

RUSSIA OFFERED US ATOM PLAN

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

By the narrow margin of six votes the house of representatives defeated a typical election year bill to cut personal income taxes (by raising individual exemptions) WITHOUT A CORRESPONDING CUT IN SPENDING.

The effect of such a law would be to boost our national debt bigger and bigger FOR OUR GRANDCHILDREN TO PAY.

I think I dislike high taxes as much as anyone, but I can't escape the feeling that my grand-children are already about as heavily loaded with federal debt as they will be able to stand up under.

Of Oregon's four congressmen, three—Coon, Ellsworth and Norblad—voted against the bill. Representative Homer Angell of Portland voted for it.

I suppose Homer reasoned something like this: "It isn't a good bill, of course. In these grave times, we need to reduce our national debt instead of increasing it. But to ME getting reelected is more important than anything else in the world, and voting for this bill might help me. So the end justifies the means."

"Besides, I'm only talking now to GET ELECTED. After I'm elected, I can vote as I please."

There's a lot of that kind of thinking in Washington right now. For example:

Representative Michael Kilwan of Ohio, chairman of the Democratic congressional campaign committee, says this morning: "As a result of the GOP rejection yesterday of the boost in income tax exemptions, I have raised my estimate of Democratic gains in the house in November. Before the vote, I thought we would gain about 45 seats. NOW I think we'll gain 60 seats."

Representative Simpson, Republican of Pennsylvania, says: "The action of the house on taxes will bring votes to the GOP. I predict the Republicans will gain 25 seats in November."

That will give you an idea of what it's all about. So far as I have noticed in reading the dispatches this morning, NOBODY HAS HAD ANYTHING TO SAY ABOUT WHETHER THE BILL WAS GOOD OR BAD FOR THE COUNTRY.

Speaking of taxes, a fellow in Buffalo sent in his income tax return (duh) accompanied by a check in payment of the amount due and enclosed with his remittance a joker from a deck of playing cards.

The collector at Buffalo, reporting the incident, says he presumes the amount of the tax had something to do with the inclusion of the joker. "The amount of the tax," he explains, "was TWO CENTS."

That brings up a story. A resident of our State of Jefferson, after wrestling manfully with his income tax return, finally got it figured out and sent it in. He mailed it two days ahead of the deadline. On the day AFTER the deadline, he got the envelope back with a request for an additional three cents postage.

The delay thus involved cost him \$14.95 cents in penalties.

That's big government for you. In private business, the clerk would probably have realized the circumstances and would either have passed the postage-stamp envelope without challenging it, or maybe would have put up the three cents himself.

In big government, with scandals and investigations going on all the time, HE WAS AFRAID TO. He might have got nailed on the carpet for cheating.

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McCarthy To Answer Stevenson

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) was confined to bed with virus laryngitis and a temperature of 103 today but said he still planned to make tonight what he has billed as his reply to a speech by Adlai E. Stevenson, the 1952 Democratic presidential nominee.

Dr. Raulf Hanson, who examined McCarthy at his hotel, said, "The senator has a virus laryngitis with a sore throat and a high temperature. I strongly advised against his working Friday night but he insists he is going to."

"His condition was brought on by overwork, excessive fatigue and exposure. What he needs is a day or two of rest but I don't know if I can hold him down."

Stevenson, the 1952 Democratic presidential nominee, charged in a March 6 speech in Miami that "political plungers" had persuaded President Eisenhower that "McCarthyism is the best Republican formula for political success."

McCarthy demanded free and equal time to reply from the Columbia Broadcasting System and the National Broadcasting Co. networks, which had carried Stevenson's speech.

Instead, the networks gave time to the Republican National Committee. As a result, McCarthy has billed the address here tonight to the Milwaukee County Young Republican Club as his reply. The Chicago Tribune station WGN announced it would broadcast the speech and offered to let other stations carry it if they wished.

McCarthy said he understood enough independent stations would do so to give him "fairly complete coverage."

The speech is scheduled for 9:30 p.m., EST.

Radio KEX To Feature K.F.

Word has been received by the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce from Melvin M. Bailey, program director for radio station KEX, Portland's only 50,000-watt station, that Klamath Falls is to be featured on a forthcoming program.

KEX has recently inaugurated an all-night program service for its listeners starting at 1:00 a.m. Tuesday mornings through Sundays. The program is called "KEX Calling."

An important feature of this nightly show is to be the "visits" KEX pays to various communities in the listening area. A visit to Klamath Falls is planned for the morning of March 27.

The material is chosen to exemplify the civic personality of the community or unusual projects or industries of the area.

George D. Barch, manager of the chamber's traffic department, is in communication with Mel Bailey to make final arrangements.

French, Rebel Artillery Duel; Big Attack Awaited

HANOI, Indochina (AP)—The Vietnamese and the French kept up their violent artillery duel at Dien Bien Phu today but there still was no resumption of massed rebel infantry charges trying to overwhelm the French Union's northwest Indochina fortress.

Under a full moon and a star-studded sky and on into the morning the shelling and heavy French air strikes on the rebel positions kept up around the clock.

