

VIETMINH FLEE BEFORE FRENCH

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
The President to congress:
"Let's share some of our atomic information with our friends and allies—especially battlefield use of our new weapons. (Their military men will then be more familiar with these new weapons if a pinch comes and we have to use them in a hurry.)"

"Let's share more of our knowledge of penicillin production of atomic power, thus contributing to the future progress of the world. And let's give private industry a larger part in the production of nuclear power."

It seems like a realistic idea. So far (thanks to Russia's successful infiltration of our government with spies) we've been sharing our atomic know-how CHIEFLY WITH THE RUSSIANS.

I suppose you have been reading about the communist-led rioting in India. The chief target of it seems to have been the U. S. INFORMATION LIBRARY in Calcutta, which was badly damaged.

It was evidently a pretty good library, and it must have been doing an exceptionally good job of spreading the truth. The communists fear the truth as the devil is said to fear holy water. And no wonder. As Jesus said to his followers (John VIII, 32): "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall MAKE YOU FREE."

If we can only get the truth to the poor devils at the bottom of the communist heap they will DEMAND TO BE FREE—and when the communist-dominated masses begin to DEMAND FREEDOM the despots in the Kremlin will shake in their boots.

Representative Carl Lecompte of Iowa proposes this morning that congressmen who go on junkets abroad be required to make a more accurate account of the expense money they put out.

The point he makes is a good one. The average person traveling on an expense account spends a whole lot more than he is entitled to. Human nature is human nature, and that goes for private industry as well as for government.

I'd say the solution is the same in both cases. GET MEN WHO WON'T ABUSE THEIR PRIVILEGES.

That brings up the proposed increase in pay for members of congress. My idea of it is that as of now we are grossly OVERPAYING the wrong kind of representatives and senators and even more grossly UNDERPAYING the right kind.

The problem is to get more of the RIGHT kind.

That's up to the VOTERS.

Congressman Lecompte has an interesting bear by the tail. He points out that at present traveling members of congress (along with others traveling on government business) don't account for certain foreign funds to which they have access.

These funds are a very, very peculiar kind of funny money. When we provide aid to a foreign country that country kicks back a certain percentage of the sum given. This money REMAINS IN THAT COUNTRY and is accessible to our traveling dignitaries for spending as expense.

Such a system, of course, encourages extravagance. As you may suspect, the system was devised by the free-spending New Dealers. It ought to be done away with.

CRISIS
BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—The six-month-old government of Premier Abdul Yafi resigned Tuesday night after narrowly winning a vote in parliament on local issues. Yafi considered the margin too slender to remain in office.

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IF YOU THINK IT'S WINDY NOW take a look at this picture of Link River taken July 18, 1918, high and dry due to the waters of the Upper Lake being held back by very high winds. We have no identifications on the men shown in the picture. But most of them seem to have had pretty good luck at finding stranded fish.

— Photo from Sylvia Stang

Price Props Out For Spuds

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Agriculture Department announced Wednesday that it will provide no price support aid to potatoes at this time although new legislation allows limited assistance.

Some grower groups had asked for aid, contending a large supply has greatly depressed prices.

Recently enacted legislation authorized the use of funds from tariff receipts to help divert price-depressing surpluses from markets. Usually, surplus commodities bought with such funds are donated to the school lunch program or public institutions.

However, any marketing aid that might come from use of Section 32 (tariff) funds at this time would be a case of "too little and too late."

The department said growers should adjust their plantings to bring supplies into balance with demand and avoid depressed prices.

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Ike Asks New Atomic Law; Points To New Conditions

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower asked Congress Wednesday for authority to share limited information on battlefield use of atomic weapons with friendly nations.

In a special message, the President also asked for the right to share peacetime atomic power production information with the country's allies and to give American private industry a greater share in the development of nuclear power.

Eisenhower said these steps would have the effect of "strengthening the defense and the economy of the United States and of the free world."

The President said the onward rush of atomic developments has outmoded the 1946 atomic energy act which mistakenly assumed the United States could maintain a monopoly in atomic weapons for an appreciable time.

Counterbalancing the loss of monopoly, he said, is the development of a wide variety of atomic weapons which have "achieved conventional status" in the armed forces.

He added:
"The thermodynamic weapons Hydrogen bomb—nonexistent eight years ago—today dwarfs in destructive power all atomic weapons. The practicability of constructing a submarine with atomic propulsion was questionable in 1946; three weeks ago the launching of the U.S.S. Nautilus made it certain that the use of atomic energy for ship propulsion will ultimately become widespread."

"In 1946, too, economic industrial power from atomic energy sources seemed very remote; today, it is clearly in sight—largely a matter of further research and development, and the establishment of conditions in which the spirit of enterprise can flourish."

The President proposed a number of amendments to the atomic energy act.

