

WILSON TELLS SECURITY PLAN

In The Day's News

BY FRANK JENKINS
At Dien Bien Phu, there's a lull. But at Dien Bien Phu, even lulls are rugged. The French sallied forth this morning with tanks followed by infantry and destroyed a series of trenches. The commies were planning to use as a jumping off place for another assault on the little fortress. They killed 60 commies and messed up the trenches.

When the French counter-attack ended, the commies went back to work repairing the damage. There are plenty more where the 60 that got killed came from.

Meanwhile long lines of trucks and coolies with packs on their backs are moving along the roads and trails bringing up food supplies and ammunition from red China.

All-important weather note:
The monsoon rains are increasing but have not yet reached the stage at which they will drown out the fighting.

Why all this excitement over Dien Bien Phu?
The answer is blunt and simple: If the French can STOP THE COMIEES there, we may not have to get into it.

Emperor Hirohito (who is a scientist of sorts in his own right) has asked for samples of the radioactive ash that fell on Japan a month or so ago.

IT IS PRESUMED THAT THIS ASH CAME FROM RUSSIAN ATOMIC TESTS IN SIBERIA.
I have a notion that, everything considered, the Japs would rather take a chance on American improvement of H-bombs and A-bombs than on Russian improvement of the same.

That thought was put quite forcibly the other day when Australian Premier Menzies answered a member of the Australian Labor party who proposed that Australia shall hereafter refuse to provide any URANIUM to the United States.

Menzies replied:
"I am delighted that these hydrogen bomb experiments are BEING CONDUCTED BY OUR FRIENDS AND NOT OUR ENEMIES."

A character by the name of E. Merl Young bobs into the news again. He was the husband of the original milk coat gal, and he apparently looked upon the Reconstruction Finance Corporation bank in those days as a soft touch.

They failed to convict him of looseness in the handling of other people's money, but got him for perjury for swearing that he hadn't when the testimony indicated that he had. He appealed and has been out on bail ever since, but the U.S. circuit court of appeals upheld his conviction this morning.

His sentence was imprisonment for four months to two years, and I expect that by this time he wishes he had taken his medicine and served out his time.

I hope that by the time he serves out his sentence he has come to the conclusion that honesty is the best policy and that smart people can get farther in the world by hard work than by finagling.

And I hope even MORE that the conditions that produced Young and his kind never again arise in our government.

In more ways than there is room here to enumerate, I am glad I live in Oregon, where there is a deep and fundamental belief among our people that honesty in government is one of the most important things in the world.

Park Readied For Visitors
TULELAKE — The Lava Beds National Monument is getting a face lifting this spring. It was announced today by Ray Knox, acting superintendent. Knox has been chief ranger at the monument for the past five years.

The entire area of the monument is open to the public, roads are in good condition. There is no snow and large numbers of deer are still in the area. Plenty of feed has kept them in the lowlands.

Knox suggests however that anyone planning to visit the vacation area, postpone the visit for another 10 days or two weeks until the new markers, in the Captain Jack historical area has been placed. The signs, designed to discourage vandalism will be mounted directly on rocks, adjacent to the various spots of interest. Letters are carved deep in the wood.

The road from the petroglyphs to Newell has been repaired and is in good shape, Knox said. The camp ground has been cleaned and is ready for lunch guests. A number of groups have already scheduled dates for visits to the monument.

A geological field course, being taught by Dr. Elmo Stevenson, president of Southern Oregon College, Ashland, for adults will be held in the park Saturday.

The museum is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each Sunday and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays.

DISCUSSION
TOKYO — Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida, just returned to Tokyo after a month's illness, discussed with his advisers Thursday the merger of his Liberal Party with the Progressive Party.



BANQUET PLANS for the Re-in-ca Club were completed by Pauline Stiemler, club president, and William Fink, adviser and instructor of KUHS radio class. The annual affair will be held Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. at Jen-Ed's.

Foreign Aid Nod May Wait Until After Geneva Talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Republican Leader Knowland said Thursday Congress might withhold a decision on foreign aid until America's allies decide how to respond to Secretary of State Dulles' call for collective action on Southeast Asia.

"If they want to take a new reading based on Geneva," Knowland told newsmen, "the Congress of the United States might determine it will take a new reading based on Geneva and respond to Secretary Dulles' inquiries."

Knowland referred to reports that Britain and France opposed any collective action until after the April 26 conference at Geneva, Switzerland. He said Congress might want to withhold action on foreign aid, particularly to countries which have been "dragging

their feet insofar as EDC is concerned."

This apparently was aimed at France, which has delayed for months taking any action on EDC — the European Defense Community which would include soldiers of France, Germany and four other countries.

Meanwhile, reports circulated that Secretary Dulles probably will make a flying trip to London and Paris in a few days for urgent consultation on the Indochina crisis.

Commenting on the reports, the State Department said: "The possibility of the secretary of state going to London and Paris is being considered. There is no decision as yet. When there is a decision it will be announced."

