

# KOREAN ELECTION PROPOSED

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
What's the big topic of conversation in Washington at this moment in history?  
That one is easily answered—the answer occupies little space in print.  
It's MCCARTHY.  
He holds the center of the spotlight.

The long delayed, long discussed, long anticipated — or dreaded, as the case may be — hearing on the Wisconsin senator's charges against the army got under way yesterday in the marble-walled caucus room of the senate office building, which is the largest room available for the purpose on the hill.  
It was jammed long in advance of the opening hour, and the hall outside was packed with hopefuls who arrived too late but stayed on in the event that somebody might faint and make another place inside.

Its setting was that of a three-ring circus. The principals were seated around three sides of a long table, their backs to the wall and their faces to the crowd. In front of them, at another table, was seated a battalion of reporters. Television cameras ringed them, and radio mikes were spotted everywhere. The popping of camera bulbs sounded like the opening rifle fire of a major military action.

Life in Washington outside the big rooms more or less came to a standstill as people clustered around the TV screens.

In our country we pretend to wish fervently that we might have more HARMONY in our government in these grave days when the destiny of the free world is being hammered out on the anvil of fate.

But Oh Lord, how we LOVE a fight!

I couldn't help being reminded of Sir Gladwyn Jebb's crack of a few days ago about the United Nations sessions with the TV cameras grinding away and everybody consciously, or unconsciously straightening his necktie, smoothing down his hair, putting on a pleasant expression and generally trying to look his best for the benefit of the millions gazing at the screens all over the world.  
"How," Sir Gladwyn remarked, "can the world-engrossing problem of peace in our time be given the serious consideration it deserves when everybody knows that every time he scratches his head it will be seen all over the globe?"

Well, that's the way we of the free world insist that our government shall be conducted. Going back to Woodrow Wilson's phrase we demand "open covenants openly arrived at."  
If this McCarthy hearing had been held behind closed doors, we newspapers would have yelled bloody murder. If the TV cameras had been ruled out, the television people would have kicked up a rumpus whose reverberations would have been heard from Toledo to Timbuctoo.

But, just the same, this hearing in the classically beautiful caucus room of the senate office building parlor far more of the character of a three-ring circus than that of a serious effort to determine who is right and who is wrong in this controversy between McCarthy and those with whom McCarthy disagrees.

Of that I'm flatly certain.  
But, then —  
We have to remember that this is the ELECTION YEAR IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.  
And in election years the way we Americans conduct ourselves has little relationship to plain, ordinary common horse sense. That is unfortunate, but it is the way it is.

## Killers To Face Jury

MEDFORD (AP) — James Norman Jensen, 24, and Donald Verne Chesley, 18, accused of the bludgeoning death of Mrs. Fern Hile, will be brought before a grand jury Wednesday.  
The woman was beaten to death in her bed and her husband, Hugh Hile, was knocked unconscious early Saturday by two men who forced their way into the home and robbed Hile of \$15.  
Chesley, who lived at Coos Bay, a few hours after the slaying gave himself up at a forest patrol station near Prospect, Jensen, who was paroled from San Quentin April 19, was captured in the same area Saturday evening.  
Chesley said that Jensen had killed Mrs. Hile, Dist. Atty. Walter D. Nulty reported. Jensen, however, said he could not remember striking the woman.  
Hile still was in Sacred Heart Hospital here recovering from a head injury he suffered in the attack. His condition was not serious.

STRANGE BIRD (AP) — A swan and a goose became the parents Monday of three little-Sweeties? Gwans? Two have the yellow feathers, beak and legs of young geese. The third has the longer neck and gray coloring of an infant swan. They were hatched at the farm of Mrs. Ida Richardson.



CONGRATULATING SHRINER ELMER BALSIGER (right) on his appointment to the board of directors of the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children in Portland is Don Kenyon (left) chief Rabbi of Hillah Temple. Balsiger has been an active Shriner for many years and is a Rajah in the Temple. Appointment was made because of his interest and participation in activities of the hospital. The annual benefit dance for the hospital will be held this Saturday from 9 to 1 at the Armory, with music by Baldy's Band. The entire proceeds of the dance go to the hospital, helping to make the Klamath Shrine Club of Hillah Temple the heaviest contributor to the hospital.

