

US Civil Defense Tests Held

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
Hot Hum!
(It's that kind of news day again.)

France has a new candidate for premier, Pierre Mendes-France — Pee-AIR MEN-de-FRONG, in case you want to know how he pronounced it.

He's a Radical Socialist — which, in the screwball nomenclature of French parties, means he's a conservative middle-of-the-roader. He thinks the French should make the best possible settlement with the communists and end the Indochina fighting.

He says France should concentrate on building up her military strength in Europe and adds that as premier he would support ratification of the 6-nation European army pact (through which Europe would prepare to do a large share of HER OWN fighting.)

He is a strong advocate of government ECONOMY and cuts in military spending wherever possible.

He doesn't sound too bad, you say?

I should add that it is generally believed he HASN'T A CHANCE of being elected.

The New York Stock Exchange (the world's biggest and most important securities market) RUTHS DOWN for the nation-wide civil defense test that is being held today.

The McCarthy hearing in Washington GOES RIGHT ON.

The New York Stock Exchange represents only BUSINESS — by which the American people make their living. The McCarthy hearing represents POLITICS.

And this is an election year.

A word more on the civil defense tests.

Their assumption is that 41 PRINCIPAL AMERICAN CITIES HAVE BEEN DESTROYED — including New York, which is assumed to have been put out of business by three atom bombs. The purpose of the tests is to provide know-how as to what to do next in such a frightful contingency.

I can offer one conclusion.

If that's what's going to happen in case of an all-out atomic attack, we'd better start DISPERSING OUR INDUSTRY RIGHT NOW — scattering it out all over the country instead of concentrating it in a few big cities that can be destroyed overnight by our enemies.

Vice-president Nixon has just returned to Washington after a brief visit to the West Coast. Between planes in New York, he tells a reporter that it will be a good thing for the country when the army-McCarthy hearings end.

He adds:

"The people, and I may add the senate, ought to be directing their interest to more important business."

Amen!

Among other things, the senate has been so busy with the McCarthy law that it hasn't got around to considering the military public works bill, which contains the authorization and the funds for the new Klamath jet fighter base, which is designed to provide protection against enemy bombers heading for San Francisco on the south or Portland and Seattle to the north.

The house passed the bill some time ago, without a dissenting vote.

Let's close this session with a word on the Atlanta parking lot attendant who got his weight down from 307 pounds to 180 only eight months. He dieted and did daily gymnastics on the grease rack at his service station.

How come?

His fiancée told him it was that or she wouldn't marry him!

The point is that you can do almost ANYTHING if you have sufficient incentive to stick with it. There is the old sure-fire recipe, for example, for getting rich — all you gotta do is work like hell and never spend a cent.

CONFERENCES
LONDON (AP) — Minister of supply Duncan Sandys returned from the United States Monday after conferences with U.S. Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson on problems of guided missiles.

State Civil Defense Test Held

Five planes, carrying hydrogen, atomic and several incendiary bombs theoretically dropped their cargo on Portland this morning and activated civil defense units throughout the state.

The first state-wide warning came at 6:55 a.m. The Klamath Falls control center was activated at 8:03, with all civil defense personnel on hand. At 8:10 came the red alert, meaning danger was forthcoming, and at 8:30 bombs were dropped and warnings sent to all county civil defense departments.

In the interim between the first warning and the all clear at 10 a.m., the local civil defense unit responded to the call for help from Oregon City, Klamath's staging area.

Klamath was asked to send 104 policemen but could send only 50, indicative of the need for more volunteer emergency policemen.

Both engineering rescue teams requested were available; all five fire apparatuses were sent and will be there by 9:30 tonight; two welfare teams, with 42 on each team, were dispatched. One public health unit was sent; seven mobile first aid teams were requested but only five were available; only one of the two mobile emergency hospital teams was available due to the lack of nurses and nurses aids.

The air search and rescue unit sent 21 aircraft to take civil defense personnel to Oregon City.

Locally, water was poisoned, one big sewage main on Walnut Street was blown up; heat to Klamath Valley Hospital was cut off by sabotage; Fremont and Link River bridges were sabotaged; Copco requested repair units for damage done in the Portland area.

The gas main on Main Street was blown up; the main trunk telephone line went out at Chemult.

"All in all," Joe LaClair, Klamath County Civil Defense director, said, "the alert went off well and the some 3,000 volunteer workers responded."

He stated that there is, however, a need for a new control center. Short wave equipment during the alert was manned by George Conner and his staff; transportation to Portland was provided by city and county school buses and the air search and rescue unit.

McCarthy Aide Scores Army

WASHINGTON (AP) — Francis P. Carr testified Monday Army officials repeatedly linked talk of special Army treatment for Pvt. G. David Schine with efforts to stop Sen. McCarthy's investigation of Reds in the Army, then turned to speaking of Schine as a "hostage."

The chubby chief of staff for McCarthy's Investigations Subcommittee named Secretary of the Army Stevens as having engaged in talk of preferential treatment for Schine.

But he said only Army counselor John G. Adams, to his knowledge, spoke of Schine as a "hostage."

SABOTAGE
HONG KONG (AP) — A fresh wave of sabotage in South China, coinciding with a tightening of Communist control was reported by independent Chinese newspapers in Kone Kong Monday.

One account said that North Kwangtung guerrillas blew up a generator on May 12 and put the power plant at Kukong out of action for two days.



