

Wilson Studying Possible Ways To Handle Army Reds

By ELTON C. FAY
WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of Defense Wilson says any "idea the Army is cooking" Communists is just damn tommyrot, but that he is looking for better ways to handle security risk cases in the future.

Wilson was questioned yesterday at a news conference about the case of Maj. Irving Peress, Army dentist who invoked the Fifth Amendment in refusing to answer questions about possible subversive connections. Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.), investigating the case, has sharply criticized the Army.

Wilson's comment stirred McCarthy, who only a few minutes before had vowed he was "fall through" issuing statements, to retort that "no one has ever claimed that the Army is such a codding Communists." But, McCarthy insisted, testimony had established that "certain individuals in the Army have been protecting, promoting, covering up and honorably discharging known Communists." The senator said he was sure the secretary "will not disagree with that."

Because McCarthy's was the final statement of the day, there was no immediate indication whether Wilson did or did not agree.

But in his news conference, devoted this week to the sole subject of communism, he did say:

Federal Work Program Urged

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Kelley (D-Pa.) Friday proposed a 6 1/2 billion dollar federal-local public works program.

It's needed, he said, because there are more than three million persons out of work.

Declaring "the time to argue over whether it's a recession or adjustment is passed," Kelley said a work program should be set up promptly.

His proposal, incorporated in a bill he planned to introduce Friday, is modeled after the Public Works Administration program administered by the late Harold R. Ickes under President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The bill would authorize federal grants to states to fund public works projects to cover 4 per cent of the cost of the projects. The states or local sponsors would put up approximately 3 1/2 billion to cover 55 per cent of the cost.

Lapine Plans REA Meeting

PORT ROCK—Annual meeting of the Mid-State REA Co-op will be held at the Lapine High School gym at 10 a.m. March 15. The Lapine Home Extension Unit will serve lunch to all members present.

On the program for the annual meeting is election of two directors from Crescent Lake, Silver Lake and Fort Rock. Phil Pitman and Merrill Parks have been nominated from Silver Lake and Fort Rock respectively.

Senator Richard Neuberger, Portland, principal speaker, will talk on the present Federal power policy. Another guest speaker will be W. E. Trommershausen, southwest area manager of Bonneville Power Administration of Eugene. There will also be movies shown on the Bonneville power operations.

Further decision on the north Lake County extension is postponed until another official from Washington reviews the situation. There will be further discussion on the Fort Rock-Silver Lake extension.

Utility Company Purchased

SEATTLE (AP)—The Cascade Natural Gas Corp. Thursday purchased the Consolidated Gas Co. of Yakima Valley as a step in what an official said is a program to develop an integrated system in southeastern Washington.

Edward Matthews, a Cascade president, in announcing stockholders' approval of the purchase, said the program calls for absorbing municipal gas systems from Eugene and Springfield in Oregon, to Lewiston, Idaho, and Wenatchee and Bellingham, Wash., into one organization.

Matthews said Cascade is applying to the Washington Public Service Commission for approval of the merger with Consolidated. Cascade previously acquired the Northwest Cities Gas Co., and the Bremerton Gas Co., and Matthews said negotiations are under way to take over Bellingham and Wenatchee companies.

DENOUNCES
SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP)—Augustin Lebron went court Friday to swear out a statement denouncing his sister, Lolita, for her part in last Monday's shooting of five U.S. congressmen in Washington.



FISHING IN KLAMATH COUNTY is the title that was scrawled across this old negative, but no further identifications were offered. The fish, however, are obviously some of the better ones and the proud Nimrods wanted it recorded for posterity. Sixteen fish for five anglers, but look at the size of 'em.
— Photo from Hal Ogle

Sacred Heart Notebook

By BEATRICE WALSH

Sacred Heart was the host Wednesday for the fourth inter-school discussion on the American way of life. Moral and religious phases of life in America were the discussion topics. Joannette Brandesky was moderator; Sheila Howard and Dino Reginato represented SHA on the panel.

The annual poetry contest for high school students sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of America will close March 15. Winners of last year's contest in the first division were Thomas Hawkins and LaRee Walker; second division winners were Claudia Elbreth and Marjorie Dwyer.

Everyone is striving to make the Curtis magazine drive a success, said.

Sophomores gained a new member Tuesday when Janice Leake transferred from Chiloquin. Janice has attended the Academy before and is well known to most of the students.

Monday will plunge everyone into term exams which will be completed in the first part of the week so that the team may attend the Ashland tournament Thursday, Friday and Saturday. I.Q. tests were given last Monday morning. First Friday rolled around again today. A breakfast in the parish hall by the Mothers' Club after Mass. School operated on its normal First Friday schedule beginning at 9:15 instead of 8:40 as usual.