Some ground contacts yesterday were reported but they were only clashes between advanced French forces and small rebel units on the south and southwest fringes of the French-held plain. Some of these came within 250 yards of French command posts.

The defenders still anticipated another major Vietnamese effort on the northern entrance to the heart of the fortress. The Vietnamese hold hill positions in the northern perimeter they captured from the French early this week in the battle which began last Saturday.

Some French sources speculated yesterday that the continuing artillery barrage might be covering a Vietnamese withdrawal, that Vietnamese Gen. Vo Nguyen Giap might have had enough after losing an estimated 12,000 dead or wounded—one fourth of the force he is believed to have in the area.

But a French army spokesman said last night the Vietnamese still were rushing supplies by cable train and truck up to the area, indicating another mass assault was in the offing. The rebels broke off the desperate charges Wednesday night.

As the artillery duel raged, French fighters and bombers strafed, rocketed and fire-bombed the bulk of the rebel forces concentrated just north and northeast of the 6-by-4 mile oval plain.

They knocked out a string of rebel gun emplacements and showered fire bombs on a convoy of trucks moving up to the northern part of the plain, presumably carrying fresh war equipment to bolster the next charge.

Throughout the day the French parachuted fresh troops, ammunition and war supplies to the besieged defenders. They were still confident they could continue to mow down any further mass assaults and wreck what has become the biggest Vietnamese effort of the stalemate, seven-year Indochina war.

With guns in every one of the hills surrounding the plain, the Vietnamese covered all the vital defense points and shelled the French positions at will. They pumped over thousands of shells.

During yesterday the Vietnamese ignored French radio appeals to permit empty transport planes to land on the Dien Bien Phu airstrip and evacuate wounded. They shelled and damaged one transport as it landed, wounding a French medical officer.

Meanwhile in the Red River delta, 175 miles to the east, the French reported rebel sabotage attacks on the vital Hanoi-Haiphong highway but said they were being beaten off. The French said there was no interruption to the flow of American supplies coming in from Haiphong port for the French Union forces at Dien Bien Phu.

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W. German Army Waits Final Nod

BONN, Germany (AP)—West Germany took the final German parliamentary step Friday to legalize the raising of a 500,000-man army for Western defense. But not a man probably will get into uniform until France approves.

The Bundestag, parliament's upper house, approved amendments to the constitution specifically saying it is legal for West Germany to join the six-nation European Defense Community and to raise armed forces by drafting men over 18.

Six of the nine states whose ministers compose the Bundestag approved the amendments, giving the necessary two-thirds majority.

The amendments already had been approved by the lower house, the Bundestag. Before becoming law they need the signature of President Theodor Heuss and approval of the three occupying Western Allies.

The important foreign affairs committee of the French National Assembly already has voiced its changes, urging the French high commissioner in Germany to veto them.

The Allies presently are working out a formula to give assurances they will not approve such amendments permitting the rearming of the former enemy country unless France and other countries which still have not done so ratify the EDC.

Belgium completed ratification of the EDC last week and The Netherlands did so in January. France, Italy and Luxembourg still have not taken action.

France's main stumbling bloc to ratification is the powerful opposition on the left and right spurred by inherent French fear of the rebirth of German militarism.

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DELIVERING THE FOOD THIS MORNING was Ray Beeber of Beeber Food Sales and Russ Cotter of Fluhrer's Bakery.

Israel Blames Jordan For Deaths in Border Incident

JERUSALEM (AP)—Israel readied a demand today for United Nations action on the ambush slaying of 11 Jews on a desert bus. The government blamed neighboring Jordan for what it termed an organized attack by armed Arabs from that Middle East country.

Jordan promptly denied any responsibility for the assault, which occurred Wednesday 12 miles from its border at Scorpion Pass in the barren Negev Desert. A spokesman at Amman, the Jordan capital, said his country was ready "politically and militarily to meet any developments that might arise."

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The spokesman said the government intends to place the matter before the United Nations, probably coupling a strong protest with a demand for Security Council action. Israeli diplomats were instructed to hand the Israeli account of the attack to the United States, Britain and France and all other U.N. members.

The new owners will arrive April 1 to complete arrangements for opening the resort to the public. May 1, first day of the fishing season. At present, a caretaker, Dan Pratt, Medford, is in charge.

A long-range improvement program is anticipated by Mr. and Mrs. Stevens. Immediate plans are for remodeling the present lodge building for living quarters, and construction of facilities for a restaurant and store.

Peaceful Use of Atom Power Urged

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States proposed to Russia Friday a concrete plan to further the peaceful development and use of atomic energy.

The plan was handed to Soviet Ambassador Georgi N. Zarubin by Secretary of State Dulles in a five-minute meeting in Dulles office.

A State Department announcement said also that Russia has given the United States "certain proposals" on atomic problems, and that these are under study. Presumably the Soviet proposals are for some kind of international agreement to ban atomic weapons.

The plan given to Zarubin by Dulles is a detailed program for carrying out the proposal President Eisenhower made in an address to the United Nations Dec. 8 for an international atomic pool under a world-wide atomic energy agency.