He said with emphasis, however, that changes should "make it clear that the authority granted must be exercised only in accordance with conditions prescribed by the President to protect the common defense and security." And he stressed that no secrets are to be given away which would be of military advantage to potential enemies.

Under present law, the President said, this country cannot give its allies "practical information essential to their effective participation with us in combined military operations and planning, and to their own defense against atomic attack."

New Red Riots Rock Italy

ROME (AP)—Communist-led strike violence, part of concerted Red campaign against Premier Mario Scelba's shaky new government, flared Wednesday in Turin. Riot police squelched the outbreak in a series of clashes.

Members of the Communist-led General Confederation of Labor (CGIL) touched off a melee in the northern industrial city when they attempted to stop streetcars operating despite a 24-hour general strike call.

They smashed windows in about 15 street cars and injured three motorists slightly. Police arrested 20 of the rioters during a club-swinging fight.

Officials estimated that about a third of Turin's 450 street cars continued to operate.

The CGIL, Italy's biggest union, is conducting an area-by-area strike campaign with the twin aims of increasing workers' pay and ousting Scelba, an old foe of Communism, who presents his program for national stability Thursday for Parliament's approval.

Queen Mother To Visit America

LONDON (AP)—Queen Mother Elizabeth will visit the United States next fall as the guest of President and Mrs. Eisenhower, a Buckingham Palace spokesman said Wednesday.

"Arrangements are virtually complete and the official announcement of Her Majesty's trip will be made shortly," the spokesman said.

The Queen, 53, mother of Queen Elizabeth II, made a royal tour of the United States with King George in 1939.

VISITOR
KARACHI, Pakistan (AP)—Globe circling Canadian Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent flew into Karachi Wednesday for a visit with Prime Minister Mohammed Ali.

U. N. Leader Will Guard Indians

SEOUL (AP)—Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor Wednesday warned South Korea that his 8th Army will protect Indian troops from any attack.

The warning came even as ROK Foreign Minister Pyun Yung Tai renewed a pledge of safe passage for Indians heading home from the neutral zone.

Lt. Gen. Won Yung Duk, provost marshal, warned Tuesday that Indian troops "will not leave here" unless the ROK government received positive guarantees of safety for 76 Korean war prisoners en route to India.

He indicated Wednesday that he has not withdrawn the warning.

Taylor told ROK Defense Minister Sohn Won Il that the 8th Army "intends to carry out as scheduled" the movement of Indian troops from the Panmunjom neutral area where they board transports for home.

"While hesitating to believe that this letter (Won's) represents the official position of the republic of Korea, I must remind you that the security of the movement of the Indian troops and their properties from the demilitarized zone to ships in the port of Inchon is the responsibility of the 8th U. S. Army, acting for the U. N. Command," Taylor wrote.

"The 8th Army expects to carry out these troop movements as presently planned and to deal appropriately with any interference...."

The 76 Korean prisoners and 12 Chinese asked to live in neutral countries rather than North or South Korea and the Indian Command sent them to India until arrangements are completed.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partly clearing Wednesday night; mostly cloudy with few showers Thursday; southerly winds decreasing Wednesday night. High Thursday 38; low Wednesday night 27.

High yesterday 39
Low last night 28
Precip last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 10.15
Same period last year 10.39
Normal for period 7.62

Tragic Disease Claims Wife

SCRANTON, Pa. (AP)—Mrs. Paul Chylak Jr., 21, who married her state trooper sweetheart 10 days ago without knowing she had a fatal blood disease, died last night with her husband at her bedside.

Evidence that Marie Chylak was suffering from leukemia turned up in a state-required blood test two weeks before her wedding. Doctors said she was dying.

Her husband, a state policeman at the Bedford, Pa., barracks, was told of the situation and insisted on going through with the wedding. Marie was never told the nature of her illness. She collapsed while on her wedding trip.



A QUICK BREAKFAST was in order for R. B. Baird, 3137 1/2 Cannon, this morning at the Snappy Service Cafe when the nine o'clock lensman dropped in.

Deer Survey Trip Slated

The annual "show-me" trip to the interstate deer herd range will be held this coming Saturday and Sunday, according to an announcement from the Klamath Sportsmen, with the public invited to attend.

Sponsored by the Sportsmen, the U. S. Forest Service and the California division of fish and game, the trip is held yearly in order to survey winter feeding conditions, food supply and outlook for the welfare of the big herd.

The trip will leave the post office building at noon on Saturday, with those participating returning to Klamath Falls Sunday afternoon. Saturday night will be spent at the Dry Lake ranger station. Those attending should bring a sleeping bag. Food will be furnished by the forest service.

For further information those interested may call Virgil Davis at 6103.

Oslo Accuses Red Official

OSLO, Norway (AP)—Norway accuses a Soviet Embassy attaché who headed back to Moscow from Oslo Monday night of having had "lasting, regular and unusual contact" with a dozen Norwegians now being prosecuted on espionage charges.

