

Red Scribes Tour New York

NEW YORK (AP)—Six touring newsmen from Russia ventured down to Wall Street yesterday to see at first hand what Soviet newspapers have long viewed as a place of very sinister influence indeed.

They came away saying they had had a very nice time.

Keith Funston, president of the New York Stock Exchange, met the group and explained how the U.S. economy operates to provide the average \$15,700 of capital investment for tools and equipment used by each of the nation's millions of workers.

One of the visitors wanted to know why the United States has not learned to control the business cycle, Funston replied that a free economy, where prices adjust on an open market, has advantages that outweigh any disadvantages from slumps.

U.S. Supports Philippines

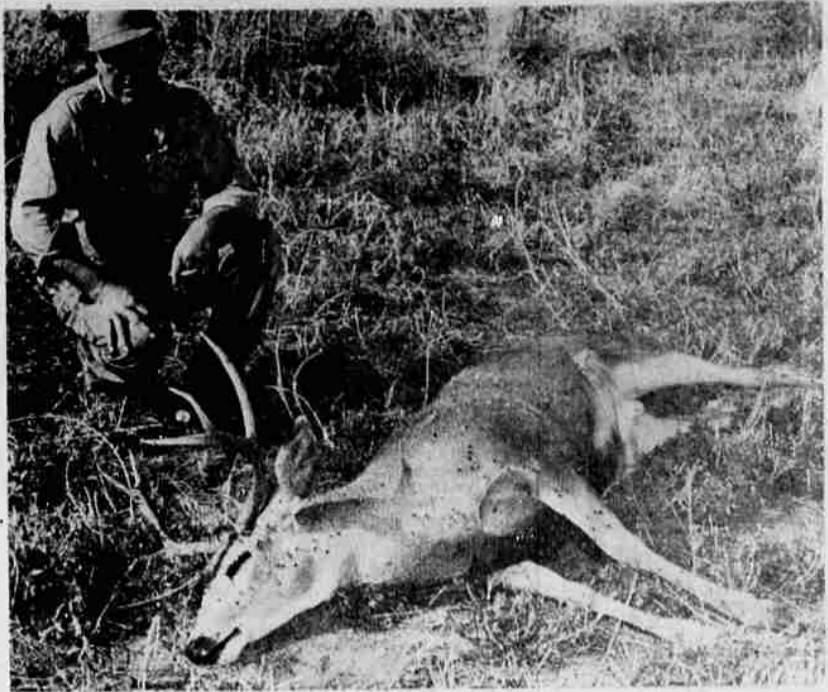
UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—The United States pressed to rally wavering support today for the Philippines in renewed balloting for a disputed U.N. Security Council seat. But diplomats felt there was almost no chance of bearing Yugoslavia, now backed by both Britain and Russia.

With the United States staking its prestige on a Philippine victory, the Asian country's veteran delegate, Brig. Gen. Carlos P. Romulo, voted he would stay in the fight until the end.

U.N. circles felt Romulo's chances faded after Britain passed word she was openly supporting Yugoslavia. A British spokesman denied reports his delegation was openly campaigning for Belgrade, but several diplomats said they had been approached.

The Russians switched support to Yugoslavia last Friday when their original candidate, Poland, failed to win the required two-thirds majority after four ballots in the 60-nation Assembly.

The Yugoslavs quickly narrowed the Philippines' lead and on the sixth and final ballot yesterday the vote stood 29 for the Philippines and 28 for Yugoslavia.



FIVE SLAUGHTERED DEER were found over the weekend on the Harold Dehlinger ranch in the Crystal Springs area. The deer, reportedly killed by spotlighting hunters at night were left in the fields of the ranch. Oregon game laws provide stiff penalties for violations of this type, it was pointed out.

Wilson Plans Payroll Cut

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Defense Department hopes normal turnover among its civilian workers will help it meet a goal to shave 68,000 civilians from its payroll without resorting to layoffs.

Secretary Charles E. Wilson told a news conference yesterday that he counts on a cut in the civilian work force to play the major part in a drive to save half a billion dollars and hold defense spending within 3 1/2 billions this year.

The expected reductions in the civilian payroll were outlined in a new memorandum providing "guidelines" for efficiency.

Wilson emphasized that no big-scale layoffs of civilian employees is planned.

The secretary said most of the reduction would result from "attrition"—the normal turnover caused by workers reaching mandatory retirement age, resigning, leaving because of ill health or dying. By the simple procedure of not replacing these, the present civilian employe payroll of about 1,154,000 could be cut.

The 68,000 reduction between now and next June 30 was estimated from percentage figures in Wilson's memorandum. This proposed, as a "target" goal, that the number of workers be reduced 2 per cent by next Dec. 31, another 2 per cent by March 31 and still

another 2 per cent by June 30, the end of the fiscal year.

Wilson made it plain the economy drive will not result in new reductions of military personnel.

To a question, Wilson said he expected the Army would be able to retain 18 or 19 of its present 20 divisions despite a cut in Army funds for the current year. When Congress earlier this year approved reducing Army manpower, there were plans to trim Army unit strength to 17 divisions.

Reds Announce General's Death

LONDON (AP)—The Kremlin, breaking a decade of silence, has disclosed the death in a Soviet jail of Gen. Leopold Okulicki, a top commander in the Polish wartime resistance against the Nazis.

Polish exile sources said Wednesday the Soviet Red Cross last Friday notified the general's widow, who lives in London, that her husband died of natural causes in a Moscow jail on Christmas Eve, 1946.

Newsmen Fear Ike's Illness May Scuttle Capitol Press Conference

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WASHINGTON (UP)—Newsmen fear President Eisenhower's illness may scuttle the White House press conference system.

Radio, television, magazine and newspaper reporters in Washington enjoy and cherish their routine access to the chief of state which is not matched elsewhere. Some commentators on government have compared the White House news conference with the British Parliament's question hour as a vital part of the governmental process.

There have been occasions—not many—when news conference questioners have forgotten they were addressing the President of the United States.

Red faced and angry, Mr. Eisenhower has pitched back at them. But the White House word long since was that he had come to enjoy his contacts with the news men and women. White House chief of staff Sherman Adams, with his hour-by-hour access to the President, probably would be in a better position than Nixon to take the news conferences, if there must be a substitute.

There is the possibility that the conferences might be put on a written question basis with such to be submitted to the President and the answers to be brought back by some spokesman. That is some-

thing fit to give an old time Washington reporter the quivers and shakes; a frustrating paper curtain.

The United Press paged cabinet officers to learn whether they would step up their conference schedules if White House conferences were abolished. Several thought they might do that.

On the whole, there seemed to be willingness to do what might

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