

United Nations Group Aims To Wipe Out Illiteracy

By MILTON BESSER
 UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—Man may travel soon to the moon, but the ability of thousands of humans to read about it may diminish rather than increase.

This is because rapid growth of world population is outstripping energetic campaigns aimed at seeing that all mankind is able to read and write.

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organiza-

tion (UNESCO) has just completed a study of world illiteracy at mid-century—the first to contain estimates on illiteracy in every country and territory of the world.

Figures in the study are based on the situation around 1950. The time lag of seven years is due to the fact that some countries do not have any figures beyond 1950.

It is estimated there are about 700 million adults unable either to read or write in the world today. They represent 44 per cent of the

total world population 15 years of age and older.

The larger portions of the world's illiterates are found in Asia and Africa. But at least one country in the Western Hemisphere has a more than 15 million adult illiterates and 10 European countries have at least a million illiterates in that age group.

The study and another undertaken by UNESCO surveying primary education show that while the world's illiteracy rate has been

declining the proportion of children enrolled in school has been increasing.

Dr. Luther Evans, UNESCO director general, says there is a distinct possibility the total number of adult illiterates may increase rather than decrease in the near future.

Dr. Evans says Brazil, for example, reduced its adult illiteracy rate from 65 to 51 per cent between 1900 and 1950, but the total number of illiterates increased

from 6 1/2 to 15 million. Egypt reduced its illiteracy rate from 93 to 80 per cent in a 40-year period. But its illiteracy population increased by 50 per cent, or six to nine million, in the same period.

He says that under certain conditions this could happen to the world as a whole.

The conditions are: If the world population growth is maintained; if the present enrollment in primary schools is not increased rapidly; if the present number of adult illiterates is not reduced by emergency measures.

The U.N. has estimated that the world's population is growing at the rate of 1 1/2 per cent a year. This means an annual increase of at least 20 million school age children.

Atomic Ship Bid Awarded

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States will launch a nuclear-powered merchant ship in 1959.

A \$30,908,744 contract for construction of the vessel was awarded yesterday to the New York Shipbuilding Corp. of Camden, N.J.

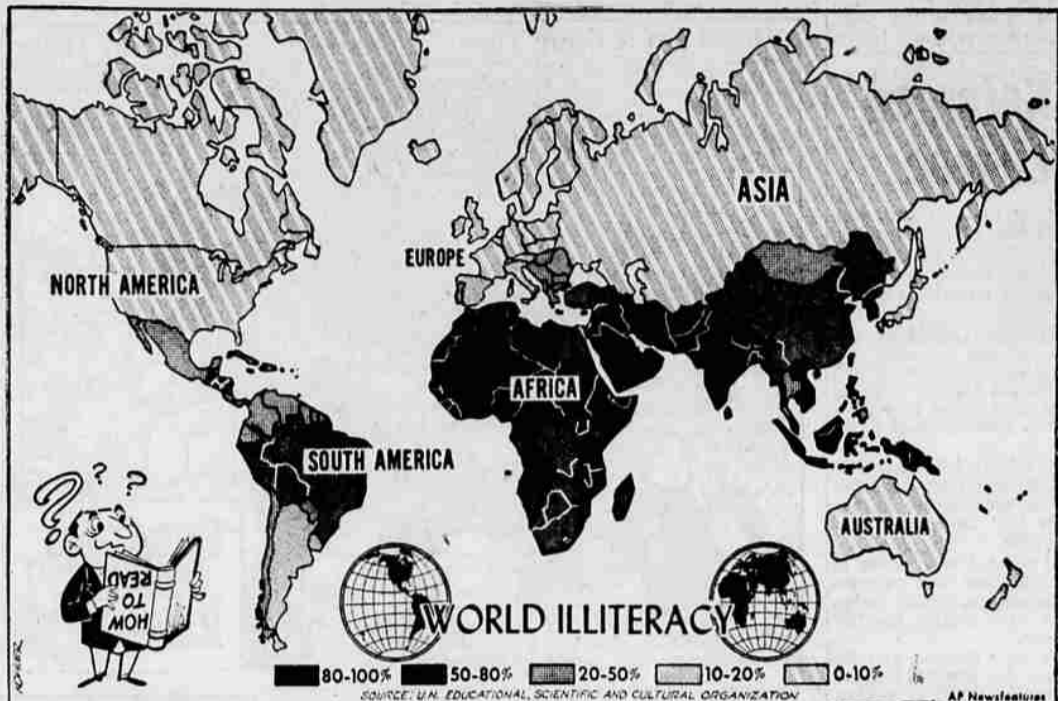
A joint announcement by the Maritime Administration and the Atomic Energy Commission said the atomic propulsion system would be supplied by Babcock & Wilcox Co. under a separate contract with AEC for another nine million dollars.

