

FARM GROUP AGREES ON PLAN

In The
Day's News

BY FRANK JENKINS

In the fabulous old Greenbrier Hotel at White Sulphur Springs in West Virginia, which sits on a historic site that in the administration of President Van Buren, Tyler and Fillmore was the summer White House, an interesting conference is being held today.

In attendance at this meeting are President Dwight Eisenhower of the U.S.A., Premier Louis St. Laurent of Canada and President Adolfo Ruiz Cortines of Mexico. These Western Hemisphere leaders are accompanied by a few of their top administrative assistants.

It is presumed that their brief session — which included an informal dinner last night, and will include an informal luncheon meeting at noon today and a closing dinner tonight at which President Eisenhower will be host — they will discuss world affairs, which are growing on the tense side.

Here is the interesting part of it:

It is just possible that these leaders of the three great nations of the New World may touch in their discussions upon the vitally important topic of what the New World will do if the Old World insists upon tearing itself to pieces.

It is a sound idea.

Whatever happens in the world at large — and almost anything might happen — the United States, Canada and Mexico should act in concert — like the Three Musketeers, all for one and one for all.

That fact, I think, is self-evident.

You shake your head about Mexico?

Wait a minute. Remember that from Mexico Spain came a near dominating the New World and might have managed it if the officials she sent out to rule in the domains she had conquered hadn't been so greedy and so cruel.

Then there was France.

In the middle of the nineteenth century, with the United States distracted by its tragic Civil War, Emperor Napoleon III got the idea that he might seize for France the opportunity to rule the New World from Mexico — which Spain had flubbed. So he sent over Maximilian and made him Emperor of Mexico and backed him in his job with French troops.

It was a flat violation of our Monroe Doctrine, of course, but we were far too busy at the time with our own bloody and terrible family quarrel to do anything about it. But in time the Civil War came to an end, and without losing any time we ordered Napoleon III to get his troops out of Mexico PRONTO — or else.

We had then the greatest military force in the world, and the third Napoleon bowed to the inevitable and got out. Left without his European support, Maximilian was overthrown by Benito Juarez, the great Mexican Liberator. He was captured and executed by Juarez.

That ended Old World hopes of dominating the New World from Mexico.

The Republic of Mexico has been weak and impotent — as a result of being badly mismanaged and misruled during most of its career. But something new is stirring down there. Because of all that is happening, there is reason to hope that in time Mexico may take her place along with the United States and the Dominion of Canada as a stabilizing influence in the Western Hemisphere.

At any rate, this meeting of the heads of state of the United States and Canada and Mexico at White Sulphur Springs is an interesting development. It could be a very important development.

PERFECT RECORD

CORVALLIS (AP) — Dick Mason, Oregon State College football halfback, turned in another perfect record in the just-concluded winter quarter. It was the third time in two years he has had all A grades — and he did it while carrying 22 hours of studies. The normal load is 16 hours.

Senate Shouts Down First Electoral College Plans

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Tuesday shouted down the first of a series of proposals put before it as suggested substitutes for the present electoral college system of electing presidents and vice presidents.

A voice vote rejected a constitutional amendment offered by Sen. Humphrey (D-Minn.), which would have put into effect this system.

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Eisenhower, Dulles Set To Give American Stand

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. Va. (AP) — President Eisenhower, Canadian Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent and President Adolfo Ruiz Cortines of Mexico opened a wide-ranging survey of world problems and U.S. foreign policies Tuesday in their North American summit conference.

The Mexican and Canadian leaders looked to Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles for a full exposition of American policies, including moves in the Middle East crisis.

U.S. officials indicated Eisenhower and Dulles were prepared to cover the globe during the one scheduled business meeting of the White Sulphur Springs session. Other gatherings have been or will be mealtime talks.

The good neighbor meeting got going Monday night on the basis of dinner table exchanges.

Eisenhower took part in the informal round of talks apparently not aware that three persons were

French Plan More Troops

PARIS (UP) — The cabinet met with President Rene Coty today to discuss means of finding 50,000 additional troops to reinforce the French Army in terror-ridden Algeria.

The government has assembled half the 100,000 reinforcements demanded by Algeria Minister Robert Lacoste by stripping France's Atlantic coast forces almost to the vanishing point. It appeared they could find the remainder only by calling reservists to the colors.

Socialist Premier Guy Mollet made the decision possible last night by telling a nationwide radio audience the "two hated to face some necessities — the recall of a certain number of young soldiers, including some who have already served 22 months."

