

# LIKE CONTINUES EUROPEAN AID

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

I wonder if you read the little tale in yesterday's papers to the effect that in 1953 the average income of the farm population of the United States was \$882—down \$23 from 1952—whereas the average income of the non-farm population in the same year was \$1898—UP \$56 from the year before.

If so—  
And if you're a farmer—  
And if you stopped right there instead of going on and getting ALL the facts so as to be able to form an intelligent opinion—I wouldn't blame you much if you grabbed your shotgun and filled your pocket with shells and barged out to start a revolution.

Or held up your hand and swore solemnly that from here on, so help you, your were going to vote the Democratic ticket straight REGARDLESS. A country that provides for its farm people an average income of only \$882 per person in a year (down, at that, \$23 from the year before) whereas for EVERYBODY ELSE it provides an average income per person of \$1898 (UP \$56 from the year before) ought to be made over with a club.

Let's take a look at ALL the facts.

In 1949 (according to the 1950 census) there were 5,379,250 farms in the United States. Of these five and one third million farms, 2,087,895 took in more than \$2500 (gross value of products sold per farm)—including 103,231 that took in more than \$25,000, 381,151 that took in \$10,000 to \$25,000, and 721,211 that took in \$5000 to \$10,000. There were 2,297,741 farms that took in (gross value of products sold) from \$250 to \$2500.

There were 1,029,392 farms that took in (in gross value of products sold) LESS THAN \$250 PER YEAR.

These latter ones (the \$250 and less and the \$250 and up boys) are obviously part-time farmers. Most of them, I'd say, work in town at full-time jobs and live on their little places and sell a few chickens and some vegetables and a few eggs and maybe a little milk. But they're CLASSIFIED IN THE FIGURES as farmers, and their insignificantly low farm earnings are included in the \$882 per person farm income average quoted above, whereas their OUTSIDE EARNINGS are included in the \$1898 per person NON-FARM income.

I wasn't looking over the shoulder of the guy when he made the figures, but I'd be willing to bet my shirt that is the way it was done.

You know the old saying: "Figures don't lie, but LIARS FIGURE." Statistics are wonderful, but the way they can be twisted to prove ANY point that ANYBODY happens to want to make is FANTASTIC.

Demagogues are artists at twisting figures.

Demagogues have a simply amazing gift of gab.

That's one reason for the unfortunate fact that so many of us know so many things that "ain't so."

## Traffic Deaths Up In Oregon

SALEM (AP) — After several months of steady decline, Oregon's traffic death toll shot up sharply in February, when at least 42 persons died violently.

The February toll, worst on record for that month, was caused partly by good weather, which encourages high speeds, Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry said.

The February total usually is low.

In the final weekend of February, there were 12 fatalities, making it the worst weekend in history.

The worst February previously was in 1946, when 40 persons died.

## Air Force Lists Korean Dead

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Air Force announced Friday the names of 114 officers and airmen, previously listed as missing in action in Korea, who are now determined or presumed to be dead.

This reduces to 109 the number of Air Force men still classified as missing in action.

The new list included these from Oregon:

Airman 1.C. James L. Bell, son of Mrs. Georgina A. Lange, Route 2, Dallas.