The basic provisions of the proposal are:

1. That the United States, Russia, and other atomic powers including Britain and France should set up an international atomic energy agency.

2. Each of the powers would make contributions from its stockpiles of uranium and other atomic materials to a pool under this agency.

3. The agency would be responsible for storing and safeguarding this material, preventing surprise seizure by a bandit nation bent upon atomic war.

4. The agency would be authorized to mobilize the world's atomic experts to develop the use of atomic energy for electrical power in power-starved areas of the world and for other peaceful purposes.

Friday's State Department statement recalled that Dulles had discussed "procedural matters" on the atomic problem with Zarubin last January prior to the Berlin Big Four conference, and that he also had two private talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov at Berlin.

"In these talks at Berlin," the announcement said, "it was agreed that the United States government for its part would submit to the Soviet government in writing a concrete plan to further the peaceful development and use of atomic energy."

"This proposal has now been prepared by the United States government in consultation with other friendly governments concerned. A copy of the proposal was handed Friday to the Soviet ambassador by the secretary."

This meant that the atomic talks have definitely moved away from what diplomats call the "procedural" phase into the "substantive" phase.

In short, the United States and Russia are no longer talking about how to negotiate. They are now actually negotiating on the international atomic energy problem.

New Far Eastern Air Commander

TOKYO (AP)—Gen. O. P. Weyland will turn over command of Far East Air Forces to Gen. Earle E. Partridge next Friday, the Air Force announced.

Weyland has commanded FEAF since May, 1951, throughout most of the Korean War.

Partridge led the Korean-based 5th Air Force in the war's early months.

Midwest Hit By Snow, Dust

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Blustery weather with snow, rain and strong winds, hit wide areas of the midcontinent Friday as other parts of the country enjoyed spring-like weather. Dust storms continued to plague the Central Plains.

A late winter snow storm swept over five states, with its heaviest falling nearly a foot in Eastern Wyoming. Snow and high winds were general throughout South Dakota, Western Nebraska, Northwestern Kansas, Northeastern Colorado and Eastern Wyoming.

Friday was the last full day of the winter season but snow or rain and colder weather were predicted for most of the North Central region. The spring season starts at 7:50 P.M. Saturday.

Farmers in Eastern and South-eastern Colorado estimated dust storms caused millions of dollars damage to crops. Winds hit 82 m.p.h. at Cheyenne, Wyo., Thursday. 70 m.p.h. at Colorado Springs, and 56 m.p.h. at Denver.

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Klamath Basin		
POTATO SHIPMENTS		
Shipped Today	Same Day Last Year	
57	87	
Total For Season		
1953-54	1952-53	
9078	9957	

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Mostly cloudy with scattered snow flurries, becoming partly cloudy Friday night and Saturday 43; low Friday night 28.

High yesterday 36
Low last night 25
Precip last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 11.77
Same period last year 10.78
Normal for period 8.93

K.F. to Host A. Angus Sale

Dates for the 8th Annual Pacific Coast Aberdeen Angus Show and Sale have been set for April 4 and 5, at Klamath Falls, according to Alvin Cheyne, state chairman of the sales committee.

Location for the show and sale is the Klamath County Fairgrounds, where the slitting committee will cull out any animals not meeting sale standards, prior to the start of the show.

Showing and judging of the 15 bulls and 22 females to be sold will start at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, April 4.

A banquet will be held at the Willard Hotel starting at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, preceded by a cocktail hour from 6:30 to 7:30.

Breakfast for the ladies on Monday morning has been scheduled for 10 a.m. at the Yacht Club.

Out of state judges and auctioneers will officiate at the show and sale, with Von A. Robbins, Hansen Idaho, doing the judging and a California auctioneer, Charles Adams, doing the selling.

The hydrogen blast showered fishermen's ship, the Lucky Dragon with radioactive particles. The captain said his ship was at least 80 miles east of the blast and 19 miles outside the danger zone set up by the United States.

Teacher Foils Kidnap Plan

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—An attempt to kidnap the son of a prominent Portland realtor ended in gunfire that wounded an instructor at exclusive Catlin-Hillside School here Friday.

The instructor, Manuel Schaffner, was shot when he grappled with a man who had forced a mother and her maid to drive him to the school. The extent of his wound was undetermined, but it was thought not critical. He was taken to a hospital.

Mrs. George F. Brice Jr. said the man, either drunk or drugged, forced her and her maid to drive them to the school.

He went to a play area, which was filled with youngsters just before classes were called, and grabbed at George Brice III, a third-grader, police were told.

Schaffner lunged at the man, described as being between 35-40 years old, who pulled a .32 caliber pistol from his pocket and began shooting. Schaffner was hit and the man fled. No children were hurt.



CHARTER MEMBERS of Elk's Lodge No. 1247 taking part in the Charter Member-Old Timor night Thursday were seated (l to r) Perry O. Delap; Major C. H. Underwood and Wilson Wiley; standing (l to r) Guy Merrill, Bert Hall, Charles Martin, Charles R. Miller and Bill Houston. Present but not pictured were Jack Martin and Fred Houston. Of the 74 original charter members only 14 are left.