim rumbles from the mountain sides threatened more slides.

In many areas snow drifts were piled as high as 13 feet. Up to four feet of new snow fell on mountain tops in Bavaria during the night, but at many points drifts were thawing rapidly.

Planes Rip Rebel Forces

HANOI, Indochina (AP) —Bearcat fighters from the French aircraft carrier Arromanches joined land-based French fighters and bombers Tuesday in the 19th straight day of bombing and strafing Vietminh forces clustered around the fortified plain of Dien Bien Phu, in northwest Indochina.

There still was no indication of when the estimated 20,000 Communist-led rebels would launch their anticipated assault on the big French fortress position on the northern border of the kingdom of Laos.

In central Indochina, meanwhile, the battered remnants of seven Vietminh battalions fled into the jungle apparently ending the battle for the French-held Laotian fortress of Seno. The French command, claiming that losses of 1,500 men had been inflicted on the Vietminh sent parachutists and North African infantrymen with strong air support in hot pursuit.

LUNCH

TAIPEH, Formosa (AP) — Gen. John E. Hull, U.N. Far East commander, inspected Chinese Nationalist military forces in southern Formosa Tuesday and lunched with Gen. Chou Chi-Jou, chief of the Nationalist general staff.

Tulelake Growers Study Advertising Campaign; Klamath Spud Growers Name Troy Qualls President

TULELAKE GROWERS ASSN. potato committee, from left: seated, Wendell Schey, Glen Arthur, chairman; standing, Lowell Kenyon, Dan Crawford, and Russell McFall. (Story on page 3)

GUEST SPEAKERS at TGA meeting Monday included, from left, standing: Ray Andrews, Portland, and Bert Pirtle, Sacramento. Seated are Dan Andrews and Stan Buckingham.

LELAND CHEYNE, (left) outgoing president of the Klamath Potato Growers Association turns over the office to incoming president Troy Qualls. On right, Ronnie Whitlatch, vice president. (Story on page 12)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS of the Klamath Potato Growers Association (l to r), Cecil Cheyne, Ed Stastny, Bill Cheyne, John Short and seated, (l to r), Wesley McKaig and Fred Miller.