The reports arose after it became apparent that the American call for a 10-nation coalition to secure Southeast Asia against communism and bolster the anti-Red fight in Indochina had hit a slowdown in Paris and London.

French Ambassador Henri Bonnet conferred with Dulles for 30 minutes Thursday on the American efforts to organize a 10-nation united action program.

Both France and Britain have questioned the aims and methods of the American proposals. Diplomatic informants said that both countries are still exchanging views with the United States.

Bonnet said his meeting with Dulles was on the question of preparations for the Geneva conference — an exchange of views about the discussions which will take place.

In response to questions, he agreed that Indochina problems came up. Both American and foreign diplomats involved in the Indochina negotiations have sought maximum secrecy for their activities.

Two senators spoke Thursday of the sending of U.S. naval and air units into the Indochinese fighting as a possibility and one said, "It looks to me as if we are on the edge of war there."



LATHE WORK was the order of the day for Lloyd Tate and Willis Glidden employed by the Klamath Machinery Company at 445 Spring Street.

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Over 30 Feared Killed In Mid-Air Canadian Collision

MOOSE JAW, Sask. (AP) — A giant air liner and a little military training plane collided over Moose Jaw Thursday and plummeted perhaps 40 persons to death.

The plane crashed in a populated area and set three houses ablaze. Witnesses said the trainer, a single-engine Harvard, smashed into the right wing of the liner, a Trans-Canada North Star, and sheared it off. Both planes fell to earth, the North Star flaming in its death plunge.

Trans-Canada officials in Winnipeg said 38 persons were aboard the North Star, winging westward on the Winnipeg-Calgary leg of a flight from Montreal to Vancouver. These were 29 passengers, five company officials and the crew of four.

One or two persons were aboard the Harvard, a Royal Canadian Air Force craft based at a training station of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization outside this industrial and railroad town of 23,000.

No survivors were reported. The weather was partly cloudy when the planes came together. A south wind was blowing at 20 miles an hour.

Pieces of the air liner flew in all directions when it struck the earth on a golf course. A gas tank bounced away and hit a house, setting it afire. Then two other homes burst into flames. One burned to the ground and the others were badly damaged.

Searchers combed the blackened ruins for a cleaning woman reported missing. However, no one around was known to have been injured.

Bodies of 16 of the victims were recovered. The crash came about 10:15 a. m. (9:15 a. m. PST).

Officials in Moose Jaw identified the North Star as TCA flight No. 8. It was reported en route to Vancouver from Montreal.

The airliner crashed on a golf course, strewn bodies over a wide area. The other crashed into northeastern Moose Jaw. Two houses were reported set on fire.

Gen. Dean On Western Tour
VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — Maj. Gen. William F. Dean, the famous division commander held prisoner by the Communists in Korea, inspected Vancouver Barracks Thursday on a tour of the West Coast.

Dean will speak Thursday night in Seattle before the national conference of Christian and Jews.

He spoke Wednesday night at the annual banquet of Scabbard and Blade, military honor society, at Oregon State College. There he advised 100 ROTC students to pay special attention to three qualities: moral courage, loyalty and human understanding.

There too Dean met an old classmate, Col. S. J. Goodman, who was with Dean in ROTC at the University of California in 1920. Goodman now is commandant of Army ROTC at Oregon State.

Timber Access Opinion Filed
PORTLAND (AP) — An opinion by U. S. Judge James A. Fee was filed Wednesday saying that the government can take possession of a piece of land needed in Douglas County to build a timber access road.

It was a question of easement over property owned by Mr. and Mrs. Guy G. Watts. The case first went into court in January and at that time there was a question whether under the easement wording the Watts and others could use the road.

A government attorney said he thought they could and Fee said he considered it "outrageous for government agent to get up here and testify that in their opinion a lot of things could be done that would not be done."

The easement form was changed to get the approval given in the Wednesday decision.

Tulelake, Butte Area Spud Marketing Plan Discussed
W. J. Kuhrt, chief of the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture for the state of California, met in Tulelake Wednesday with a representative group of potato growers and committeemen from the Butte Valley-Tulelake area to formulate a potato marketing order.

Chairman of the meeting Glen Arthur, informed the group that a recent survey disclosed that the majority of potato growers in the two districts were favorable to establishing such an order.

Kuhrt then outlined to those present the functions of his department in setting up such a marketing agreement. It is the duty of the Department of Agriculture to assist farmers in the project, he said, but in no case does the DOA attempt to influence the policies of such a marketing order.

After considerable roundtable discussion, Kuhrt was instructed to draw up a draft of the proposed order and mail copies to members of the potato committees for study.



MODOC TOASTMASTERS installed new officers for the next six months at a regular breakfast meeting April 6. Standing over the gavel to President Pat O'Giablin, right, is out-going president, Bob Perkins. Dr. Robert Harral takes over as vice-president; Bill Blakeley, secretary-treasurer; Harrell Creasey, education chairman; Cecil Drew, sergeant at arms. Installation ceremonies at 6:30 Tuesday morning at the Willard were conducted by Walt Dalos, deputy governor of the local organization.

