

# BRITISH ASIA PLAN REJECTED

## In The Day's News

**By FRANK JENKINS**  
Over in Germany, a gang of crooks is said to be cracking U.S. army safes at the rate of about four per month. The army's European headquarters at Heidelberg confirms the report, and adds that "security measures have been tightened."

It doesn't look too good—especially to us taxpayers who put up the army's dough. Maybe we'd better call in the German cops for protection.

The cops, however, are having THEIR troubles. Up at Hood River, for example, where two men have been arrested and charged with selling fire to a garage in order to divert police attention from a tavern where there was a safe the yeggs wanted.

The flames from the garage reddened the sky. The policemen, along with everybody else, ran to the fire. The burglars backed a truck up to the tavern, loaded in the safe, hauled it 15 miles out of town, cracked it open and took the \$1,000 it contained.

At last accounts, they were being chased through the hills with bloodhounds.

In Florida—where they use convict labor to build highways—three men escaped from a road gang last night. They called the sheriff and the sheriff brought his bloodhounds and sicked him on the trail and the long night hours passed and the hound failed to come back and the sheriff was getting terribly low in his mind because down in that part of our country the loss of a hound is in the same category as the loss of a member of one's family.

Just as he was breaking down and beginning to cry pitifully, there was a rustling in the brush and one of the escaped convicts came out leading the lost bloodhound with a rope. "Here's your dawg, Mister," he said to the sheriff, and headed for the cookhouse to get him some breakfast.

All's well that ends well.

In New York this morning, Guatemala asks for a meeting of the United Nations security council to discuss what the Guatemalan delegate called INTENSE AIR ATTACKS ON OPEN CITIES IN GUATEMALA.

This being the seventh day of the alleged war, there is a sign of a major battle shaping up anywhere yet, the delegate was asked to specify where all the shooting was that he was complaining about.

He replied in effect that OH, THERE HADN'T BEEN ANY YET, but that he wants to complain about it bitterly when it does start.

In London, the disarmament committee of the United Nations has been talking shop for the past several weeks.

The Russians are red hot for a ban on ALL atom weapons. Our boys offered an immediate ban on all atomic weapons EXCEPT WHEN THEY ARE USED AGAINST AGGRESSORS.

No dice, the Russians said. So our boys hollered for a freeze on total military power—especially ground troops, and their weapons, of which the Russians have vastly more divisions than all of our side put together.

No dice, the Russians said again.

It took 20 meetings to get the U.N. disarmament committee discussions to that point.

There are very, very many very, very pleasant places in London to hold meetings. Sometimes wonder what would happen if we held these diplomatic sessions in a tent instead of in the luxury hotels of the world's most attractive cities.

# Gerald and News

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## Vietminh, French Hold Secret Talk

**By EDDY GILMORE**  
GENEVA (AP)—The French have started secret talks with Vietminh foreign minister Pham Van Dong. An informed source said Thursday chances of settling the Indochina war now seem "reasonably good."

The direct talks between the two warring elements were arranged at Geneva by a third party, this source said. He made the hopeful estimate on the basis, also, of Wednesday parley between French Premier Pierre Mendes-France and Red China's Premier Chou En-Lai in Bern.

Chou took off Thursday morning for New Delhi and a meeting with Indian Prime Minister Nehru. He intimated he would return to Geneva to complete the Indochinese peace talks. Chou and Mendes-France expressed belief jointly Wednesday that their meeting will permit the Geneva conference "to make progress."

Jean Chauvel, French ambassador to Bern and now head of his country's delegation to the Geneva talks, met with Dong on instructions from Mendes-France.

Thursday's closed session on Indochina was postponed until Friday. Talks between the military representatives of the French-Lao command on one side and the Vietminh on the other were reported ready to begin.

Chou left Geneva in a special Indian plane.

Intimating he would return to the Geneva parley, Chou in a brief farewell statement said he was leaving "for the time being."

The conference, he added, is "still in progress" and the world's "peace-loving peoples hope our work will lead to the eventual establishment of peace in Indochina."

Chou made no mention of his two-hour meeting in Bern yesterday with France's new Premier, Foreign Minister, Pierre Mendes-France. But both men after their talks issued brief statements saying they believed the delegates at Geneva would make progress toward an armistice as a result of their meeting.

