

Finns Choose New Solons

HELSINKI, Finland (AP)—The Finns are electing a new Parliament Sunday and Monday, hoping that from it will come a majority government capable of tackling Finland's growing economic problems.

The big question is whether this relatively small neighbor of Soviet Russia will move further to the left or keep her middle course.

Finland, like those of France and Italy, are usually made up of coalitions formed from several parties. For years, no single party has commanded enough support in the one-chamber, 200-member Parliament to govern alone.

Dr. Erno Kekkonen, an Agrarian, managed to piece together four coalition cabinets in nearly as many years. But he resigned last fall after a prolonged crisis because he was unable to win parliamentary approval of his plans for solving the economic problems.

A caretaker government of technicians has been in charge since. It is headed by Sakari Tuomioja, director of the Bank of Finland. The election of the new Parliament is being held four months ahead of the usual time. The term is for three years.

U.S. Aid To Rebuild Japan Army

TOKYO (AP)—Japan today took its biggest step on the long way back to becoming a military power.

Just 12 years, 3 months and 1 day after Pearl Harbor, the United States agreed to give Japan 100 million dollars worth of guns, tanks, airplanes, ammunition and advice.

"This is just the beginning," a highly placed American source said. "We can support any project Japan wants."

Russia is chagrined. Communist China is disgruntled. South Korea is hopping mad.

But Foreign Minister Katsuo Okazaki and U. S. Ambassador John M. Allison sat down and penned their names to an instrument making the military alliance legal.

Under terms of the mutual defense agreement, Japan does not have to send troops overseas—but she can if she wants to.

Japan is bound to fight side by side with the United States, leaving no doubt that Japan is definitely in the camp of the Western world.

There will be trouble pushing the ratification through the Diet. Strong Socialist opposition is expected.

But with backing from the Liberals and Progressives, a favorable vote is expected within this month.

The program will go into effect as soon as the Diet ratifies the pact.

Negotiations took a year and Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida took the same amount of time selling the program to his colleagues in the Diet.

Socialist opposition in the Diet, Communist opposition in the labor groups and anti-American sentiment generated by the reaction to the occupation took 12 months to wear down.

But Yoshida thinks he has it licked now and he has cast his political future onto the floor of Parliament.

There seems no doubt any more that if war comes to the Far East again, GI Joe and Heital-san will be fighting side by side.

Thinking Easy For Machine

SOUTH HADLEY, Mass. (AP)—A Mount Holyoke College philosophy professor today displayed his "thinking machine," which he says "is to logic what an adding machine is to arithmetic."

Prof. Roger W. Holmes built the machine for about \$120 "plus labor."

He says it can solve practically any problem in a book on fundamental symbolic logic.

The machine, about the size of an old-fashioned table model radio, has a complex system of electrical relays which flashes lights on a control board.

If a proposition is valid a green light will flash. If it is invalid, a red light shows.

The professor sets up the questions with a series of symbols. He says the machine can't perform any function which a human operator couldn't do for himself with pencil and paper. But he claims it can tackle complex processes of reasoning with greater speed and accuracy.

He says the device can test the validity of the basic laws of logic. It also can explore the field for new principles, he says, and it can test whatever specific arguments are given it for examination.

He believes a larger model would be of great value in military or industrial planning or in crime detection.



INTRODUCING Ruth Walp, new employe at the City Hall in the capacity of secretary to the mayor and secretary to the City Council. A native of Zanesville, Ohio, Ruth is no stranger in Klamath Falls, and after one day, was no stranger in City Hall. She lives at the Audley Apartments, 303 South Eighth.

Congressional Fight Seen Over Hawaii, Tax Slashes

WASHINGTON (AP)—Party leaders tightened their lines today for Republican-Democratic tussles in Congress on two issues: taxes and statehood for Hawaii.

Senate Democrats have been summoned to their first caucus of the year tomorrow to discuss a campaign to tie an Alaska statehood amendment to the Hawaii bill which the Senate has been debating since last Thursday. The Republican leadership opposes the move.

The Senate Wednesday is scheduled to take up the first big tax bill of the year, a measure to cut many excise or sales taxes, and there may be some preliminary skirmishing preparatory to a bigger battle a week later over reducing personal income taxes.

GOP OUTNUMBERED

In the Senate, Democrats outnumber Republicans 48-47. In the House, there are 219 Republicans to 215 Democrats. Each branch has one independent.

In the Senate, Democratic leaders are seeking unanimous support for a proposal by Sen. Anderson (D-NM) to add Alaska to the Hawaiian statehood bill. Alaska normally votes Democratic and Hawaii Republican.

Republicans are striving to keep the bills separate, arguing that the addition of Alaska might sink the statehood ambitions of Hawaii as well as Alaska.