Sodalists, along with many others are preparing to make the First Saturday tomorrow, Ash Wednesday, March 3, marked the beginning of Lent and brought with it increased efforts to attend daily Mass. The Glee Club will sing for the Wednesday and Friday devotions held all through Lent.

SICK RED
HONG KONG (AP)—German journalist Fritz Secker, who arrived from Peiping a week ago, said Friday that reports had circulated in the Red Chinese capital that Mao Tse-Tung was suffering a serious stomach ulcer and hemorrhages and is believed to be ill.

Altamont School News

By FRED HEARD

The 1954 Klamath County Speech Festival will be held March 9 at Altamont Junior High. All schools in Klamath County will participate.

Here is the date of Spring vacation—March 13-21, inclusive. The last day of school will be June 4.

Time is growing short to get your yearbook so hurry and bring your \$1.25.

Report cards will be issued Wednesday, March 3. The fifth six weeks begins Monday, March 1.

There were many groans and means in the upper halls Monday, February 22, when Dr. Seth Kerron came to give those much "looked forward to" shots.

Hi-Y Delegates To Attend Meet

Representatives of the Hi-Y Clubs of the local YMCA will travel to Ashland to attend a youth legislative conference, to be held at SOU, this weekend.

These sessions will prepare this group for the state youth conference to be held in Salem, May 7 and 8, where Hi-Y members will take over the duties of legislators and work on an authentic bill to be brought before the 1954 legislature.

The students participating in this program are: Janice Bubb, Ann Peterson, Karen Porter, Betty Juckeland, Sharon Taylor, Sharon Bliss, Wes Sines and Tom Skeins.

Former Klamath Girl Dies

Arbutus Rumlhart Nelson, 18-year-old wife of Ralph D. Nelson, a former resident of Klamath Falls, died March 3 in Baytown, Texas following an illness of a day. Death was caused from pneumonia.

Mrs. Nelson came to Klamath Falls as an infant in 1936, received her grade school and part of her high school education here before leaving for Oakridge to make her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rumlhart.

She was born, May 21, 1935 in Westington Springs, South Dakota and was married February 14, 1953. When her husband was sent to Korea, Mrs. Nelson went to Texas to live with his parents.

Nelson, serving with the army is being flown home for the funeral service to be held at the Bartholomew-Buell Funeral Chapel, Springfield, Oregon, upon his arrival.

Surviving in addition to her widower and her parents, are four sisters, Mrs. L. J. McDowell, Klamath Falls, Mrs. Gayle Schmorz, Mrs. James Williams and Lola Rumlhart, all of Oakridge and three brothers, James and Donald Rumlhart, Klamath Falls and Cecil of Oakridge.

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KASRU Elects New Officers

New officers were elected Wednesday evening to serve the Klamath Air Search and Rescue Unit for the next 12 months.

Dan Emrick handed over the gavel to 1954 President Elton Alt, who will be assisted in official capacities by Ed Scholten, vice-president; Dan Emrick, ground designer; John Owens, assistant flight commander; Larry French, secretary-treasurer; Lou Schneider, assistant secretary-treasurer.

Emrick thanked the out-going officers and club members for their cooperation during his term as president.

Weisfield Given Award

Leo Weisfield, president of Weisfield's, Inc., large Northwest jewelry chain, received the inspirational award, presented annually by the Washington State Jewelers Association for outstanding service to the jewelry industry in the state of Washington. The award was made to Weisfield at the Tri-State Convention of the Pacific Northwest Jewelers in Portland, Oregon on February 16.

Weisfield was presented the award in recognition for his many years of service for the betterment of the jewelry industry in the state of Washington. His efforts in regard to tax problems, fair trade problems, and other problems of the industry earned him this honor.

Well-known in the Northwest for his pioneering and development of a jewelry organization built on liberal personal credit, Weisfield is a past president of the national Credit Jewelers' Association of the United States, the Diamond Council of America, and the Seattle Jewelers' Association. He has been a member of the Jewelers Research Bureau and the Tax Committee of the Jewelry Industry, and has been chairman of the Fair Trade Committee of the National Association of Jewelers, and the Executive Committee of the Diamond Council of America.

Terry is 41 years old, and has been director of personnel for the state of Alabama for the past eight years. Before World War II, he was personnel technician for the Alabama State Personnel Department.

Terry enlisted as a private in the Air Force in 1942, and rose to the rank of major. He served as a group intelligence officer in Europe, and now is a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force reserve.

More than 60 persons applied for the position, and the commission interviewed 10 of them.

Terry will take over the job in about six weeks.

Crater Reports No Fresh Snow
Crater Lake National Park has had no snow this week.

Skiing is fair with 119 inches of snow on the ground compared with 117 the time last year.

Minimum temperature Friday was 22 degrees; maximum 49.

Roads are open, with Highway 62 open to the rim and chains not required.

It is anticipated that the warming hut will be open over the weekend.

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