## Eisenhower Signs O&C Timber Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower Thursday signed legislation ending a decade-long, inter-departmental dispute over jurisdiction of 402,000 acres of Western Oregon timber land.

The action set in motion machinery to distribute to 18 Western Oregon counties approximately 7 million dollars in timber sale receipts impounded pending settlement of the controversy.

The land in question has been claimed by both the Forest Service and the Department of Interior's Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The latter agency has contended the acreage is properly part of the grant Congress gave the Oregon and California Railroad in 1867 later withdrawn, and subsequently set up under BLM for the benefit of the 18 counties.

Under terms of the bill, proposed by Sen. Gordon and Rep. Ellsworth, Oregon Republicans, and signed by the President Thursday, administration of the land remains with the Forest Service. Timber sale receipts, however, will be distributed in accordance with the special O&C formula enacted by Congress in 1937.

The O&C formula provides that the 18 counties receive 75 per cent of the receipts rather than the 25 per cent which would accrue under normal forest service practice.

Insofar as the distribution of receipts is concerned the bill legislatively confirms a recent decision of the U. S. Court of Appeals in a case brought against the secretaries of Agriculture and Interior by Clackamas County.

The court's decision, however, did not specifically rule on the question of administration.

## Moose State Leaders Told

A Chiloquin man, Roger W. Wright, was named president of the Oregon State Moose at their convention here last weekend, it was announced today.

Other officers include: Al Goodman, 56 and 6, past president; Leonard Earle, Astoria, vice president district one; Lou Nadsen, Eugene, vice president district two; Jim Addcox, Roseburg, vice president district three and Clifford Briggs, Bend, vice president district four.

A crowd of over 2000 members attended the convention here to take part in the many festivities and activities.

The committee chairman currently serving will remain in office.

## West Strike Grows Despite Some Settlements

**By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**  
Another 3,000 or more sawmill workers Thursday joined the Pacific Northwest lumber strike which since Monday has struck the industry in near paralysis.

Somewhere between 55,000 and 103,000 workers were on strike chiefly in Oregon, Washington and California—by Monday. Employers said the lesser figure was "correct" and gave the larger.

Since then, the strike has grown, although there have been some off-setting settlements. Just as on the chief issue—a union demand for 1/2 cent an hour more pay—there was disagreement about the settlements.

The AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union (LSWU) said at least 85 small operators in Western Oregon and Washington had made approved pay increase offers and 6,000 men had been told to return to work. Several thousand, the union said, also had returned in California among the 22,000 involved in the strike there after getting acceptable offers. Some of these are believed to be as low as 5 cents, a figure which the union said Wednesday night was no longer high enough.

The CIO International Woodworkers of America (IWA) said it had approved a number of settlements for the full 12 1/2 cents covering several hundred men.

Both unions, working together for the first time since the CIO split from the AFL in 1937, assailed statements by Walter Durham Jr., spokesman for a group of major employers in the Douglas fir belt. Durham, who said union-approved settlements were subject to automatic reconsideration once the major plants settle, called them "sweetheart" deals which were misleading. Legitimate no-increase contracts, he said, have been signed to put some 7,000 workers back on the job.

Durham said, too, there would be no peace talks until after July 4. If then, he said employers were going to remain firm in their position that no cost increases be approved.

Kenneth Davis, executive secretary for the Northwestern Council, LSWU, said this attitude had stiffened the unions and ruled out lower-price settlements. He said, too, that some employers were fearful of making settlements "because of reprisals" from other employers.

While this exchange of statements went on, 25 mills in the lower Columbia River area including four in Portland, failed to reach agreement with the LSWU. Some 3,000 of their 4,500 workers walked out. James M. Whallon, union secretary, said the other 1,500 had received offers they were considering and would either settle or walk out shortly.

The base minimum wage now varies but is about \$1.85 an hour.

## Guatemalan Fighting Said Minor

**By SAM SUMMERLIN**  
TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP)—The Guatemalan War entered its seventh day today with most of the fighting still apparently raging over the propaganda airwaves and in the economic arena. There was no indication of a major battle shaping up anywhere.