A ROYAL VISITOR, HAILE SELASSIE (left), emperor of Ethiopia, drew a crowd of more than 200 when he stopped in Klamath Falls Sunday morning en route from Seattle to California on a tour of the United States. Although the emperor had not planned to make a personal appearance here, he did sign autographs from the rear platform of the SP train, the Klamath, during the last few minutes it was in the station. Shown with him are his aide-de-camp (center) and the Southern Pacific official who arranged the tour. — Photo by Fred Lawrence

Dairy Support Raise Backed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Agriculture Committee voted Monday to raise the dairy support price from 75 to 80 per cent of parity between next Sept. 1 and April 1, 1955.

Agriculture Department sources said the effect would be to raise retail butter prices by about 3 cents a pound and cheese by 1 1/2 to 2 cents.

By a 22 to 8 vote, the committee decided to vote this mandatory 80 per cent parity support level for butter and other dairy products into the omnibus farm bill it will present to the House in a week or so.

Rodeo Contest Held Sunday

Elimination contests at the fairgrounds Sunday afternoon whittled the field of rodeo queen aspirants to seven finalists — Beverly Scott, Malin; Donna Anderson Stover, Tulake; Joan Reimuller, Merrill; Darlene Wineberger, Mt. Hebron, California; Lis Sexton, Bonanza; Marcia Wilson, Fort Klamath; Nancy Century, Chiloquin.

John Reimuller originally entered from Tulake but has since switched to be a representative from Merrill, her mailing address.

Alice Graves, Langell Valley, and Betty Scala, Midland, were eliminated in the horsemanship trials. Sharon Evans was disqualified before the contest.

The girls were judged 60 points on horsemanship in a contest made more difficult by a wet arena. The remaining 40 points — 20 on poise and 20 on personality — will be judged at the elimination ball this Friday evening when one of the seven will be crowned queen of the 1954 Klamath Basin Roundup.

As a part of the contest program Sunday, several races were run for the entertainment of the capacity crowd which filled the grandstand and overflowed into the bleachers to watch the show.

Winners of the races follow:

Package race: first, Billy Stevenson; second, Billy Liskey; third, Duane Evans. Recue race: first, Duane Blackman and Freddy Beymer.

Parade of stallions: first, Ed Williams; second, Keith Moon; third, Bill Stevenson. Palomino class: first, Keith Moon; second, Ed Williams; third, Loretta Stevens.

Junior class: first, Billy Stevenson; second, Monte Dehlinger; third, Mickey Granas. Pleasure horse parade: first, Charlie Reed; second, Ed Williams; third, Elmer Balsiger.

Stick race: first, Mitchell team. Best reined cowhorse: first, Monte Dehlinger; second, Hazel Delmater; third, Pat McAuliffe.

FOR THE WEEK
Klamath Falls and vicinity partly cloudy through Tuesday. Low Monday night 44; high Tuesday 67.

Low last night 38
High yesterday 58
Precip. last 24 hours .7
Since Oct. 1 14.19
Same period last year 14.82
Normal for period 11.67

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He also is a staunch advocate of cuts in military spending and government economy as a way to get the nation back on her financial feet. He insists that only after France has a healthy economy can she make her full contribution to Western defense.

In seeking Assembly confirmation as premier last year, Mendes-France said he would support the European Defense Community Treaty. French ratification of the pact, which would rearm West Germans in a six-nation army, has been stymied by heavy opposition from many quarters in the Assembly.

Until confirmation of a new government, Laniel and his ministers run their departments on a caretaker basis.

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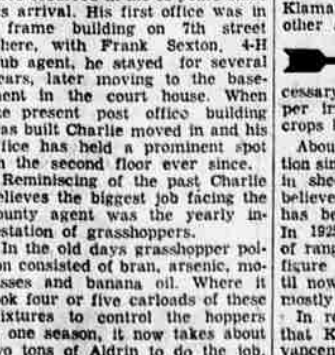
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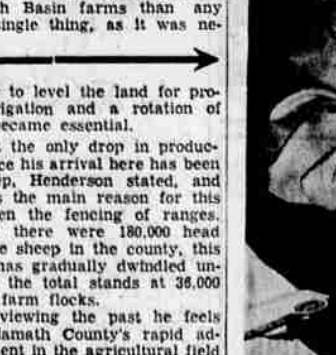
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About 500 acres of potatoes were harvested in 1923 and though the yield was not good, farmers were

encouraged by the quality. The following year a carload of certified seed was purchased from Umatilla county and from this the Klamath Russet has developed.

Hannchen barley was also introduced in the valley in 1924 when two tons of certified seed was brought from a farmer named Absher, at Albany, Oregon.

The gross income on grain in 1923 was \$600,000 — in 1947, the biggest crop year on record, gross receipts on grain was \$13,335,882 mostly from Hannchen barley.

Average yields on potatoes in 1925, the first year exact figures were kept, was 101.4 bushels per acre — in 1950 average yields were 504.5 bushels.

Henderson is of the opinion that the growing of potatoes has done more toward improvement of Klamath Basin farms than any other single thing, as it was necessary to level the land for proper irrigation and a rotation of crops became essential.

About the only drop in production since his arrival here has been in sheep, Henderson stated, and believes the main reason for this has been the fencing of ranges. In 1925 there were 180,000 head of range sheep in the county, this figure has gradually dwindled until now the total stands at 35,000 mostly farm flocks.

In reviewing the past he feels that Klamath County's rapid advancement in the agricultural field was because farmers and stockmen felt keenly the need to constantly improve the quality of their crops and stock.

Nowhere in the West can you find such beautiful homes and well kept farms as right here in Klamath county, Charlie concluded.

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