## Judge Orders Dismissal

A disorderly conduct charge filed against Cruz Esqueta, 26-year-old Mexican laborer, after the county grand jury refused to indict him was dismissed Tuesday by District Judge D. E. Van Vactor.  
The court upheld the contention of Defense Attorney George Proctor that it must be assumed that when the case was before the grand jury that all the facts were investigated and the jury concluded no crime had been committed.  
When it failed to secure an indictment against Esqueta, charging him with assault while being armed with a dangerous weapon, the district attorney's office filed a disorderly conduct charge based on the same fact in district court.  
Judge Van Vactor held that if the district attorney's office wanted to file a lesser charge against the defendant, this should have been revealed to the grand jury.  
Esqueta was accused of firing 20 shots from a rifle into the home of Charles Blair Knight Jr. of Hansen's Landing.  
After announcing his decision, Judge Van Vactor ordered Esqueta's bond of \$200 released.

## Farm Price Bill Defeated

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate defeated Tuesday an effort to extend field government farm price supports on major crops for a year through 1955.  
By a 48-40 vote, it scuttled an amendment to a special wool bill offered by Sen. Ellender (D-La.) and a group of other farm state lawmakers.  
The vote was a victory for the flexible and lower price support plan urged by President Eisenhower and Secretary of Agriculture Benson although not a direct test on the issue.

## Advent Of Monsoon Season Slows Down Indochina War

By LARRY ALLEN  
HANOI, Indochina (AP) — The long-awaited big seasonal monsoon rains hit Dien Bien Phu and all of north Indochina today as French and Vietminh artillery kept up their violent duels across the battered ramparts of the besieged fortress.  
In its usual brief morning communique, the French high command described the situation at Dien Bien Phu as "unchanged" and said there had been no important land fighting in the past 24 hours.  
Since the rebel artillery attack stepped up Sunday, the French have believed a third all-out Vietminh infantry assault on the shrunken fortress defenses might come at any time.  
Many observers expect the monsoons to hamper or halt Vietminh operations and seriously slow transport of the rebels' war supplies from Red China. The French hope this will force their enemy to taper off his efforts to overrun Dien Bien Phu's battered and outnumbered defenders.  
But the advent of the big rains, accompanied by violent lightning and thunderstorms, also retarded the French counterattack. Little seas of mud oozed from the one-time dust bowl's red earth, slowing the French tanks and armored vehicles.  
The heavy clouds and sheets of rain forced the French war planes to taper off their heavy attacks on the rebel legions tightly circling

## Meeting Canceled

On account of rain, there will be no Wiener roast or work meeting at the Klamath Sportsman's Association clubhouse tonight. Members were asked to meet at the new clubhouse at 5:45 tonight for an hour's work to be followed by a Wiener roast. Another date for the meeting will be set as soon as weather permits.

## Charge Filed In Killing

A charge of second degree murder was filed shortly before noon Tuesday against Arthur P. Pigg, 73-year-old night club photographer, accused of slaying Rex Durham, 44-year-old janitor, early Sunday morning.  
The two men were supposed to have been rivals for the affections of Durham's divorced wife, 44-year-old Eulah Durham. City police say Pigg fired three shots at Durham and two of the bullets pierced his heart and lungs.  
The accused killer told investigating officers he shot in self defense. He said Durham rushed into Pigg's house and grabbed his ex-wife and pulled her through the front doorway.  
"I'm going to get you, too — you're a bitch," Pigg quoted Durham as shouting.  
The photographer said he fired one shot into the ground to scare Durham when the janitor started to attack him. When Durham kept coming, Pigg said he fired two more shots.  
Immediately after District Attorney Frank Alderson filed the second degree murder charge, Pigg was arraigned before District Judge D. E. Van Vactor. The court granted him additional time to employ legal counsel and decide whether he wanted a preliminary hearing. Pigg was ordered held in the county jail without bail.