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4. The OAS's Inter-American Peace Commission, meeting in Washington, referred to Guatemala a proposal by Honduras and Nicaragua that the five-nation body make an on-the-spot investigation of charges by the A-benz government that the two neighboring republics supported "aggression" against Guatemala. Commission Chairman Luis Quintanilla of Mexico said he hoped the Guatemalan government would accept this "generous offer" promptly.

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## 'Pirates' To Visit Klamath

Cutlasses and eye-patches will be all over the town tomorrow with the arrival by planes of 12 Coos Bay Pirates who are flying around the state in the interest of the state American Legion Convention to be held this summer in their home town.

The group will lunch at noon at Medford and proceed immediately to Klamath Falls, arriving at the Klamath Falls airport about 2:30 p.m. They will be put aboard two International station wagons, courtesy of Juckland Motors, for the ride to the courthouse, via East Main and Main Streets.

After arriving at their destination they will act like all pirates and will initiate Mayor Paul Landry. The story isn't verified but there's a rumor there may be a gangplank.

In return, the visitors will get "the works" on the coming Klamath Basin Roundup, July 3-4-5.

Drivers in the motorcade will be Klamaith Kurbstone Kowpokes Jack Rockwell and Jess House.

## Last Chance

There is still a lot of last minute work to do at Camp Esther Applegate. The tent frames have to be erected and final touches put on. Next Sunday will be the last day. All those interested, and particularly the fathers of girls attending the camp, are urged to be at the camp at 9 o'clock Sunday morning to help. Bring a hammer, saw and a level if you have one. Those who do not have transportation should call Jack Murphy at 4322.

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## Weather

**FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity. Fair, though Friday. High Friday 85; low Thursday night 50.**

High yesterday 91  
Low last night 53  
Precip. last 24 hours 0  
Since Oct. 1 14.19  
Same period last year 14.82  
Normal for period 11.95

## Weather Helps Crop Condition

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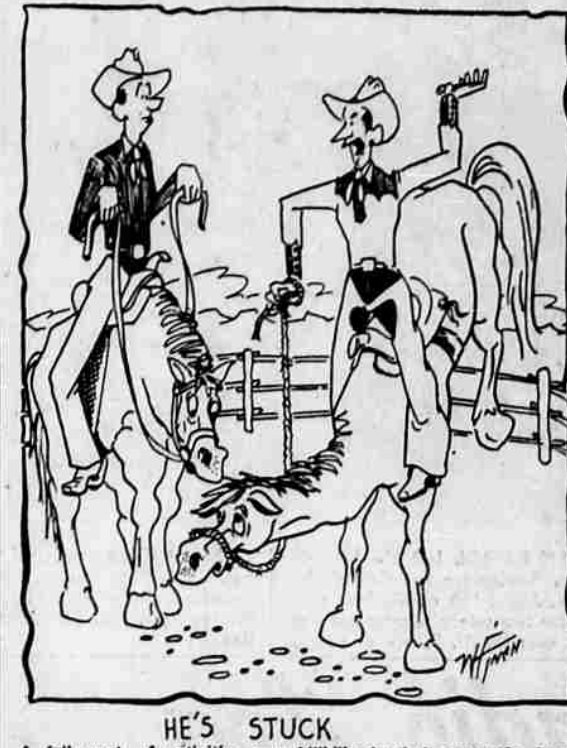
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## Rodeo Calendar



A full week of activities connected with the annual Klamath Basin Roundup have been planned by the Klamath Kurbstone Kowpokes, the merchants' booster organization, with next Monday as the kickoff date.

The queen and her court will be in evidence along Main Street, as will the pony which is to be given away. A balloon release, each balloon containing a merchandise order, will be staged Monday from the top of the Medical-Dental building.

Ribbons, each one boosting the rodeo, will be sold. A cow milking contest between Basin mayors, a hillbilly band to serenade downtown and many other highlights are set for the week.

Tickets for the big show on July 3-4-5 are on sale at rodeo headquarters in the chamber of commerce building, 323 Main. Last reports indicate a brisk sale and those wishing reserved seats are advised to get their order in early.