A dozen persons were killed in Algeria yesterday, but the principal cause of death was the result of the French troops' battle with the Algerian guerrillas. At least 16 persons were killed in the aftermath of Sunday's elections.

One Arab leader was shot dead on his doorstep in Tunis less than 24 hours after being elected to Tunisia's constitutional Assembly.

Under the present system the election mob in Hala, 125 miles to the southwest.

The other casualties occurred in the southern mountains of Tunisia, where French troops are battling guerrillas trying to slip through from training camps in Libya to the Algerian hills.

Officials Confer On Bond Sales

George Minnaugh, Oregon savings bond division head for the U.S. Treasury Department, arrived in Klamath Falls Monday to confer with Myron Shannon, manager of the South Sixth Street branch of the First National Bank and Klamath County savings bond chairman and with other local savings bond workers.

A continuous drive is conducted by the treasury department for the sale of savings bonds. Minnaugh reported. He said that preparations are being made over the state for the observance of the 15th anniversary of the sale of "E" type savings bonds on May 1.

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wide primary for the nomination of candidates for these offices. The principal plan is a two-part compromise which originally had 54 Senate sponsors. Some have since withdrawn support.

This led Sen. Kennedy (D-Mass.) a leading opponent, to predict it would be defeated along with any variations which are offered.

To be adopted, a constitutional amendment must be approved by two thirds of those voting in the Senate and House, and must be ratified by three fourths of the states.

These are the alternatives under the compromise proposal:

1. A state's electoral vote could be divided among presidential candidates in proportion to the popular vote they received, or
2. A state could choose its electors as its selects its senators and representatives in Congress — two on a statewide basis and the others by congressional districts.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through Tuesday night. Increasing cloudiness Wednesday with occasional light rain in afternoon. Highs 45-50 Wednesday. Low Tuesday night 22-28.

High yesterday 35
Low last night 20
Precip. last 24 hours .04
Precip. since Oct. 1 17.91
Same period last year 4.42
Normal for period 9.31

Both the U.S. Secret Service, which guards the President, and the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad were investigating the affair.

"We don't think there has been any plot aimed at the President," said Secret Service Chief U. E. Baughman. "But we do want to find out all there is to know about the situation."

Aside from today's business session, the conference schedule included a luncheon meeting and a closing dinner tonight with Eisenhower playing host to Canadian Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent and Mexican President Adolfo Ruiz Cortines.

The North American Big Three opened their unprecedented meeting with a dinner last night. Ruiz Cortines sat on the President's right; St. Laurent, at his left. Their foreign ministers and other advisers were ranged around the long table in the Greenbrier Hotel.

The talk was entirely informal and the atmosphere cordial and friendly, said White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty.

Although no formal toasts were proposed, Eisenhower raised his wine glass at one point and declared his hope and desire for peace, happiness and friendship among us.

Ruiz Cortines toasted the "continuation of the greatest cordiality between us," then broadened his sentiments to cover the "American continent."

Lester B. Pearson, Canada's minister for external affairs, spoke of continued friendly relations of the three countries and toasted "to the United States, surrounded by the oceans and by Mexico and Canada."

Robert Parquetson, press officer for the Canadian delegation, told reporters, "The President was in great form and carried the conversation, and everybody enjoyed himself."

If any serious business was discussed at the dinner the spokesmen gave no sign of it. All official comment indicated that the main result of the sessions here would be to dramatize friendly relations among the North American powers.

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Boards Select Names For New Klamath Falls Schools

Klamath Falls will have two new schools, Ponderosa Junior High School and the Lucile O'Neill Elementary School, because of action taken Monday night at a joint meeting of the school boards of districts one and two.

Scott Warren and Tom O'Harra, chairmen of the respective boards, presided, and called for a vote to name the two schools which will be built in Klamath Falls to take care of the rapidly increasing school needs of this city.

Ponderosa was chosen as the name for the proposed million dollar junior high school to be erected on the Mountain View housing site because the name relates the school to one of the basic industries of the Klamath Basin, explained Arnold Gralapp, superintendent of schools. The symbol of pine also lends itself to architectural design as well as mural and photographic interior decoration, he added.

The other school will be for elementary grades and is planned as a 500-student school. It will take the elementary students from Ponderosa and the overflow from Mills School on a temporary basis as the new school is under construction.

Naming it the Lucile O'Neill School for Mrs. Victor E. O'Neill pays tribute to a well known educator and untiring worker for better schools in our community.