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## McCarthy Hearing Erupts Schine Photograph

WASHINGTON (AP) — Disclosure that a photograph of Secretary of the Army Stevens and Pvt. G. David Schine, provided by the McCarthy camp, was "cropped" from a larger picture stirred a roaring row Tuesday at hearings on the McCarthy-Army dispute.  
Army Counsel Joseph W. Welch called it a "doctored" photograph, a "trick" and "shameful."  
Sen. McCarthy snapped that Welch was "lying."  
Roy Cohn, counsel to McCarthy, was called to the witness chair and acknowledged he had supplied the photograph to Ray H. Jenkins,

## Churchill Hopeful Of Asian Peace

LONDON (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill announced Tuesday Britain will not consider military intervention in Indochina before the wisdom of the Geneva conference. He hinted at hopes the Asian pact will provide a peaceful solution.  
"We have not entered into any new military or political commitments," he told the House of Commons, amid cheers.  
The foreign secretary (Anthony Eden) has, of course, made it clear to his colleagues at Geneva that if settlements are reached there, Her Majesty's government will be ready to play its full part in supporting them in order to promote a stable peace in the Far East.  
The 78-year-old Prime Minister's statement on military action appeared to be a commentary on a projected United States plan, advocated by the United States, against advances of communism in Southeast Asia.  
"Her Majesty's government is not prepared to give any undertakings about United Kingdom military action in Indochina in advance of the results at Geneva," he said.  
The Prime Minister's statement, repeated in the House of Lords, was described by Laborite Leader Earl Jowitt as "a little bit obscure."  
"What it really means I don't know," Jowitt said, "except that the governments at the present time have not made up their minds about what they will do in certain eventualities which they don't know about. We should try at all costs to get a cease fire."  
There were reports in Geneva the British were ready to back the French in seeking an immediate cease fire as a preliminary to negotiations with Ho Chi Minh's Red rebel regime.



LOOKING OVER SOME SAMPLES of merchandise this morning were Holger F. Nelson and Marvin Horton, salesman for Calhoun's, 357 East Main Street.

## Weather Newell Bond Issue Passed

FORECAST — Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partial clearing with scattered showers Tuesday night and Wednesday. High Wednesday 66, low Tuesday night 36.  
High yesterday 63  
Low last night 39  
Precip. last 24 hours 0.17  
Same period last year 11.91  
Normal for period 19.18

## Five Killed In Rail Crash

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) — Five persons were reported killed and 60 injured Tuesday when a German commuter train sideswiped the Scandinavian Express at nearby Hanau.  
German railroad administration headquarters identified three dead — two train crewmen and a woman passenger. All were Germans.  
Witnesses saw two more bodies jammed between the sleeping car and diner of the crack express, which was en route from Rome to Stockholm.  
Fifteen of the injured were reported badly hurt. One was the husband of the identified dead woman. He lost both his legs. Two of the injured were listed as Swiss, the rest as Germans.  
No one aboard the local train was reported hurt.  
Revising an earlier report that the trains crashed head on, officials said the local train had just pulled out of the Hanau station when it smashed into the side of the express at a switch.

## Portland Job List Reported

SALEM (AP) — Employment in the Portland-Vancouver area increased by 1,300 during March, but the average weekly wage of production workers dropped \$1.11 during the month, the Oregon Unemployment Compensation Commission said Tuesday.  
There were 232,400 persons working in non-farm jobs in the four-county metropolitan area, or 5,600 fewer than a year ago.  
The average weekly pay was \$75.95.  
Unemployment was estimated at 28,000, or 8.8 per cent of the labor force. This was 11,000 more than a year ago, but 2,700 fewer than in February.

### KLAMATH BASIN POTATO SHIPMENTS

Shipped Today	Same Day Last Year
51 cars	12 cars
Total for Season	
10,632 cars	11,040 cars
1953-54	1952-53



FROM TRAINER TO SPRAYER, this reconverted Boeing Stearman, now equipped with spraying and dusting equipment, is on its way to Skyway Air Service, Langley Prairie, B.C., Canada, where it will be used to spray crops and timber there and in New Brunswick, Canada. This is the fifth plane converted by Skyway Air Service from a World War II training plane to a crop dusting and spraying plane by Klamath Aircraft Service, owned by Tony Steinbock, left. With him is Francis McNeil, an employee. The planes are converted by changing the engine and installing spraying and dusting equipment in the front cockpit.