Republican Leader Knowland of California has promised that a separate bill for Alaska will be considered by the Senate later this year. Some Democrats objected that there is no guarantee such a bill would be considered by the House, which passed the Hawaii bill last year, or that it would be signed by President Eisenhower.

ROADS BILL

The President has asked state-

to business. They said more tax relief should be voted to consumers.

Scolding at the claim the depreciation allowances would give needed stimulation of business expansion, Meany said the provision "must be considered an indefensible bounty from the public treasury to business." And Reuther said in a separate statement: "It is almost painfully clear that what American business needs most now is more customers, and not some new and special incentives to invest in 1954 and 1955."

Mother Injured By Small Son

DETROIT (AP)—Mrs. Faye Hubbard, 47, wife of suburban Dearborn Mayor Orville L. Hubbard, was accidentally shot by her 11-year-old son, Henry, as he was about to play Russian roulette last night.

Mrs. Hubbard suffered a flesh wound in the upper right arm and a bullet burn on the back. She was treated at a nearby clinic and released.

Mrs. Hubbard said she walked into the bedroom and found Henry in his father's closet.

"Henry said 'Mama let's play roulette' and just about that time the gun fired and I felt a burning in my arm," she reported.

The weapon was a .38 caliber revolver belonging to Mayor Hubbard.

Mayor Hubbard said that his son had been talking of "Russian roulette" some time and that Henry had become interested in the game after reading about it in comic books.

In Russian roulette, a single bullet is loaded into the cylinder of a revolver. The cylinder is then given a whirl and the trigger is pulled while the gun is aimed at the head.

Decree Reduces Naguib's Power

CAIRO, Egypt (AP)—Egypt's Revolutionary Council has taken more powers away from President Mohamed Naguib and given them to the man who supplanted him as premier, Lt. Col. Gamal Abdel Nasser.

A decree last night appointed Nasser to replace Naguib as Egypt's military governor, administering the martial law in force in Egypt since the Cairo fire riots of 1952. The post since then has been held by the Premier in office.

The new decree added that Nasser also was "authorized to take any other measures considered necessary for maintenance of order and security in all or any parts of the republic of Egypt."

Indian Timber Prices Eyed

WASHINGTON (AP)—A hearing will be held in Portland, Ore., March 19 "to ascertain the facts in a complaint raised by Indians of the Warm Springs Reservation they are not getting fair prices for timber sold from their lands."

That announcement was made here Friday by Secretary of Interior McKay. Those in charge of the hearing will be Glenn L. Emtions, Indian commissioner; J. R. Armstrong, an assistant to the department's solicitor; and William G. Guernsey, Bureau of Land Management administrator.

Members of the Warm Springs Tribal Council have complained that their timber should bring higher prices than they are now receiving from timber companies.

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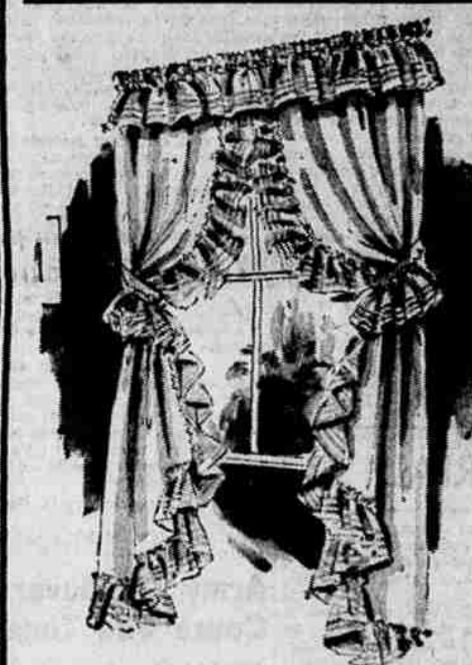
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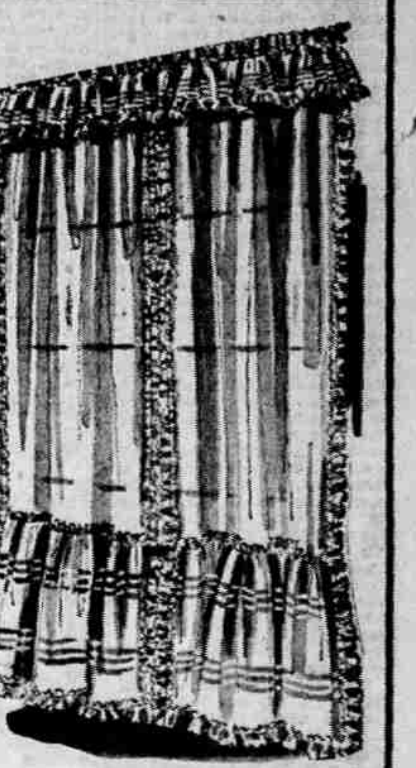
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