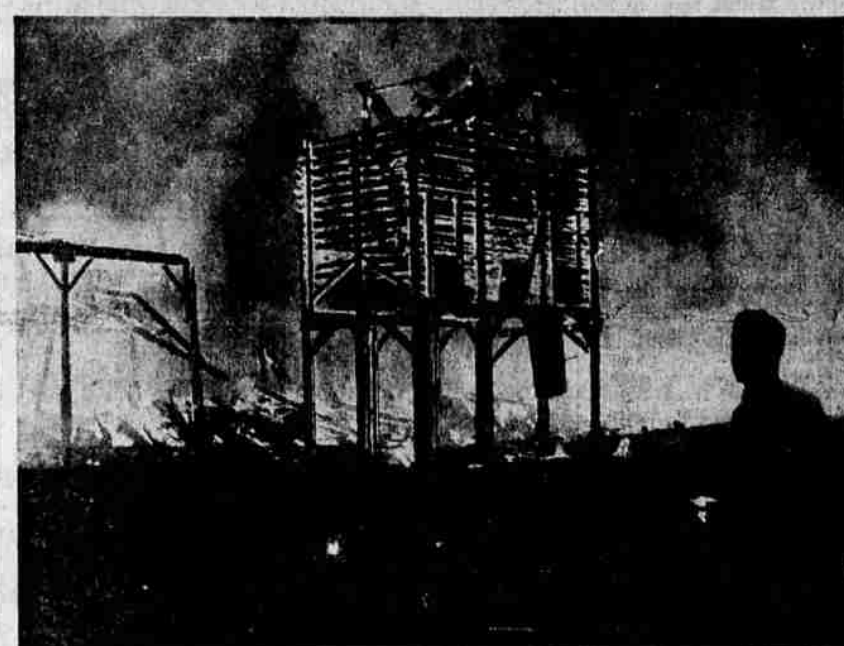
Airman 2.C. Melvin B. Hays, husband of Mrs. Nellie E. Hays, Elkton.

1st Lt. Warren M. Hoff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Hoff, Route 1, Portland.

Capt. John G. Moore, son of Mrs. Jane E. King, Portland.

## CONTRACT AWARDED

PORTLAND (AP) — The Bonneville Administration Thursday awarded a \$98,554 contract to Brandon Co., Vancouver, Wash., for a 40,000-kilowatt ampere substation near Pendleton. The substation is to go into service next fall.



WATERS OF UPPER KAMATH LAKE reflect flames and smoke as the planing mill of the Fleishman Lumber Company burned to the ground at Modoc Point Thursday night. (Bottom) A black bin was the last structure to fall. The plant, which had not been in full production for several years, was a blazing inferno within minutes after the fire started.

## Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through Saturday with high of 60; low Friday night 25.  
High yesterday 53  
Low last night 21  
Precip last 24 hours 0  
Since Oct. 1 10.61  
Same period last year 10.50  
Normal for period 8.40

## KLAMATH BASIN POTATO SHIPMENTS

| Shipped Today     | Same Day Last Year |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 35 cars           | 65 cars            |
| Total For Season  |                    |
| 1953-54 8514 cars | 1952-53 9250 cars  |

## U.S. Airplane Lost In Europe

NICE, France (AP) — A broad search was pressed over the Ligurian Sea and the French Alps today for a U. S. Air Force C-47, missing with 20 men on a flight from Rome to Billburg, Germany.

A mid-morning report that the craft had been spotted in the mountains north of Nice proved false. Police said the report came from authorities in the village of St. Etienne de Tinee, 40 miles north of Nice.

But several residents of the region told of hearing the noise of a big plane yesterday afternoon and French ski troops based in the area moved out in patrols of 20 to 30 men each to look for clues.

A three-nation air-sea search was under way for the plane, missing since shortly after noon yesterday with 20 Americans aboard. Its last radio report—"all normal"—was sent as the plane was over Corsica, 75 miles after it had taken off from Rome's Ciampino Airport.

## Stevenson Talks To Educators

CHICAGO (AP) — Adlai E. Stevenson accused certain anti-Communists Friday of adopting "Communist methods in their assaults on higher education."

The 1952 Democratic presidential nominee's statement was in a message to the ninth National Conference on Higher Education. More than 600 college and university leaders are attending the meeting, which is sponsored by the Association for Higher Education of the National Education Assn.

Stevenson mentioned no names but he obviously was referring to recent congressional investigations of loyalty of college faculty members when he said "the American system of higher education has seldom faced a more fateful chal-

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## Fleishman's Modoc Point Mill Burns

Fire of undetermined cause broke out shortly before 8 p.m. last night in the planing mill of the Fleishman Lumber Company at Modoc Point, and despite the efforts of five fire fighting crews, burned to the ground.

Within minutes after the first alarm sounded the huge plant was a blazing inferno. Fire crews, unable to make any headway on the main fire, concentrated their efforts in preventing the blaze from spreading down two wooden ramps to the drying sheds about 300 feet away, where one half million feet of dry lumber was stored.