The Foreign Office last night rejected a Soviet complaint that Norway's security police chief had tried to induce the attaché, Boris Mecheviltinov, to refuse to return home.

It acknowledged that the chief, Asbjørn Bryhn, had spoken to the attaché about the time Oslo police were rounding up the spy suspects, but said he had made no provocative suggestion.

On the other hand, the Foreign Office charged that Mecheviltinov had met several times with Asbjørn Sunde, 43, accused of leading the spy ring, and other Norwegians now under arrest.

U. S. Troops Said Not To Be Involved

HANOI, Indochina (AP)—Vietminh rebels fled without a fight Wednesday before French Union troops making new offensive sorties out of their northwest Indochina fortress of Dien Bien Phu.

A French army spokesman said troops moving out of the heavily fortified plain following heavy artillery and aerial bombardments found the Vietminh had abandoned a command and observation post on a hill two miles north of Dien Bien Phu.

Using 4,000 to 5,000 troops, the French went on the offensive in the area Tuesday and announced the capture of two other rebel posts after heavy fighting.

Wednesday, however, the Vietminh would not risk a fight. The French destroyed communication lines and telephones and blew up war installations and entrenchments on the hill.

The French now seem to be making an all out effort to bring into the battle the 36,000 rebels who have been encircling Dien Bien Phu for months. But the rebels, armed mostly with mortars, rifles, pistols and grenades, still appear to be avoiding a showdown with the French forces' American-supplied tanks and mobile artillery.

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senators said today President Eisenhower has promised to consult Congress before acting in any crisis which might bring demands for use of American troops in Indochina.

Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R-NJ) reported transmission of this pledge to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee by Acting Secretary of State Walter Bedell Smith.

Eisenhower has said there are no present plans to send combat units there.

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Portland Delays Sports Center

PORTLAND (AP)—The Portland City Council was asked Tuesday to delay action on the eight million dollar sports center proposal that is to appear on the May election ballot.

The city planning commission said it should be given some authority in the matter of selecting the site.

The commission asked that the proposal be put off until the November election unless the site is selected before May.

KLAMATH BASIN POTATO SHIPMENTS			
Shipped Today	Same Day Last Year		
50 cars	55 cars		
Total For Season		1953-54	1952-53
		7431 cars	8344 cars



KLAMATH COUNTY'S FIRST DISASTER Institute, planned by the local American Red Cross and Civil Defense officials, held Tuesday in the Veteran's Memorial Building, was attended by 50 local residents. A hypothetical situation that could occur here in case of attack was presented during the meeting. Here, standing (l to r) are — Richard F. Gordon, disaster specialist, San Francisco office; Joe V. LaClair, Civil Defense Administrator for Klamath County, and Robert Balian, Red Cross field representative. Seated is Otto Smith, Klamath County Red Cross Disaster Chairman.

Former Sheriff Seriously Ill

Lloyd Low, ex-sheriff of Klamath County is seriously ill in Hillside Hospital.

According to members of the family he suffered an attack at the family home about 9 a.m. Monday which has not been positively diagnosed by attending physicians.

Low has been engaged in farming since his retirement from public office.

Ike Calls For Public Help In Curbing Traffic Deaths

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower told a White House-sponsored conference on highway safety Wednesday that the problem of soaring traffic fatalities can be solved by "mobilizing a sufficient public opinion."

In an informal address to the 3,000 delegates attending the conference, the President said last year's toll of 38,000 traffic deaths has made traffic safety "a national problem of first importance."

He called it "shocking" that in 50 years the automobile has killed more Americans than all the country's wars since the founding of the nation.

"We have organizations that seek to prevent war," Eisenhower continued, "but we live every day with this problem that costs us so many lives and so much grief and suffering...."

"It is one of those problems for which there is no easy solution. It is not just a question of more policemen, more traffic lights or more roads."

"It is a many-sided problem, but it is one to whose solution every citizen can contribute."

The greatest force for improvement, Eisenhower declared, is the marshaling of public opinion behind the organizations having legal responsibility for safety enforcement, training and education. He added:

"In a democracy public opinion is everything. It is the force that brings about progress and the enforcement of laws and that keeps the United States in being."

"So if we can mobilize a sufficient public opinion, this problem, like all others can be solved."



SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR Lonnie Lewis (on crutches) was presented with the annual award of the Klamath Sportsmen Association last night by Sportsmen President John Hobson while his wife and Fred Lawrence, vice president, looked on. Dean Callas, who won the Herald and News award as the outstanding landowner of the year, was unable to attend the meeting but sent his winner's check in with instructions that it be donated to the March of Dimes. Lewis has announced that the check awarded him will go toward supplying feed for upland birds. Lewis was injured in a mill accident but hopes to be back on his feet shortly.