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## Solon Sees Asia 'Munich'

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Knowland (R-Calif.) said Thursday French Premier Mendes-France and Premier Chou En-Lai of Communist China "are prepared to negotiate a Far Eastern Munich."

China at the very least will demand "all of the Tonkin Delta" in Viet Nam, Knowland said, adding:

"This... is going to be a tremendous victory for communism in Asia."

"The psychological and military advantage from any such settlement will make it almost certain that the balance of Viet Nam will fall like a ripe plum."

Knowland said the Western allies might get "hip service" promises from the Communists that Laos and Cambodia, the two other associated states of Indochina, will remain independent. But any "settlement," he said, will leave these two nations "disarmed and helpless."

## Kiddies Parade

Kiddies Parade: Saturday, June 26.

Any pet, vehicle or costume will be eligible for a prize.

Prizes, free theater tickets, free ice cream.

Register at Balsiger lot, 9 a.m.

Parade starts at 11.

Parade route down Main Street.

Grand prize for best entry, a puppy.

## HST Continues To Improve

KANSAS CITY (AP)—Harry S. Truman continued to show progress in recovering from an emergency operation but his doctor declined to estimate how much longer the 70-year-old former President will remain in the hospital.

Dr. Wallace Graham said last night that normally a post-operative patient would be in the hospital 10 days. Truman's gall bladder and appendix were removed last Sunday.

## BASEBALL SCORES

NATIONAL	
Milwaukee	610 000 000—1 4 0
New York	620 000 000—2 4 0
Spain and Crandall; Little and Westrum.	
Cincinnati	040 000 020—6 8 0
Brooklyn	212 002 11x—9 12 0
Drews, Picone (3), Judson (8) and Bailey; Meyer, Fallica (3), Hughes (8) and Campanella.	



**ENJOYING THE SUMMER HEAT** as fine weather finally arrived in Klamath Falls were Stacy, Sallice and Stanley Jones. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Glen D. Jones, 821 Mt. Whitney Street.

## Klamath-Deschutes Potato Promotion Program Slated

The Klamath-Deschutes Potato Promotion Council was the new name selected for the six-man joint advertising committee at a potato promotion meeting held in Klamath Falls Wednesday afternoon.

Members of this group include: H. W. Steelhammer and Orvall Buckner, representing the Deschutes area; Troy Qualls and Louis Lyon, Klamath Falls, and Glen Arthur and Wendel Schey, who are serving as pro tem members from Tullake, pending final action on that district's proposed marketing order.

Other officials at the meeting included: Dudley Sitton, Norman Weigand and Elmer Lemler, members of an advisory group to the potato commission; John Degnan, committee adviser representing the Klamath growers and Ben Davidson, administrator of the Oregon Potato Commission.

A tentative program and budget for the 1954-55 potato advertising promotion program was presented by Milton E. Poland, manager of the Portland office of Pacific National Advertising Agency, the firm selected to handle the promotion campaign.

In outlining the program Poland stated, "This program is not a gimmick and will not settle all selling problems in one season, but it will go a long way toward developing and stabilizing potato markets which rightfully belong to growers in the Klamath Falls, Tullake and Deschutes areas."

The program is designed to reach four important groups who determine the success of a potato selling program:

1. Wholesale and distributive trade.
2. The retail grocery trade.
3. Home economists, newspaper and radio station food editors.
4. Consumers.

Each part of this four-part campaign is actually a specialized campaign in itself, Poland asserted, it is designed to do the most effective job of reaching and selling these individual groups. A continuous advertising program will convince them that Klamath-Deschutes Russets have the promotion to back up a broadened distribution pattern and that these potatoes are on the market to stay.

The grocery trade will be told the potato story through direct contact with field representatives, through mailings to selected volume outlets, and through point-of-sale material and newspaper tie-ins.

Three field representatives will be

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**S. G. SCHWARTZ**, left, new regional operations office manager at Portland, arrived by UAL Wednesday to speak at the Oregon State Postmaster Association convention banquet. He was met by **Chet Langlet**, center, Klamath Falls postmaster, and **Paul D. Bentley**, inspector in charge, Seattle, who was also on the Wednesday program.