## Communists Offer Plan At Geneva

By EDDY GILMORE  
GENEVA (AP) — North Korea proposed Tuesday that Korea be unified by an election to be conducted along lines the West has rejected in the past.  
Nam Il, foreign minister of the Communist regime in North Korea, said the proposal before the 19-nation Geneva conference.  
The proposed election would be conducted similarly to that which Moscow proposed for Germany at the Berlin conference last February.  
The German election plan was rejected by the Western Big Three on the ground it stacked the cards in favor of the Communists.  
Nam Il addressed the conference after his counterpart in South Korea, Pyun Yung Tai, appealed for reunification of the war-ravaged nation. Pyun called for free elections.  
The addresses of the Korean adversaries came amid two developments affecting the other Asian hot spot, Indochina.  
MAIN POINTS  
1. Soviet Russia and France opened discussions of Indochina here Tuesday, but the solidarity of the Western Big Three was weakening over cease fire terms in that country. The United States was reported to oppose any cease fire not backed by certain unspecified guarantees. Britain was believed ready to back France in seeking an immediate cease fire.  
2. Prime Minister Churchill announced Britain does not intend to take any military action in Indochina pending the outcome of the conference here. The British House of Commons cheered as Churchill reported "we have not entered into any new military or political commitments."  
There was a development also in the atomic field.  
Without giving details, American headquarters disclosed Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov had Russian reply to the U.S. note of March 19, 1954, dealing with President Eisenhower's proposal for an atomic pool for peaceful purposes. Molotov and Dulles conferred half an hour at Dulles' office.  
PRIVATE TALKS  
Molotov had a private talk, too, with France's Foreign Minister Georges Bidault. French sources said there appears a good chance for agreement on one Indochina issue—the composition of the proposed conference on Indochina.  
The Korean debate was primarily a general review.  
Nam Il proposed the election of a national assembly in all-Korean elections to constitute a "united, free and democratic Korea."  
To prepare for this election, the North Korean foreign minister said, an electoral commission should be created, composed of representatives of North and South Korea. The assemblies of the two halves of the nation would elect members of this commission to include "representatives of the most important democratic organizations."  
Under the North Korean proposal, all foreign troops would be withdrawn from Korea within six months.  
Pyun proposed that the United Nations supervise Korea elections. He charged that Red China has occupied all North Korea "in an occupation status" and has repudiated terms of the Panmunjon armistice.

## Injured Motorist Commits Suicide

BUFFALO, Okla. (AP) — A 62-year-old motorist, in agony with a broken jaw, shot himself to death shortly after being injured in an automobile collision yesterday.  
The highway patrol said Fred Barnes of Locust Grove stepped out of his damaged auto, placed a .38 caliber pistol in his right temple and fired.

## 'Operation Walkout' Held By Spokane Civil Defense

SPOKANE (AP) — Interest mushroomed in civilian defense here Tuesday in the wake of a mock atom bomb "Operation Walkout," the most elaborate exercise of its kind ever tried in this country.  
Officials said the test, the nation's first attempt at mass evacuation of a metropolitan area, went off far better than they had dared hope.  
The evacuation of thousands of people from the main business district — estimations as to the number of evacuees ran to 19,000 — went on before scores of observers from all parts of the country and a countless local television audience.  
"It exceeded our fondest expectations," said John Lenhart, civil defense director in this city of 175,000.  
The people started to move out of a 10x15 block business area with the sound of a "red alert siren" that blared for three minutes starting at 9:35 a.m. (PST) Monday.  
Despite wind and rain the crowd moved quietly and orderly to the edge of a "fireball perimeter" where buses in a real attack would take them far from the vicinity.  
It was a voluntary exercise but even the most apathetic and cynical were jarred into the mood by the eerie noise of the powerful siren, the clatter of machine guns on roof tops firing blanks, and noisy Fourth-of-July "bombs" that echoed through downtown streets.  
Spokane, which figures it is six hours from Russian bombers, has had only moderate success in civil defense before it got the idea for "Operation Walkout" three months ago.  
"When the plans started to get big and we began to get national attention, it seemed everyone wanted to get on the bandwagon," said Lawrence Espey, assistant director.  
Indications were Tuesday that space on the bandwagon would be at a premium.  
The war-like atmosphere created by Air Force planes overhead, and National Guard troops and tanks in the deserted streets caused observers to recall scenes of wartime Britain. As many as 20,000 persons had been expected to evacuate, but poor weather and the fact that stores stayed closed until the test was over cut down the number.  
Vice Adm. Daniel E. Barbey, director watched the test and said he was highly impressed.  
It proves, he said, that a business district of a metropolitan area can be evacuated within ten minutes, and people started on the way to safety in the country if there is just a brief warning of an A-bomb attack.