O'Harra said, Mrs. O'Neill was a member of the elementary school board which arranged for purchase of the property on which the school will stand. The site, which was taken into the corporate city limits last year, is bounded by Avalon, Shasta Way, Washburn Way and Eberlein and consists of nearly 30 acres of land.

Mrs. O'Neill was an instructor at Klamath Union High School for many years, has served on local school boards, state boards of education and last fall was a delegate to the White House Conference on Education at Washington, D.C.

Thirty-eight names were proposed to the school boards for the new schools. After several special meetings, the list was reduced to four and the two chosen by official action Monday night.

In other business at the meeting, Gralapp reported that the plans for additions and remodeling at KUHS are in the final drafting stage and are expected to be presented by Howard Perrin to the board for approval in the very near future. After approval, bid invitations will be advertised so that work can start as soon as possible.

He also requested Congress to double the amount of authorized aid for school facilities for pupils living on tax exempt federal property—largely Indian reservations at the present time.

Congress started the program of assistance to local school districts six years ago on a year to year basis. By July 1, Federal expenditures on the program will reach an estimated \$61 million dollars to some 3,000 local districts.

Brownell urged a two-year extension of the aid program for school operations, and suggested action be deferred until next session to permit his department to come up with some long-range suggestions.

As part of the construction program, Brownell asked that the present 20 million dollar limitation on new schools for pupils on Indian reservations be raised to 40 millions.

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Dorris Well Bids Opened

At a special meeting of the Dorris city council held Monday evening in the city hall, two bids for construction of a new municipal well were opened.

Bidders were L. C. Parkington, Butte City, California, whose bid was \$8,130, and V. F. (Poky) Enlow of Dorris, whose bid was \$9,830.35.

Mayor Howard Beeson and Councilman Orin Wallace were absent from the meeting. Bob Edgar, as acting mayor, adjourned the meeting until this evening and asked the city engineer to investigate the equipment and the Parkington well-drilling firm as it is unknown to members of the council. Enlow is known to have good, up-to-date equipment and has drilled successful wells in the area.

Action on the bids was postponed until the city engineer can make a report to the council.

Estes Whirls Along Tour

LOS ANGELES (UP) — A confident Sen. Estes Kefauver appeared unperturbed today by reports that Adlai E. Stevenson was coming to California on a "stop Kefauver" trip.

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Flood Threat Said Reduced

YAKIMA (AP) — The danger of floods in the Yakima Valley had all but vanished, at least for the present, Tuesday as the temperature dipped toward the freezing level.

The overnight low was about 26 degrees, halting high time runoff from the heavy snow cover laid down during the winter. All creeks and rivers in the area were receding.

Guy Longmire, president of the Wenas Irrigation District, said fears that a damaged wooden section of the Wenas Reservoir overflow spillway might ultimately cause collapse of the dam 20 miles northwest of here were unfounded.

The spillway was damaged during the weekend when a huge boulder smashed into it. At first it was thought that water spewing from the sagging spillway might undercut the dam and cause its collapse.

Longmire said Monday night, however, that there was no danger to the dam, even if the spillway collapsed.

Hitchcock Talks To Lane GOP

EUGENE (AP) — Philip S. Hitchcock told the Lane County Republican Central Committee Monday night that "the integrity of the free primary system is at stake" in the coming election.

Hitchcock, seeking the GOP nomination for the U. S. Senate in a race against Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay, arrived here after a statewide campaign tour.

He said he feels Republican voters "have the right to make their own free choice on who will be the candidate in the general election. I am running because I believe I can win."

ARMY CALLS BIDS

PORTLAND (AP) — Army Engineers here will call for bids Thursday for construction of a water diversion tunnel at the Cougar reservoir damsite on the south fork of the McKenzie River.

The bids will be opened April 27 and the work is to be completed by March 1, 1957.

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River Channel Funds Requested

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Coon (R-Ore.) Monday urged House appropriations subcommittee to earmark funds this year for the work of dredging a 27-foot channel in the Columbia River from Bonneville to The Dalles, Ore.

Coon said estimated cost of the project is \$1,600,000 and said at least 60 per cent of the total should be available in 1956.

The project was not included in the President's budget.

The channel would open The Dalles to ocean shipping, Coon said, and with cheap power soon to be available from The Dalles Dam, would speed industrial development of the city. An aluminum plant which would import bauxite in ocean-going vessels may be located there, Coon said.

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