The equipment and building were insured, according to A. H. Fleishman, Grants Pass, owner of the plant, who stated no estimate as to the loss could be determined at this time.

The planer was closed down December 12, and had not operated since, however several cars of lumber had been shipped from the drying shed in the past few days.

Fire equipment from Chiloquin, Klamath Agency, Oregon Technical Institute, Klamath Fire Protective Association and one Klamath County truck stationed at the Suburban Fire Department answered the call.

Fleishman interests purchased the old mill site from the Lamson Lumber Company in 1945 and have operated the planer and drying shed since that time.

## W. I. Tingley Dies Suddenly

A resident of Klamath Falls since 1922, Washington Ivern Tingley, identified with the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation since 1911, died about 9 a.m. this morning at the family home, 1015 Pacific Terrace. He had been in failing health since his retirement from public service on June 30, 1953. Mr. Tingley was 67 years old and a native of Howe, Nebraska.

He served for 42 years with the bureau in various capacities, first with the North Platte, Nebraska irrigation project and later with the Klamath project, as clerk, senior clerk, chief clerk, and district accountant.

Mr. Tingley is credited with having had outstanding knowledge and historical data on the bureau and with unwavering loyalty to his administrative duties.

He received a citation from the Department of the Interior upon his retirement, August 15, 1953, in recognition of his many years of meritorious service.

Mr. Tingley was a member of the Klamath Falls Elks Lodge, No. 1247 and the Klamath Falls Post, American Legion.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Rena M. Tingley, Klamath Falls; one daughter, Jane M. Tingley, University of Oregon and two brothers, John W. Tingley, Ingleside, California and James C. Tingley, Portland.

Ward's Klamath Funeral Home will be in charge of arrangements.

## Solons Back Ike Nominee

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican and Democratic members of the Senate Labor Committee Friday applauded President Eisenhower's nomination of a Negro to be assistant secretary of labor but stressed they would not be influenced by his race in considering confirmation.

"We're interested in his qualifications, not the color of his skin," said the committee chairman, Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R-NJ).

The nominee, 60-year-old J. Ernest Wilkins, is a Chicago attorney and a lifelong Republican. No Negro has been named to a post of comparable rank in more than 40 years—since William H. Lewis served as an assistant attorney general in the administration of President William Howard Taft.

Smith said his committee will hold hearings on the nomination next week. Presidential appointments are subject to confirmation by the Senate.

## Coon Recommends Postmistress

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Coon (R-Ore.) has recommended appointment of Mrs. Ruth E. Piquet as postmaster at Long Creek, Grant County, Ore.

She has served as acting postmaster since the death of Mrs. Alice W. Porter in 1953.

## GOP Farm Leaders Explain Policy to Senate Group

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farm officials of the Eisenhower administration face another barrage of questions today by senators opposed to their plan to make agricultural price supports less rigid.

But they got some tokens of support, too, notably from Chairman Aiken (R-Vt.) of the Senate Agriculture Committee, who lauded Secretary of Agriculture Benson as an "honest man" and said his numerous congressional critics "are talking merely for political purposes and nothing else."

Aiken offered in support of his views voluminous charts which, he said, proved that 22 years of assorted farm programs had cost less than 500 million dollars a year.

## Vietminh Raid Hanoi Airdrome

HANOI, Indochina (AP) — French army headquarters announced commandos raided Hanoi's big airport, five miles away at Giam, and blew up an undisclosed number of airplanes Thursday.

The exact losses were not disclosed, but army spokesmen said "several planes" had either been destroyed or partially wrecked in explosions.

In Saigon, the French High command announced that "about a dozen" aircraft were damaged or partially destroyed in the raid. It said most of the planes were C-47s belonging to private companies and requisitioned by the army to transport military personnel.

French censorship of dispatches from Indochina has grown increasingly strict in recent months. Presumably this accounted for the delay in this dispatch. The Vietminh raiders attacked at about 2:30 a.m., going from planes to the main airport runways and placing high explosives in plastic containers under the engines.

The airport guard opened fire on the raiders as big explosions started. The blasts could be heard clearly in Hanoi, across the Red River.

One Vietminh was killed. The French said more than 200 suspects had been rounded up following the raid.