The ship, to be named the NS (for nuclear ship) Savannah, is to be 587 feet long, have a beam of 78 feet, a service speed of 20

knots and a deadweight tonnage of 10,190 tons, the announcement said.

Congress authorized construction of the vessel in July 1956 after President Eisenhower proposed the launching as a demonstration of U.S. determination to develop peaceful applications for atomic energy.

The Province of Vergaras in Panama belongs in perpetuity to Christopher Columbus and his heirs.



Reds Issue Death Terms

VIENNA (AP)—A Bulgarian Communist court has sentenced two former merchants to death for the private production and sale of dye materials.

The Sofia newspaper Otetschestven Front, received here today, said Lambri and Atanas Lambrev two brothers, owned a dye firm which the Communists nationalized. However, the brothers continued with their own production and sales, the paper said.

Seventeen others, convicted of aiding the brothers in their "illegal work" and sharing the profits, were sentenced to prison terms ranging from 3 to 15 years.

Rackets Chief Faces Term In Jail On Probation Rap

NEW YORK (AP)—The federal government has taken steps to put Vincent J. Squillante, self-styled godson of murdered mobster Albert Anastasia and reputed garbage racket kingpin, in prison for the first time in his career.

The 5-foot-1 silent witness at last week's Senate hearings on gangster control of the garbage carting industry here was hauled into federal court yesterday and charged with violating probation by consorting with known criminals and hoodlums. He also was accused of concealing his 1956 income from the federal probation department.

Federal Judge Irving R. Kaufman set Monday for a hearing on a petition to revoke Squillante's probation. Bail was set at \$10,000, which the former fruit peddler posted.

Squillante, 40, has been on probation since 1953, when he pleaded guilty to a 1950 government charge of failing to file 1948 and 1949 income tax returns. He also received a \$1,000 fine and a suspended sentence.

While Squillante squirmed nervously in a chair at the counsel table—frequently whispering to his attorney Irving Bush—U.S. Atty. Paul W. Williams heatedly told the court yesterday:

"This man is not a small man. He is reputedly the head of one of the biggest rackets operating in New York City, and he is being investigated by the district attorneys of Queens and New York (Manhattan) counties.

"Let us not pretend that we are dealing with a poor little man here in relation to a mere violation of probation. He is the head of two of the biggest carting associations in the city, which have been engaged in shaking down business people."

When the judge asked Squillante if he wanted to plead to the charges of probation violation and concealing his 1956 income, the executive director of the Greater New York Cartmen's Assn. and "labor consultant" to the trade waste removers of Greater New York, replied: "I deny both of them."

Among the known criminals he associated with, according to Williams, were Joey Feola, alias Joey Surprise, who killed a police officer in a holdup and was convicted of manslaughter, and Frank Scalliso, "a major narcotics violator" assassinated in a Bronx fruit store last June.

Williams asked Kaufman to revoke Squillante's probation and remand him to jail pending sentencing on his 1953 guilty plea. At that time he was to pay the government \$14,500 in taxes he allegedly owed.

On Feb. 3, 1956, by which time he had paid only a small portion of the money owed, the court extended his probation an additional two years.

Shortly after the extension, Squillante paid up the \$14,500 in full and asked that probation be withdrawn. Kaufman refused on the ground that members of two cartmen's associations had contributed to payment of the money.

Experts Plan College Tour

NEW YORK (AP)—Hoping to stimulate a greater interest in physics, a group of top-flight physicists plans to visit 100 American colleges and universities by next June.

Each physicist, in a program sponsored by the American Institute of Physics, will spend about three days on a campus and will visit one or more colleges.

At the same time, 60 high schools will be visited by scientists in the next several months in a parallel project.

The program has as one objective an improvement in the teaching of science on both education levels. The National Science Foundation and the Ford Foundation's Fund for the Advancement of Education are footing the bill.

