

Gigantic Convention Parade Planned By Legionnaires

WASHINGTON (AP)—The American Legion aimed its mammoth convention parade — its biggest ever — close to it — down historic Pennsylvania Avenue today.

When it would end was anybody's guess.

Right up to the first "forward march" at 2 p.m., officials acknowledged they did not know how long the marchers would be stopping by. But, they predicted, it would be far into the night.

And they had plenty of advance statistics on the swirling mass of drum majorettes, legionnaires, ladies' auxiliary members and the fun-loving 40-and-8ers:

Some 75,000 to 80,000 parading for 8, maybe 12, hours to the music of about 350 bands. Along the route perhaps as many as 700,000 spectators, some of them government workers given the afternoon off. That would be bigger than the 65,000 or so marchers at the St. Louis legion convention last year, bigger even than the record 70,000-plus at New York in 1947.

Ten parade divisions, each with its own marshal, made up of marchers, bands and floats from the 48 states, District of Columbia and abroad.

A hundred square blocks marked off on Capitol Hill for the parade's formation area, big enough to handle 100,000 marchers, and a dispersal area of 35 square blocks near Lincoln Memorial.

Legion officials said the parade would go on regardless of weather. Last night legion banquets heard Mme. Chiang Kai-shek tell of China's Communist enslavement and Soviet Russia's actions toward her country since as far back as 1926.

The wife of Nationalist China's leader brought a sympathetic audience to its feet in applause when she said in measured words:

"Conquerors have come and conquerors have gone, but our way of life has withstood them and will continue to withstand the present brutal masters."

"We Chinese will not be slaves long. This I promise you . . . for there are countless living and determined heroes on the mainland as well as on Formosa."

Mme. Chiang's speech was her-

first public appearance since coming to the United States for medical treatment several months ago.

Also last night the legion was on the receiving end of protests from two other organizations, the American Medical Assn. and Americans for Democratic Action.

The AMA hit back at what it called an "attack" by Legion National Commander Arthur J. Connell on the AMA's "stand against the admittance of non-service-connected cases to veterans hospitals."

The doctors' group issued a statement saying that Americans "did not follow the colors to become wards of the government."

Connell had accused AMA last week of conducting an "anti-veteran crusade" and declared the legion will continue its fight to get beds in federal institutions for ill veterans who can't afford hospital bills.

ADA, which calls itself a liberal political action group dedicated to the principles of the New and "Fair" Deals, protested as "scurrilous back-fence art" a painting displayed in the legion's National Security Room.

ADA National Director Edward D. Hollander said the painting reportedly portrayed the ADA, former President Truman, the British Empire, labor unions and the lend-lease program as aiding Communists.

There was no immediate comment from the legion, but it was learned the painting was removed.



AFTER A SUMMER'S VACATION in Alaska, Ginger and Jimmie Vaden were all smiles as they landed at the airport Wednesday after flying home from Anchorage. Ginger will be a freshman at KUHS and her brother will attend Fremont Junior High this fall. They reside at 2240 Applegate with their mother, Gloria Morris.



THIS LITTLE PIG WENT TO Crater Lake Machinery Co., in bidding at the 4-H Club, FFA livestock show sale August 24. The Berkshire market hog, "Marilyn Monroe," was judged grand champion market hog of the show. Exhibitor was Carol Alberts, (left) Langell Valley, pictured here with Joanne (center) and Mary Ellen Miller, whose daddy, Stanley, did the bidding for the machinery company. The hog sold for \$1.70 per pound, a total of \$357.

French Defeat Of EDC Plan Shocks German Government

BONN, Germany (AP)—West German government leaders, shocked by the defeat of the European army project, plunged into special conferences Tuesday to consider new foreign policy moves.

Acting Chancellor Franz Blucher met in Bonn with the federal cabinet.

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, vacationing in the Black Forest, conferred with his top foreign policy advisers and with an official from the German embassy in Paris.

Government officials said the 70-year-old chancellor had no present plans to break off his vacation despite the crisis facing his European unity program.

He called his ministers to meet with him Wednesday at his mountain-top hotel, the Buehlerhoehe. His Christian Democratic Party, dominating the government coalition, issued a statement saying

Jury Returns 545 Charges

PHENIX CITY, Ala. (AP)—Masters of the gambling empire faced the grim prospect of prison Tuesday as a grand jury which has already returned 545 indictments turned its vice hunt in a new direction.

The jury, concentrating first on gambling, handed down indictments against 59 individuals Monday and then went back to work immediately to broaden its rackets investigation into other fields.

The jurors plan to consider election frauds, charges of corruption in public office, organized prostitution, B-girl rackets and perhaps even what National Guard investigators have called a "flourishing" abortion ring.

Four of the big gambling lords were indicted Monday, including three members of the family of Godwin Davis Sr., who has long been identified as the boss of a \$15,000 a day lottery syndicate.

Another defendant was the foreman of a recent grand jury which found no evidence of gambling in Phenix City, C. W. Franklin who signed that jury report last spring, was indicted on 25 counts of operating a lottery and one charge of possessing gambling equipment. His bond was fixed at \$13,250.

RED TOUR — The British Labor Party delegation led by former Prime Minister Clement Attlee landed in Canton Tuesday afternoon on its tour of Red China, Peiping Radio reported.

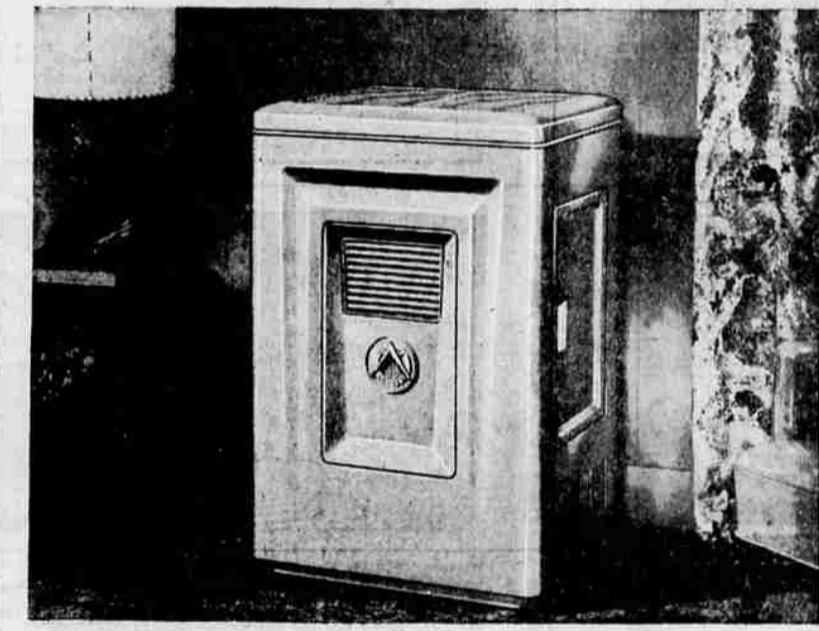
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DEFENSE TALKS
 LONDON (AP)—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden will send a deputy to the Southeast Asian defense talks in Manila and stay home to deal personally with the new crisis arising over French rejection of the European Defense Community.

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