There was no announcement of any casualties among French and Vietnamese personnel. The Vietminh raiders apparently approached Giam after crossing the nearby Red River and were believed to have fled downstream in sampans.

## Oregon Timber Up For Sale

PORTLAND (AP) — Seventy million board feet of O & C timber in 11 Western Oregon counties will be offered for sale in March, the Bureau of Land Management reported Friday.

Two sales already have been held—Tuesday at Salem and Wednesday at Roseburg. The other sales:

March 11 at Eugene for 3,343,000 feet, oral bids; March 11 at Medford for 4,122,000 feet, both oral and sealed bids; March 12 at Coos Bay, 30,697,000 feet, oral bids.

In addition to this, nearly a million and a half feet of timber on public domain will be offered with the sales March 11 at Eugene and Medford and March 19 at Spokane.

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## Red Trading Explained By Stassen

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower Friday ordered continuance of U.S. aid to Denmark, France, Italy, Norway and the United Kingdom despite shipments of strategic materials by each of those countries to Iron Curtain nations.

In a report to Congress required under the mutual assistance control act of 1951, the President said he was doing so "because the cessation of aid would clearly be detrimental to the security of the United States."

With his report Eisenhower sent to the lawmakers a letter to him from Harold E. Stassen, chief of the Foreign Operations Administration.

Stassen told the President that most of the shipments by the five countries "continue to be 'prior commitments' — that is, shipments resulting from commitments that were made prior to the effective date" of the embargo provisions of the 1951 law.

Stassen added that some of the other shipments "are the results of more recent commitments which, in unusual circumstances, Western countries have considered necessary or in the long run beneficial to themselves and to the free world, because of the two-way trade that was made possible by the strategic shipments."

The 1951 law, known as the battle act, forbids all U.S. military, economic and financial assistance to any country which knowingly permits the shipment of items listed for embargo under the act.

Exceptions are permitted, however, in cases where the President finds that a cessation of aid would be clearly detrimental to the security of the United States. The exception provision does not apply to shipment of such items as arms, ammunition, implements of war and atomic energy materials.

## Sack Case Witness On Court Stand

PORTLAND (AP) — The man who put the finger on George F. Sack, 57, after the death of Sack's third wife here last month, added to his story Thursday, and the prosecution did not seem particularly pleased.

After his testimony in a preliminary hearing, however, Sack was ordered held for a grand jury hearing on the first-degree murder charge brought by the state. Sack is accused of asphyxiating his wife, a former Great Falls, Mont. school teacher, Goldie Goodrich.

The witness who added to his story was George Carey. It was his report to police that led to Sack's arrest. He said he saw a man carry a heavy burden from Sack's car into a vacant lot, where Mrs. Sack's body was found two days later.

The prosecution had him repeat that story and how he memorized the car license plate numbers, but brought out nothing else in the preliminary hearing.

But the defense then got Carey back on the stand by calling him as a defense witness. Then Carey testified he thought he saw a man resembling Sack quarreling with a woman on a street corner on the day Mrs. Sack disappeared. He said he believed now that the woman was Mrs. Sack.

Sack's first two wives died violently in the 1920s in Chicago, and he was accused of shooting his second wife there. Found insane, he spent seven years in an Illinois mental hospital. He came west after his release in 1932.



A NEW HOME FOR THE AMERICAN LEGION post here was assured last night when the committee signed final papers for the purchase of the Oliver building on Eighth Street. Shown here are (seated, left to right) Carl Michelson, Bill DePaw, Dick Gallagher and Tom Young. (Standing) Marion Green, R. P. Oliver, Ted Case, Charles Poteet, Elton Mickelson, Bruce Hall, Al Longo and Jack Otterbein. Extensive remodeling is planned by Post 8, which will include a lounge, recreation room, ladies auxiliary quarters and separate space for the drum corps. The Legion Club has been occupying quarters formerly designed for the non-commissioned officers club adjacent to the Willard hotel.



A COUPLE OF KUHS MEN, Cliff Ambers and Eddy Lawler, both of 1336 Lakeview Street, were caught by the roving cameraman this morning.