"We are attacking the problem at the school and college level in order to develop an informed citizenry who will appreciate the role of science in a technological society," said Dr. Elmer Hutchisson, director of the institute.

Medical Aid Plan Rapped

CHICAGO (AP)—The American Medical Assn. has announced its strong opposition to a bill in Congress to pay hospitalization and medical benefits to persons receiving Social Security benefits.

Dr. David B. Allman of Atlantic City, AMA president, said in a statement that "this proposal is clearly 'socialized medicine' for a segment of the American people."

"The enactment of this legislation," he added, "will permit the federal government to withdraw social security taxes on a compulsory basis from almost the entire working population and use those taxes to reimburse hospitals and physicians for services rendered to all persons eligible to receive old age and survivors benefits."

"Twelve to 13 million people now receiving Social Security payments would receive the hospitalization and medical benefits under terms of the bill introduced by Rep. Aime Forand (D-RI).

Altamont Junior High News

By BOB BURNETT

Intramural volleyball started last Monday with eight homerooms competing in a round robin tournament. A prize will be given to the room with the best win record.

When the first report cards came out the following people were on the honor roll:

Janet Fowler, Jane Carlson, Cecilia Crouse, Jane Black, David Poole, Kathy McGreevy, Susan Walkley, Sheryl Wilson, Jean Moore, Marvi Waybrun, Kathy Ellington, John Cole, Antonette McKibban, Christine Bruns, Martha Pierson, Chris Carter, Lynden Bowen, Susan Meryman, Sandra Nichols, Susan Perisotto, Katy Brauner, Linda Bergman. Qualifications for the Honor Roll are a 1.5 grade average and good citizenship.

Final tallies of the magazine drive were figured and we had gone over the top by \$296.54. Our quota was \$3,300. Janet Fowler was top salesman, breaking the \$200 barrier.

Mrs. Borden, special education teacher, has been out of school, severely ill for two weeks. It is doubtful that she will return this school year. We hope that she has a quick recovery.

Annie Oakley, the sharpshooter, could perforate by pistol shots the spots on a handful of playing cards tossed in the air.

Pilots Survive Jet Collision

BELLEVILLE, Ill. (AP)—Two Air Force fighter pilots escaped miraculously last night when their Sabre Jets collided on a night training mission from Scott Air Force Base at Belleville.

"I don't remember much of what happened," said Lt. William R. McDaniel, 23, Fort Worth, Tex. "I think my plane hit another and exploded. I must have fallen from five miles up."

Lt. James H. Metz, Poplar Bluff, Mo., also managed to take to his parachute and landed in a plowed field barely hurt.

Mrs. Roland Scheutz, who lives on a farm at Mascoutah, Ill., found McDaniel lying on her back porch, bloody and nearly frozen.

"He was shivering and nervous and looked terrified," she said.

The base hospital reported McDaniel had several cuts and a possible back injury but did not seem seriously hurt.

The two fliers are members of the 85th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron at Scott. They collided about five minutes after taking off. Parts of their planes fell six miles from the point of impact.

4-H NEWS

SEWING CLUB

Our 4-H sewing club just started a few weeks ago. We have not chosen a name for our club as yet.

We recently elected officers, they are as follows:

President, Diane Meade; vice president, Mary Carol Alvis; secretary, Karin Anne Floren; recreation chairman, Kathy Murdock and news reporter, Evelyn Dalton. Our leader is Mrs. Joe Schuh.

We have refreshments every meeting. The members will take turns bringing the refreshments. We'll have the meetings at Mrs. Schuh's house.

On November 13 we took a tour through the yardgoods department at J. C. Penney and Company. There we learned about the different kinds and grades of cotton material and what kind would be best to use for the articles we make in our 4-H club project.

The meeting was adjourned by our president, Diane Meade.

Evelyn Dalton
 News Reporter



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Remember the sweet, sun-dried smell of your Mother's freshly-washed sheets? Remember the fluffy softness of her towels — the clean, fresh look of her cottons? She used real soap. White King Soap. That kind of deep-clean, soap-clean wash can be yours too, next washday, with White King. After just one wash, clothes dulled and stiffened by years of other products will feel a bit softer, look a bit newer, smell lots, lots sweeter! Try it and see!

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