School Budget Needs Told

Increased state funds due to higher student enrollments in Klamath County schools, plus cash for timber sales, apportioned to school districts through the county school fund, will hold the 1954-1955 property tax levy at approximately the same level as last year. However the operating budget for the coming year will be higher, according to Carrol B. Howe, county school superintendent.

There is no district indebtedness and taxes are levied as the money is spent. The sum of \$90,000 for buildings will be raised by taxation, which was voted on the serial levy in 1953.

The teacher's salary schedule in county schools will remain unchanged except the cost of living increment, voted in 1953. That has been placed in the schedule. Other salaries remain unchanged. The budget allows for nine additional teachers plus the regular increment on the salary schedule.

It will not be necessary, Howe stated to vote to exceed the six per cent limitation for high school purposes this year, but it will be necessary to vote to exceed the six per cent limitation for the 18 elementary schools in the county. This amount is \$393,930.06, compared to \$407,588.66 voted last year. The district can raise only \$90,000.17 within the six per cent limitation, Howe said.

The budget will be presented to the voters, May 3, 1954. Any registered voter may cast a ballot in his own school district. A majority vote for approval of the budget is necessary.

Weather
FORECAST — Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partly cloudy with scattered light showers. High Friday 56, low Thursday evening 48. High yesterday 54, low 42. Precip last 24 hours 7. Since Oct. 1 12.46. Same period last year 11.65. Normal for period 9.68.

FPC Studies Copco Request
WASHINGTON (AP) — The staff of the Federal Power Commission is studying competing applications of two power companies for a license to construct a hydroelectric project in Shasta and Siskiyou Counties, Calif.

The companies are California Oregon Power Co. and Pacific Gas & Electric Co. No date for a hearing has been set.

In December, 1951, California Oregon applied for a preliminary permit for a project on the McCloud River and Squaw Valley Creek. In April, 1952, PG&E applied for a similar preliminary permit for a project in the same general area.

A preliminary permit, if granted, would establish priority for the successful applicant while it conducts engineering and economic surveys in preparation for seeking a license.

In this case, however, before any commission action on the applications for preliminary permit, California-Oregon applied in January, 1953, for a license for its project. PG&E came in with its competing application for a license on Feb. 8, 1954.



W. J. KUHRT, (center) chief of Bureau of Markets for the state of California, explains potato marketing agreement to chairman of the Tulelake Potato Committee, Glen Arthur (left) and W. L. Clement, (right) spud grower from Macdoel.

New Loyalty Policy For Services

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Defense Wilson Thursday announced a revised security program designed "to clean out and keep out" of the armed forces persons deemed to be security or loyalty risks.

Wilson announced the new directive, and the security-loyalty yardsticks it lays down, at a public hearing before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Its objective, he said, is to provide uniform standards for the Army, Navy and Air Force and "to speed up our procedures for getting such individuals out of the service and for keeping them out."

"I have come here this morning with a single purpose in view," Wilson said in a statement. "It is to give concrete assurance to this committee and to all concerned that the matter of subversives, Communist sympathizers, or other such security risks in the armed forces is being carefully worked out."

NEW DIRECTIVE
The new directive declares a general policy that the Defense Department will assume that acceptance or retention of any member of the armed services is clearly consistent with the interest of national security "unless and until a determination to the contrary is made."

"However," it continues, "when credible information which raises the question of security is received action will be taken to determine whether acceptance or retention is consistent with the interest of national security."

"In no case will any person reasonably believed to have at any time engaged in any of the activities listed . . . be appointed or enlisted in any of the armed services without the approval of the secretary of the armed service concerned."

DRAFTS
In the cases of draftees the directive declares:
1. "Known Communists will not be inducted into the armed services."
2. Inductees who do not "satisfactorily" fill our loyalty questionnaires or whose questionnaires disclose "significant derogatory information . . . will be accepted into the service and retained on non-sensitive assignments in the lowest enlisted pay grade permitted by law, pending completion of a thorough investigation."

The order continues:
"In the event this investigation reveals that further retention would be inconsistent with the interests of national security, he (the inductee) will be separated under other than honorable conditions. Should the investigation disclose insufficient derogatory information to warrant separation in the interest of national security, he will be continued in the service and thereafter appropriately assigned." The character of his ultimate discharge to be determined by his subsequent conduct.

COURT MARTIAL
The directive calls for court martial trial for cases susceptible of such treatment, and administrative handling of other cases. Findings in the administrative proceedings are to be subject to review by the secretary of the armed service in which the man served.

KLAMATH BASIN POTATO SHIPMENTS

Shipped Today	Name Day Last Year
48 cars	12 cars
Total for Season	
10,022 cars	10,801 cars
1953-54	1952-53